Maryborough CBD Flood Resilience Project

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

Question – What is the Maryborough CBD Flood Resilience Project?

Answer – Fraser Coast Regional Council (Council) has recently received funding through the State Government’s Royalties for the Region Funding Program for a project which will increase flood immunity to parts of the Maryborough CBD by:-

- Constructing sections of permanent levee walls;
- Constructing sections of temporary (portable) levee walls;
- Constructing a permanent pump station and undertaking associated drainage works; and
- Raising sections of Adelaide Street.

Question – Where can I see a map of the alignment of the project?

Answer – A map showing the alignment of the Maryborough CBD Flood Resilience Project is available on Council’s website www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au.

Council is committed to keeping Fraser Coast residents regularly updated throughout the project and has developed a project specific webpage on its website.

The project specific webpage is available on Council website and by clicking on the “Maryborough CBD Flood Resilience Project” heading in the Quick Links section of the home page.

This webpage will be updated as regularly as possible.

Question – Who is funding this project and how much will it cost?

Answer – The project is being funded jointly by Council and the State Government through its Royalties for the Region funding program.

The total estimated cost of the project is $6,034,596 with Council contributing $1,206,920 and the State Government contributing $4,827,676. (Note - all $ figures quoted are exclusive of GST).

Question – What benefits to the community will the project deliver?

Answer -

- increased immunity to part of the Maryborough CBD to a River Gauge Level of 11.4m (10.0m AHD);
- Additional time for evacuation and preparation activities during major flood events;
- Greater confidence for CBD property owners; and
- Reduction in impact on individuals and businesses when residents are unable to work, or shops to open, due to flooding.
Question - What are the project milestones and their estimated timeframes?

Answer –

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Question – What level of flood immunity will the project deliver?

Answer – Comprehensive modelling has been undertaken by the consultant which indicates increased flood immunity to a portion of the Maryborough CBD to a level of 10.0m AHD (River Gauge 11.4m).

Question – How will the works be contracted out?

Answer – The project has been broken down into a number of components and accordingly a number of difference contracting methods may be utilised.

It is expected that tenders, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009, will be called in late October for the supply & delivery of the removable flood barriers & gates components.

Subsequent tenders will be called later in the project which relate to the permanent levee wall components, the pump station and associated drainage and the civil works for Adelaide Street and Kent Street. These tenders may be packaged or may be called separately.

Question – When did Council resolve to undertake this project?

Answer – Council’s resolution to submit this project for State Government funding was made at its General Council Meeting held on 16 April, 2014.

Following the Council Resolution, a funding application for 2 priorities (those being Priority 1 Granville Bridge Approaches and Portable Flood Barrier System & Priority 2 Flood Mitigation works in CBD including Raising of Adelaide Street and Portable Flood Barrier System) was submitted to the Local Government Community Recovery and Resilience Funding program.

Council was then advised by the State Government that Priority 2 within the funding application had been successful.