Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry- Questionaire for Local Controllers (Doug Churchill- Aramac- Barcaldine Regional Council)

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1.Structure of SES units

1.1 Aramac unit includes Aramac & Muttaburra with 7 members in Aramac and 8 in Muttaburra

1.2 There are no paid members in eiyher Aramac or Muttaburra

1.3 Barcaldine Regional Council has 3 Local Controllers (1-old Aramac Shire,1- old Jericho Shire, 1 -old Barcaldine Shire)

1.4 Each Local controller knows there area well which is very helpful in operational times

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2.1 Yes

2.2 Yes

2.3 Yes

2.4 Yes

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3.1 During the 2010/2011 Aramac/Muttaburra groups organised food drops for Muttaburra and properties sourinding both Aramac and Mutt Ferried people across Aramac and Bullock Creeks. Searched for persons swept off Cornish Creek Closed Roads and completed road reports

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4.1 Local Controler organises equipment and resources for operations and attends disaster meetings and reports to the relevent parties

4.2 CEO Regional Council and EMQ

4.3 Phone calls from locals and 132500 and local Govt

4.4 Whoever is available,ring around

4.5 No

4.6 No

4.7 No

4.8 Aphoneconferences

B phone conferences

C phone conferenences

4.9 Meetings to discuss any problems

4.10 EMQ Area director -Checking to make sure units have enough resources and notifiy any bad storms headind our way.

4.11 Contact with QAS and QPS about roads ,resources available and any emergent supplies of tabletsetc

4.12 No groups worked well together

4.13 Resources supply and resupply helping local controllers ,reporting to other govt agencies and Ministers

5.1 Phones,(Satelite,Mobile),Emails and Text,Radio and Television.

5.2 No

5.3 Yes Two ways have SES, Council Emergency Channell, have QAS and QS mobile Nos and a CATCOM And FIRECOM can communicate.

6.1 Local Govt and State Govt

6.2 No

6.3 Yes

6.4 Yes

6.5 Yes

6.6 No

7.1 Making training more transferable

7.2 Need to be able to use volunteers that are known to controllers without being a SES Member.
The whole idea of SES should be Volunteers not nessesarily SES members. Lot harder to get anyone to give unpaid time to train.

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