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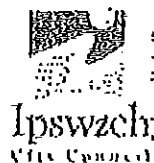
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### Natural Disasters Risk Management Studies Program Stage 3 Risk Evaluation and Treatment

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## Executive Summary

### Risk Management Process

The Natural Disaster Risk Management Report for Ipswich City Council has been undertaken in three Stages, namely:

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|----------------|--|
| <b>Stage 1</b> | Risk assessment identifying impact of potential hazards and evaluation of whether risks are acceptable to the community, and preliminary review of treatment options.  |
| <b>Stage 2</b> | Hydrological and hydraulic studies for the non-urban areas of Ipswich<br>Detailed flood vulnerability analysis for the whole City, including local tributary floods.<br>Flood extent mapping for the whole City. |
| <b>Stage 3</b> | Further risk treatment studies as required.<br>Development of options to reduce unacceptable risk<br>Preparation of reports for submission to DES  |

Council established a risk management team comprising a Project Steering Committee and a Study Advisory Group. Council was assisted in **Stages 1 and 3** by Consultant Fisher Stewart Queensland Pty. Ltd., and in **Stage 2** by Halliburton KBR Pty. Ltd. A Community Reference Group (CRG) was formed in **Stage 1**, and 2 CRG Workshops were held.

The Study has been undertaken according to the process set out in Zamecka and Buchanan (2000), and in the *DES Guidelines for the undertaking of Disaster Risk Management Studies*. This report and the accompanying *Natural Disaster Mitigation Report* have been prepared according to these Guidelines.

The methodology in the above publications has been expanded to provide more spatial detail by the use of GIS techniques. In addition to the mapping capability of the GIS, the census data was obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics ABS on a census collection district (CCD) basis, thereby enabling statistics on properties flooded, for example, to be computed on a CCD basis, and also enables community vulnerability to be evaluated on a CCD basis. This approach has provided useful information to identify high priority areas.

The formal reports are supported by reports on the 3 Study Stages comprising:

#### Stage 1

*Preliminary Natural Disaster Risk Management Report*, prepared by Fisher Stewart Queensland Pty. Ltd. (Nov 2001)



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## Stage 2

*Ipswich Rivers Flood Studies* prepared by Halliburton KBR Pty. Ltd. (Jan 2002)  
*Local Storm Flood Mapping* prepared by Halliburton KBR Pty. Ltd. (March 2002)

## Stage 3

This report entitled, *Risk Evaluation and Treatment*, prepared by Fisher Stewart Queensland Pty. Ltd. (August 2002). This outlines further risk evaluation studies, and provides more information in regards to proposed treatments.

In addition to the work undertaken for this study, a great deal of useful information was available from the work of AGSO (2001) *Community Risk Analysis in Ipswich City*.

Council has also submitted a number of Status Reports as required by its agreement with DES.

## Key Issues

Stage 1 of the Study considered all credible natural disasters affecting Ipswich. These are:

- Floods;
- Severe Storms;
- Bushfires;
- Earthquakes;
- Landslides;
- Extreme Temperatures.

It was determined from the risk analysis and evaluation, that risks were acceptable in relation to: earthquakes, landslides and extreme temperatures, and that the only treatment required in respect of these hazards is to raise community awareness of both the risks and procedures to minimise the risks.

In respect of the other hazards, i.e. floods, severe storms and bushfires, it was determined that the risks are currently unacceptable, and that prevention/mitigation measures are warranted as well as measures to raise the community awareness.

Of the risks posed by these hazards, the greatest risks are posed by flooding. Studies determined that of the population of 126,853 (1996 census):

- 2,300 people will be flooded in a 20 Year ARI event;
- 5,800 people will be flooded in a 50 Year ARI event;
- 9,300 people will be flooded in a 100 Year ARI event; and
- Approximately 54,000 people will be flooded in a Probable Maximum Flood.



Floods, therefore, have the potential to cause major disasters in Ipswich. The **1974 flood** was the largest recorded in the 20<sup>th</sup> century (20.7m at the Ipswich flood gauge), in which approximately **2,000 properties** were affected, with **41 properties swept away** and **600 fully submerged**. A recurrence of the 1974 flood would now result in approximately **4,700 properties** being affected due to further increase in floodplain occupation in the period since 1974.

Work on local tributary flooding, undertaken as part of this study, has been used to identify *Primary Flow Paths*, which are defined as the areas flooded as a result of a 100 Year ARI in each tributary catchment, but in the absence of backwater effects from either the Brisbane or Bremer Rivers. There are **4,300 people** living within these *primary flow paths*, in which risks are high, not only of flooding, but of houses being swept away by floodwaters. Reduction of flooding in the primary flow paths is a major objective of the Mitigation Plan.

A provisional list of road closures was developed during Stage 3 for events of 20, 50 and 100 years ARI. This showed a total of **1.13 roads** cut during only a **20 Year ARI** event.

Significantly this includes sections of:

- The Ipswich Motorway at the Goodna Creek, Woogaroo Creek and Six Mile Creek crossings;
- Brisbane Road at the Bundamba Creek, Deebling Creek crossings;
- The Warrego Highway at the Bremer River, Sandy Creek (North), and Ironpot Creek crossings; and
- The Cunningham Highway at the Warrill Creek, Purga Creek, Deebling Creek, and Bundamba Creek crossings.

These are all important regional routes as well as major routes through Ipswich. A closure frequency of once in 20 years (on average) is unacceptable in respect of these critical routes, and they should be raised to the National Highway standard of 50 Year ARI flood immunity.

There are also a number of other lifeline and critical facilities located within flood liable areas, and steps should be taken to reduce these.

There are about **1,380 properties** (about **4,200 people**) located within areas of **high bushfire risk**, and a further **5,350 properties** (about **16,000 people**) in areas of **moderate bushfire risk**.



**Treatment Strategies**

The risk treatment strategies have been divided into 3 categories, namely:

- a) Actions already in hand or implemented;
- b) Actions endorsed by Council for implementation; and
- c) Proposed future actions subject to funding availability

Actions listed under c) require major funding and are beyond Council's ability to fund totally. This section also includes actions that are not within Council's responsibility.

Due to the scale of some of these actions, a ten-year implementation program is proposed. A summary of the costs of the actions proposed under b) and c) is given in **Table S1**. Details of the proposed treatment strategies are given in the *Natural Disaster Risk Management Report* (Fisher Stewart 2002a) and the *Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan* (Fisher Stewart 2002b).

**Table S1 Costs of Proposed Risk Treatment Actions**

Hazard	Estimated Costs Year 2002-2003	Estimated Costs Year 2003-2012	Estimated Costs Total
Floods – People and Buildings	\$2.07 million	\$164 million	\$166.1 million
Floods – Environment, Lifelines and Critical Facilities	\$0.35 million	\$137 million	\$137.4 million
<b>Floods Sub-total</b>	<b>\$2.42 million</b>	<b>\$301 million</b>	<b>\$303.5 million</b>
Severe Storms	\$0.25 million	\$23.1 million	\$23.4 million
Bushfires	\$0.19 million	\$20.6 million	\$20.8 million
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2.9 million</b>	<b>\$345 million</b>	<b>\$348 million</b>





## 1. Study Aims, Area and Scope

### 1.1. Study Aims

The purpose of the Study was to prepare a **Natural Disaster Risk Management Plan** and a **Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan** for Ipswich City. In turn, this may require amendments to Council's **Planning Scheme**, and its **Counter Disaster Plan**.

The Study was divided into 3 Stages as summarised in **Table 1**. These stages are as identified in the Project Plan approved by DES for the Study.

Following its completion of **Stage 1** of the Study, Fisher Stewart was engaged by Ipswich City Council to undertake **Stage 3**, which is the subject of the current report.

*Table 1 Summary of Project Stages*

Stage	Outcomes
1	Report on risk assessment identifying impact of potential hazards and evaluation of whether risks are acceptable to the community.
2	Report on hydrological and hydraulic studies for the non-urban areas of Ipswich. Report on detailed flood vulnerability analysis for the whole city.
3	Report on further risk treatment studies as required. Report on development of options to reduce unacceptable risk.

### 1.2. Study Area

Ipswich is located in the southeast corner of Queensland, about 40km west of Brisbane. The general location and the city boundaries are shown in the maps in **Figure 1**.

Ipswich City borders six other local government areas – Esk (to the north), Laidley (to the west), Boonah and Beaudesert (to the south), and Logan and Brisbane (to the east).

Ipswich City covers an area of 1775km<sup>2</sup> and lies largely in the Bremer River sub-catchment of the Brisbane River catchment. The Bremer River rises in the McPherson Range to the south and has a catchment area of 2030km<sup>2</sup>.



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The Bremer sub-catchment lies in the southern most corner of the Brisbane River catchment. The Brisbane River catchment encompasses an area of 13,750km<sup>2</sup>. The Bremer River flows through Ipswich City prior to its confluence with the Brisbane River near Moggill. The major tributaries of the Bremer River are Warrill, Purga and Bundamba Creeks. Warrill Creek accounts for approximately 2/3 of the Bremer River catchment and joins the Bremer River 10km upstream of Ipswich.

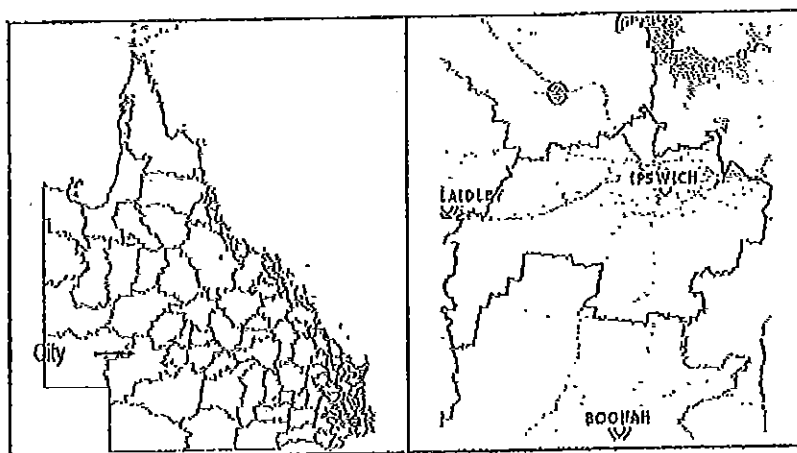


Figure 1 Location Map

The population of Ipswich City Local Government Area, as given by the 1996 Census, was 126,853. The suburbs of Carole Park, Karana Downs and Mount Crosby were transferred from Ipswich City to Brisbane City in 2000. The projected populations contained herein take account of these changes.

### 1.3. Scope of Work - Stage 3

This report refers to **Stage 3** of Council's *Natural Disaster Risk Management Program* and involves the consideration of risk treatment options for Ipswich City, and the preparation of reports for submission to the Department of Emergency Services.

The Scope of Work for **Stage 3** was developed at the conclusion of Stages 1 and 2, to meet the requirements of DES for the project within budgetary constraints.

The Scope of Work comprised:

- Undertaking further risk treatment studies as identified in Stage 1, in respect of the agreed unacceptable risks only, namely *flooding, severe storms, and bushfires*;



- ~~xx~~Development of risk treatment options in respect of the agreed unacceptable risks only;
- ~~xx~~Preparation of a report on risk treatment studies and options (this report);
- ~~xx~~Preparation of the **Natural Disaster Risk Management Report** and the **Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan** for submission to the Department of Emergency Services based on the processes, findings and outcomes of this study.

The agreed Scope of Work emphasised those tasks relating to areas in which Council has power to act; with Issues for which the power to act resides elsewhere, covered either by reference to the responsible agency for a response, or by a recommendation for such referral as appropriate.

These components are expanded upon in the following paragraphs:

#### 1.4. Risk Treatment and Option Studies

With reference to the treatment option tables developed from the second CRG workshop, further risk treatment studies and consideration of options were undertaken in respect of the following:

- xxflooding;
- xxSevere Storms; and
- xxBushfires.

The scope of these components are outlined below.

#### 1.4.1. Flooding

a) *Prevention/Mitigation*

- Brief investigation of the feasibility of construction of levees to reduce area flooded;
- Brief investigation other structural flood mitigation measures such as flood control storages including indicative costs and feasibility;
- Reporting on road damage costs and means of reducing in future;
- Taking account of current and proposed planning policies and procedures in respect of flood liable areas;
- Quantification of the number of flood affected houses which could practically be raised and estimate the cost thereof;



- Quantification of the number of commercial and industrial premises in the floodplain that could be flood proofed and estimate the cost thereof;
- Identification, quantification and prioritisation of properties for voluntary purchase by Council;
- Brief investigation of the scope for upgrading the flood warning hardware and of upgrading the flood forecasting procedures, including flash flooding;
- Identification of priority actions in respect of local stormwater flooding priority areas;
- Investigation of the need for and scope of river management works at key locations to prevent erosion and potential avulsion (course change);
- List the lifelines which would be flooded under various events up to PMF, and identify the priorities and costs of improving lifeline resilience (including roads);
- List the critical facilities, which would be flooded under various events up to PMF, together with a prioritised list for their relocation or flood proofing.

**b) Preparedness**

- Flood mapping for a range of flood magnitudes;
- Investigation of the sequence of closure, and subsequent availability for reopening, of roads in the flood liable areas, and identify any required improvements to ensure at least one means of access/egress to all areas;
- Structuring of an appropriate community awareness program in respect of inundation prevention, damage limitation, preparedness, response and recovery including flood management plans for communities and businesses;
- Investigation of projected future population throughout the flood liable areas, to enable the future needs for response personnel and equipment and their preferred locations to be undertaken;
- Investigation of the scope for and potential means of improving the interpretation of flood warnings;



- #### 1.4.2. Severe Storms

- 2.2.1 Brief review of the history of storm damage to overhead powerlines and telephone cables - review for patterns eg repeated failures in certain locations, repeated type of failure -- and refer to relevant service providers in respect of review engineering design with a view to improvement and cost of relocation underground at key locations;
- 2.2.2 Brief review of the history of storm damage to substantiate or otherwise the perception of "storm tracks" and increased storm risk in certain high exposure areas, with a view to better informing the community if they are in a high risk zone;
- 2.2.3 Identification of major road lifelines and consideration of the scope to reduce their storm hazard exposure;
- 2.2.4 Investigation as to whether critical facilities are reliant on single lifelines and consider duplication where they are.

- ~~2.2~~ Structuring of an appropriate community awareness program in respect of storm damage prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. This should include advise to owners of pre ~ 1980 buildings of current code requirements and encouragement of compliance with current best practice;
- ~~2.3~~ Investigation of projected future population throughout the study area, to enable the future needs for response personnel and equipment and their preferred locations to be undertaken;
- ~~2.4~~ Investigation of appropriate means of improving the addressing of rural properties;
- ~~2.5~~ Review the Ipswich City Council Counter Disaster Plan – Cyclone and Storm Sub Plans to ensure consistency with Study outcomes.



### 1.4.3. Bushfire

#### a) Prevention/Mitigation

- ~~2.2~~Take account of Council planning and design requirements for rural residential subdivisions;
- ~~2.2~~Refer the maintenance of overhead powerlines and telephone cables in rural areas, with a view to reducing incidence of ignition by lightning strikes to the relevant agencies for their response;
- ~~2.2~~List the lifelines passing through bushfire risk areas, and identify the priorities and costs of improving their resilience (including roads);
- ~~2.2~~List the critical facilities passing through bushfire risk areas, together with a prioritised list for their relocation or fireproofing.

#### b) Preparedness

- ~~2.2~~Structuring of an appropriate community awareness program in respect of fire prevention, damage limitation, preparedness, response and recovery including fire management plans for communities and businesses.
- ~~2.2~~Investigation of projected future population throughout the bushfire risk areas, to enable the future needs for response personnel and equipment and their preferred locations to be undertaken;
- ~~2.2~~Investigation appropriate means of improving the addressing of rural properties;
- ~~2.2~~Review the Ipswich City Council Counter Disaster Plan -- Bushfire Sub Plan to ensure consistency with Study outcomes.



#### 1.4.4. Consultation

Consultation in **Stage 3** comprised:

- Meetings of the SAG to discuss treatment options and draft recommendations; and
- Identification of interface issues with adjacent local authorities, and if warranted meet with representatives of those authorities to discuss impacts and matters of mutual interest and benefit.

#### 1.4.5. Stage 3 Report

The **Stage 3** report:

- Provides a concise report on the investigations undertaken in **Stage 3**,
- Outlines the treatment options considered,
- Makes recommendations for inclusion in the *Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan*.

#### 1.4.6. Reports to Department of Emergency Services

The following reports were prepared for submission to the *Department of Emergency Services*:

- The **Natural Disaster Risk Management Report**; and
- The **Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan**.

The first of these reports consolidated information provided in the individual reports on **Stages 1, 2 and 3** into a single document, whilst the second summarised the proposed strategies for mitigation of damage from future events, including an action plan for implementation.



## 2.1. Risk Evaluation

- ~~xx~~Flooding;
- ~~xx~~Severe Storms; and
- ~~xx~~Bushfires.

25. The rural parts of the City not covered by the previous hydraulic modelling studies, on the basis of a regional flood – that is flooding in the Brisbane River as well as the Bremer River and its tributaries, in which flood levels are increased in the Bremer River by way of backwater from the Brisbane River; and

**Halliburton KBR** undertook **Stage 2** and reference to its reports (Halliburton KBR 2002a, 2002b) should be made for details of this component.

The additional risk evaluation studies in respect of flooding, severe storms and bushfires are addressed in **Chapters 3 to 5** hereof respectively.

**Stage 3** focused on the identification and evaluation of a range of options to treat or mitigate these risks.

- Prevention/mitigation;



- Each of these seeks to reduce the impact of future events on the community. In the terms of the risk equation:

**RISK = HAZARD X ELEMENTS AT RISK X VULNERABILITY**

In respect of **prevention or mitigation**, treatments aim to either eliminate or reduce the adverse impact of the event, that is, they reduce the hazard or exposure to it. For example, in the context of flood risk, treatments in this category include both structural or works measures, such as construction of flood levees or flood proofing of buildings, and non-structural measures such as planning controls to limit development of the floodplain and hence reduce the exposure to the risk.

**Preparedness** measures accept that the hazard will occur at some future time, and seek to reduce the extent of harm, and damage resulting from the hazard, by reducing the community vulnerability. Measures in this category include; raising community awareness; improving the accuracy of warnings and the means of disseminating them to the community; and contingency planning.

**Response** measures seek to reduce the harm and damage to the community both during the event in the short term afterwards, by ensuring that well trained resources are available to act in response to a hazard situation, in order to assist community response, provide emergency accommodation and provisioning and response coordination.

**Recovery** measures seek to reduce the medium to long-term harm and damage by such activities as housing and financial assistance, counselling, and restoring lifelines and essential services.

Whilst the boundaries between these categories are not fixed, they do provide a useful means of classification of treatment options.

The risk treatment studies in respect of flooding, severe storms and bushfires are addressed in **Chapters 3 to 5** hereof respectively.

As future populations need to be quantified in relation to all hazards, population projections are dealt with in the following paragraph in this section.

### 2.3. Population Projections

The population of Ipswich (local government area in 1996, from the census of that year, was 126,853. This is concentrated in the urban areas. Historic and projected populations for Ipswich are given in Figure 2, which is based on Figures in AGSO (2001a) and DLGP (2001).

Figure 2 shows an increasing growth rate from about 1970, which is projected to continue. The projections in DLGP (2001) for Ipswich are based on 1.55% pa for 2001 – 2011 and 1.8% pa for 2011 – 2021.

The Stage 1 Report (Fisher Stewart 2001) also showed population distribution by CCD. This shows a marked variation across the area, with the most densely populated area, the Diamond Street area of Riverview, having a population density of 2840 km<sup>2</sup>. Six other CCDs have a density of more than 2500 persons km<sup>2</sup>, these being in the suburbs of Collingwood Park, Eastern Heights, Leichhardt, Raceview, Redbank Plains and Silkstone. Conversely, the lowest population densities are in the rural areas, where densities of less than 50 km<sup>2</sup> occur. The lowest population density in Ipswich of less than 1 km<sup>2</sup> is in Opossum Creek.

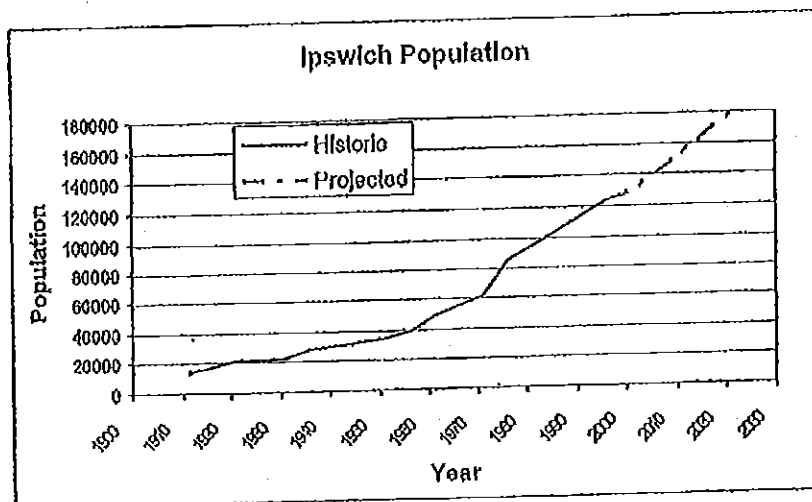


Figure 2 Historic and Projected Population in Ipswich

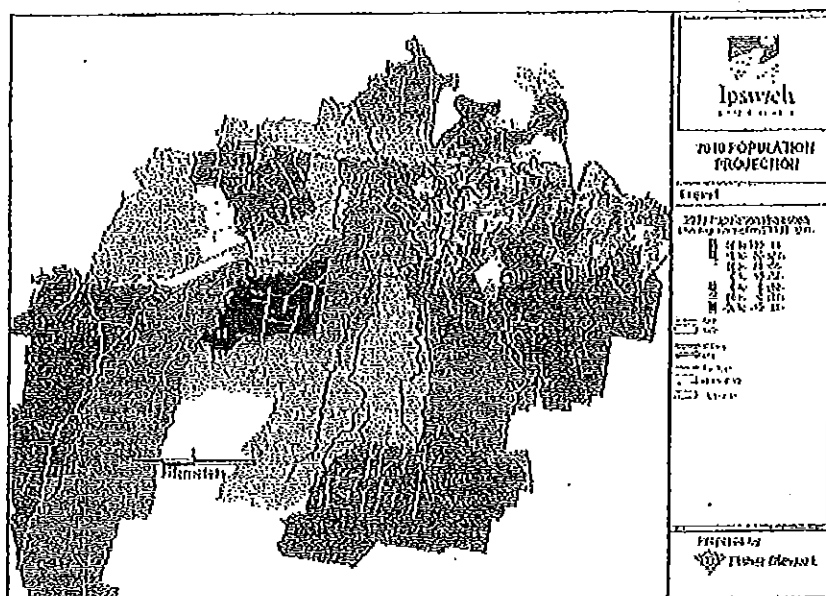


For the purpose of **Stage 3**, Council provided population projections on a CCD and suburb basis, with projected populations of:

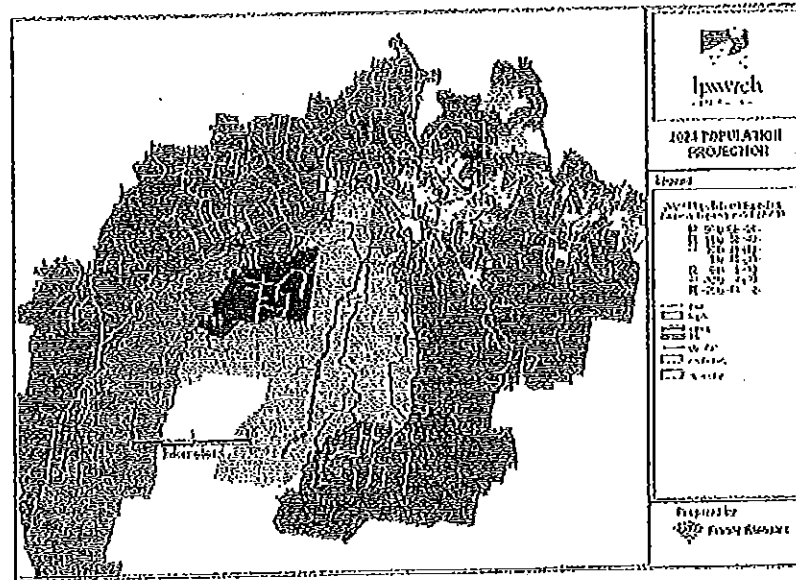
₹142,800 for 2001  
₹173,100 for 2011 and  
₹221,300 for 2021.

The 2011 and 2021 estimates represent increases over the 2001 figures of 21% and 55% respectively.

The spatial distribution of these projections, on a percentage increase basis, is shown in **Figures 3** and **4** for years 2011 and 2021 respectively. It can be seen from these figures, that the greatest increases are in the more outlying suburbs.



**Figure 3      Spatial Distribution - Population Projection 2011**



**Figure 4** Spatial Distribution - Population Projection 2021



### 3. Flooding

#### 3.1. Risk Evaluation Studies

##### 3.1.1. Flood Mapping

Flood mapping for the urban areas of Ipswich was produced by Sinclair Knight Merz (SKM 2000).

Hydraulic model studies to enable flood maps for the rural areas to be produced were undertaken as part of **Stage 2** of the current study by Halliburton KBR (2002a). The flood mapping was undertaken subsequently by ICC for average recurrence intervals (ARI) of 20, 50 and 100 Years.

Halliburton KBR (2002) also studied local river and creek flooding, that is, flooding in the absence of backwater from the Brisbane River, or, in the case of Bremer River tributaries, from the Bremer River. ICC also mapped the flood extents in respect of this local flooding.

These are reproduced as **Figures 5 to 7** hereof respectively, with **Figure 8** being the PMF Flood Map reproduced from the Stage 1 Report.

##### 3.1.2. Definition of Primary Flow Path

Analysis was carried out, in Stage 2, to investigate the area of floodplain subject to higher damage from fast flowing water, as would occur in the tributary waterways in the absence of backwater from the Brisbane and Bremer Rivers. These conditions can occur during a local flood event, or during the early stages of a regional event before backwater becomes established.

Whilst these local floods have lower flood levels than the regional floods (ie those with backwater) of the corresponding ARI, the absence of backwater results in higher velocities. The higher velocities are both hazardous, and can also cause bank and bed erosion in the waterway.

The extent of flooding under these conditions is referred to herein as the **100 Year ARI Primary Flow Path**.

In the case of Ipswich, where significant development has historically occurred even below the 20 Year ARI flood extent (with backwater), this is a reasonable scenario to consider.

The primary flow paths, determined as outlined above, are shown in **Figure 9**.



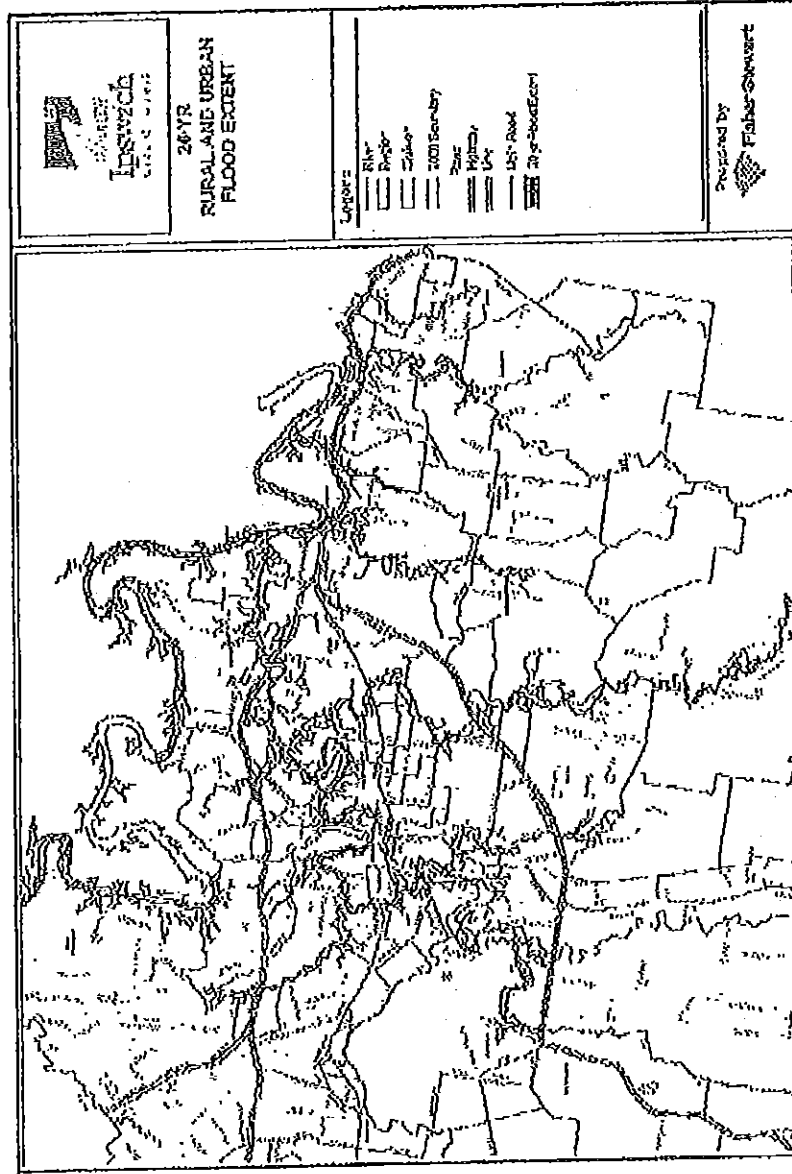


Figure 5 20 Year ARI Flood Map (Urban and Rural areas)







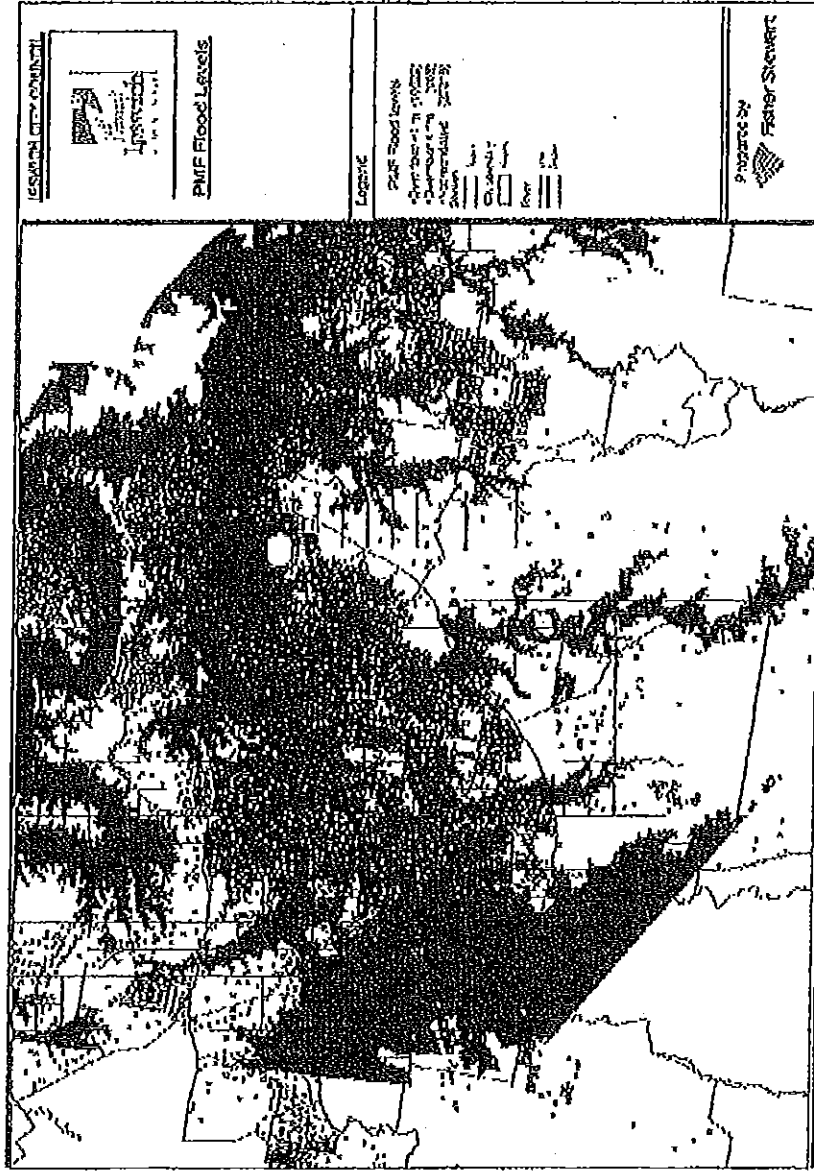


Figure 8 Probable Maximum Flood Map (Urban areas only)

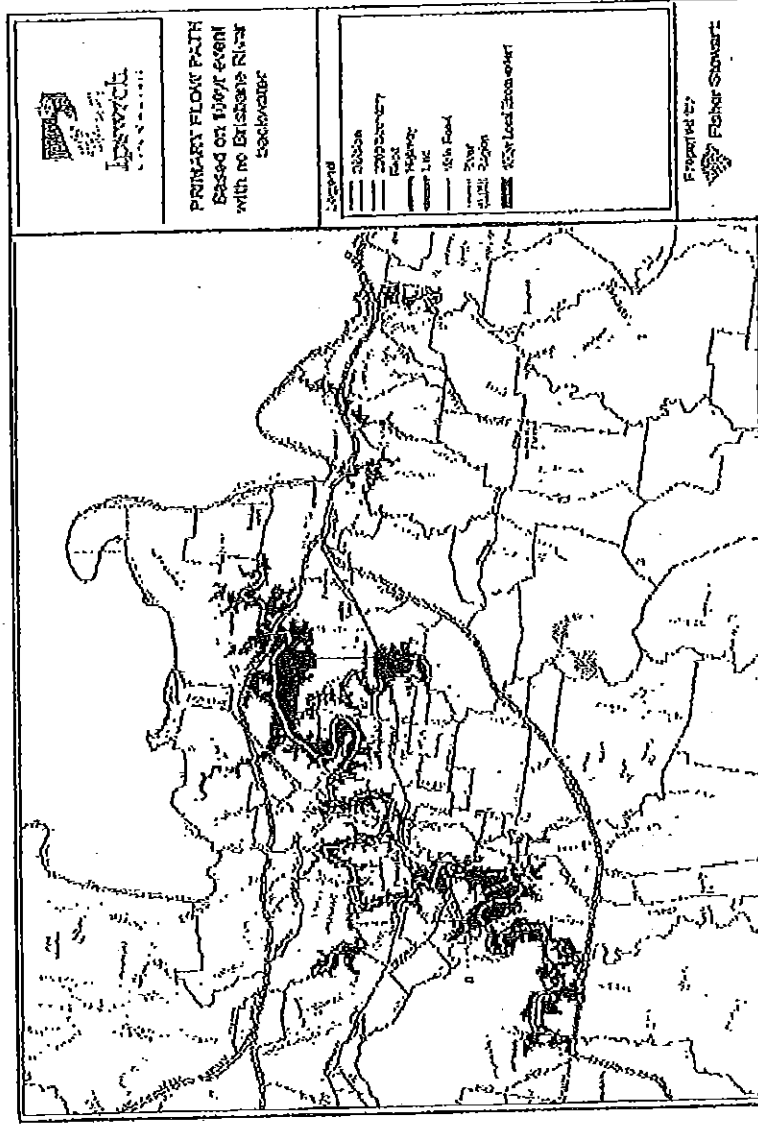


Figure 9 Primary Flow Path Extents

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**3.1.3. Properties Flooded**

The properties flooded for 20, 50, 100 Year ARI and for PMF were identified from the flood maps, together with the number of properties within the *Primary Flow Paths*. These numbers are given in **Table 2**.

**Table 2 Summary of Flood Affected Properties**

Flood Scenario	No. of Buildings (population) with over floor flooding	Additional No. of Buildings (population) with water on property but not over floor	Additional Buildings (population) isolated or inundated
Primary Flow Path (100 Year ARI)	<b>1,408</b> <b>(4,310)</b>	N/A	N/A
Regional Flood 5% AEP (20 year ARI)	<b>764</b> <b>(2,340)</b>	130 (400)	15 (45)
2% AEP (50 year ARI)	<b>1,093</b> <b>(5,790)</b>	130 (400)	10 (30)
1% AEP (100 year ARI)	<b>3,054</b> <b>(9,345)</b>	240 (735)	35 (107)
0.5% AEP (200 year ARI)	<b>3,760</b> <b>(11,500)</b>	270 (825)	20 (60)
0.2% AEP (500 year ARI)	<b>5,040</b> <b>(15,420)</b>	370 (1,130)	60 (185)
PMF	<b>17,795</b> <b>(54,450)</b>	220 (675)	<b>1,565</b> <b>(4,800)</b>

NOTE: Updated numbers used where available (shown in bold), AGSO (2001a) numbers used elsewhere. Population affected estimated at average occupancy rate for Ipswich of 3.06 from the 1996 census.

Given the current total building stock of **45,414** (see Stage 1 Report - section 4.3.1), these are significant numbers, even for the more frequent floods, increasing to 40% with over floor flooding in a probable maximum flood (PMF).

**Table 3** shows the breakdown of properties flooded in 20, 50 and 100 Year ARI regional flood events, and the 100 Year ARI local storm event (i.e. Primary Flow Path) by suburb. In **Table 3**, the suburbs are listed in ranked



order according to the number of properties flooded in a 100 Year ARI regional event.

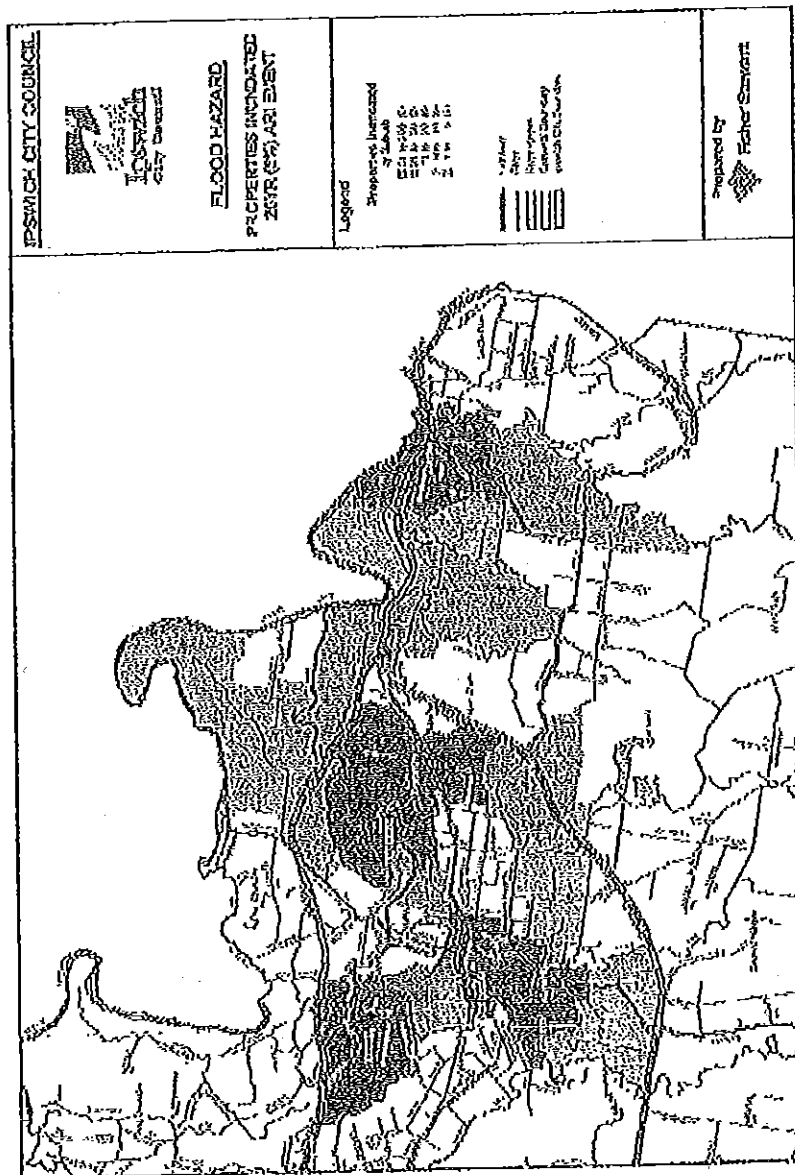
**Table 3 Number of Properties Flooded by Suburb**

Suburb	Number of Buildings Flooded			
	20 Year Flood	50 Year Flood	100 Year Flood	100 Year Primary Flow Path
Goodna	192	317	401	67
North Booval	40	140	293	9
Bundamba	98	219	271	212
One Mile	37	95	213	103
Brassall	38	110	178	42
East Ipswich	28	85	177	88
Churchill	68	114	168	77
Karalee	26	119	164	45
Ipswich	45	88	119	61
West Ipswich	40	73	111	106
North Ipswich	20	46	104	61
Moore's Pocket	7	40	98	39
Basin Pocket	12	47	94	68
Leichhardt	11	60	92	89
Barellan Point	17	52	77	0
Coalfields	4	29	68	64
Gallies	16	45	67	4
Tivoli	18	35	60	35
Woodend	2	22	53	50
Sadlers Crossing	6	20	50	45
Yamanto	8	44	49	15
Riverview	3	19	45	0
Redbank	8	13	27	4
Booval	15	19	23	22
Canira	12	16	21	21
Collingwood Park	4	6	19	4
Racoview	6	8	15	0
Bellbird Park	5	7	9	0
Blackstone	4	6	6	6
Finders View	0	0	2	2
North Tivoli	1	2	2	1
Sixstone	0	0	2	2
<b>TOTAL BUILDINGS</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>1893</b>	<b>3054</b>	<b>1408</b>
<b>Population affected (@3.08)</b>	<b>2338</b>	<b>6793</b>	<b>9345</b>	<b>4308</b>

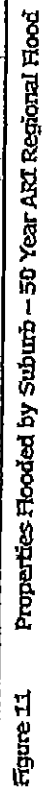
Note: Primary flow path based on flood extent for 100yr event with no Brisbane River backwater

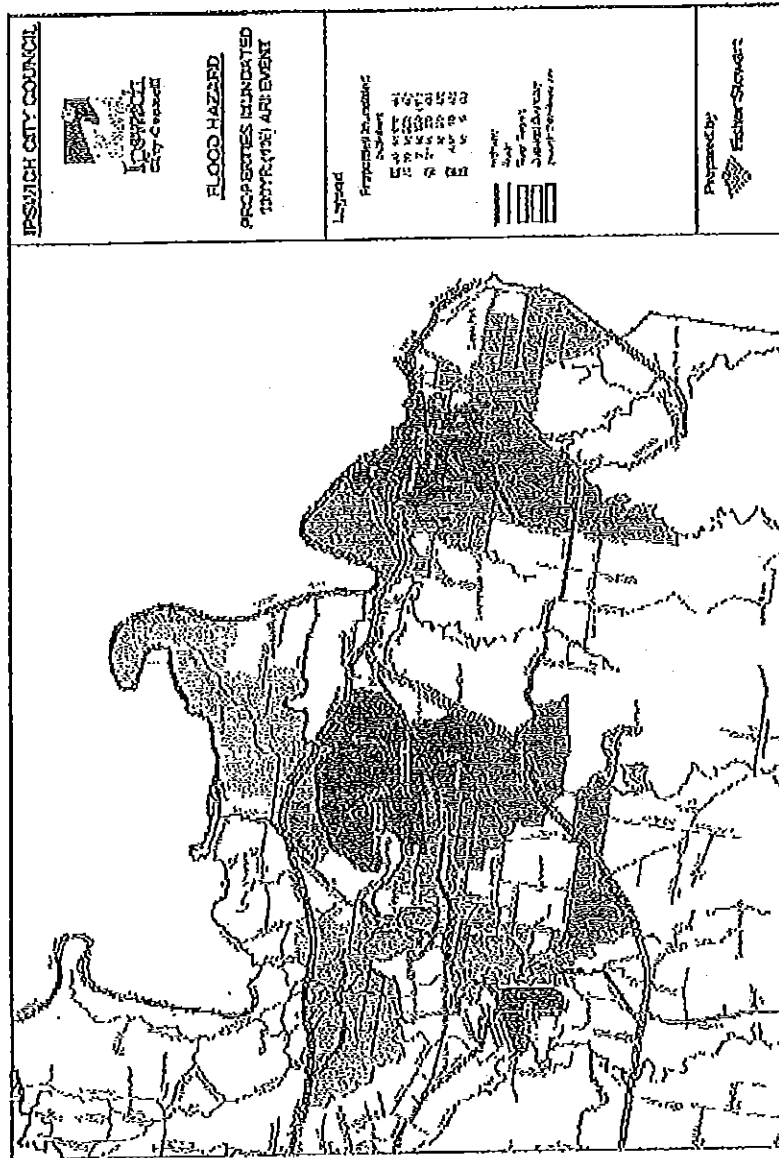


There are 11 suburbs in which 100 or more buildings will be flooded in a 100 Year ARI regional event, with 4 suburbs containing 200 or more of these properties. These suburbs are Goodna (401 properties), North Booval (293), Bundamba (271) and One Mile (213). These 4 suburbs account for 39% of the total of 3,054 properties flooded in a 100 year ARI regional flood event, and the 11 suburbs with 100 or more flooded buildings account for 71% of the total.

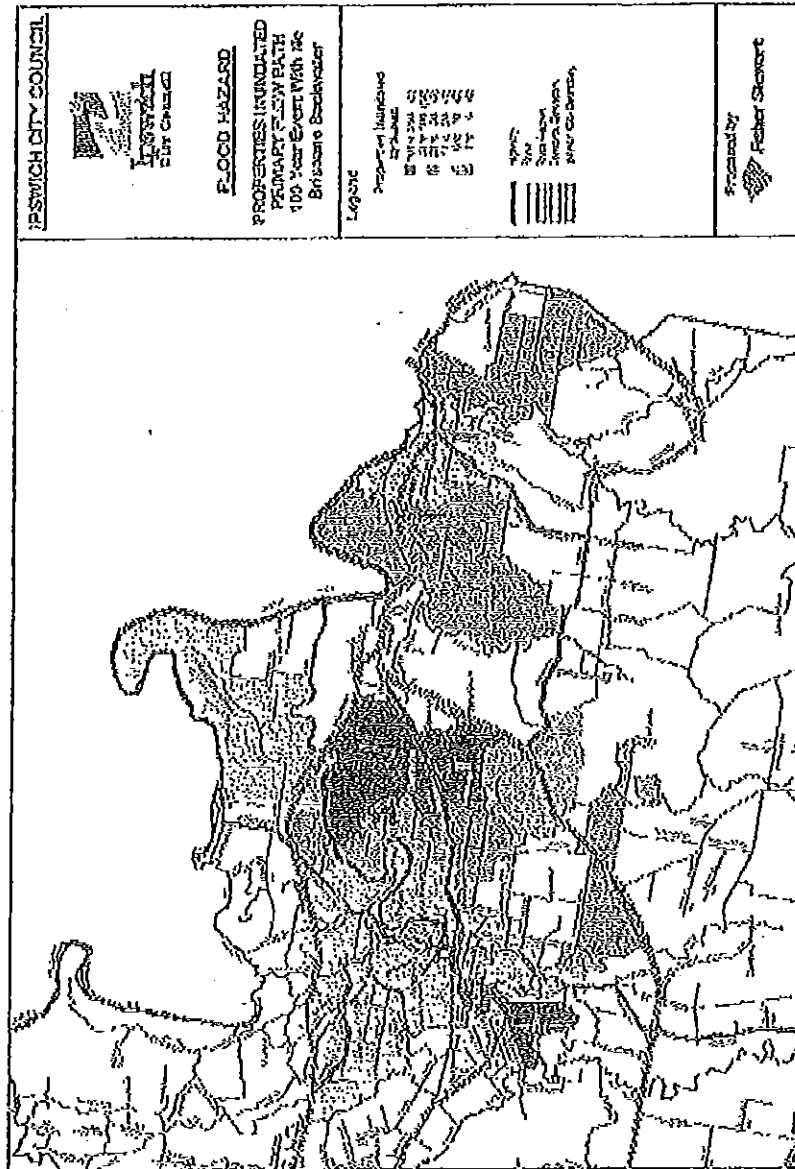


**Figure 10** Properties Flooded by Suburb – 20 Year ARI Regional Flood










**Figure 12** Properties Flooded by Suburb -- 100 Year ARI Primary Flow Path


**Fisher Stewart**

The information currently available did not allow the building stock data to be classified into residential, commercial and industrial premises, nor does it record construction material. This information is necessary in order to be able to fully evaluate options of house raising and flood proofing. The work required to provide this information has been included in the treatment strategies (see sections 3.2.2 hereof).

In respect of projected populations, the figures for the most flood prone suburbs are given in Table 4, which shows that in these suburbs the 2021 estimates average 27% increase, about half the average rate.

As the figures in Table 4 are complete suburb figures, it is expected that the population at risk to flooding will grow at a lower rate. This would be expected both because these are high-density suburbs, so population growth is limited to infill development and redevelopment, and by provisions of the planning scheme.

Suburb	2001 Population	2021 Population	Percent Increase
BOOVAL	2441	2963	21.4%
BRASSALI	7269	10630	46.3%
BUNDAMBA	5789	6977	20.5%
CHURCHILL	1792	2297	28.1%
COALFALLS	1694	1809	6.8%
EAST IPSWICH	2996	3553	18.6%
GOODNA	8062	11468	42.2%
IPSWICH	3758	4734	26.0%
KARALEE	2303	2690	16.8%
LEITCHHARDT	4798	5279	10.0%
NORTH BOOVAL	2222	2923	31.6%
NORTH BOOVAL	2222	2923	31.6%
NORTH IPSWICH	4516	5135	13.7%
SADLIERS CROSSING	780	878	12.6%
WEST IPSWICH	547	613	12.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,191</b>	<b>64,872</b>	<b>26.7%</b>

In **Figure 14**, the projected population increase in suburbs affected by the 20 Year ARI flood has been plotted, as these would generally be expected to show little increase, due to development control restrictions.

However, this is not clearly demonstrated in this figure. While this is partly explained by future development being outside the flood liable areas in these suburbs, it is also believed to be partly due to the projection methodology, which applies suburb-wide projections and is not sufficiently detailed to show variations within a given suburb. An item has been included in the Action Plan to improve these forward estimates within flood liable areas, in order to allow better planning of response requirements.



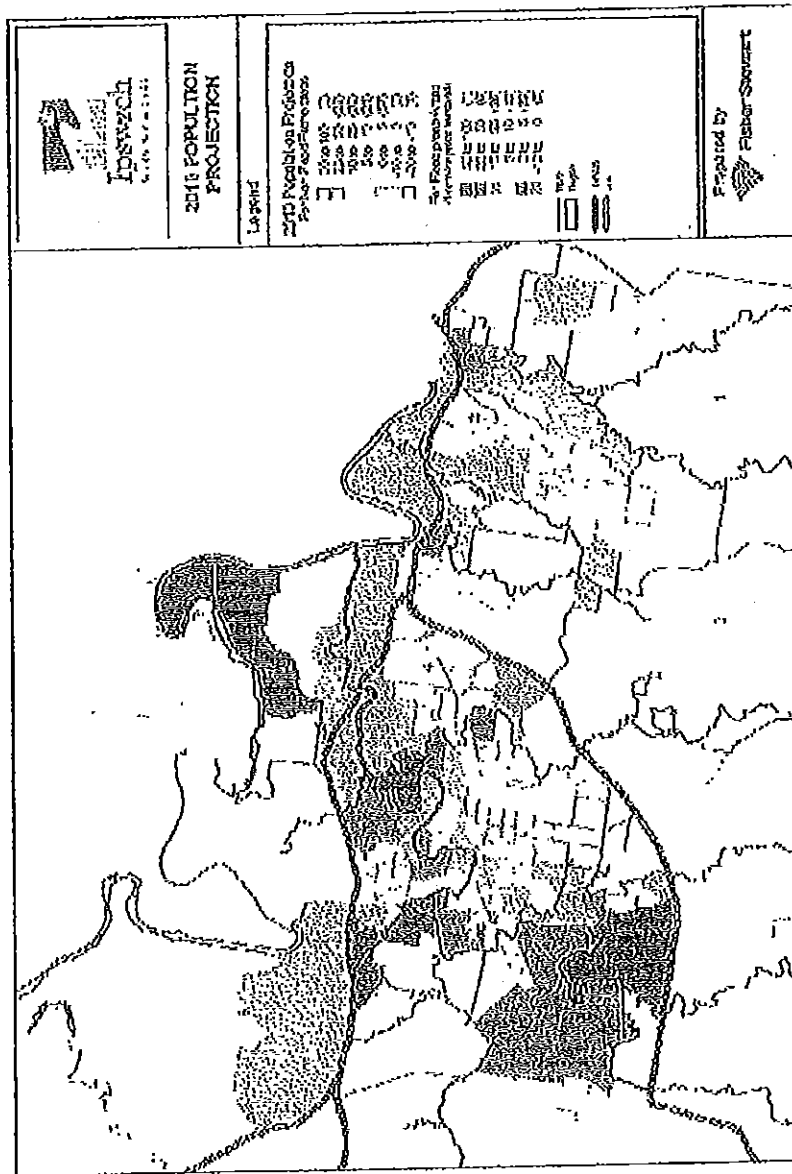


Figure 14 Projected Population Increases - 20 Year ARI Flood Extent

### 3.1.5. Town Planning Issues

Figure 15 shows the current zoning map, while in Figures 16 and 17, the 100 Year ARI flood extent and the Primary Flow Paths respectively, have been superimposed on the zoning maps. These show that although there are a considerable number of flood prone properties, development in these areas has already been restricted. Appropriate treatments to reduce the flood risk in these areas are outlined in Section 3.2 hereof.

In Figures 15 to 17, where items are marked "PARTICULAR DEVELOPMENT", reference should be made to structure plan precinct designations in these areas.

### 3.1.6. Road Closure Sequence

A provisional list of road closures in each of the 20, 50 and 100 Year ARI floods were obtained from the flood extent maps. As these maps show the ground DTM only and not that of bridge structures, it will be necessary to check the road levels of the bridges and their approaches in order to determine whether they would indeed be inundated in these events.

The provisional list of closures is given in Appendix A. This showed a total of 113 roads cut during only a 20 Year ARI event.

Significantly this includes sections of:

- The Ipswich Motorway at the Goodna Creek, Woogaroo Creek and Six Mile Creek crossings;
- Brisbane Road at the Bundamba Creek, Deebing Creek crossings;
- The Warrego Highway at the Bremer River, Sandy Creek (North), and Ironpot Creek crossings; and
- The Cunningham Highway at the Warrill Creek, Purga Creek, Deebing Creek, and Bundamba Creek crossings.

These are all important regional routes as well as major routes through Ipswich.

Figure 18 shows the major traffic routes together with the 100 Year ARI flood extent.

### 3.1.7. Road Damage

Council has good records of road damage occasioned in the May 1996 flood, which was approximately 10 Year ARI. The damaged roads were mostly gravel roads in the rural parts of the City, and damage repair costs totalled some \$776,500. Indexed to 2002 prices, this is equivalent to \$900,000. These records are given in Appendix B.



### 3.1.8. Lifelines and Critical Facilities at Risk

Critical facilities at risk from flooding were identified by AGSO (2001), and this list is reproduced (modified for recent local government boundary changes) in Table 5.

**Table 5** *Impact of Sequence of Floods on Critical Facilities*  
Source AGSO (2001a)

Facility	Flood Impacts (Location)
Power supply – substation/transformers	1 at 20 Year ARI to 100 Year ARI (Yamanto) Several at PMF (Yamanto, Swanbank (4), Amberley, Ipswich, North Ipswich, Kholo)
Telephone Exchange	1 at 100 Year ARI (Ipswich) 3 at PMF (Ipswich, Booval, Brassall)
Oil/Fuel Depot	2 at 100 Year ARI (Dundamba, Wulkuraka) 3 at PMF (as above plus West Ipswich)
Ambulance Station Police Station	PMF only (Redbank, Ipswich) PMF only (Goodna)



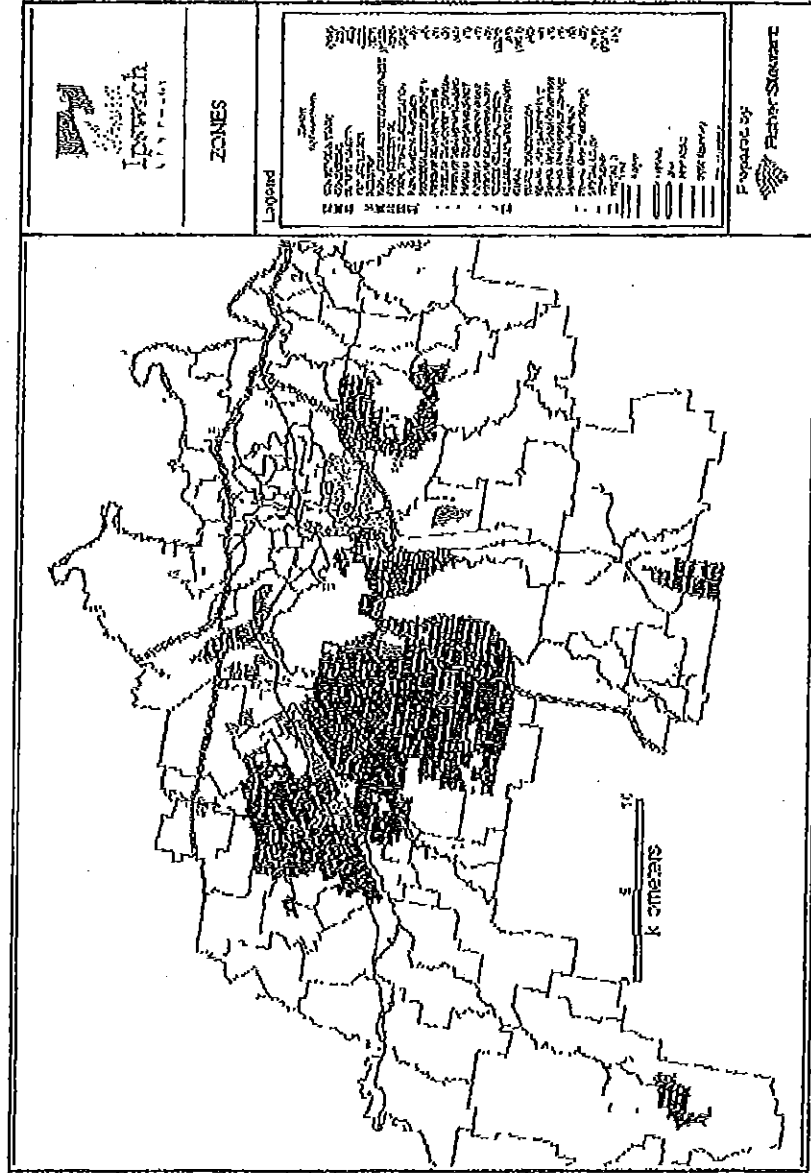
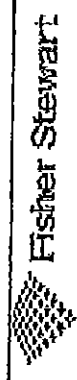


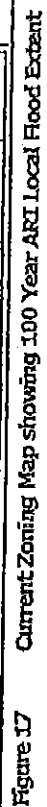
Figure 15 Current Zoning Map

Consistent with the Ipswich City Council's Natural Disaster Risk Management Studies Program Stage 3 Treatment Options and Strategies









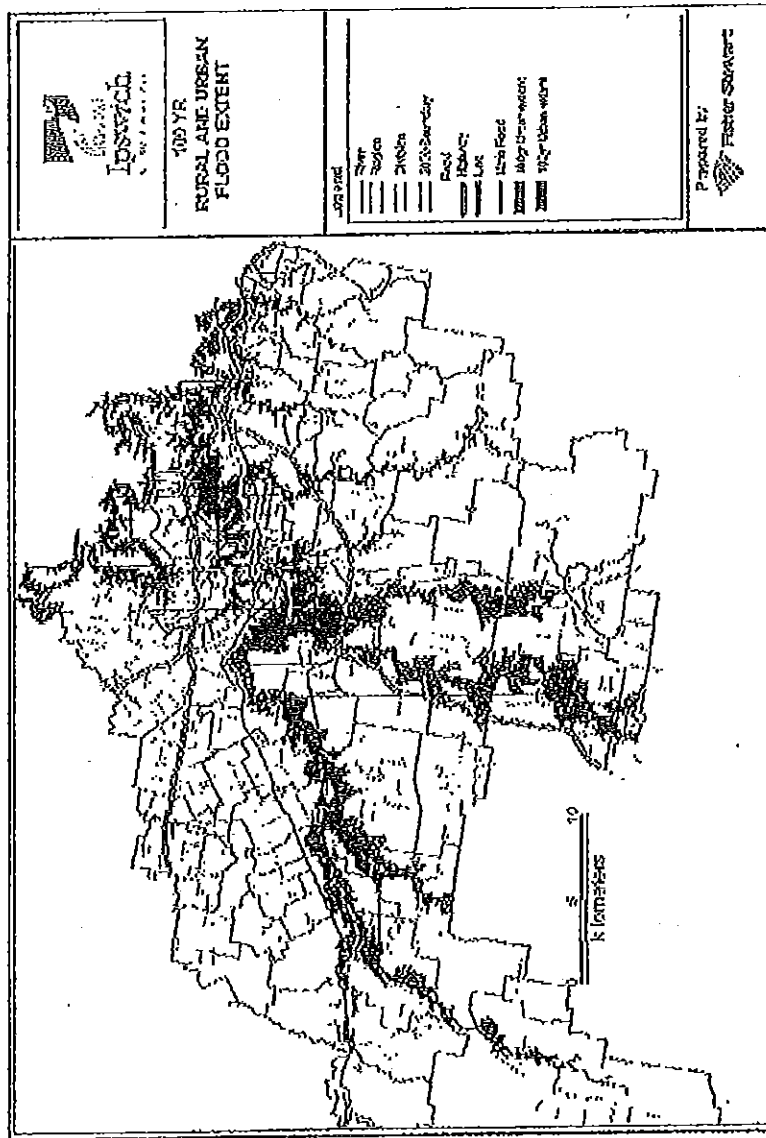
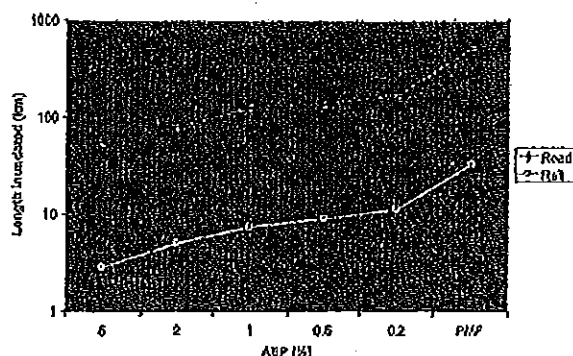


Figure 18 100 Year ARI Flood Extent showing Major Traffic Routes

AGSO (2001a) estimated the length of roads and rail lines, which would be inundated under the range of flood scenarios considered, and this is reproduced in **Figure 19**.



**Figure 19 Road and Rail Inundation**  
Source AGSO (2001a)

### 3.2. Treatment Options- Prevention Measures

#### 3.2.1. Town Planning Scheme

The new Town Planning Scheme should include measures to reduce the risk of flooding, by limiting further development within the floodplain. These should include the following:

- In already developed areas, development controls should be very strict within both the primary flow paths and the 20 Year ARI flood extent, with a view limiting the population at risk over time; and
- In undeveloped or *Greenfield* areas, development below the 100 Year ARI Regional Flood levels should be strictly limited;
- Developments should also take account of access to and egress from the areas during flood.

#### 3.2.2. Reduction of Risk In Primary Flow Path

Properties within the primary flow paths are at high risk of damage or even of being washed away if not securely anchored.

Ideally, the long-term strategy would be to remove these properties so that the primary flow path is unencumbered by buildings. On the basis of there being approximately 1400 flood liable properties within the primary flow paths, (see **section 3.1.3.**), and at an average current price of \$80,000, the cost to acquire all of these properties would be about \$112 million. Significant external funding would be required before Council could embark on a program to acquire these properties.



There are a large number of timber highset homes in Ipswich, which could potentially be raised so that their habitable flood level is above some flood level (to be designated).

In order to evaluate the effectiveness of house raising as a damage mitigation option, the building database needs to be augmented to include this information, initially for houses up to 100 Year ARI flood level, and then for rarer floods up to PMF.

With this information, it will be possible to evaluate the costs and benefits of house raising as a mitigation option.

### 3.2.4. Flood Control Storage

Both of these projects have been funded under the *Regional Flood Mitigation Program*.

All of these schemes require further investigation to determine their feasibility, effectiveness, economic viability and level of community acceptance.

Similarly, there are a number of areas where levees could be constructed to reduce the exposure of sections of the community to flood risk.

Some of the locations with potential for levee construction were identified in SKM (2000).

Given the new flood mapping now available, a thorough review of the potential for levees is warranted. All such potential schemes require further investigation to determine their feasibility, effectiveness, economic viability and level of community acceptance.

### 3.2.6. Road Damage Reduction

Gravel roads in rural areas are subject to flood damage. Where such damage occurs, repair claims under the Natural Disaster Relief Arrangements (NDRA) are limited to reinstatement to the previous standard. This leads to recurrence of similar damage in each successive flood.

Under current arrangements, the cost of any improvement in design standard is the responsibility of the local authority, giving it little or no incentive to raise the standard of construction.

One of the guiding principles of the current NDRM Initiative is to mitigate damage to reduce the cost of future events, particularly where these are likely to recur. Rural roads fall into this category, and it is appropriate for their design standards to be raised to reduce recurrent damage.

As bitumen sealing of all such roads is unlikely to be achievable, other measures such as rock protection would be appropriate.

Possible measures are illustrated in Figure 20. Complete armouring of the downstream batter of the road embankment with rock riprap protruding 100 – 200mm above the road surface (as in Figure 20 a) will reduce erosion on the road surface and the embankment.

A lower cost treatment of placing a line of rock along the downstream edge of the roadway (as in Figure 20b) will increase depth and reduce velocity across the road itself but will not protect the embankment. Placing rock at the embankment toe will provide some protection against erosion. Type b) treatment will only be successful where conditions are appropriate.





The provisional assessment of road closures due to flooding (see **Section 3.1.6**) shows that a considerable number of roads are inundated in even a 20 Year ARI event. The first step in treatment is to further evaluate these locations, to check whether the bridges or bridge approaches will actually be inundated as shown by the DTM. This evaluation should also check whether the structures are heritage listed, as this will impact on the treatment possible.

Responsibility for these major routes lies with the Department of Main Roads, who should be urged to upgrade these routes to at least 20 year ARI flood immunity as soon as possible.

In addition, there are a number of timber bridges, which are more vulnerable than their modern counterparts due to their age and condition. Council has a *Timber Bridge Replacement Program*. It is recommended that the priorities within this program be reconsidered in the light of road closures due to flood as well as on structural condition.



**Timber bridge at Rosewood  
(Photograph BOM)**

A number of other lifelines are dependant on bridges remaining intact, not only in regard to road and rail links, but also water supply, sewerage, power

AGSO (2001a) also estimated that about 10 km of railway would be inundated in a 100 Year ARI flood event. Queensland Rail should be urged to look at upgrading the track in these locations, but should not be required to not exacerbate flooding with any works they undertake.

Whilst short interruptions of these lifelines, say of up to a few hours duration, can be tolerated, any extended period of loss of these lifelines will lead to widespread distress, and potential health and other problems.

### 3.2.9. Treatment of Critical Facilities

However, other facilities such as refrigerated food distribution centres may not have such facilities. In this case, even whilst the power grid being able to provide supply from an alternative source may give some protection, the facility may be vulnerable to power line failure if there is no duplication of reticulation. The provision or not, of onsite standby generation plant then becomes an issue in commercial risk management for the facility.

Some critical facilities are located in flood prone or bushfire prone areas, and hence have a relatively high vulnerability. These were listed in Table 5.

The long term strategy should be to relocate all critical facilities from the PMF floodplain. As none of these are the direct responsibility of Council, it is recommended that Council take a coordinating role in this treatment component.



### 3.3.1. Upgrading Flood Warning System

The current system for the Bremer River is shown in Figure 22 and for the Lower Brisbane River is shown in Figure 23.

It can be seen from the network maps in **Figures 22** and **23** that most tributaries have some warning capability, but in some instances, there is no flood warning instrumentation in the catchment headwaters.

The system could be further improved with additional streamflow and/or rainfall stations in the headwater reaches of Deebing Creek, and Western Creek (upstream of Grandchester).

### 3.3.2. Flood Warning Interpretation and Dissemination

The warnings are issued giving predicted flood heights using a classification scheme such as that in **Figure 21** for the Bremer River. The average member of the public has difficulty in interpreting warnings of this type to their own situation, especially where they have no previous flood experience there.

22 Distribution of flood maps to all residents in the flood prone areas,  
23 showing flood contours for each of a range of stage heights at their  
24 nearest flood warning gauge, together with information regarding  
25 reading and interpreting these maps;

25. As an alternative to the above, the corresponding levels could be marked on each house, say on the inside of the electricity supply box. This would require more resources than marking each street block.

**MAJOR**

24 ← Feb 1933; 24.00m

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20 ← Jan 1974; 20.70m

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12 ← Dec 1991; 13.10m

**MODERATE**

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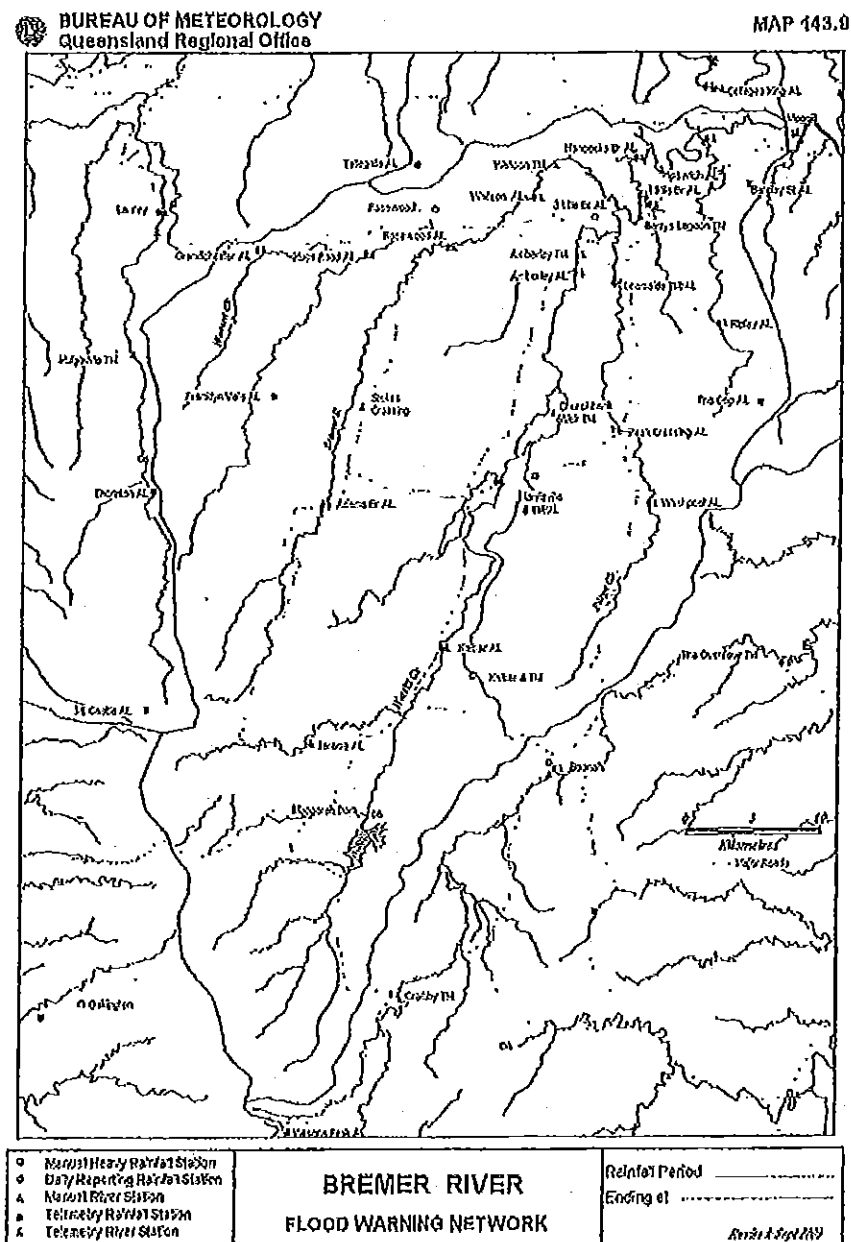
**MINOR**

8 ← Towns & Houses

**Below Minor**

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**Bremer River at Ipswich  
Flood Level Classification**



**Figure 22      Bremer River Flood Warning Network**  
(Source Bureau of Meteorology)



### 3.3.3. Community Awareness

The raising of community awareness in respect of flooding issues is an important component of the treatment strategies.

In respect of awareness of flooding, it is proposed that the following strategies be adopted:

**a) Information for the whole community**

- General information regarding the nature of flooding in Ipswich
- Flood maps
- General information on being prepared for floods, and what each householder can do to reduce damage.

**b) Information to householders affected by flooding**

- As above, plus
- Specific information regarding flood levels at their property, and how to interpret flood warnings

**c) Information to businesses affected by flooding**

- As for a) and b) above, plus
- Information regarding preparation of a flood management plan for the business.

In order to encourage the latter, we have included in the recommended strategies, for Council to undertake or fund, the preparation of one or more such plans by way of a pilot program.

The material prepared for distribution to the community should take account of the multi-cultural nature of the Ipswich community, and should include non-English language brochures. It will be developed in conjunction with Council's Community Services Department, and coordinate with the latter's Facilities Plan.

Council has an Emergency Management section in its website. The newly developed material and that in the website will need to be consistent, and it will be beneficial for the new material to be available via the website.

### 3.3.4. Rural Addressing

The location of rural properties by Emergency Services personnel or by air for food drops or evacuation frequently causes problems for flood response personnel.

These requirements are met in large part by the Rural Addressing Initiative of the Department of Emergency Services and the Local Government Association of Queensland (DES and LGAQ 1996, ANZLIC 1996). Ipswich City Council is currently implementing these guidelines, which are based upon addressing each property according to its distance along a particular road.



We recommend that, in addition to implementation of the rural addressing according to these guidelines, that the map coordinates of each property be recorded within Council's GIS so that they can be reached directly from their coordinates, as may be necessary by air, should roads be impassable.

### 3.4. Treatment Options - Response and Recovery Measures

Response resources are in place and coordinated between Council, SES, SES and the Police, Ambulance and Fire services.

Whilst resource locations such as SES Depots should be sufficiently close to flood prone areas, they should not be within those areas, in order that they are accessible at all times. It is also important that these and other resources such as counter disaster response centres have power supplies and communication links, which are not themselves threatened by flooding.

Future resource requirements should be planned according to the above criteria, and taking account of projected future populations and forecast changes in population distribution.

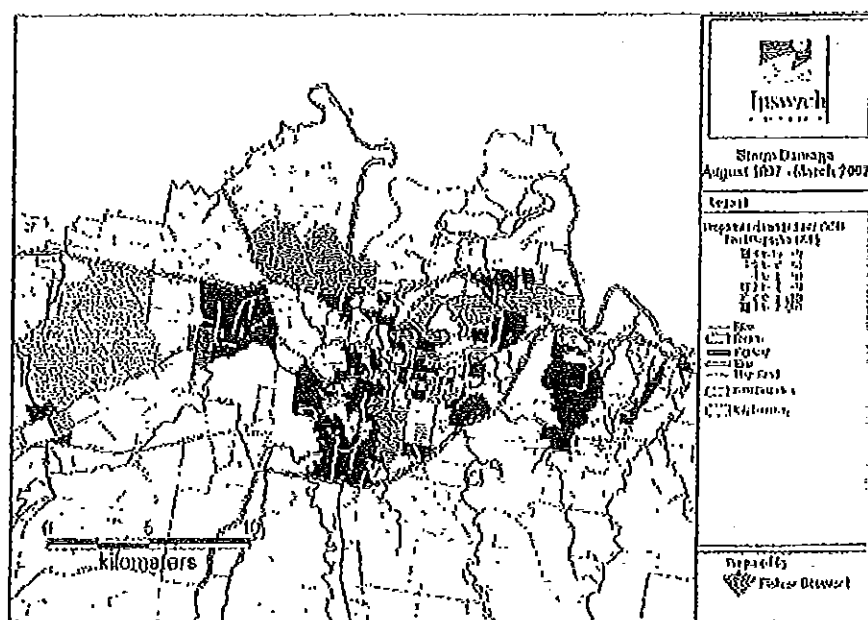
As outlined in section 3.1.4, an item has been included in the treatment strategies to improve these forward estimates within flood liable areas, in order to allow better planning of response requirements.

Similar considerations apply in respect of recovery resources, although resource distribution is a lesser issue in this context, as these resources do not need to mobilise early in an event.



#### 4.1. Risk Evaluation Studies

The Ipswich SES provided records of locations of their responses to storm damage since 1997, and these were summarised by CCD and by suburb via Council's GIS. These are plotted in **Figure 24**. This analysis was undertaken to see if there was any credence to perceptions raised at the CFG workshops that certain locations were more susceptible to storm damage. The distribution of storm damage responses in recent years given in **Figure 24** does not support this perception.



**Figure 24      Location of Storm Damage 1997 – 2002**

Strong winds can cause widespread damage to buildings and infrastructure, and in extreme cases, loss of life or serious injury. Strong winds are generally associated with tropical cyclones, tornadoes or storms. On average 1.2 cyclones pass within 500km of Brisbane each year. In the last 92 years, 15 cyclones have past within 100km of Brisbane.

In contrast to floods, which occur infrequently, some wind damage occurs most years, and is the most common cause of emergency response in

Ipswich. AGSO (2001a) estimated that, on average, there is 1 tornado day per year and 2 damaging storms in the Ipswich area.

The most intense rainfalls occur during thunderstorms and may be accompanied by hail. Heavy rain may cause building damage by water penetration particularly when accompanied by wind damage to roofs, and by overflowing of roof water systems and stormwater pipes which may in turn cause localised erosion.

Hail is most likely to cause damage to property and infrastructure (eg roofs, cars and power supplies, telecommunications), although if people are unable to find suitable shelter, serious injury or even death could result. Windows are the most susceptible to damage from hail (usually occurs at size between 30-40mm). Aluminium awnings, external shades and vinyl slings are also susceptible. Roofs and gutters can become damaged and in severe cases (eg Sydney Hail Storm) can result in damage to contents if the roof integrity is broken. The roofs likely to be worst affected are aged asbestos cement sheeting, brittle tiles and corrugated iron.

While the Bureau of Meteorology monitors thunderstorms and issues advice and warnings associated with severe thunderstorms, the location and intensity of the storm is difficult to predict. Within the SEQ region there are reliable reports of hail up to the size of 120mm. The most significant hailstorm on record for Brisbane occurred in January 1985 (hailstones as large as 63mm). A hailstorm in Brisbane in November 1995 reportedly damaged the roofs of more than 300 homes.

AGSO (2001a) estimated that there are, on average, 20 severe thunderstorms per year in the Ipswich area, which generally occur between the months of October to April. Lightning is produced by almost all thunderstorms at an average rate of 2 flashes per minute. Hail is produced by approximately 30% of thunderstorms.

Lightning strikes claim approximately 10 lives per year in Australia (650 deaths between 1803-1991). Telephone use during thunderstorms results in a common form of injury related to lightning strikes, due to earth potential rise (PER). People are warned against using telecommunications during thunderstorms. Due to the random spatial spread of strikes, the location of cloud to ground strikes is impossible to predict.

Secondary hazards include:

- High rates of stormwater runoff resulting in flash flooding;
- Initiation of landslides/mudslides in susceptible areas;
- Significant public safety risk from fallen powerlines and trees; and
- Fallen powerlines and lightning strikes can initiate bushfires.





The major risks are the public safety risks resulting from fallen trees along roads, especially at night, and from fallen powerlines that remain energised.

#### 4.1.3. Critical Facilities at Risk

No critical facilities are specifically at risk from severe storms. The main risk is loss of electricity supplies, which may be damaged by storms. Critical facilities should have a standby or a duplicate power supply.

#### 4.2. Treatment Options - Prevention Measures

During Stage 3, Energex the local electricity supply agency and Telstra were contacted to obtain information in respect of their strategies for dealing with and supply locations that had been found to be particularly vulnerable to storm damage. Unfortunately, no information was provided by those sources.

The following have been proposed in the treatment strategies:

- Review the potential for relocating vulnerable power lines and telecommunications cables underground (first year), with implementation in subsequent years;
- Review with Energex, the rescheduling of their tree maintenance program to maximise its effectiveness (in spring).

#### 4.3. Treatment Options - Preparedness Measures

The following preparedness measures have been proposed in the treatment strategies:

- Reduce the vulnerability of the community at risk by education and awareness raising of storm related issues, including house maintenance issues;
- Reviewing with the Bureau of Meteorology the scope for improving the timeliness and effectiveness of severe storm warnings;
- Reduce the risk to pre-1980 building stock by way of pre-sale inspections and building approval inspections encouraging raising standards to meet current building codes, and in order to meet increasingly stringent insurance requirements.
- Implementing rural addressing as for floods (see section 3.3.4).

#### 4.4. Treatment Options - Response and Recovery Measures

Response resources are in place and coordinated between Council, DES, SES and the Police, Ambulance and Fire services.



Future resource requirements should be planned taking account of projected future populations and forecast changes in population distribution.

Similar considerations apply in respect of recovery resources.

## 5. Bushfires

### 5.1. Risk Evaluation Studies

The primary risks associated with bushfires in Ipswich are properties and infrastructure (eg wooden power poles and bridges) that are located on the urban fringe, and in rural areas. The likelihood of bushfires in urban areas is low as vegetation clearing is undertaken during the development of commercial, industrial and sewerage residential development.

Bushfire prone areas in the urban areas of Ipswich are in Camira, Carole Park, Opossum Creek and Pine Mountain. However, the majority of rural land in Ipswich is dominated by grassland and pasture and is consequently, of low risk. Bushfire hazard maps were obtained from the rural fire authority, and given in the Stage 1 Report. This is reproduced in Figure 25, which shows areas of high and moderate bushfire risk.

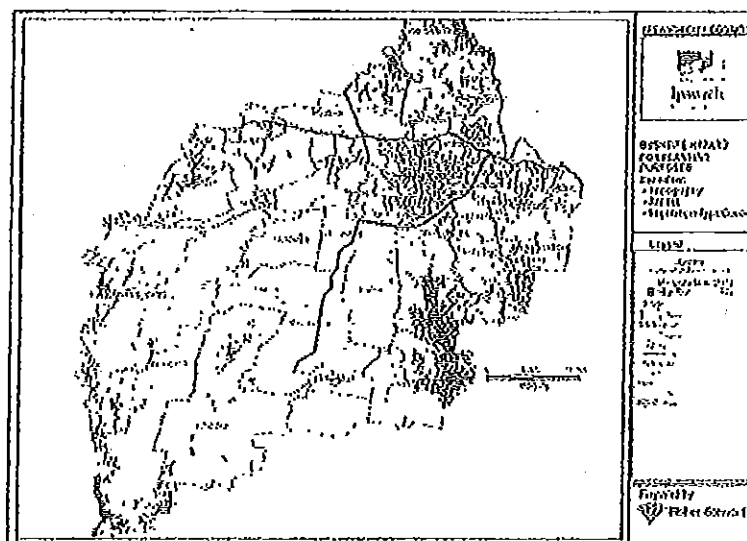


Figure 25 Bushfire Hazard Map  
Source - Rural Fire Service

Vulnerability of the community relates primarily to their location vis-à-vis these risk areas. In addition to buildings and infrastructure within these areas, and the people occupying these buildings, people in vehicles or on foot in or crossing these areas are also vulnerable. The vulnerability of buildings is minimised by adherence to the building codes.

There are about 1,380 properties (about 4,200 people) located within areas of high bushfire risk, and a further 5,350 properties (about 16,000 people) in areas of moderate bushfire risk.



Secondary hazards Include:

- ~~SE~~ Road, electricity supply and telecommunication lifelines may be damaged and interrupted;
- ~~SE~~ Fallen powerlines which can ignite further fires;
- ~~SE~~ Increased runoff after fire can lead to soil erosion and nutrient transport leading to water pollution or eutrophication; and
- ~~SE~~ Smoke pollution can be a traffic hazard and in extreme cases a health hazard.

**5.1.1. Rural Residential Development in Bushfire Prone Areas**

Council has requirements in its Planning Scheme for the design of rural residential developments. Also, all buildings in rural residential areas should comply with the *Guideline Siting and Design of Residential Buildings in Bushfire Prone Areas* (DLGP 1997) and Australian Standard AS3959-1991 "Construction of buildings in bushfire prone areas" as required under the Queensland Building Act (1993).

Measures in place or under consideration to reduce vulnerability or improve disaster response include:

- ~~SE~~ Water supply requirements to full urban reticulation standards to ensure fire fighting capability;
- ~~SE~~ The requirement for a minimum 20m road reserve width to act as a fire break;
- ~~SE~~ No cul-de-sacs are permitted in such areas, to minimise access/egress problems.

**5.2. Treatment Options - Prevention Measures**

The following have been proposed in the treatment strategies:

- ~~SE~~ Review the potential for relocating vulnerable power lines and telecommunications cables underground (first year), with implementation in subsequent years in order to reduce risk to lifelines;
- ~~SE~~ Review with Energex, the rescheduling of their tree maintenance program to maximise its effectiveness (in spring) in order to reduce public safety risk;
- ~~SE~~ Reduce lifeline risk in bushfire prone areas by implementation of the Timber Bridge Replacement Program;



- ### 5.3. Treatment Options - Preparedness Measures

~~3.3.4 Implementing rural addressing as for floods (see section 3.3.4).~~

Similar considerations apply in respect of recovery resources.

## 6. Summary of Risk Treatment Strategies

Details of the proposed risk treatment strategies are given in the Natural Disaster Risk Management Report (Fisher Stewart 2002a) and the Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan (Fisher Stewart 2002b). A summary is given below.

The risk treatment strategies were divided into 3 categories, namely:

- d) Actions already in hand or implemented;
- e) Actions endorsed by Council for implementation; and
- f) Proposed future actions subject to funding availability

Actions listed under c) require major funding and are beyond Council's ability to fund totally. This section also includes actions that are not within Council's responsibility.

Due to the scale of some of these actions, a ten-year implementation program is proposed.

A summary of the costs of the actions proposed under b) and c) is given in Table 6.

Table 6 Costs of Proposed Risk Treatment Actions

Hazard	Estimated Costs Year 2002-2003	Estimated Costs Year 2003-2012	Estimated Costs Total
Floods – People and Buildings	\$2.07 million	\$164 million	\$166.1 million
Floods – Environment, Lifelines and Critical Facilities	\$0.35 million	\$137 million	\$137.4 million
<b>Floods Sub-total</b>	<b>\$2.42 million</b>	<b>\$301 million</b>	<b>\$303.5 million</b>
Severe Storms	\$0.25 million	\$23.1 million	\$23.4 million
Bushfires	\$0.19 million	\$20.6 million	\$20.8 million
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2.9 million</b>	<b>\$345 million</b>	<b>\$348 million</b>



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### Provisional List of Road Closures

ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Duncan	Street		
Dunlop St			
Halletts	Road	Collingwood drive	
Ipswich	Motorway		
Redbank Plains Road			

High Priority Roads: Roads where are no obvious alternate route available  
Roads are completely inundated

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### ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Mt Crosby Road			
Warrego Highway			

*High Priority Roads: Roads where are no obvious alternate route available  
Roads are completely inundated*

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Sandy Creek (Carole Park)

### ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Addison St			
Cochrane Street			
Ishmael Road			

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Sandy Creek (Carole Park)

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### ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Fernvale Road	All roads at a the 20yr plus	All roads at a the 50yr plus	
Haig Street			
Hunter Street			

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### ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Gregory Street	All roads at a the 20yr plus	All roads at a the 50yr plus	Tongarra/Karabin
Sydney Road			Rosewood Road
Warego Highway			Cunningham Highway

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### ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Warrill Creek	All roads at a the 20yr plus	All roads at a the 50yr plus	
Cunningham Highway	Suffield Drive		
South Amberley Road	Behms St		
Purga Creek			
Berry St			
Cunningham Highway			
Lobb St			
Midland St			

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### ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	150 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Lobb Street	All roads at a the 20yr plus	All roads at a the 50yr plus	
Ash Street	Briggs Rd		
Cunningham Highway			
Huxham Street			
Toongarra Rd/Brisbane Road			
Warwick Road			

High Priority Roads: Roads where are no obvious alternate route available  
Roads are completely inundated



## ROAD CLOSURE SEQUENCE

20 YR EVENT	50 YR EVENT	100YR EVENT	Alternate Route
Andrew St	All roads at a the 20yr plus	All roads at a the 50yr plus	
Barday Street			
Barrams Road	Intersection of Mine, Chaik and Collingwood Dr		Fox and Law St
Bergin Hill Road	Bridge St		South
Brisbane Road			
Brisham Road			
Cunningham Highway			
David Street			
Gledson Street	Alternate route - Wildey St		
Mary Street			
North Station Road			
Oxford St			
Ripley Road			
South Station Road			
Swanbank Road			
Thomas/BlackStone Street			
Videroni Street			
Wards Road			
Watsons Road			

High Priority Roads: Roads where are no obvious alternate route available  
 Roads are completely inundated

## Natural Disaster Risk Management Studies Program Stage 3 Treatment Options and Strategies

## Rural Road Damage and Repair Costs May 1996



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## Rural Road Flood Damage May 1996

Key	Division	Road Number	Road Name	Stump	Road Length (ft)	Type	Width	Length	Damage
39	0	2024	Meridian Post Office Road		1500 G			100 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
40	10	2025	Newcastle Road		500 G			50 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
41	8	2026	Heligra Ambulatory Road	Ambulatory	2000 B			500 Double removal, edge & pavement repairs	
42	10	2027	Stevens Road	Arroyo	2710 G			100 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
43	2	4271	James Drive	Baldwin Park	320 B		7.5	0 Remove all from road and replace materials drainage	
44	2	4272	James Road	Baldwin Park	500 B		6.7	0 Takeup and relay culverted outside of road including concrete base and replace with rock	
45	2	4273	James Road	Baldwin Park	700 B		7.1	0 Remove all from road and replace materials drainage including culverted stormwater pipe	
46	2	4274	James Road	Baldwin Park	1500 B		7.7	0 Install heavy sign barriers, underground drainage, replace	
47	2	4275	James Road	Baldwin Park	200 B		9.7	0 Replace damaged gravel pavement and existing surface around manhole	
48	2	4276	James Road	Baldwin Park	220 B			0 Remove and relay culverted stormwater pipe and install road pavement	
49	2	4277	James Road	Baldwin Park	0			0 Install heavy sign barriers, underground drainage, replace	
50	2	4278	James Road	Baldwin Park	1010 B		2	50 Remove all from road and replace materials drainage	
51	2	4279	James Road	Baldwin Park	1200 G		5.0	0 Road Damage - Gravel ruckhoofing and drainage results	
52	2	4280	James Road	Baldwin Park	2100 G			200 Culverted Damage	
53	2	4281	James Road	Baldwin Park	1300 G			200 Culverted Damage	
54	4	1012	Hamilton Road	Culvert	2900 G			700 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
55	10	2012	Hamilton Road	Culvert	6000 B			1000 Road Damage - Shoulder Ruckhoofing	
56	17	2013	Hamilton Road	Culvert	4000 B			150 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
57	31	2014	Hamilton Road	Culvert	4100 G			250 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
58	4	1013	Hamilton Road	Culvert	1100 G		8.4	30 Replace existing drainage, remove debris from up drainage	
59	1	5015	Hamilton Road	Culvert	220 B	0 B		30 Replace existing drainage, remove debris from up drainage	
60	1	5016	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0			0 Road clear/hazard sign barriers	
61	1	5017	Hamilton Road	Culvert	210 B		5.0	15 Replace existing drainage, remove debris from up drainage	
62	1	5018	Hamilton Road	Culvert	570 B		5.3	25 Remove all from road and replace from up drainage	
63	1	5019	Hamilton Road	Culvert	400 B		7.9	30 Replace existing drainage, remove debris from up drainage	
64	1	5020	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0	0 G		0 Remove debris from up drainage	
65	1	5021	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0			0 Sand/graveling	
66	3	1022	Hamilton Road	Culvert	2200 G		6	200 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
67	3	1023	Hamilton Road	Culvert	2200 G		4	150 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
68	3	1024	Hamilton Road	Culvert	600 G			170 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
69	3	1025	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0			0 Install heavy sign barriers, underground drainage, replace	
70	3	1026	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0			0 Road clear/hazard sign barriers	
71	3	1027	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0			0 Road clear/hazard sign barriers	
72	3	1028	Hamilton Road	Culvert	0			0 Install heavy sign barriers, underground drainage, replace	
73	3	1029	Hamilton Road	Culvert	3500 G			4000 Culverted Damage	
74	3	1030	Hamilton Road	Culvert	500 G			75 Culverted Damage	
75	3	1031	Hamilton Road	Culvert	400 G			75 Culverted Damage	
76	3	1032	Hamilton Road	Culvert	600 G			80 Culverted Damage	
77	3	1033	Hamilton Road	Culvert	1000 G			140 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
78	3	1034	Hamilton Road	Culvert	1500 G			700 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
79	3	1035	Hamilton Road	Culvert	500 G			50 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
80	3	1036	Hamilton Road	Culvert	500 G			200 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
81	3	1037	Hamilton Road	Culvert	410 G			110 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
82	3	1038	Hamilton Road	Culvert	200 G			50 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
83	3	1039	Hamilton Road	Culvert	100 G			30 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
84	3	1040	Hamilton Road	Culvert	1100 G			70 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
85	3	1041	Hamilton Road	Culvert	2000 G			200 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
86	3	1042	Hamilton Road	Culvert	2000 G			400 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
87	3	1043	Hamilton Road	Culvert	4000 G			600 Road Damage - Gravel Ruckhoofing	
88	3	1044	Hamilton Road	Culvert	14000 B			1200 Road Damage - Bridge Repair	

## Rural Road Flood Damage May 1996

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Key	Division	Road Number	Road Name	Source	Road Length (ft)	Type	Width	Length (ft)	Damage	Cost
315	3	4222	Shannon Street	Rockbank Place	350 B		72	15	Remove roadside drainage	\$275
316	3	4222	Shannon Street	Rockbank Place	0			0	Install basement sign/bankers	\$275
317	3	4232	Tanna Street	Rockbank Place	45 B		72	0	Remove all from road and restore roadside drainage	\$200
318	3	4232	Tanna Street	Rockbank Place	520 H		72	0	Remove all from road and restore roadside drainage	\$200
319	3	4233	Vicki Street	Rockbank Place	720 B		6	0	Remove all from road and restore roadside drainage	\$200
320	3	2104	Kew Road	Rockwood	1550 G			220	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$7,000
321	3	2110	Langston Road	Rockwood	1670 G			40	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,217
322	3	2103	Cullough Valley Road	Rockwood	770 G			10	Road Damage - Underground Drainage	\$5,630
323	3	4011	Riley Road	Soum Highway	0			0	Install basement sign/bankers	\$165
324	3	5022	Old Logan Road	Sunderland Lark	1224 G		5	50	Pre-1920s 200mm depth lining with 15mm aggregate and restore roadside drainage	\$20,000
325	3	4345	Southview Road	Sunderland	520 G		52	0	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching and drainage repairs	\$3,500
326	3	4225	Gulfring Road	Sunderland	525 G		52	0	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching and drainage repairs	\$3,500
327	3	4222	My Marlene Road	Talagalla	1250 G			50	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,632
328	3	2107	Kaiser Road	Talagalla	520 G			20	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,214
329	3	2221	Talagalla Two Tree Hill R/T	Talagalla	3550 B			225	Road Damage - Underground Drainage	\$4,757
330	3	2102	Woodbrook Creek Road	Talagalla	1870 G			225	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$4,757
331	3	2105	Great Road	The Elgar	3000 G			125	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,677
332	3	2104	Kells Road	Walton	285 G			80	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,442
333	3	2221	Public Street	Walton	1020 G			200	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$3,271
334	3	2221	Reilly Road	Walton	730 G			40	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,168
335	3	2043	Twynne Road	Walton	2250 G		37	25	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,850
336	3	1022	Adelaide Road	Pho Mountain	1250 G			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
337	3	2027	Cherry	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
338	3	2027	Cherry	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
339	3	5140	Muler Road	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
340	3	7440	Newman Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
341	3	1014	Franklin Street	Canby	2250 G		4	225	Road Damage - Gravel Rethatching	\$1,392
342	3	0	Rockbank Place Road	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
343	3	9222	Wagonway Creek	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
344	3	9222	Wagonway Creek	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
345	3	7450	Albert Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
346	3	7450	Albert Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
347	3	7450	Bonita Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
348	3	7450	Bonita Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
349	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
350	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
351	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
352	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
353	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
354	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
355	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
356	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
357	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
358	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241
359	3	7450	Lower Wilbur Street	Canby	0			0	Road damage/road sign/bankers	\$241

## Appendix C

### Possible Flood Mitigation Schemes

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An Internal Workshop at Ipswich City Council developed the following list of potential flood mitigation schemes in February 2002.

- ~~xx~~ Dam site on Bremer River at Mt Walker ('Water Supply Sources in South-East Queensland' Volume 2 Report, January 1991 by Water Resources Commission Department of Primary Industries)
- ~~xx~~ Dam site on Warrill Creek, Aratula
- ~~xx~~ Levees on Bremer River as per SKM flood study report particularly proposals for CBD area
- ~~xx~~ Detention basins on Woogaroo, Bundamba and Deebling Creeks (proposed by Mr R Gamble and documentation of affect of Springfield lakes and dry retention basins)
- ~~xx~~ Detention Basins above Rosewood and Marburg (Rosewood completed, Marburg project approved for funding)
- ~~xx~~ Flooding in lower parts of Harristville, Peak Crossing and Rosewood
- ~~xx~~ Flooding at Walloon and Karrabin
- ~~xx~~ Flooding in Calvert
- ~~xx~~ Flooding in Grandchester (damage from recent flood)
- ~~xx~~ Flooding above Harristville (local storm, SKM's reports, March 1998 & May 1999)
- ~~xx~~ Flooding Ebenezer Road at Ebenezer (local storm)
- ~~xx~~ Stream works at Bundamba Creek, Bundamba (JWP's report, April 1999)
- ~~xx~~ Flooding at Ripley (local storm, SKM's report, 1998)
- ~~xx~~ Protection of good agricultural land in Warrill Valley Irrigation area and other catchments
- ~~xx~~ Protection and raising of strategic bridges and roads affected by major stream flooding
- ~~xx~~ Alternative local accesses for properties cut off during flood events
- ~~xx~~ Continue riparian restoration program

