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# Submission to the Independent Review of Commonwealth Disaster Funding

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## **Q1. What experience have you had with Commonwealth disaster funding support?**

Commonwealth funding is stifled in Queensland due to the additional layer to QRA. Queensland is the only state that have to pay a co-contribution (up to 50%) to secure the funding and may remote and regional Councils do not have the financial means for co-contribution.

## **Q2. How could Commonwealth funding support communities to reduce their disaster risk?**

By providing funding to Councils to employ a full time Local DMO - Local solutions to Local problems

## **Q3. Please describe your understanding of Commonwealth disaster funding processes.**

Currently tied up in bureaucracy by QRA. Remote Councils are unwilling to apply due to this and the Co-contribution. QRRRF has to be different each round but this could be used to fund local DMO's with enhanced risk reduction and resilience programs.

## **Q4. Are the funding roles of the Commonwealth, states and territories, and local government, during disaster events clear?**

Yes they are but Commonwealth funding is funnelled through QRA

## **Q5. Is there any further information you would like to provide?**

With the demise of regional roles in NEMA could this money be directed at funding fulltime DMO's in remote and regional councils?

