



David Littleproud MP

Federal Member for Maranoa

Media Statement

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\$142,462 in federal funds to better prepare the Wallumbilla region for future natural disasters

Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud today welcomed \$142,462 in disaster resilience funding to better prepare Wallumbilla and the wider community from the threat of natural disasters.

“This \$142,462 for the Maranoa Regional Council will fund the construction of a shed – with concrete slab – to house both the Wallumbilla SES and the Rural Fire Brigade’s equipment,” Mr Littleproud said.

“This investment means the region’s fire trucks, trailers, emergency equipment, generators and boat will be housed in the same location making it easier for emergency services to respond to natural disasters quickly.”

Mr Littleproud said the funding will be provided to local councils and organisations under the Federal Government’s \$21 million Natural Disaster Resilience Program.

Under the Program, the Australian Government’s contribution is matched by states and territories by additional funding or in-kind resources.

“The Federal Government is focused on boosting community resilience so we are all better prepared for the future because natural disasters are a fact of life in Queensland as they can have an enormous impact on our region,” Mr Littleproud said.

For further information, check out: <http://www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/grants-and-subsidies>

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