The Local Disaster Management Group and its Plan

Each Council must have a Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG). The LDMG is made up of Councillors, Executive Officers, Emergency Services (such as Police, Fire, Ambulance, SES, Health) and other key agencies. All agencies report to the LDMG which is chaired by the local Mayor. The Local Disaster Management Group is your official source of information before, during and after disasters.

WHAT THE LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP (LDMG) DOES

The Burdekin Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) makes decisions based on information from the Bureau of Meteorology's weather predictions and advice from Emergency Services. Using this information the LDMG helps the community to prevent, prepare, respond and recover from disasters.

The Burdekin LDMG is your official source of information. The spokesperson is the Chairperson of the LDMG.

Read their warnings and alerts at www.facebook.com/BurdekinDCC

Refer page 3 and 9 of your Emergency Action Guide



MORE INFORMATION

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- www.burdekin.ald.gov.au
- https://www.facebook.com/BurdekinDCC

• T: 07 4783 9800

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STAGES OF ACTIVATION

Depending on how likely or how far away the disaster may be, the LDMG 'activates':

While the LDMG usually follows these four stages, sometimes they may go straight to 'stand up' depending on the type of disaster. Here are the levels of activations and what they mean for you.

ALERT "just watching"	LDMG maintains heightened awareness of situations that might lead to a disaster in the Burdekin area. The Group is prepared but not activated. Because the Group has not officially activated, no official information is provided to the community, but the LDMG will keep you informed if the threat develops. If you hear about a potential threat, start thinking about your Household Emergency Plan and Emergency Kit.
LEAN FORWARD "getting ready"	A possible disaster that may affect the Burdekin area has been identified. It is not imminent. The LDMG is prepared but not activated. The community is made aware of the possible threat and receives information from the LDMG about what to do and where they can find more information. You should: • Finalise your Emergency Kit • Cash • Fuel up your car • Clean up your yard Refer to pages 10-30 in your Emergency Action Guide for what to do ahead of each disaster.
STAND UP "it's happening"	The disaster is imminent or happening now and the community will be or has been impacted. The LDMG is activated and the Local Disaster Coordination Centre is operational if required. The community will receive specific advice from the LDMG about the threat, what to do, where to go, and how to access help. Now is the time to act and finalise your disaster preparations.
STAND DOWN "sigh of relief"	The threat is no longer present. The LDMG transitions from immediate response to recovery. Damage is assessed and essential services begin to be restored. The community will receive information about special help available after the disaster. Refer pages 10-30 in your Emergency Action Guide for what to do after each disaster.

Refer to your Emergency Action Guide or read online: http://www.burdekin.qld.gov.au/emergency-action-guide/

THE LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN (LDMP)

While we can't avoid disasters, there are things that are common to all disasters that enable us to plan for most scenarios.

The Local Disaster Management Group has a Plan to assist the community, and it aims to help our community prevent, prepare respond and recover from all types of disasters.

The Plan is on our website:

http://www.burdekin.qld.gov.au/burdekin-local-disaster-management-plan

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