

Urgent call for information about February Monsoon Flood erosion impacts

Did the February monsoon floods cause riverine or coastal erosion damage on or near your property?

If so, Natural Disaster Recovery Funding may be available to repair or stabilise the problem.

Southern Gulf NRM has been asked by the Queensland Government to compile and assess a comprehensive list of sites that the Government will assess for inclusion in the recovery program.

Our region is large and time is short. Southern Gulf NRM depends on information from regional producers as a starting point.

We need to know:

- Exactly where the site is (property name and GPS coordinates are very helpful);
- What the problem is (a brief description and photos if you can);
- If the problem needs urgent attention (and if so, why); and
- Contact details for follow up.

To report an erosion problem, or if you have any questions, please either:

- Email us at admin@southerngulf.com.au (this is the best approach); or
- Telephone us on 07 4743 1888; or
- Mail information to PO Box 2211 Mount Isa; or
- Inform our project staff at upcoming field days and site visits

We will need your information by 14 June 2019 to be included in the program.

More Information

Southern Gulf NRM is grateful to producers who responded to our call for information about flood damage during the flood event in February. We knew at the time that this information could not be comprehensive but it contributed to a submission that led to a \$33M program for riparian and coastal erosion repair across the monsoon flood affected region.

If you have already alerted us to a problem since the flood, then you don't need to do this again. But feel free to call to confirm that we have recorded it. If you are aware of problems on neighbouring properties, please encourage the property manager to report the problem to us in case they have not heard.

There is no guarantee that your reported problem will be repaired. Funding is substantial, but priorities will have to be decided. On the other hand, if an erosion problem is not included in our initial list, it almost certainly won't be repaired. Now is the time to act. Funding will only be available for impacts directly caused by the February monsoon flooding.

Once Southern Gulf NRM has a list of sites, we will arrange for an expert assessment of each site and submission of a report to the Queensland Government recommending remediation priorities. We will need landholder cooperation in gaining access for the site assessments which will happen in late June and July.

We will supplement producer-provided information with any information we can get from other sources.

If you have any questions, please contact Pru Wharton on 07 4743 1888.