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## Climate change funding

GYMPIE Regional Council will benefit from \$52,364 in funding from the State Government's QCoast2100 program to help the Cooloola Coast prepare for the increasing impacts of climate change.

Environment Minister Steven Miles said the Palaszczuk government was committed to ensuring Queensland's coastal communities were protected from the impacts of coastal hazards and their increased severity due to climate change. He said the \$12 million QCoast2100 fund was a partnership with the Local Government Association of Queensland to assist coastal councils with planning and risk assessment as well as decision-making and implementation of their coastal hazard adaption strategies. "Coastal communities are already at risk from sea erosion and storm tide inundation caused by cyclones and other severe storm systems, and these will become a greater threat with rising sea levels in the future. This program recognises that coastal councils are at different stages of planning, with some yet to begin and others having completed a comprehensive strategy."