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To: Info Flood Commission

Subject: Queensland Police acknowledgement at floods

To whom this may concern.

I would like to see the some formal acknowledgement for the Queensland Police Service members who responded to the calls for assistance at Grantham on January 10 2011. Members from the Public Safety Response Team (PSRT) and Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) responded on the night of the disaster without hesitation.

These members were tasked with search and rescue of living and deceased person in Grantham. These members worked in extremely dangerous conditions, down power lines, high flood waters with underwater obstacles and ruptured gas pipes evacuating dozens of stranded people in tip trucks and front end loaders.

Members also had to clear houses looking for survivors and deceased persons in most cases in unsound houses with extensive structural damage without receiving the proper training.

Members worked in excess of 30 hours straight without a break.

These guy's with a say went above and beyond the call of duty, not to mention most of these guy's deployed to Grantham for 10 days to conduct search and rescue operations in extreme heat and conditions.

I hope these guy's do receive medals for their efforts as they are the true hero's.

I hope to hear a response soon.

Regards, John