

MAYOR'S THANK-YOU MESSAGE TO EMERGENCY SERVICES STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Walgett Shire Mayor Ian Woodcock OAM said “he would like to sincerely thank all the emergency services staff and volunteers that have taken time to support and assist the Walgett Shire communities during the recent flood event”.

The SES have responded to residents calls for assistance in and around Rowena where properties became isolated.

“The initial phase of any flood plan is preparedness and the SES volunteers in particular have put in a mammoth effort monitoring weather forecasts, river systems, roads and preparing sand bags in readiness of flood water inundation of properties”, said the Mayor.

On a brighter note, the Mayor said “local business houses have certainly benefitted in the past two (2) weeks from having such a large contingent of emergency services personnel stay in the Walgett and Collarenebri communities”.

The Mayor also said “while the flood waters are receding, I strongly urge motorists not travel on flooded roads, it’s not worth the risk, as roads may have sustained damage from flooding”.

