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I am making this submission as A resident in a flood-affected area

Submission type I am making a personal submission

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Share your experience or tell your story

Your story I live in within the bounds of Calico Creek. It enters my property being the 1st bridge the water from this creek enters, goes around my small 7 acre property and leaves down the end where a bridge has been repaired due to past floods.
My experience was terrifying. I am high however the fear of the creek taking my house was real. Thankfully I was ok however knowing how much

rain was falling, no power, no communication as we lost wifi and having no 4g at the best of times, during the floods we had nothing. Unable to contact loved ones in Lismore knowing what was about to unfold is something I never wish to live with again. Telstra should have a class action as there response was pathetic. My loved ones lost everything! Almost lost there lives and I was unable to warn them. Finally when we got communication, seeing what had happened is unbelievable. Hard for the eyes to fathom, harder for the mind to adjust. Hard now is an understatement!

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1.1 Causes and contributing factors

Creeks- the 1st point of entry on a road from a mountain should have a gauge. There should be another when a creek joins to another. Every water flow here connects to a creek which goes either into Tweed River or the Wilson. The first gauge in any creek here in the Nimbin area is Goolmangar. That is crazy! So many creeks joining prior to that in our valleys where it should be gauged. By the time it gets down to Goolmangar, it's to late for Lismore and surrounds.

1.2 Preparation and planning

Clean the big logs ect from the creeks allowing the water to flow. The creeks are getting filled at the bridges causing massive damage stopping the water! Have a fund for all our local hero's who get out and clear, chainsaw, fill holes ect with there machines. If they/we did not do this, we would be all still waiting.

1.5 Recovery from floods

Koori Mail-absolutely fantastic!

Supporting documents or images

