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To: [Flood Inquiry](#)
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To Whom it May Concern

I am writing to you regarding this Catastrophic flood that hit lismore & surrounding towns on the 28th Feb 2022

I watched this water come into the CBD, it was seriously like a Tsunami, there were waves & surges of water smashing the streets. It was not like any other flood we've seen.

BOM kept updating there website through the night & it was getting worse & worse. As soon as we saw the new prediction of 14-15m we new lismore was in big big trouble. We climbed to to roof of the lismore central shopping centre & had to be rescued by boat. I had only just bought my business called " " 10 days before this flood. Such bad timing & it's been such a traumatic experience & extremely stressful

Since this Catastrophic flood hit there hasn't been enough funding & the government needs to pay the \$50,000 up front for us small businesses.

Who has \$50K spare in their pockets to spend first... ah no one.

Please cut the red tape & give us this money. The process you need to go through to get this money is difficult & challenging.

The Category D disaster funding needs to be extended to private to businesses and homes. All levels of government need to step up & help.

BOM also got it so so wrong. How can you predict a 9-10m flood the day before then that afternoon/night change to 10-11m flood.

Then at 2am say it's going to be higher then 14m. They really had no clue the day before and that left many people fighting for their lives. The water rose so fast that 1000s of people who stranded on their roofs for hours & hours in the dark & pouring rain.

If local people didn't jump in there boats to save people lismore would have had 100s of dead people that day, the SES needs to be more prepared & more help was needed.

I think insurance companies need to step up & help in this type of disaster. They should be made to help out financially.

Lismore is our home & community & I want to rebuild but need financial assistance first. The only way our town will bounce back is to receive more money

Thankyou