From: NSW Government
To: Flood Inquiry
Subject: Floods Inquiry

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Submission det	ails
I am making this submission as	A resident in a flood-affected area
Submission type	I am submitting on behalf of my organisation
Organisation making the submission (if applicable)	
Your position in the organisation (if applicable)	Director
Consent to make submission public	I would like this submission to remain anonymous

## Your story

We operate 3 airbnbs and are organic farmers (mushrooms, avocados, bananas and other various fruits, vegetables etc) and take care of rescue animals and natives. When the floods came we donated ALL of our produce to chefs and cooks making meals for those that lost everything and support workers. We also donated our time to help with animal rescues and flood recovery. We moved all of our accomodation bookings back to later dates and have been housing people without homes ever since. We are going broke but we will never regret our small bit of help. At our farm we sustained extensive flooding to main sheds, leaks in roofs and have had to spend money having trees professionally removed as the ground is so wet the roots are no longer able to sustain the weight of them. Our animals no longer have grass to eat so we are having to feed them with whatever we can buy. There is a major shortage of dry, non mould affected stock fees and we have to travel far to get any. They are losing weight fast and we are struggling to keep up. Vets are in short supply as busy as... Supporting those who lost everything in house is incredibly emotionally hard and draining when it seems it will never stop raining. We are all constantly in our gum boots, sloshing around and slipping around in smelly mud and our property is getting to a point we will have to engage contractors to rectify the state of the property. We cannot keep the mould at bay and my partner and I are now suffering health wise.

## Terms of Reference (optional)

The Inquiry welcomes submissions that address the particular matters identified in its Terms of Reference

## 1.6 Any other matters

The government took too long to react and help and engage the army and listen to those in the know and on the ground.

Government grants are hard to get approved.

Supporting documents or images	
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