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I am making this submission as	A resident in a flood-affected area
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Bureau Of Meteorology Failing the Residents of Woodburn and Surrounding Rural Areas.

The Bureau of Meteorology must be held responsible for failing the Residents of Woodburn and surrounding rural areas during the flood event of February 2022. Their lack of commitment and inability to forecast the flood peak for Woodburn is inexcusable. At 2.30am on Monday 28th February the BOM stated that Woodburn may reach around 5.3mtrs during Tuesday. This warning was unchanged for the next 23 hrs.

At 3pm on Monday 28th February Lismore peaked at 14.4mtrs, 1.4mtrs above the highest recorded flood on record. At the same time Coraki was 7.36mtrs, .35mtrs above its highest ever recorded flood and Bungawalbyn Junction was 6.1mtrs equal to its highest ever recorded flood. STILL the BOM did not commit to a revised prediction for Woodburn. It was another 10.5 hrs before the BOM revised its prediction for Woodburn. This happened at 1.30am Tuesday 1st March the revised prediction was for 6mtrs at 4am Tuesday morning, at 1.30am the river was 5.87mtrs, it was at 6.01mtrs at 2.30am. This to me shows a lack of commitment from the BOM when it comes to flood predictions for Woodburn and the fact that the BOM have no way of knowing what impact Bungawalbyn Creek has on flooding at Woodburn and the surrounding rural areas.