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**To:** [Flood Inquiry](#)  
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## Your details

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## Submission details

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| <b>I am making this submission as</b>    | A member of the general public                          |
| <b>Submission type</b>                   | I am making a personal submission                       |
| <b>Consent to make submission public</b> | I give my consent for this submission to be made public |

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## Share your experience or tell your story

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| <b>Your story</b> | I live on a flood free site in Kingscliff and was not affected by flooding. |
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## Terms of Reference (optional)

The Inquiry welcomes submissions that address the particular matters identified in its [Terms of Reference](#)

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**1.1 Causes and contributing factors**

I have seen photographs of some of the landslips in our region and noted that most of the affected sites have been cleared.

Land clearing of steep land not only has a destabilizing affect on the soil causing landslips but also results in intensified runoff from the site and flooding downstream

I understand that both the State and Federal Governments have, over the past couple of years, been watering down land clearing regulations. These decisions should be reversed.

I noticed a recently approved DA in our local shire included land clearing. Councils should also enforce stronger rules if the outcome is seen to present a problem in time of intense rain.

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**1.6 Any other matters**

\$10 for cabbages. \$30 per kilo for beans. Lettuce unavailable.

Flood affected horticultural land can be out of production for months causing these prices and shortages.

The red soil Cudgen plateau land does not flood and is well drained. In the last flood it was out of production for only a few days.

This land provides food security in all seasons and the current protection from development should now be reinforced further.

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**Supporting documents or images**

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