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Submission details

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

Submission type I am making a personal submission

Consent to make submission public I give my consent for this submission to be made public

Share your experience or tell your story

Your story

I did not lose my house. However I live in the postcode of Lismore. I consider Lismore to be my home.

Myself and my partner have lost a considerable amount of work due to the floods. We have volunteered our time to clean up houses. I have lost study time and am behind in my studies. We

have supported friends and family through trauma and loss of housing and business.

We have been deemed essentially homeless since our landlord has reclaimed our house. We are sleeping at friends houses. There seems to be no housing available in the area where we work, study and raise a three year old.

We have hosted fundraiser concerts and donated what we can to support our community.

Our town is gone. I haven't been able to see my friends or loved ones much because everyone is scattered around the region due to displacement and homelessness.

Our possessions have been destroyed from mould and wet weather.

Terms of Reference (optional)

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

1.1 Causes and contributing factors	Climate change, lack of efficient town planning in preparation for flooding events, lack of reforestation, lack of SES.
1.2 Preparation and planning	We want to see Lismore CBD in the same location but with smarter infrastructure and planning for floods.
1.3 Response to floods	Reforestation and reviving river banks. Clever town planning. Substantial action on climate change.
1.4 Transition from incident response to recovery	More state and federal government visitors to Lismore to understand what is happening on the ground.
1.6 Any other matters	Adequate SES. A dedicated disaster recover sector.

Supporting documents or images

