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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 have been living at Burringbar for well over 20 years and I have a neighbour who has lived here for over 75 years and only twice has it flooded this bad ever. Watching the water go through my neighbours houses and down the street like a river and the question is why now.

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

This has never happen before the highway went in, blocking the opening under it with debris and not letting the water to flow through it and some people up the valley have put in large dams that broke with a large amount of water coming down the creek and also people have built bridges over the creek on their properties and when it starts to flood debris builds up behind it and causes a dam effect until it brakes and we get a large serge of water the comes down the creek and over the land like a tsunami. If the creek had a clear run to the ocean with no obstructions in its way the flood would not have happened.

1.2 Preparation and planning

make the opening bigger under the highway, Stop people building big dams on their properties and building bridges across the creek.

1.3 Response to floods

fix the problems and we will not have these sorts of floods

1.4 Transition from incident response to recovery

First flood had no help at all but this flood got a lot of help from strangers

Supporting documents or images