

**From:** [NSW Government](#)  
**To:** [Flood Inquiry](#)  
**Subject:** Floods 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 resident in a flood-affected area
<b>Submission type</b>	I am submitting on behalf of my organisation
<b>Organisation making the submission (if applicable)</b>	Pomegrantee Prodoerity
<b>Your position in the organisation (if applicable)</b>	Member
<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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**Your story**

There was no internet, heavy rain leading up to flood, roads were closed, we filled out the online application for. NAIDOC grant to hold an event BUT the Community Hub Grants WOULDN'T give us a one week extension to send in a week after the the flood. We wrote to Anne Ruston, the Minister overseeing the Community Hub Grants and never received any acknowledgment of our correspondence. We wrote to Kevin Hogan and didn't receive acknowledgment of our correspondence. Surely, a natural disaster should be considered a valid reason for requesting a one week extension, when they could see online we had filled out the application. It's discriminatory to not even get a response from any LNP politicians regarding the grant application process.

So many of our Aboriginal members lost everything we really needed a lift of community event for NAIDOC

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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**

No Internet, no electricity, road closures, lost homes, no transport

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**1.2 Preparation and planning**

We did everything possible to meet the requirements, the inability to send in a completed application was outside our control

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**1.3 Response to floods**

Commonwealth and State representatives didn't respond

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**1.4 Transition from incident response to recovery**

Our First Nations people had to take care of each other, no one helped us

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**1.5 Recovery from floods**

Our members have lost all possessions and been given eviction notices, our Gullibul Elders have to find a place by end of May, they have no

where to go, very hard for First Nationa people to find housing in the best of times

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**1.6 Any other matters**

Please help us get the grant consideration we deserved, we did so much work to plan the event

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**Supporting documents or images**

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