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

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## Submission details

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

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**Submission type** I am making a personal submission

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**Consent to make submission public** 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** This flood I found was very hard work for many, many people to clean up after. It was the mud mostly I thought !  
Any way we can keep the river level below the levee walls should be a priority. I have lived in Murwillumbah all my life, as a child i used to see the dredges moving up and down the Tweed River they would remove piles of silt and sand

from the river floor making it deeper so when the rainy season started and the river rose it could handle the extra water alot more efficiently. I would like to know why this has stopped being done.

After the flood, mud and rubbish removal are the big issues if only we could come up with some bright ideas to make this stage better, maybe run some competitions and brain storming exercises to get people thinking. Some sort of suction device with a hose attached that could be fed into a tank then taken away a bit like how the wheelie bins are emptied probably be a bit expensive so maybe 2 households could share 1. In my yard I have about 10 bags of mud and that's on top of the many piles that were dumped on the Nature Strip, out of 1 shed alone we estimated about 80 barrows of mud went out to the rd.

I have to say the mud this flood was the biggest issue for me personally.

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### **Terms of Reference (optional)**

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### **Supporting documents or images**

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