



The Hon. Wendy Tuckerman MP  
Minister for Local Government

24 January 2023  
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Cr Ambrose Doolan  
Mayor  
Warrumbungle Shire Council

Mr Roger Bailey  
General Manager  
Warrumbungle Shire Council

Via: [Ambrose.Doolan@warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Ambrose.Doolan@warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au)  
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Dear Cr Doolan and Mr Bailey

Storms and floods have had a distressing and widespread impact across NSW in 2022. I know how devastating these recent events have been to your council area. I understand that most of the responsibility for co-ordinating emergency and recovery efforts will fall to your local council, and this will be a costly exercise.

To support impacted communities, the NSW Government in partnership with the Australian Government has announced significant recovery funding to assist disaster declared councils such as yours. This funding is provided under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) – Category D.

The Local Government Recovery Grants program is providing payment of \$1 million to your council upon confirmation of the Project Overview and the Grant Acknowledgement Schedule.

You will find attached to this letter:

1. The **NSW Local Government Recovery Grants Program Guideline** which provides detailed requirements of the grant including project criteria, eligible and ineligible projects, and administrative arrangements (with key dates). Further confirmation of reporting requirements with associated templates will be provided when finalised.
2. **Project Overview Form** to be completed via the SmartyGrants portal on the Office of Local Government (OLG) website <https://olg.smartygrants.com.au/AGRN1030AGRN1034>
3. A **Grant Acknowledgment Schedule** to be signed and returned to the OLG at [grants@olg.nsw.gov.au](mailto:grants@olg.nsw.gov.au) on acceptance of these conditions (below).

Further, the OLG has reactivated the Local Government Emergency Recovery Support Group (LGERSG). The LGERSG facilitates peer to peer resource sharing for councils affected by crises to lean on unaffected councils that are able to assist. I would encourage you to contact the LGERSG when you are in a position to assess the support you will need at [recovery@olg.nsw.gov.au](mailto:recovery@olg.nsw.gov.au)

Should you require any support with the grant submission, please contact Stephen Walker on (02) 4428 4166 or at [recovery@olq.nsw.gov.au](mailto:recovery@olq.nsw.gov.au)

Thank you for the leadership you and your council colleagues are providing to your community. I know the road to recovery from this latest disaster will not be an easy one, and I can assure you that the NSW Government will be with you every step of the way.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wendy Tuckerman', followed by three dots.

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**Encl.** Grant Acknowledgment Schedule (below)  
NSW Local Government Recovery Grants Program Guideline (attached separately)

## Grant Acknowledgement Schedule

Grant Administrator:	Brett Whitworth Office of Local Government Locked Bag 3015, NOWRA NSW 2541 (02) 4428 4100
Grant Coordinator:	Stephen Walker (02) 4428 4166 <a href="mailto:recovery@olg.nsw.gov.au">recovery@olg.nsw.gov.au</a>
Council:	Warrumbungle Shire Council
Grant:	Disaster Recovery Joint Commonwealth and NSW State Government Funding - Local Government Recovery Grant to assist councils impacted by flooding: <b>AGRN 1030</b> Southern & Central West NSW Flooding: 4 August 2022 Onwards <b>AGRN 1034</b> NSW Flooding: 14 September 2022 Onwards
Conditions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1030 &amp; 1034 Project Overview Form and Grant Acknowledgement Schedule to be returned ASAP for payment.</li> <li>2. Payments provided to Councils within 10 working days from receipt of Project Overview and signed Grant Acknowledgement Schedule, subject to projects being compliant.</li> <li>3. Program of Works submitted within three months from the receipt of the funds for assessment.</li> <li>4. Reporting includes any requirements in the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements 2018 and the NSW Local Government Recovery Grants Program Guideline</li> <li>5. Return of any unused funds as at 30 June 2025.</li> </ol>
Grant Amount:	\$1,000,000 (maximum)

Council acknowledges receipt of the grant monies and confirms its agreement to the conditions imposed.

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Signature of Delegated Party

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Date

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Name

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Position of Delegate