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Draft Central Coast Regional Plan

Dear sir

Will the DCCRP solve problems or escalate existing problems and create new ones?

Lovell Road Umina has flooded three times this year creating as expected problems for residents and motorists. I attribute this to climate change, infrastructure failure and inability to face reality at all government levels. Vehicles have become stranded due to the inadequate actions from Gosford City Council. Is this due to lack of staff, resources and authority?

Residents of Lovell Road facing this all too frequent event have become abusive to stranded motorists. I expect that this is caused by trauma and the need to prepare for the next rain event and it's foreseeable problems. This situation will exist long term if Lovell Road is not transformed into an artificial wetland based on GCC's advice "that the drainage is currently estimated at \$175 million!" (GCC IR 20197028 Cr L McKinna)

Scientists have recently reported that CO2 emissions are the highest on record. Climate change and its effect particularly on human behaviour have not been addressed in the DCCRP. Climate change impact is not limited to coastal erosion and hazard lines on maps. Research the residents of Lovell Road for a first hand account of the problems associated with urban flooding and how it is changing human behaviour.

If you refer to GCC IR20197028 you will conclude that the advice is based on environmental and management impossibilities. This standard applies beyond Gosford City Council. With increasing costs and problems trauma for residents will inevitably increase. The evidence is obvious supported by the many coastal plans and opposition from beachfront property owners.

How many locations are in the early stages of artificial wetlands?
A rapidly changed planet poses new long term challenges.

Yours sincerely

- Lovell Road Umina flooding days 2016
January 29, March 15 & 16

