REVIEW OF THE NSW RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY ACT 2022

Organisation: Warren Shire Council

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11th June 2024

Dear Clayton Barr, MP,

RE: NSW RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY ACT 2022 NO. 80 - WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL SUBMISSION

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission on the NSW Reconstruction Authority Act 2022 No. 80. Being a small rural and remote council that was severely impacted by floods in 2021 and 2022, we have practical knowledge and experience in the matter, and we believe that our views and suggestions should be considered.

We have reviewed the Act and concluded that it captures the functions and responsibilities of the NSW Reconstruction Authority. However, we have the following comments and suggestions.

Part 4 Division 2 Section 35

It seems that the onus to prepare Disaster Adaptation Plans is being placed on Councils. We believe that this should be handled at the Local Emergency Management Committee level and spearheaded by the NSW Reconstruction Authority.

Part 4 Division 2 Section 36

It is not clear how the *specific projects, strategies or actions* would be funded. Ideally, such funds would need to be provided by the NSW Reconstruction Authority in a non-competitive funding arrangement.

Part 2 Division 2 Section 10(1)(b)(i)

A typographical error in the first line - minster instead of minister.

If you have any enquires about this matter, please contact - Divisional Manager Engineering Services on contact or email

Yours faithfully,

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