



Byrrill Creek Bridge suffered severe damage in the first flood and even more during the latest deluge.

Road network suffers more damage

Residents are urged to exercise patience and drive to conditions as Council once again takes stock of the damage to the Tweed's road network following the second flooding event in 4 weeks.

More than 1,900 road repair jobs at an estimated cost of more than \$40 million were logged in the system following the rain event of 28 February, with that figure likely to rise in coming days as road crews assess the Tweed's roads following this week's flooding rains.

Already, several new issues have been recorded, including at Tweed Valley Way between the Tumbulgum intersections where damage to the road surface from the first flood has worsened, forcing its closure in both directions. Tweed Valley Way is also closed at other points due to floodwater (at time of going to print), including at Oaks Avenue. Detours are in place where possible.

Dozens of additional road closures and cautions are in place across the Tweed, with their status updated at MyRoadInfo – northernrivers.myroadinfo.com.au

Major landslips at Scenic Drive in Bilambil, Reserve Creek Road and Tyalgum Road, which occurred during the first flooding event, remain perilous and may be further damaged. Motorists are urged not to move road closure barriers as these are in place to save lives.

Emergency works in response to this most recent flood event have commenced and will entail repair of damage to Tweed Valley Way at Tumbulgum, removal of mud from this road and Dulguigan Road, removal of landslips and repair of washouts on Byrrill Creek Road and many other rural roads. Additional landslips also occurred on Monday night on Tomewin Road and Balfours Road, Bungalora.

Council asks the community for patience as its crews work to fix the road network.

Our roads have suffered incredible damage – especially in our hinterland areas – and it will take many months or even years to get back to where we were before the flood.

Please don't be that person who abuses workers who are doing everything they can to safely respond to high priority road hazards caused by the latest downpour.

Council's first priority is always to respond to residents in life-threatening situations and the worst hit areas. We target our busiest roads first and any areas where people may be isolated. After that, we will move to other areas of the Tweed.

While it may take some time to get around to areas of less significant damage, we will get there. Sometimes repairs to problems like potholes will be temporary in nature to make roads passable until more permanent repairs can be done.

Motorists are urged to:

- Avoid unnecessary travel during wet weather – even a small rain event has the potential to make already flood-damaged roads unstable and roads that have previously been cleared of mud, trees and other flood debris may also become hazardous as rain washes over them.
- Remain cautious on our roads, especially during and immediately after wet weather.
- Slow down, the posted speed limit is the maximum speed under ideal conditions but when it's wet a slower speed is safer.
- Be patient as crews continue with the clean-up. While roadworks might slow you down in the short term, they will get us all moving more quickly and safely once works are complete.
- Plan for delays and give yourself more travel time to get to your destination.
- Be kind to others on the road.

For tips on how to keep safe on the roads, read our fact sheet – *Responding to high priority road hazards* – under 'Avoid unnecessary travel' at tweed.nsw.gov.au/roadworks-closures

For more information and to keep up to date with what's happening on our roads, visit MyRoadInfo or the Tweed Emergency Dashboard at emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au

In a normal year, Council fixes more than 25,000 potholes each year. Potholes can appear when road pavements become saturated (our road crews are very busy after rain events). Report a pothole or any other road issue at tweed.nsw.gov.au/report-problem

Scenic Drive geotechnical investigations go ahead



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Scenic Drive landslide geotechnical investigations planned for Thursday 31 March and Friday 1 April between Mount Bilinga Circuit and Warringa Drive will go ahead at this stage.

A reminder to residents in Mount Bilinga Circuit and the section of Scenic Drive between the 2 slips: this section of Scenic Drive will be closed from 10 am to 1 pm on both days.

Fixing landslips is a complex engineering task. It is important that the base of the slip is properly stabilised to prevent a similar failure in the future. There are various specialist methods for doing this, and the option chosen needs to suit the site conditions, based on geotechnical assessment. Only then can the missing piece of road be constructed over this new foundation.

Thank you for your patience as we work towards more permanent repairs.

Visit northernrivers.myroadinfo.com.au to stay up to date with what's happening on our roads.



Last week we each used

182L a day

as at 28 March 2022

Donate to Flood Appeal

Community members keen to make a donation to flood-affected residents and businesses of the Tweed can do so via the Together Tweed Mayoral Flood Appeal.

Tweed Shire Council launched its Mayoral Flood Appeal last week. The Together Tweed Mayoral Flood Appeal 2022 seeks to raise much-needed funds to offer affected Tweed communities immediate help, support recovery efforts and resilience to future flood events and contribute to addressing significant long-term issues such as housing.

The February 2022 flood was the biggest in the Tweed's recorded history and we have been hit again this week. Many areas recorded unprecedented river levels and the damage bill is likely to exceed the devastating 2017 flood event.

While local residents and businesses may be eligible for assistance from the Federal and NSW Government's Natural Disaster Declarations, many people in the Tweed have been significantly affected by this flood events and will require extensive support to get back on their feet.

The local organisations receiving the funds raised from the Mayoral flood appeal will support affected communities in the Tweed today, tomorrow and into the future.

To help with our flood affected community, you can donate to the Together Tweed Mayoral Flood Appeal 2022 by direct bank transfer.

The bank details are:

Name: TSC Mayors Appeal Fund

BSB: 062-580

Account: 10370281

For more information visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/mayoral-flood-appeal



Online streaming now at Tweed cemeteries

Council's cemeteries provide peaceful and respectful surrounds in some of the Tweed's most beautiful locations.

For those that cannot attend in person, a new option is now available. Funeral services from the Tweed Valley Cemetery Chapel can now be live-streamed around the world.

Family and friends who can't attend a service can live-stream the event online or watch it at a later date, using a private link that can be shared with guests. Current for 90 days, a link to the recorded service can also be viewed by family and friends at any time.

In addition, a new and comfortable lounge attached to the crematorium is now also available at the Tweed Valley Cemetery. For no additional charge family and friends who want to be near to their loved ones or honour their passing during the cremation process can now enjoy this comfortable space. Viewing of the cremation from the lounge can be arranged if required.

For more information about any of the Tweed's cemeteries and services available, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/cemeteries or contact the team on 02 6670 2400.



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Get the Tweed Link early by email

Be one of the first to see all the latest news from Tweed Shire Council each week.

Subscribers to the Tweed Link receive it by email each week on Wednesday mornings, in addition to it appearing in print in the Tweed Valley Weekly on Thursdays.

But that's not all – you can also subscribe to Council job alerts, media releases and a range of e-newsletters and Council facility program alerts.

Sign up at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe

In brief ...



Solo donates to flood appeal

Council's waste collection contractor, Solo Resource Recovery, has kindly donated \$200,000 to the Australian Red Cross flood appeal on behalf of local councils they work with, including Tweed Shire Council.

Like so many, Solo Resource Recovery suffered inundation at their Chinderah headquarters, losing plant and equipment including trucks and their workshops. Their staff and drivers have worked tirelessly through difficult times to help restore life to normal across the Tweed in the aftermath of the February floods, ensuring bins were picked up and flood waste removed as quickly as possible.

Despite their personal loss, the company chose to contribute to the appeal and Council would like to acknowledge and thank them for their donation and ongoing community support.

The Australian Red Cross appeal (redcross.org.au/floodsappeal) has raised more than \$25 million to assist flood-affected communities so far.



Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed

Draft Drought and Water Restrictions Policy

On Exhibition from 30 March to 18 May 2022

You're invited to comment on the *Draft Drought and Water Restrictions Policy*. Whether you support the policy or would like to provide constructive feedback we'd like to hear from you.



From left: November 2019 when water levels were low. February 2020 when water levels were higher. Tyalgum weir, November 2019.

Have your say

To get involved, review the draft document and provide your comments in the survey at yoursaytweed.com.au

Council confidentiality policy: On request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality however, the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* may require confidential submissions to be released to an applicant.

Help us make decisions with you
Register at yoursaytweed.com.au

Resident and Ratepayer Association meetings

Banora Point & District Residents Assoc. Inc. meet Monday 4 April 2022 at the South Tweed Sports Club commencing at 6:30 pm. Contact 0428 332 819 for further information.

Chinderah Districts Residents Association meet Tuesday 5 April 2022, 7 pm at Uniting Church Hall, 24 Kingscliff Street, opposite nursing home Kingscliff.

Fingal Head Community Association will hold their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 6 April 2022, commencing at 7 pm at Fingal Rovers Surf Life Saving Club. The April General Meeting will follow the AGM at 7:30 pm. All members and new members are welcome.

Current vacancies

View current vacancies at tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies

Subscribe to receive Job Vacancy Alerts via email at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe

WATER WEEK
Week 1 starts
4 April 2022

Check when your water meter is read at tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

Events to tackle cane toad numbers

With cane toad numbers expected to increase due to the recent floods and the influx of waterbodies, Watergum in partnership with Council invites the community to attend 2 events – cane toad busting and tadpole trapping.

The events are designed to reduce cane toad numbers towards the end of the breeding season.

To help rid the Tweed of this pest, join the next cane toad busting session on Tuesday 5 April from 5:30 pm at Kingscliff. The session will involve a quick and informative talk and community toad bust, with the aim of collecting as many toads from the environment as possible.

A cane toad tadpole trapping and information session will also be held at Banora Point on 12 April from 6 pm.

This short session will teach participants about cane toads, tadpole trapping and how get involved with the program to make a difference in the local environment.

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/cane-toads for more information and to register for free.

This will be a COVID-safe event. The exact location for the toad

busting and tadpole trapping events will be provided upon registration. For more information please email canetoads@watergum.org



Now more than ever, it's important to tackle cane toads.

Request for offer

RF02022033 Blackspot Guardrail Program Tweed Valley Way (Zara Limpinwood Road)

Offers close: Wednesday 12 noon 13 April 2022

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

Request for offer documentation is available at no charge from Council's website at tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders-contracts

All offers will be opened at closing time and will be considered by Council in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *NSW Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*. The lowest or any offer is not necessarily accepted and canvassing of Councillors or staff will disqualify.

For further information please contact Contracts Administration on 02 6670 2606.

Expressions of interest

Clean fill

Council is calling for expressions of interest from landowners willing to accept clean fill from its construction projects.

Council would deliver the fill free of charge to the property if the trip is shorter than that to a Council disposal facility. If the trip is longer, the property owner would be charged a gap fee based on mileage.

Properties suited to accepting fill must be able to be accessed by a tandem truck. In wet weather, fill can only be delivered to properties with all-weather access.

If Council accepts a property as suitable, it will add the property to a database and contact the applicant when clean fill becomes available from a nearby worksite.

For more information or to lodge an expression of interest, visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/disposal-of-fill

Section 4.56 Modification Application for public comment

The following Development Application has been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 30 March to Wednesday 13 April 2022.

The proposal is not designated development and Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority.

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application no.
RSL Care RDNS Limited	Lot 1 NPP 271020; No. 124 Leisure Drive, Banora Point ; Lot 4 NPP 271020; No. 126 Leisure Drive, Banora Point ; Lot 3 NPP 271020; No. 128 Leisure Drive, Banora Point	Amendment to Development Consent DA17/0084 for Seniors Living (69 Aged Care Residential Rooms)	DA17/0084.01

Proposed modification

Construction of six additional rooms, a reduction of GFA to 4,487m², an increase of building height from 11.2m to 11.35m, construction of additional landscape area, a reduction in car parking spaces and additions to the proposed waste storage and servicing area.

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the Modification Application. Where a submission is in the form of an objection, then the grounds of objection are required to be specified.

Any person may, during the above period, make a written submission to the General Manager of Council. It should also be noted that Council has adopted a policy whereby, on request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality by submitters in determining access to submission letters. However, the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* – GIPAA may result in confidential submissions being released to an applicant.

Please note – requirements regarding Disclosure of Political Gifts and Donations

A disclosure is required to be made in a statement accompanying the relevant development or planning application by a person who makes the application. In addition, a person who makes a written submission either objecting to or supporting a relevant development or planning application must also make a disclosure if the person has made a reportable political donation.

Further information regarding Donations and Gift Disclosure are available on Council's website tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications

Development application determinations

Notification of development application determinations for the purposes of Section 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (as amended).

Application details

Approved

DA21/0847 – Dwelling and garage

Lot 26 DP 261141, No. 34 Oleander Avenue, **Bogangar**

DA21/0864 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and retaining walls

Lot 423 DP 216388, No. 27 Tamarind Avenue, **Bogangar**

DA21/0959 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage

Lot 35 DP 261141, No. 3 Ti Tree Avenue, **Bogangar**

DA21/0876 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage and in-ground swimming pool

Lot 77 DP 1264557, No. 35 Black Wattle Circuit, **Casuarina**

DA22/0061 – In ground swimming pool

Lot 136 DP 1201995, No. 95 Laceflower Parade, **Casuarina**

DA22/0030 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 20 DP 809316, No. 2 Amarillo Drive, **Dunbible**

DA21/0616 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 2 DP 658017, No. 8404 Tweed Valley Way, **Eviron**

DA21/0810 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling

Lot 3 DP 793985, No. 18 Joshua Street, **Murwillumbah**

DA21/0974 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 1536 DP 1207462, No. 6 Sawtell Circuit, **Pottsville**

DA21/1020 – Dwelling

Lot 209 DP 1033384, No. 5 Roseash Court, **Pottsville**

DA21/1031 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including carport within the front building line

Lot 102 DP 801350, No. 10 Caroline Street, **Pottsville**

DA21/1043 – Inground swimming pool

Lot 680 DP 1078611, No. 22 Sugar Glider Drive, **Pottsville**

DA21/0915 – Retaining walls

Lot 301 DP 1238182, No. 32 Bartle Frere Close, **Terranora**

DA22/0018 – Single storey dwelling with retaining wall

Lot 451 DP 1270825, No. 8 Darro Road, **Terranora**

DA21/0898 – Two storey dwelling with attached double garage

Lot 3 DP 543048, No. 4 Parry Street, **Tweed Heads South**

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours or viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au

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