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Cr Jason O'Pray
Councillor Division 8

Sunshine Coast Regional Council

Dear Jason

Re: Audit of north shore storm water systems

It was recently drawn to our attention by Seaside Shores Community Association that SCRC is undertaking an audit of storm water systems and drainage issues on the north shore. We have no further detail and would appreciate your finding information for us in relation to such an audit.

We appreciate that you have an understanding of the storm water and flooding issues confronting the north shore from Twin Waters through Pacific Paradise, Mudjimba, Marcoola, Mt Coolum and more recently, Yaroomba (Warran Rd and Boward Close - in Div 8.)

In recent discussions OSCAR has had with a number of the groups it was suggested that OSCAR facilitate a forum with yourself and Council drainage experts to get a better understanding of the issues overall and how SCRC is taking a strategic, not piecemeal approach to the problem.

As you would be aware the Bureau of Meteorology is suggesting that we could have a La Nina event this summer which would mean possibly higher rainfall than previous years and more frequent and heavier storm events.

Given we are almost into the second month of spring it is important that the community understands how SCRC is planning to deal with these issues and in what time-frame.

As a matter of urgency we would appreciate your finding out the details of the audit including the relevant department and officers conducting the audit, the time-frame, completion date and the names of officers available to speak to community members at a forum at North Shore Community Centre.

We are not anticipating a large number of people, probably 1-2 representative per group, so we will be able to operate in a COVID safe environment. There are 6 groups interested (we are waiting for 2 groups to have their monthly meeting). The interested groups include:

Twin Waters Resident Association; Mudjimba Residents Association Inc.; Marcoola Community Group; Mt Coolum Residents Association; Seaside Shores Community Association; Twin Waters West and Surrounds.

We would like to hold the forum as soon as possible following the conclusion of the audit. Please let us know the time frame and perhaps some possible dates when you and officers can meet with community representatives.

Yours sincerely

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