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## Dear Resident,

The NSW Government is committed to supporting people impacted by the recent floods every step of the way. One of the biggest challenges is housing. We are working closely with your local council and community stakeholders on housing solutions that aim to keep your community together and ensure everyone is cared for.

As part of our commitment to support those impacted, we will be establishing a temporary housing site in your local area to provide safe housing to those who are, as yet, unable to return home. This letter is to advise that we are planning to bring in temporary accommodation pods to the grounds of the **Wollongbar Sports Fields.** 

This initiative is being undertaken in partnership with Ballina Shire Council and we are very grateful for their offer to assist. It is important to note that existing sporting facilities, including the established rugby fields, tennis and netball courts remain available for continued use by the community.

Works are expected to commence from Tuesday 19 April 2022 and will operate from Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am to 1pm and are expected to take approximately four weeks. Additional works may also be required over coming weeks as we continue to bring accommodation pods to the site. The temporary housing will be supported with all utilities – power, water, sewage, garbage collection and more.

Initially we are planning for 25 pods to be located here, housing up to 100 people. Depending upon need, the number of temporary modular homes may increase to up to 128 units of varying capacities. These modular homes may be located on the property for up to two years, dependent on housing needs and availability.

While we will endeavour to minimise any disruptions to you, site readiness and installation works may mean there will be temporary road closures and traffic impacts.

If you have any questions about the upcoming works, please contact Resilience NSW on 02 9212 9217 or via <a href="mailto:info@resilience.nsw.gov.au">info@resilience.nsw.gov.au</a>,.

We appreciate your understanding, patience and support as we work together to help those who have been impacted during this disaster.

Yours sincerely

**Dominic Lane** 

**Deputy State Emergency Recovery Controller** 

**Resilience NSW** 

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## To the residents