

FOREWORD

The material for this book has been sourced from a collection of historical aerial photographs, newspaper reports, Byron Shire Council records, the Ombudsman, various State Government Departments and correspondence of the author with these Government and semi Government bodies.

No names or dates have been changed.

The book is an expose on the covert involvement of the environmental lobby in Byron Shire, New South Wales, in influencing planning decisions and in particular the role played by Government bureaucracies in severely altering the natural environment of a major estuarine system to the detriment of existing residents.

The book contains copies of censored Byron Council documents which acknowledge Council's responsibility for causing massive flood damage throughout the area and is a result of investigative research over a period of twenty years by the author.

The allegations contained within the book are all supported by documentation that should raise fundamental questions over the rights of normal citizens to live in a natural environment, safe from the mismanagement of all government bureaucracies and the clandestine involvement of environmentalists in corrupting that natural environment.

The question of accountability is one for the reader to discover.