

Flood study seeks answers

A STUDY to determine how likely it is that the Ocean Shores floods will be repeated has been delayed by about two months.

The study, by Byron Shire Council and the State Government, aims to see how regularly residents at Ocean Shores and Billinudgel can expect the sort of weather conditions that led to the June 30 flood.

Byron Shire Council asset management director Brett Lee said the study would take into account major

changes to the landscape, such as new housing estates, the land bridge over the Capricornia Canal and even the new highway.

Depending on its results, the study could also provide the basis for new flood mitigation works; most likely new overland paths for floodwater, aimed at keeping it out of houses.

Mr Lee said the study would be finished in about three weeks and would be followed by a public meeting.

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