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I am making this submission as	Resident
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Your story	My farm was engulfed by the Currowan Bushfire on the 29th of November. Our farm was well prepared and the home and creative art centre survived the ember attack and the fire front. Everything else was burnt or perished! During the blaze our home was not defended!
1.1 Causes and contributing factors	Our home and Arts Centre survived mainly through luck-there wasn't a gale and the blaze attacked in the cool of the night. Our property has been getting prepared for such an event for over eight years.
1.2 Preparation and planning	Preparations*Slash/mow and snip over a 50 metre barrier with only a few old gum trees; burnt around each winter. *no flammable edges on a concrete slab-steel walled home. Steel framed verandah. ***Used leaf blower to ensure NO flameable materials beside

home/arts centre.
*we had a plan and we survived-we will ALWAYS leave!

1.3 Response to bushfires

Our property will be affected by bushfires and we will always do the utmost to prepare our property but we fully accept that the RFS will never place lives at risk saving our place-it is at the end of the road through 15km of winding Forestry Forest.I have insurance!

1.4 Any other matters

Points to Consider
*It has been highlighted to our family the danger of falling timber during and following bushfires-we don't travel around the farm without a chainsaw!
-I wish to present the case for the removal of all trees 30 metres each side of major highways .It would enable firefighters to back burn and also it reduces the risks posed to firefighters of falling trees/limbs.
-Advertise the "Leaf Blower" as as essential farm tool in preparing for the fire season and for fuel reduction burns(preparing fire breaks) .It works a treat and is used by the remote area firefighters!
Thank you for your consideration.

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