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Your story	<p>Hello.</p> <p>I would just like to suggest to you and your Office the idea of resourcing the NSW Kosciusko National Park area/Region with more fire-fighting 'strike team' resources and aerial water-bombing aircraft, namely helicopters with water- bombing capacities. This is a very important environment where fires need to be addressed and controlled immediately anywhere in the Park and surrounding areas.</p> <p>Most of the area is inaccessible by road/vehicles. Snow Gum forests also do not recover well from fire and the montane/alpine forests harbour many sensitive fauna species as well. The surrounding areas also contain major tourist attractions, heritage homesteads and cultural values. These special environments are restricted to two localised areas only in Australia (the other being the Victorian Alpine Region). The natural elements in these areas have not evolved with fire as other eucalypt forest types have. Their management priorities rest in preservation and</p>

conservation approaches rather than typical fuel-load management strategies that exist in other forest areas of Australia. Fires cannot be allowed to just burn around in these forest types until fire-fighting resources from other areas eventually arrive. Fires in these parts need to be treated swiftly and deftly to minimise fire damage and area burnt. Please, we need more fire-fighting resources available in these areas on a permanent basis.
Regards to you,
and Thank you.

1.1 Causes and contributing factors

1.2 Preparation and planning

1.3 Response to bushfires

My suggestion regards the response to bushfires in the NSW Alpine Region, namely Kosciuszko National Park.

1.4 Any other matters

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