

Your details

Title

Mr

First name

GARY

Last name

PYBUS

Submission details

I am making this submission as

A resident in a bushfire-affected area

Submission type

I am making a personal submission

Consent to make submission public

I give my consent for this submission to be made public

Share your experience or tell your story

Your story

1. I have resided within River Ridge Estate since 1998; the surrounding bush land known as the Grotto that runs along the Shoalhaven River has never had a bush fire or had any preventative burning prior to bush fire season. I would like to know if a plan exists or one will be developed post this inquiry?
2. In this time; I have observed fires at the back of Illaroo Scout Hall and surrounding nearby Western areas of my estate three times. The fire of 4 Jan 20 was another example of this and was only stopped by water bombing aircraft and a southerly wind change. My concern is residents of this estate only have vehicle emergency egress out via Rockhill Rd past the Scout Hall. I propose that the copper log fence of the 120 McMahon Rd reserve and bus stop to be removed or modified to allow vehicular traffic to evacuate.
3. Attention needs to be drawn to the fact that due to the number of residents residing in Nth Nowra, Bangalee, Tapitallee and surrounding suburbs, we were told by RFS to stay and shelter on 31 Dec 19 and 4 Jan 20 due to the risk of traffic jams and accidents if we had a forced evacuation due to the main access out of this area only being Illaroo Rd. The only other option is to possibly head West into the path of the traditional fire route and evac out via

Main and West Cambewarra Rd's. If the impending contruction of the 3rd Bridge over the Shoalhaven River, this will only hinder evacuation over the next few bush fire seasons. Therefore; the new access Rd proposed to be built out of this area to connect to West Cambewarra Rd should be built with a higher priority. Thanks

Terms of Reference (optional)

The Inquiry welcomes submissions that address the particular matters identified in its [Terms of Reference](#).

Supporting documents or images
