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I am making this submission as	Other
Submission type	Personal
Organisation making the submission (if applicable)	
Your position in the organisation (if applicable)	Elder
Consent to make submission public	Public
Your story	<p>I'm particularly frustrated that Cultural sites were destroyed and or not considered as an asset, throughout the fires in my area there were no due process in the planning or protection of Aboriginal sites or places. I am a knowledge holder and there used to be a contact list of Ab. people that was utilised for contact and could provide information of areas into the planning. I know that no AHIMS information was provided to ground crew or into the planning suppression processes.</p> <p>I actually decided to stay and protect my property but followed via the Fires near me App. This was the only information provided. Now after the fires and rebuilding is taking place still no provision of protection of our sites is incorporated into the recovery process.</p>
1.1 Causes and contributing factors	<p>Issue: South Coast Aboriginal community members raised concerns regarding post fire Aboriginal cultural heritage impact assessments, lack of response and information flow from</p>

government agencies. Also, a lack of commitment and activity from government in assisting communities to protect and conserve Aboriginal cultural heritage assets on the south coast of NSW.

1.2 Preparation and planning

Nil

1.3 Response to bushfires

No protection pre and after the fires of our Cultural Sites

- Discussion to develop baseline data regarding the impact of the bush fires on Aboriginal Sites through the involvement of local community members on country.
- Discussion around key priorities areas.
- Involvement of Staff and Community members for each priority area.
- Possible Involvement from: State Forest Corp, Local Land Service, Crown Lands, Shire Councils, Aboriginal Land Councils and Private Land Holders?
- Short Term: Seeking funding for priority areas to inspect sites.
- Long Term: Future Management of the Sites and Country through Cultural Burns.
- Long Term: Conservation Land Management Course delivered to community possibly with ANU.
- Development of Future Cultural Burning Practices.

1.4 Any other matters

We organised a meeting with concerned south coast Aboriginal knowledge holders and organisations to address Aboriginal cultural heritage impacts to cultural assets located on the south coast of NSW.

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