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Your story	<p>Ulladulla was fortunate the amber attack did not fall on the residential housing areas that have non maintained bush reserves with considerable fuel loads surrounding a majority of the houses</p> <p>in the urban areas if the amber attack had fallen on the bush reserves Ulladulla would have suffered a similar fate that occurred to the residents in Conjola Park.</p> <p>We have a bush reserve along our side boundary with trees only 2.5 meters from our dwelling.</p> <p>Despite the 10/50 metre fire hazard clearance rules we and other residents in Ulladulla have met with significant resistance from the state department responsible to reduce hazards on the bush reserve</p> <p>It is only a matter of time before Ulladulla suffers a fire disaster if the authorities do not take ownership of the obvious problem of the significant hazards these unmaintained bush reserves pose to the residents.</p>

We evacuated on advise from the Rural Bushfire Service
 We spent 5 days away with no communications available due to the fires affecting power and mobile phone towers.
 A simple solution to negate fire damage to essential services is clear a large area the bush surrounding the essential services, mobile towers are on raised areas with bush very close to the infrastructure the fire rushes up the hills and destroys them

1.1 Causes and contributing factors

Poor management of bush reserves in very close proximity to residential dwellings.
 Excessive fuel loads on the ground are typical in the Ulladulla residential areas.

1.2 Preparation and planning

Authorities need address the concerns of residents regarding the encroaching bush in the bush reserves.
 Clear the bush surrounding houses and essential services.
 Take action on RFS 10/50 ruling on reducing fire hazards when a resident concerns are brought to the attention of the Government Department that is responsible for the bush reserve.

1.3 Response to bushfires

The Conjola Park fire was left undefended our fire brigades were down the coast during the fire

1.4 Any other matters

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