Your details

Title

Ms

First name

Maini

Last name

Petersen

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

On 30.12.19 the RFS and National Parks had decided to burn and make containment lines through my property in Conjola. I told them not to burn as we get a strong westerley wind blowing. This wind had been predicted from the week before. They didnt listen and went and did the burn at night.

The next morning the westerley arrived early and then I knew we were going to be in for it. By 9.30am on 31.12.19 we placed a call to 000 telling them it was out of control. Again and again up to 4 calls. There was a fire truck stationed up the hill that we called to, waved our arms. They didnt move. Some infact sat on the ground. We fought the fire and I have more to tell. At this point around 11am it headed to Conjola. So much sadness was caused through the incompetence of the RFS. Outright firebugs. They showed no concern the day they lit it on whose property they were on. Everytime anyone in this area sees a "Thankyou Firies" sign we want to vomit. This is the story that I want to tell.

Terms of Reference (optional)

The Inquiry welcomes submissions that address the particular matters identified in its <u>Terms of Reference</u>.

Supporting documents or images