



## Your details

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## 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

I have resided in the Bega Valley Shire since 1974 and have experienced as a local . a lawyer, a developer and a Councillor, the continual over regulation by the State over regional areas such that the buck is always passed down the line without any real assessment of the impact . The recent fires following droughts and the lack of resources have highlighted the lack of State understanding of regional areas

## Terms of Reference (optional)

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

**1.1 Causes and contributing factors**

Failure of local and State Government to take preventive action to minimise affects

**1.2 Preparation and planning**

The regulation of biodiversity, pile burning and clean air conflicts with the reality in living in regional NSW and the major damage caused by State assets through fire to local communities was the result of negligence in maintaining assets

**1.3 Response to bushfires**

The response of the RFS and town brigades was intense and well organised but prevention would have been better than the cost of dealing with the after trauma of the fire and loss of life and community

**1.4 Any other matters**

Australia generally has a bad habit of dealing with issues AFTER the event and that needs to change

**Supporting documents or images**

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