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I am making this submission as	Business owner
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Submission type	Personal
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Organisation making the submission (if applicable)	Yeranda at Barrington Tops
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Your position in the organisation (if applicable)	owner
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Consent to make submission public	Public
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Your story	My small tourism business is found at Main Creek, Dungog in the foothills of the Barrington Tops. By some miraculous stroke of good fortune we did not experience bush fires such as others did. However we had to close our cottages because we morally were not prepared to risk guests safety should a fire start. It has cost us a considerable amount in financial terms but of course it was the right thing to do.
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1.1 Causes and contributing factors	I believe the major contributing factor has been climate change; extreme drought. Our escaping what others suffered was mainly due to lack of lightning strike plus with Forest Corps closing state forests the element of risk from campers lighting fires was minimised.
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1.2 Preparation and planning	We were as prepared as we possibly could be.
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1.3 Response to bushfires

N/A for us (thankfully)

1.4 Any other matters

I welcome this opportunity and hope there is some good feed back for those preparing the submission papers

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