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| I am making this submission as | General public |
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| Your story | I spent over 50 years as an active member of the NSW Rural Fire Service. More than half of this time I was responsible for a RFS funded truck. I Experienced several severe fires and witnessed first hand that excessive fuel loads greatly increased the severity of the fire. |
| 1.1 Causes and contributing factors | Fuel load. Weather. Lack of preparation. |
| 1.2 Preparation and planning | REDUCE FUEL LOADS. INCREASE FUEL REDUCTION BURNS. REMOVE ALL TREES TO A 30 METRE BREAK ON BOTH SIDES OF ROADS. |
| 1.3 Response to bushfires | |

1.4 Any other matters

By clearing trees from the edges of roads will enable roads to be opened much earlier to enable residents a safe escape route. Will also stop trees falling on RFS vehicles whilst they are on those roads.

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