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What is your submission based on? I am making this submission based on my personal situation

What was your personal situation in relation to the 2019-20 Bushfires?

Where do you live? [REDACTED]

Your Submission

In your experience, what areas of the bushfire emergency response worked well?

Fires near me did their best as did all emergency services

In your experience, what areas of the bushfire emergency response didn't work well?

Being 'prepared' probably needs more specific details.

Other than packing your [REDACTED] and getting the kids and the pets, the info is not obvious unless you look for it. Things like filling your gutters and blocking your down pipes etc were not common knowledge and we only worked it out because we were threatened on and off for weeks.

In your experience, what needs to change to improve arrangements for preparation, mitigation, response and recovery coordination for national natural disaster arrangements in Australia?

To improve community sentiment and therefore recovery, the divisive politics particularly at a national and local level(read, those not directly responsible-state), needs to stop. The local discussions about the lack of back burning, spurred on by shock jocks is really damaging to a community already damaged.

Money needs to be spent on addressing climate change as well as introducing cultural burning practices.

Is there anything else you would like to tell the Royal Commission?

Stop spending money on royal commissions and use the money to address climate change and then we won't need royal commissions! (Except for the whole Pell thing!)

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