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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? Sunshine Coast (R)

**Your Submission**

In your experience, what areas of the bushfire emergency response worked well?  
ABC as official and credible news source.  
Both Sunshine and Noosa Councils cooperating on the emergency.  
Fast acting emergency services.  
Communications to the public  
In your experience, what areas of the bushfire emergency response didn't work well?  
In your experience, what needs to change to improve arrangements for preparation, mitigation, response and recovery coordination for national natural disaster arrangements in Australia?  
Education, education, education! The government needs to go to campaign on a nation-wide scale, to educate the general public on bush fire preparation.  
Likewise, there needs to be an education piece for arsonists to see the first-hand damage and consequences of their actions.  
We need to consult with our Indigenous leaders on methods to live more in harmony with the land and avert crises like this.  
PR needs to address how the fires situation in Australia is purported through media channels abroad. This is especially so for our international tourism markets.  
Finally and most importantly - we need to front up to climate change and treat it like the existential threat it is. Australia spends millions of tax-payers dollars on national security measures - Climate Change needs to be at the top of this agenda, so we can mitigate national natural disasters.  
Is there anything else you would like to tell the Royal Commission?  
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