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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? Bega Valley (A)

### Your Submission

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

I didn't receive a text message when the fires were nearly at my door. If my neighbor hadn't called me I would have died in the fires. After the phone call I drove through the fires and ended up staying at the Cobargo showground for 7 weeks due to losing everything. I am now living in a shipping container with my dog. My 2 horses died in the fires due to me not being informed in time.

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

No text message and no assistance from anywhere for 5 days, no electricity, no food except for food sent to the showground from the Cobargo hotel. No telecommunications for a week.

Not enough response from the rfs due to lack of resources.

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

More resources for the rfs

Telecommunications need to be updated.

A ready response from the government so people know what to do.

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

No

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