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Your Submission

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

The Ulladulla & Districts Community Forum wish to acknowledge the incredible efforts of the staff and volunteers that contributed to the effective management of the Ulladulla Civic Centre as an evacuation centre for those affected by the Currowan bushfire.

Furthermore the provision of an emergency power supply by the then visiting Stardust Circus proved invaluable. People were able to charge their phones and other personal devices which in turn allowed people to maintain contact with their loved ones. It also enabled people to utilise social media to stay informed of road closures, fire updates and the like.

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?

To aid in response and recovery each districts evacuation centre needs to be equipped with an emergency power supply.

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

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