

I am very concerned about the impact of global warming on my local area based on climate trends resulting in extreme weather events and changing climate patterns.

We have just experienced the worst ever heat wave and then extremely windy, wet weather. We also recently had numerous hectares decimated by fire which put a great strain on the resources needed to combat the fire and its after effects. In regional areas particularly, volunteers are hard pressed to represent all the emergency services needed. For example ambulance, SES, Fire and Rescue personnel are being sourced from a diminishing pool of available people.

We all need to work together to create resilient, capable communities so that we can respond to global warming events for the benefit of all Australians. Preparing Australians for extreme weather events is one of the most important things to be involved in at this time.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission and Good Luck with the next phase!

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