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Senator Roberts asked:

Increasingly the Bureau describes our 'experience' of the weather rather than stating what the weather is doing. Is the Bureau engaged with CSIRO, various university institutes and groups such as the Climate Council, WWF, Climate Institute etc. in a nefarious campaign to misinform the community about temperature trends, extremes and trends in extremes?

Should the claims of those who are personally engaged be investigated? If so how, and by whom? What should happen if claims are shown to miss-represent what is going on with the climate; or are fraudulent?

Answer:

No. The Bureau is not engaged in a campaign to misinform the community and has no evidence of claims requiring investigation.