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Subject: January Fires Central Highlands

To The AFAC Review Committee,

I wish to submit my thoughts on the outcomes from the above fires in January 2019, My interest stems from a lifetime of experiences as a Rural Landholder, Volunteer Firefighter (25 years), Former Group Captain of Campbelltown Rural Fire Brigade and as a former Member of The Fire Services Advisory Council. I also spend much of the summer months in the highlands pursuing my passion of trout fishing, so I do consider I have gathered some experience in observing and dealing with wildfire over my lifetime.

The outcome of the devastating fire events referred to above do clearly demonstrate the lack of preventative burning over many years, where more traditional land practices of cool hazard reduction burning had been carried out it is most evident that these areas were unaffected by the wildfire. My point is that a great deal of our Land Management Practices are being unduly influenced