

# Foundations in Indigenous Disaster Resilience



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We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of all the lands on which we live and work, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise that these lands and waters have always been places of teaching, research and learning.



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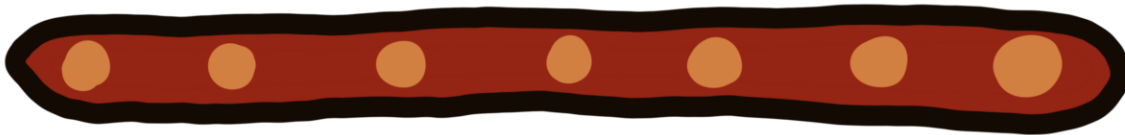
Foundations in Indigenous Disaster Resilience aims to understand the unique experiences of Indigenous people of disasters.

The project will provide practical guidance to strengthen the ways that government and non-government agencies and organisations work with Indigenous people before, during and after disasters.



# Through this project we:

1. Speak to Indigenous organisations and communities recently impacted by disasters to find out what happened
2. Draw on these stories to develop practical resources
3. Amplify the stories and leadership of Indigenous groups, and share resources and learnings



# 1. Find out what happens



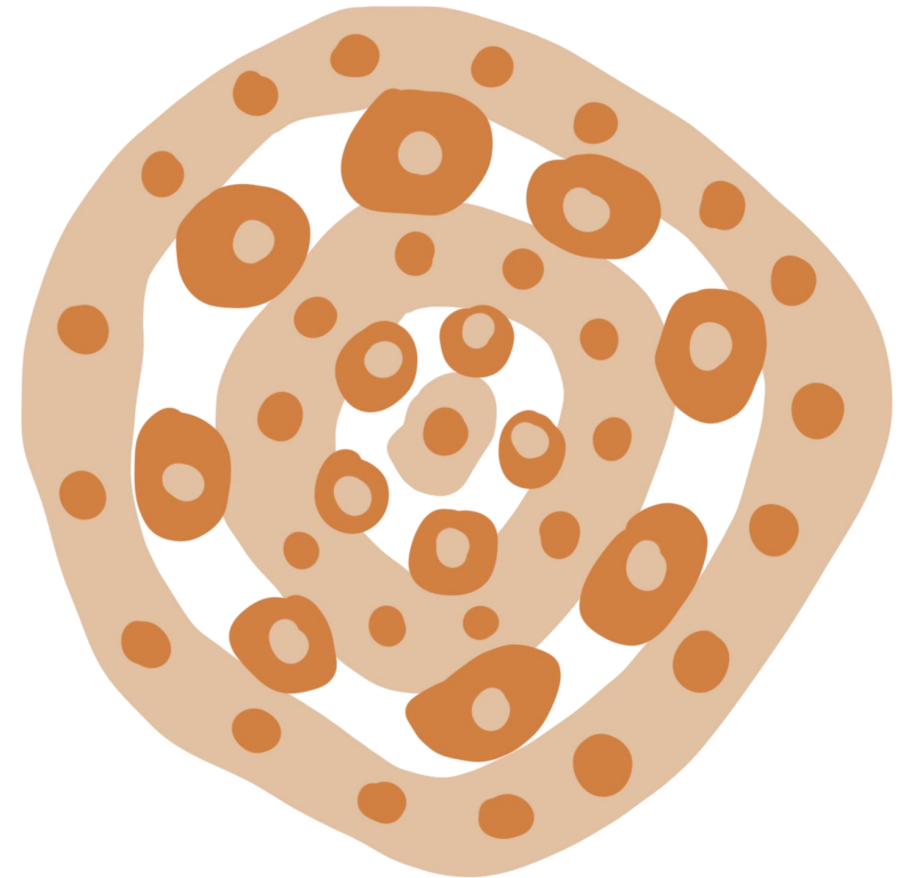
## 2. Develop resources – Hazard posters

Hazard posters are resources that illustrate the unique experiences of Indigenous people, the hazards they face, the important work they do to protect Country and communities, and the support they require.

This can include visual storytelling of a hazard or threat, and how this threat relates to other threats, practices and processes.

Posters like this have not been done before, and they will look different for different groups who face different hazards.

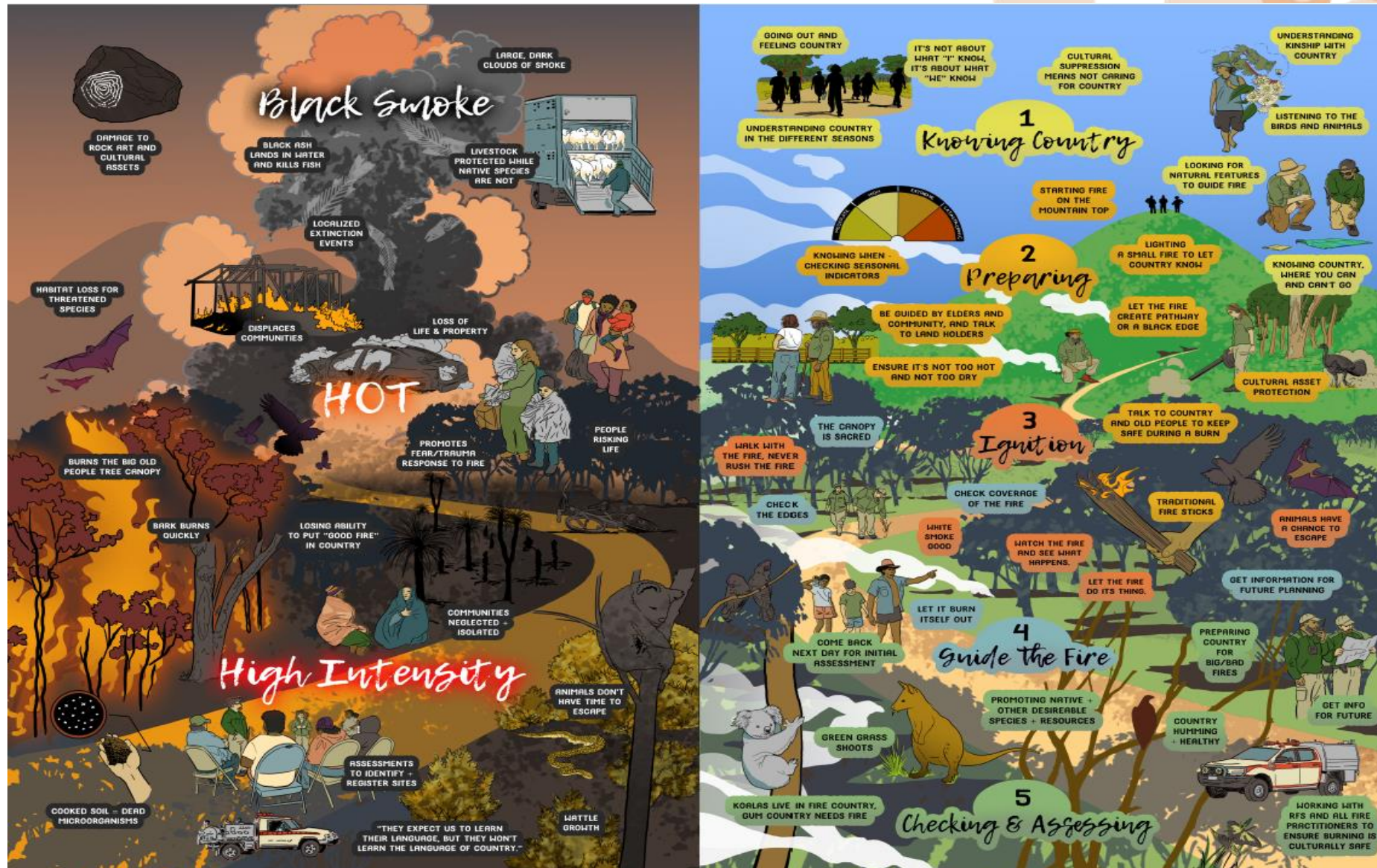
ICIP for any information in this type of resource remains with the community or organisation, and NIDR hold IP for the process.



# Flood



# Jagun Alliance, Fire





## 2. Develop resources – National Indigenous Disaster Resilience Framework

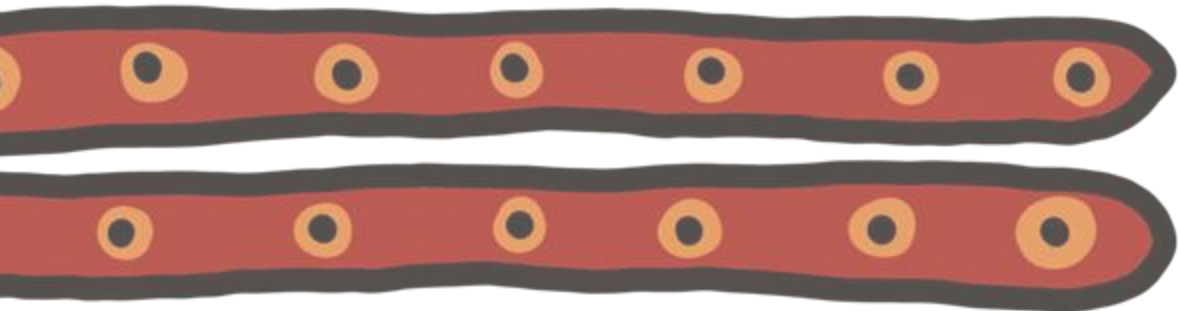
With support from the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), NIDR is developing a National Framework to enhance the resilience of Indigenous people.

The Framework is intended to support and complement work already underway across jurisdictions to strengthen culturally informed approaches to disaster preparedness, response and recovery.



## 2. Develop resources – Guides

- *Planning Evacuations with Indigenous Communities* compendium guide to the AIDR Evacuation Planning Handbook (published September 2024)
- Handbook Guide for those working in emergency management, disaster resilience, and for Indigenous groups (published 2027)



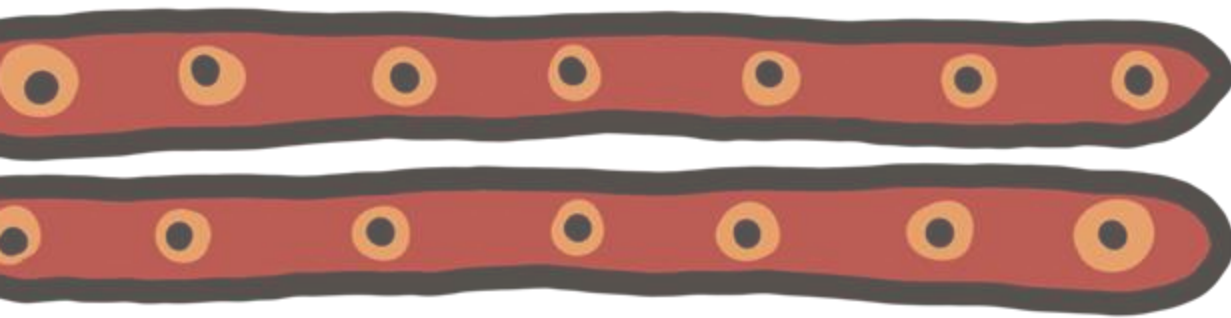
### 3. Amplify stories and share resources – NIDR Community of Practice

- The NIDR CoP comprises over 80 representatives of government agencies, non-government organisations, Aboriginal community-controlled organisations and research institutions.
- The CoP is a mechanism to:
  - Share research, policy and practice updates
  - Platform Indigenous organisations
  - Identify research questions and priorities



### 3. Amplify stories and share resources – papers

- Decolonising disaster discourses
- The Gariwerd fire complex response
- Evacuation planning guide
- Making Hazard posters





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