

‘Shaping a Research Centre’

Bushfire and Natural Hazards
Cooperative Research Centre



*End-User Inspired
Research*

The story so far.....

- Bushfire CRC Funded 2003-2013
- COAG SCPEM meetings in June and November – Disaster Resilience CRC bid
- 13 Feb - PM announcement of funding for Bushfire and Natural Hazards CRC – ***conditional on State contributions***
- BNHCRC Implementation Team formed and operational – 5 March 2013

Implementation Team

Tasked with:

- Developing the research plan
 - Establishing the entity
 - Developing the Governance of the new CRC
 - Negotiate the Commonwealth Agreement, including the conditions relevant to \$47m and jurisdictional contributions
 - Participant Agreement
 - Operating Budget and Arrangements
 - Location of the new CRC
-all by June 30, 2013

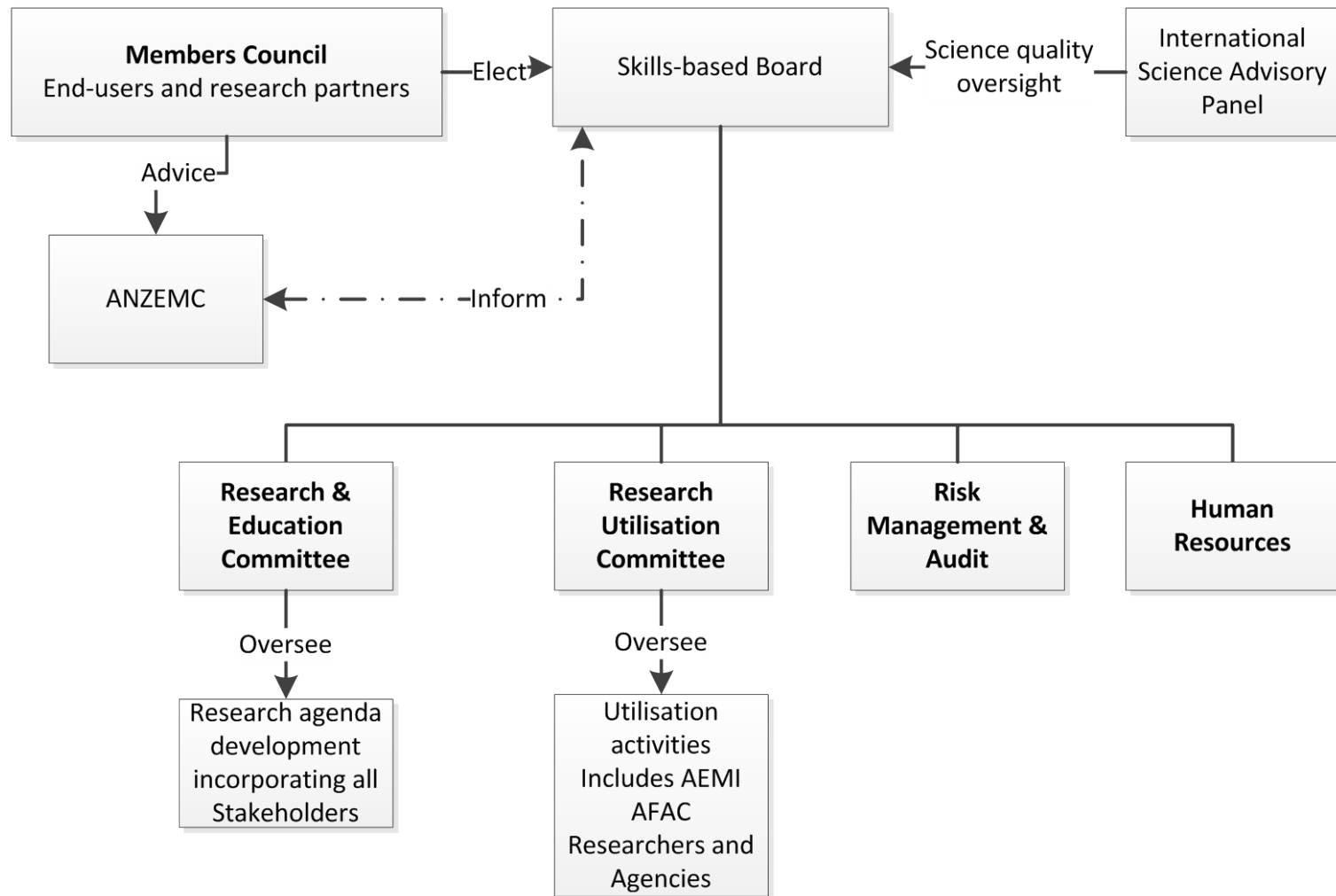
Rationale

- The aim of the CRC should be to carry out that research which is of a strategic and national/international scope
 - That has an impact beyond any one end-user
 - Which would not be possible without the collaboration made possible through the CRC framework
 - Has a longer-term view (impact in 2013-2025)
 - Continues to build capacity and skills
 - Linked to Strategic intent of the sector and agencies

What a CRC should not be

- A collection of pet research for any one partner
- Carrying out work which is better funded by an agency (e.g., local biodiversity, species research)
- Carrying out work which would be funded anyway (we are looking to grow the research pie)

Governance & Decision-Making



Great Expectations

IT IS THE
BUSHFIRE CRC
EXTENTION

JURISDICTIONAL
CONTRIBUTIONS

LAND MANAGEMENT

BUT -

ALL HAZARDS

The Bushfire and Natural
Hazards CRC

JUST FIRE

has less funds in real terms
than the Bushfire CRC
had at the start of its
extension, in 2010

DISASTER
RESILIENCE

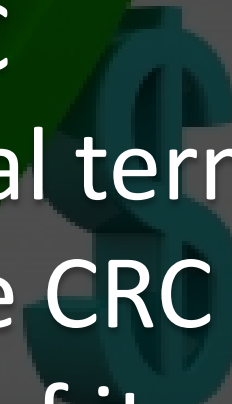
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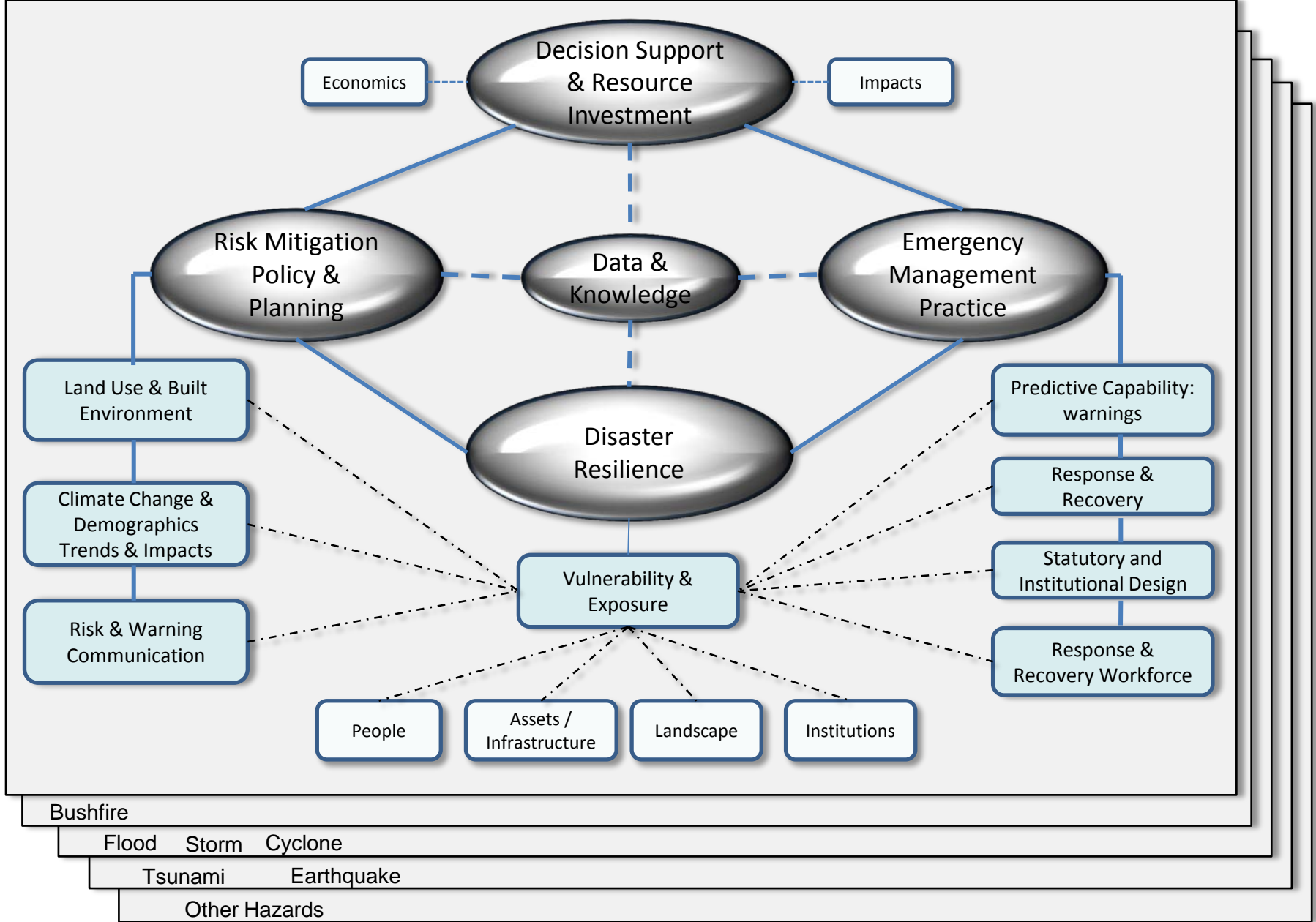
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Principles

- Include...
 - National
 - Scale of problem
 - Multi-hazard
 - A gap in knowledge, (not just money or policy problem)
 - Size of impact
 - Adoptability of solution



195 proposals ÷ \$47m = error

Problem Statements



Call for Proposals



Proposal Evaluation



Workshop 23/24 May

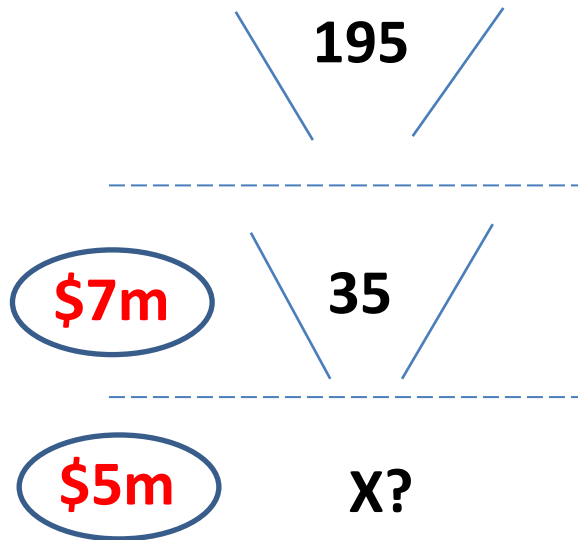


Next Steps:

31 Aug – Detailed project planning complete

30 Sept – Contracts signed with Institutions

30 Dec – Major Commonwealth & Participant Variation



Groups at 9am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural hazards – prediction and monitoring • Landscape resilience • Policy economics and decision making • People – workforce • Resilience: people and community • Agile decision making • Hardening: buildings and infrastructure
Groups at 11am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landscape vulnerability • Sustainable volunteering • Capability & Agility/Boutique Cluster
Template info	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Start today (per proposal) – return to BNHCRC 29th May 2013 2. Further detail by Friday 7th June 3. Full project detail end November

Where to from here?

- Implementation team will follow up
- Return first version template next week
- By 30th June the CRC agreement will be in place
- By end August – proposals further developed
- By end September – research commences