



# FIRE KNOWLEDGE NETWORK

## → WHAT IS THE FIRE KNOWLEDGE NETWORK?

The Bushfire CRC's new Fire Knowledge Network aims to assist those people who have an interest in, or responsibility for, improved fire management and community self reliance, as well as making the most of both the latest research and the lessons of the past.

The Network will provide a focal point for fire knowledge within Australia and New Zealand. It will facilitate the capture and sharing of information on fire science, information on current and past research, and the collection of data and fire histories. It will link fire agencies, researchers and community groups with policy and decision makers in government, as well as providing a 'one-stop' easily accessible information portal on fire knowledge.

## → CONNECTING PEOPLE

User driven and designed to address the specific needs of the fire industry, the Network will bridge the gap between researchers who have the latest research and technology and those people 'on the ground' who need to know and to understand how to use it. It will connect people through information exchange, communities of practice, workshops, forums, websites, publications and online databases.



INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

## KEEPING YOU INFORMED

- Targeted
- Credible
- Reliable
- Relevant
- Current
- Synthesised

The Fire Knowledge Network will provide easy access to an extensive knowledge base of information resources about fire.

Resources will include (but not be limited to):

- Reports
- Scientific papers
- Standards
- News
- Topic bibliographies
- Legislation
- Policy
- Conference Proceedings

The Network will synthesise information and produce issues-based summaries that will be presented in a way that is useful and makes sense to the user.

Through personal profiling, filtering systems will target information at particular end user categories and alert users to only that information which is relevant to them, thus reducing information overload.

## → LEARNING FROM EXPERIENCE



COMMUNITY OUTREACH - COLLABORATION IN THE FIELD

The Fire Knowledge Network will facilitate opportunities to learn from past experiences in fire events to assist firefighters and fire managers to identify similar situations and issues and respond appropriately.

Learning through the experience of others is a particularly valuable form of knowledge transfer. The Fire Knowledge Network will capture important lessons learnt from inquiries, reviews and government investigations and present the knowledge in a way that clearly articulates their potential application to fire agencies.

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