

## INQUIRY INTO EMERGENCY SERVICES AGENCIES

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To whom it may concern.

This submission refers to the rural fire services being based in rural regional central communities. In the recent fires that effected coolah, dunnedoo and surrounds where i have family it came to my attention that people in the city have no idea of the complex issues and the environment that these people are faced with on a day to basis or the scope of rural communities.

Rfs headquarters needs to be maintained as a rural organisation in rural areas as they are better equipped to understand the situation. There is nothing that the metro area can add to the rfs that a regional centre cant accomodate and support.

Unfortunately living and working in metro and city areas does not support the understanding of the issues of rural and regional new south wales

Thankyou for taking the time to tead this submission