

Participant Chat

Bushfire Recovery for the Australian Outdoor Sector

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What's next? Bushfire Recovery for the Australian Outdoor Sector



Our summer of bushfires has had, and is having, terrible impacts on people and places that we love.

Recovery from those impacts will be different for different operators...

- What does recovery mean for the outdoor sector?
- What does the outdoor sector need to recover?
- How do we all contribute to that recovery?

14:42:29 From Dom Courtney : Hi all, Great to see some early birds. We are intending to start on time. While waiting, please enter your name, your location, and your favourite outdoor activity (if you had to choose just one) here in the chat function

14:45:34 From Dom Courtney : Dom Courtney, Brisbane, camping

14:46:30 From Mark Squires : Mark Squires, Brisbane, Rock climbing

14:47:48 From Andrew Boyle : Andrew Boyle, Brisbane, Rock Climbing

14:48:04 From Stuart Ferenci : Stu Ferenci - EO - Recreation South Australia

14:48:48 From Kaitlyn Ross-Jackson : Kaitlyn Ross-Jackson Melbourne Camping

14:51:02 From Stuart Ferenci : Game Fishing

14:51:22 From Steve Hastwell : Steve Hastwell, Scouts SA, Fishing

14:58:10 From davidchitty : David Chitty - Abseiling Rock Climbing Caving

14:58:34 From Amanda Lloyd : Amanda Lloyd - bushwalking, swimming, riding ... just being outside

14:58:40 From Simone Carroll-Germech : Georgina MacSmith - TAFE NSW - Bushwalking, Paddling & Canyoning.

14:58:44 From Jane Toner : Jane Toner - Biomimicry Walks :)

14:58:51 From Denise Cox : Mountain biking

14:59:02 From Anna Campbell : HI Dom and everyone - Anna Campbell, Queensland Walks - urban walking, hiking, slow running, riding (anything)

14:59:16 From Tim Hutton : Tim Hutton - Camp Somerset. Kayaking :)

14:59:24 From Christopher Hawken : education in Outdoors

14:59:41 From Elizabeth Hirne : hello everyone. Liz Horne from SkillsIQ

14:59:51 From Ian Rockwell : Rocky - Boomerang Adventures

14:59:57 From Ian Rockwell : Hiking

15:00:07 From Ian Rockwell : Good to be here with you all

15:00:16 From Lisa Flower : Hi Everyone - Lisa Flower, Outward Bound Australia.

15:01:06 From Jane Toner : MUTE is your friend :)

15:04:59 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Hi Everyone - Anne-Maree from Gould League here -and we have some ideas when the time is right

15:09:14 From Mark Squires : Ideas, thoughts & questions can be added here. Thank you

15:09:25 From Cat Baines : 👍

15:09:52 From Mark Squires : 0407 884 114 Anita's number

15:10:02 From Alysia Brandenburg : Hi Alysia here (former Park Tourism manager) Victoria based and have lots of ideas from the last 19 years of recovery on public lands. Well done on facilitating this discussion

15:11:08 From Dom Courtney : Counsellor - Anita Prior - 0407 884 114

15:11:36 From davidchitty to Mark Squires(Privately) : It will be important for senior people in State Peak Bodies and Land Managers to be seen in the fire impacted areas as we move into recovery. I suggest that road show style visits be planned with meetings in relevant areas with tour, activity, outdoors education, outdoor clubs etc to discuss in detail, issues with current management of the emergency, ideas, issues and planning for the next time.

15:13:33 From Mark Squires : When leaving questions and ideas please select everyone in the dropdown above the message entry field. (unless not appropriate to do so)
Thank you

15:18:49 From Anne-Maree McInerney : We have a book on how to make Nestboxes we have converted into PDF to give this away free to schools (woodworking classes), mensheds, tradies and the greater public who have the skills to make nest boxes. We know nestboxes are critical to house and protect birds, bats and a range of mammals whilst the environment recovers. We know installing nestboxes could be a good outdoor activity - but there needs to be a management plan in place and experienced people installing these. We have not gone public with this yet as we need to ensure we don't create an additional problem. We ideally would like to match makers with installers - so if anyone would like to be part of the installation of nest boxes- we'd like to know how you can play a part and where you would like to

play a part - what specific region/town/community. We have also tried to engage with bushfire recovery teams from government and wildlife but still have not managed to find who the key parties are we can co-ordinate with.

- 15:25:49 From Emma Watts : Just to clarify Victorian stats - about 8 per cent of parks within the PV estate have been burned.
- 15:26:03 From Emma Watts : Victoria:
Fires attended: 794
Area Burnt by Bushfire: 1,531,515 hectares
- 15:28:43 From Jane Toner : Question: What type of tourism in non-iconic places is being adversely effected?
- 15:29:30 From Mark Keehn : what impact has the bushfires had on Botanic Gardens across the country? Can the various Botanic gardens
- 15:30:26 From Alex Green : Orraral fire in ACT at Emergency - Outward Bound's national base has been evacuated since the start of this call.
- 15:31:24 From Simone Carroll-Germech : Thinking of OBA just spoke to Troy Dare at 3pm today.
- 15:31:52 From Mark Keehn : Idea: can the botanic gardens across the country provide support for revegetation efforts?
- 15:37:10 From Jane Toner : Question / Idea: Can Australian Outdoor Sector declare Climate Emergency & Biodiversity Emergency?
- 15:37:49 From Amanda Lloyd : Great news Kyle - jump in in the discussion section for sure. Dylan Jones is also online from Blue Mountains and involved in the discussions up there. A great e.g. to share.
- 15:41:47 From Rod Q : idea: outdoors sa have been online surveying stakeholders an, providers and allied services, response so far good. getting feedback and understanding from voices we do not always hear.
- 15:42:03 From Robert Cooling : Postpone is great but we should encourage and promote sensible decision within school and clients. We have had postponed programs that are not in or near fire affected areas.
- 15:42:27 From Tessa Hockly : Tessa Hockly from Blue Mountains City Council online.
- 15:43:14 From Jamie Bennett : idea: if people are looking to reinforce the value of the outdoors the Outdoor Benefits Catalogue research from the Outdoor Council of Australia will be useful.
- 15:43:16 From Elizabeth Hirne : idea - make sure as you replan activities for clients that you pass additional costs on (if your client contract allows for it). e.g. additional buses transfers.

- 15:43:31 From Robert Cooling : Sorry missed a bit. how do we promote to clients that it is safe to go to some of these areas. Can we get our peak bodies to work with dept or Eds to encourage continued programs
- 15:43:35 From Innes Larkin : Comment - Jane Toner, what a great idea. 6 million of Australians now live in an area that has declared a climate emergency. Now is the time for the Outdoors sector which has such a reliance on the natural world to take that lead. Innes Larkin
- 15:45:50 From davidchitty : Perhaps Peak Bodies and Land Managers etc could host a “back to the bush” expo in relevant capital cities with opportunities for rural tour operators, clubs, communities etc to showcase the reasons why people should get back to and support outdoor activities
- 15:45:53 From Jane Toner : IDEA: CAUL Hub might be able to help with air quality monitoring and interpretation <https://nespurban.edu.au/research-projects/air-quality/>
- 15:46:37 From Caro Ryan : Go Dylan... go!
- 15:47:11 From Alysia Brandenburg : Idea: encourage land managers, local govt etc to use (and pay) licensed operators to conduct initial tours on affected land for VIPs, community members, media etc. to provide limited access. This will assisted with cash flow in the initial
- 15:47:31 From Alysia Brandenburg : Good job Dave Chitty
- 15:48:31 From Alysia Brandenburg : Idea: Also audit the skills that operators might have that can contribute to site assessment and recovery - chainsaw, fork lift, heavy vehicle etc.
- 15:51:05 From Rod Q : this is great. bringing the outdoor sector into the broader tourism space through LGAs and other bodies is a goal here in SA. gov right behind food and wine tourism, capitlising on this. walking clubs keen to do working bees on infrastructure for trails
- 15:51:28 From Paul Colagiuri : Nice work Dylan and all in the Bluey's !!!
- 15:51:38 From Jamie Bennett : Great news Dylan, well done.
- 15:52:03 From Simone Carroll-Germech : Good on you starting the conversation Dylan
- 15:53:25 From Elizabeth Hirne : comment. great work in Blue Mtns. and collaborative effort. Need some minds on how the risk management can be shared with that - clear line of accountability to NPWS and employers if subcontracting. easy enough to be ticked off to keep things moving.
- 15:53:41 From Emma Watts : Emma watts from Parks Victoria here - happy to provide an update from our end.
- 15:54:34 From Dylan Jones : Apologies for my casual language, and thanks for your c correction Dom
- 15:54:52 From Denise Cox : Mountain Bike Australia has reached out to clubs to assess damage & their needs to recover including working with trail building industry &

consultants to help clubs be ready for when funding opportunities open. Ready with cost estimates, damage assessments, and assistance with funding applications.

- 15:55:11 From Caro Ryan : I could offer one idea...
- 15:56:55 From davidchitty : Hi Emma - I was the Chair of the previous Outdoors Victoria and was involved with PV etc in the recovery fro 2003 through to 2009 fires - Happy to chat re what we did then (or anyone else for that matter) - 0419280614
- 15:57:34 From Mark Keehn : Question/Idea: There are many community bushcare / landcare groups around the country. Can their experience be harnessed for recovery of the bush around the country? Perhaps the groups could be reimbursed for expenses incurred in helping with this work (similar to how the fire fighters / residents / small businesses have been helped with costs)
- 15:57:55 From Dylan Jones : <https://www.facebook.com/events/172843947393252/> Adventure Aid local guides trying to make a difference. Example of what Caro was talking about
- 15:57:59 From Tessa Hockly : Great to hear Dylan. BMCC will also host a session with outdoor operators to hear from them, inform on the initiatives we have planned and to assist with recovery. Some of these are a 'LOVE LOCAL: shop, play and stay local campaign' which has commenced with initial v positive response. We will also work with industry on a Destination Marketing campaign to drive visitors back to the Blue Mountains. There are other forums which are small business oriented which will be relevant to some - 2 forums coming up in Feb and a conference at the Fairmont in March on economic recovery for small business.
- 15:58:16 From Alysia Brandenburg : Idea: Nature in recovery is really really interesting and a great learning experience for everyone. Operators have a great opportunity to interpt the fire to existing and new audiences including local communities. Capturing images and time lapse will be great tools in future interns.
- 15:58:51 From Caro Ryan : Also, many bushwalking clubs are full of folk wanting to help with bush regen and cleanups... and can read maps. Whilst that doesn't give casual guides employment, they could be extra muscle and grunt.
- 15:59:33 From Laura Stampa : Question: Air quality was mentioned earlier - as a river operator we are interested to hear methods of monitoring water quality - especially as rain washes fire retardant/house debris into the waterways that we drink and play in.
- 16:03:01 From Dan McNamara : Idea/comment: I think that we could use this as a opportunity
- 16:03:11 From Alysia Brandenburg : Thanks Innes
- 16:03:20 From John Marshall : John Marshall - Bushwalking Qld. Agree with Caro. 20,000 members of volunteer run clubs across Australia. Volunteer efforts in citizen science a possibility. Monitor regrowth, fauna inventories, etc.
- 16:03:33 From Caro Ryan : Sorry to hear about impact for you Innes.

- 16:04:01 From Shannon Grass : Question: When speaking to local council for our area they have a strong focus for the marketing funding for tourism, but not for the outdoor education sector (schools). What is being done with the department of ed on educating the schools and prompt the benefits of outdoor ed and advertising the area that are accessable and safe to proceed. The messaging has been negative and is impacting on the schools decision making (rightly so) but as it improves we need more advocating for the benefits for schools going into the outdoors and the support it provides for local jobs, accomm sites, etc
- 16:04:10 From Cat Baines : I agree Dan, I don't think there has ever been a more important time for Outdoor Education
- 16:04:18 From Jane Toner : Idea: Citizen Science projects looking into regeneration might need guides / support
- 16:05:36 From Laura Stampa : to clarify.
- 16:05:38 From Jamie Bennett : AIS Air quality
https://ais.gov.au/position_statements#smoke_pollution_and_exercise
- 16:05:56 From Laura Stampa : I was interested in water quality measures
- 16:06:02 From Amanda Lloyd : <https://ais.gov.au/media-centre/news/ais-advises-athletes-to-be-alert-to-smoke-haze>
- 16:06:30 From Shannon Grass : Idea: We have purchased a Temtop (air quality reader) as a compnay to do our own air qaulity reading as the closest gauge is 250km away. We are using this to get a better reading of what the air quality.
- 16:09:31 From Mark Squires : This link might help re water quality
<https://www.waterquality.gov.au/issues/bushfires>
- 16:11:07 From Trudi Bennett : I think this will be one of the ongoing challenges - finding out what is safe levels for things like air quality, water quality and heat etc and when you have to keep people indoors. Also, what is mandated and what is up to a principals discretion may have impact on business' refund/postponement policies.
- 16:12:31 From Mark Keehn : Idea: I once worked with conservation volunteers australia. Part of their "business" was to utilize overseas tourists (paying) in conservation programs. There is also a group/company in victoria that runs paid koala conservation activities. can a program be developed where, for instance, members of the general public can pay to participate in a recovery project. It may just be a nominal fee to cover insurance. Members of bushcare/landcare groups could also benefit by being offered discounts to participate or the group could be the beneficiary of "free" labour offered by this program. Could also be an opportunity for camping companies / school groups
- 16:12:54 From Trudi Bennett : I'm very impressed with the flexibility of the providers on the East Coast and how people are open to changing what they provide in a creative and positive way.
- 16:12:57 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Could I make a comment to further dans comment

16:13:09 From Jane Toner : Idea: In response to Shannon Grass' comments above - perhaps a STEAM education program could be developed around how Australian ecosystems manage fire - and then from a Biomimicry perspective working on projects/assignments that apply those lessons to human design. (hope that's not too much of a stretch)

16:13:33 From Stuart Ferenci : eo@recreationsa.org

16:13:34 From Laura Stampa : thanks team, I'm in NSW

16:13:40 From Stuart Ferenci : Air & Water Quality

16:13:55 From Stuart Ferenci : No worries that's what we are here for :)

16:14:26 From Stuart Ferenci : I will make contact with my connections at SA Water & Dep. Environment & Water

16:14:53 From Josh Amrbosy : <https://www.epa.vic.gov.au/for-community/monitoring-your-environment/about-epa-airwatch/calculate-air-quality-categories>

16:15:30 From Josh Amrbosy : EPA sets out thresholds. Assume that the one to look at in this case would be the PM 2.5/10?

16:15:33 From Rod Q : ques: stu - we should work together to align sport with outdoor sector around safe measures outdoors for our schools customers and others

16:15:45 From Amanda Lloyd : Hi Laura, I'll chase with some contacts in NSW email amanda.lloyd@outdoorsnsw.org.au

16:16:20 From Nathan Brown : Picking up on Rod Cooling's comment would be good to have the conversation around the best way for peaks to encourage/ support key decision makers in education to make good/ balanced decision on programs going ahead where air quality is deemed safe and area is unburnt. There is a general sense of nerves in the community and the easy decision is always to stay home/ cancel.

16:19:05 From Caro Ryan : I'd LOVE a # to help with stuff like this:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WXKNlladaZ8> - perhaps @Tessa (BMCC) do you know if there's something planned for BM?

16:19:14 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Idea - if anyone would like a free copy of how to build Nestboxes - email gould@gould.org.au We know nestboxes are critical to house and protect birds, bats and a range of mammals whilst the environment recovers. We know installing nestboxes could be a good outdoor activity - but there needs to be a management plan in place and experienced people installing these.

16:19:32 From Andrew Govan : That is a very good point Nathan. A lot of work is needed and a collective message developed. This type of discussion is the best start. Getting correct information is one of the useful methods at the moment.

16:20:21 From Caro Ryan : This is in line with Tourism Australia's #HolidayHereThisYear campaign... their video is a little bit home made

16:20:39 From Caro Ryan : #OutdoorsisOpen?

16:20:42 From Rod Q : idea #BookThemOut is going well here in SA

16:20:45 From Jamie Bennett : <https://www.emptyesky.com.au/>

16:22:26 From Emma Watts : <https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/places-to-see/find-inspiration>

16:22:29 From Anne-Maree McInerney : If anyone has key contacts we can work with to get nest boxes into communities - we have a whole lot of people who want to build nest boxes but need to ensure they are installed in the right places - and they need to know what nest boxes are required. So if you can link us to anyone especially in gov agencies that would be great

16:22:48 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Can we have an email for Park Vic fire recovery team?

16:23:14 From Jane Toner : How about WildlifeVictoria Anne-Maree?

16:24:35 From Robert Cooling : Question - Thanks Amanda - you are quite right that it is public perception and marketing that will get us going again. My question is what are or what can peak bodies like OV do to pressure government to make a policy rather than "at principals discretion." I'm sure we are all aware that the principal is going to make a conservative decision and us as the end users will loose.

16:24:37 From Rod Q : anne maree - is thisic only? ie SA?

16:24:37 From Nathan Brown : Idea: Open letter from Peak EO's to all school principal (possibly via AIS + department of Ed's) with messaging around the outdoors being open for business (in certain areas), the importance of young people still getting outdoors in times like this and the professionalism and ability of the industry to assess risk. Also the message of postponing rather than cancelling where needed. Hashtags are good for students and parents but possibly something more formal for the suits?

16:25:06 From Denise Cox : Response to Anne- Maree. This group has a network of v volunteers Aust wide. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mkcfreecycle/>

16:26:20 From Mark Keehn : Anne-Maree, Melton Environment group get bird nest boxes built by the Melton Mens Shed, painted by local primary schools, and installed in council approved locations by contractors

16:26:25 From Tessa Hockly : Hi Caro thanks and to respond to your question - BMCC will contribute toward a Destination Marketing campaign. It's too early to say what the content will be but it would be great to hear your thoughts. As I said we're looking to meet with operators shortly, but understand that some key people are away at present. I'm in Economic Development at Council. Thanks

16:27:46 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Can you give us all a copy of this chat box when call is over so contacts, ideas and links are kept. Thanks

16:28:09 From Robert Cooling : Comment - Air Quality Policies. This should also include your staff so that you are providing your employees with a safe working environment. This will have implications on workcover insurances.

16:28:49 From Rod Q : I will take this to outdoors sa board

16:29:58 From Mark Squires to Anne-Maree McInerney(Privately) : Thx Anne Maree - either a direct copy or an edited version of ideas etc.

16:30:05 From Warren McLaren : We postponed a 70 participant Duke of Ed program due to air quality risks to staff and students. 20% of student med forms had indicated respiratory issues.

16:33:07 From Jamie Bennett : Here is the benefits link
<http://www.outdoorcouncil.asn.au/news/australian-outdoor-adventure-activity-benefits-catalogue/>

16:33:45 From Dan McNamara : <https://www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/population-health/environmental-monitoring/monitoring-and-regulating-air-0#air-quality-table>

16:34:25 From Jane Toner : Idea - adding to previous - peak bodies for Architects and Engineers have declared - this meant they've also had to walk the talk and go net-zero carbon for their operations. So for Outdoors organisations you'd need to be looking at how you can (further) reduce impacts of operation and/or how your operation contributes to supporting biodiversity an/or reducing impact of climate change

16:38:16 From Dylan Jones : Comment/idea: we've talked a lot about how we get access to lands, and we've talked a lot about how we retain clients, but we haven't talked about the risks to loss/retention/attraction of guides/leaders (especially young and vulnerable and casual employees)

16:38:21 From Andrew Govan : Jane and others completing surveys that are being conducted. Also sending information through to the Peaks can help them take information to the Government and others to enable change.

16:41:11 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Nextbox book is for the whole of Australia

16:42:22 From Elizabeth Hirne : idea: We have discussed land managers such as parks. Local Government areas are being provided with bushfire relief funding to support affected communities. Some creative programming ideas /discussions with local government recreation officers may help identify how the outdoor industry can help with community health. These may provide opportunity to get community out locally - outdoor expos at local govt level.

16:42:52 From Anne-Maree McInerney : Rod Q - it's all Aust - we want to help everywhere recover

16:43:43 From Rod Q : ok - rod.quintrell@venture.net.au pls email i have a stakeholder in need. Also may have a teenage workforce!

16:43:51 From Cat Baines : that's a really good point Dylan. we are located in a shire that has been hugely fire affected, but we haven't been directly at this stage. we had 2 new staff members come into the area in the last 2 weeks. we have been really proactive in communicating with them to ensure them that our area is safe and we are here to help and support. also for our local staff that some have been directly impacted, and we are trying where possible to support them, and get them in for extra shifts where possible.

- 16:43:57 From Andrew Govan : Great point Amanda.
- 16:44:22 From Dylan Jones : comment/idea: (re: employees) petition skillsIQ (and other similar bodies) to petition governments to subsidise training to fill gaps we're likely to experience next year.
- 16:45:00 From Dylan Jones : We don't know the impact yet! The impact will be felt in future years
- 16:45:21 From Dylan Jones : *thumbs up icon*
- 16:45:23 From Elizabeth Hirne : note: the freelance and casual work force were hard hit in 2009 in Vic. What about a job board to help where people are looking for additional help and people have addition staff - save the rework on skills validation etc by talking employer to employer.
- 16:45:53 From Cat Baines : great idea Elizabeth
- 16:46:22 From Ian Rockwell : IDEA: I think the reality is, we need access !! The outdoors is what we love, but we need access to outdoor areas, as we know, a lot of which has been affected. So, what does the outdoor sector need to recover??? We need access. We are in NSW so work with parks and wildlife. Some areas we won't be able to use, so how can we go about opening areas that haven't been affected. There are many skilled people in this room, we would be capable of developing new areas, creating new expeditions, bike tracks, bush walks etc. This will be long term recovery, we need to think about long term action.
- 16:47:43 From Andrew Govan : Data gathering is crucial, the 2009 data collected helped to create major shift. It also helps the sector stand out in the other loss that is occurring in Australia.
- 16:47:48 From Warren McLaren : Where possible we are using a portion of retained Deposit fees on cancelled programs, to offer casual staff 'shed days' and site maintenance work, to help them keep some income. Also they are very grateful of the link Amanda provided on the federal financial assistance to job loss due to bushfires.
- 16:47:57 From Nathan Brown : Re staff: A company in our area has brought forward their project agenda so weeks where there are cancelled programs casuals are in working on site and program development projects. Paying out wages without income has a shelf life though
- 16:48:31 From Mark Keehn : comment: I have been involved in outdoor work (guiding/bushcare) on and off for about the last 20 years and casual employment seemed to be the norm. whenever a downturn came along, casuals were the first casualty.
- 16:48:43 From davidchitty : After the 2009 and 2012 fires in Victoria we had considerable history re what worked and what did not from having serious fires every three years from the 2003 fire season. We had a well set up sector emergency response task force that did excellent work. Regretfully we allowed this group to close and we seem to now be trying to play catch up - I suggest that Response Task forces need to be placed in caretaker mode - meet once a year to update membership and to keep

all the information current and up to date - would save reinventing the wheel each time we have a serious weather /fire event

- 16:49:02 From Elizabeth Hirne : Question - if the peaks were to do a survey - could it include - % venue affected that you org uses; days work lost to your employees; % of business you could postpone; expected \$ impact on 2019/20 financial bottom line. share ideas that have help your org. bounce.
- 16:49:36 From Andrew Govan : I can take it to the meeting for the OCA coming up
- 16:51:24 From Trudi Bennett : I wonder if in future we will have access to less wild spaces as more areas are affected by bushfire and climate change. Whether perception will shift more towards protecting wild spaces through a no human access, save for wildlife conservation point of view more than a connect humans with nature to help them love it. We definitely need to keep sharing the environmental stewardship that comes from loving nature.
- 16:52:45 From Andrew Govan : So true DOM it takes everyones input :)
- 16:53:43 From Dan McNamara : Spot on Trudi. That is exactly what is going to continue happening.
- 16:53:45 From Andrew Govan : The Outdoors SA survey is still active in SA
- 16:54:27 From Elizabeth Hirne : survey..... let us help you is a fun approach.
- 16:55:58 From Caro Ryan : Amen.
- 16:56:04 From Stuart Ferenci : Andrew send me the link - I will share through out networks and to our members at Rec SA
- 16:56:13 From Dan McNamara : Comment: Student agency is a strong voice.
- 16:56:15 From Stuart Ferenci : our*
- 16:56:41 From Jane Toner : hear hear!
- 16:56:58 From Andrew Govan : Sure thing Stu.
- 16:57:09 From Stuart Ferenci : Cool thanks mate :)
- 16:58:22 From Mark Squires : Counsellor - Anita Prior - 0407 884 114
- 16:58:28 From Anita Pryor : I'm reminded of the UN's Decade of Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030). Restoring people, Restoring the planet...
- 16:58:42 From Elizabeth Hirne : great initiative today. keep the conversation going. we are in a position to really help Australian community/environment/ to be resilient here. we love live and work in an ever changing natural world we can be leaders at this tough time in Aus.
- 16:58:56 From Cat Baines : Thank you to the bodies that have put this webinar together. This has been very informative and it is a great initiative to get everyone together interstate to share information and positive solutions. could this be something that could happen again into the future? I know that a lot of the peak bodies chat to each other, but I think it is great for us as industry people to have these chats.

16:59:08 From Rod Q :
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OSABIR?fbclid=IwAR18GVK80clGcNvEeVKBmpw aGSjXXm_2x1il7bKwmr9Qep7Mm_6cpqaqfTY

16:59:12 From Trudi Bennett : Yes! Good timing from the UN for Decade of Ecosystem Restoration.

16:59:24 From Rod Q : outdoors sa survey link above

16:59:26 From Mark Squires : Please note that we will be getting transcript, notes and copies of the chat out to everybody asap.

16:59:26 From Paul Colagiuri : Thanks Everyone a great discussion !

16:59:29 From davidchitty : One of the most successful outcomes from the 2009 fires in Victoria was the development of a Severe Weather Guidance note re planning for fires and other emergencies - Could be a useful tool for each state to develop

16:59:31 From Jamie Bennett : Great to see so many outdoors people online.

16:59:45 From Jane Toner : Thanks!

17:00:02 From Jamie Bennett : Thanks DOM!

17:00:03 From Warren McLaren : Thanks for facilitating the discussion.

17:00:14 From davidchitty : Good meeting

17:00:16 From Mark Squires : See you folks

17:00:18 From Anna Campbell : Thank you all. Great work.

17:00:20 From Trudi Bennett : Severe Weather Guide seems a useful thing to share

17:00:24 From Trudi Bennett : Thanks everyone!

17:00:27 From Loren Miller : Thanks guys really helpful meeting.

17:00:40 From Rod Q : thanks folks see u out there