

# National Indigenous Bushfire Program - my great contribution & NRLW Indig Team

## PROPOSAL

***The National Summit on Employment & Skills strongly endorse the proposal to start immediate Budget commitments to the creation of a national Indigenous Bushfire Risk Management Program over an initial 10-year period, renewable.***

***It is calculated that about 8,000 Indigenous landcare rangers will be permanently employed, trained and equipped in a co-ordinated program at the approximate ratio of 100 rangers per thousand sq kms, prioritised by the agency's management and staff in consultation with state and territory RFSs.***

Further information can be found at <https://sydneybetrayals.me/transparency-to-ensure-accountability/> , and <https://sydneyimprovementpolitics.com/the-value-proposition> .  
<https://sydneybetrayals.me/criminality-of-suppression-of-citizen-rights-the-public-interest/> &  
<https://sydneybetrayals.me/aussie-democracy-dies-in-darkness-about-deceit/> &  
<https://sydneybetrayals.me/transparency-to-ensure-accountability/>  
<https://sydneybetrayals.me/corruption-the-30-minute-club-of-cruel-fascists/>  
<https://sydneybetrayals.me/malice-cruelty-driving-national-disarray/> & <https://sydneybetrayals.me/malice-cruelty-betray-integrity-climate-mitigation/> & <https://sydneybetrayals.me/climate-crimes-suppression-threatens-national-progress/>

## BENEFITS

***Blue Mountains are 7,700 sq kms while East Gippsland and up Baw Baw, through Marysville and up to Myrtleford, Mt Beaty and Beechworth/Mansfield, as well as forests in SE Queensland and across Tasmania, would be comparable. Improvements in human safety, property protection (including hospitals, nursing homes and transport corridors), housing affordability (as in Upper Blue Mountains) and the like could be assessed by a special study in addition to the Royal Commission's work.***

Natural risks are increasing with climate change as is recognised in Australia and around the world. Expert thinktanks like Brookings CityLab are noting that governments are still acting in old ways. It is worse here: the RFS refused to adapt in 2013 at the time of the NSW equivalent of 2009's Black Saturday in Victoria.

The Summit will throw a spotlight on the causes and solutions if we are clever enough to use the opportunity with the help of say TEAL MPs, Senator David Pocock and the like. The ancient Aboriginal methods of low-burns were used even under ice caps in Tasmania. They stimulated bio-diversity.

The employment of 8,000 First Nations men and women would be a significant step in "closing the gap" in many regions.

The approach is the only know one that represents new thinking in changed circumstances and its suppression by Turnbull through to current governments is indicative of the need to “reinvent government” in terms of Hambleton’s “new public management” and UK Localism. Local communities perform at higher standards than old governance chains.

From CityLab 26 August:

Many cities today still treat weather hazards as independent events in disaster and urban planning in general, in part because preparations are often based on past disasters. Municipal agencies also tend to complete comprehensive risk analysis separately, rather than as an entire entity. That means despite mitigating measures, developers may still be permitted in flood areas, for example.

The upcoming challenge is to turn science into policy, says AghaKouchak. “I think cities and states need to spend more resources on planning for future extreme scenarios, exploring potential grey swan events,” he said. That is, events with high impact, but which may be perceived as rare. “It’s good practice to explore events that have never happened before, that can theoretically happen together.”

Hazardous weather events are also increasingly triggering subsequent ones thanks to human-driven climate change, creating a domino effect of worsening impacts that then snowball into a catastrophe – a type of compounding event known as cascading disasters.

Since May this year, 116 US counties were under multiple types of alerts from the National Weather Service during the same week, according to his analysis – the first of such snapshot from the group to approximate the risk of colliding events during this season. Nearly three-quarters had concurrent fire weather and heat alerts, particularly along the West Coast and the Great Plains. Eighteen counties were under flood and heat alerts within the same week, and 15 had fire weather and flood alerts.

The NRLW Indig team was conceived as a great addition to the rapidly growing women’s involvement in all forms of Australian field sports. It is noticeable how many young men from the Pacific, Tiwi and the mainland are participating at the highest levels of Rugby, NRL, football, cricket and like sports.

My philanthropic instincts were excited at the thought I could gift the starting club, travelling, accommodation and other preliminary costs of attaching to an existing team and I approached Wayne Bennett at South Sydney. The head of the NRL Peter V’Landys squashed it with maximum prejudice at the behest of his close friend Berejiklian.

## IMPEDIMENTS

**I have tried for more than two years to get someone to listen to this. It is a contribution in the spirit of other work I have offered subject to expiation of my heavy plagiarism burden. Naturally I've tried hard to be listened to and I hope PM Albanese and Minister Burney will.**

The PM and Treasurer announced on June 10 that in September they would convene a 100-person national summit on “ jobs and skills shortages” regarding “strong, sustainable wages growth”, Treasurer Chalmers saying he would be “picking the brains of experts on how to solve rising inflation and job vacancies”. On the side there is much thinking that the manufacture of renewables is the panacea to post-carbon regional revival.

This Summit is obviously merited by itself but the timetable is at odds with the Budget the next month. That needs to kick-start something worthwhile but what? Babel breeds confusion. Biden is showing the way like sending States big bundles of cash but without guidelines (like the Newcastle precedent which included a compact with the local Land Council) on how to use them productively, so they have to use consultants.

Labor’s Treasurer has extended Morrison’s suppression from the Summit and Budget of an unique long-term plan to reduce the intensity and frequency of bushfires, against the trend to increase them under climate change. I don’t see seasonal down periods anymore due to the relevance to flood responses as well, only the hottest of conditions would prevent low-intensity forest floor fuel reduction while the Air Force’s running of heavy lift helicopters would assist with floods as well as fires.

The 5 Treasury-named topics should have been solved in Opposition. There are crisis elements documented here and on the websites which require a hard-hitting approach akin to the Newcastle recovery strategy on the announcement of the closure of steelmaking, applied to economic, climate and COVID planning. Here is my analysis.

The Treasury heads follow with comments in italics:

- Maintaining full employment and growing productivity – *no industry sectional focus, city and regional dynamics, critically no OECD- and Eddo-type “repair” and RG “scalable stimulus” (especially the critical state of Western Sydney transit and freight as currently being camouflaged by several ministers)*
- Boosting job security – *perennial and diffused, not specifically linked to recovery and repair*
- Lift participation etc – *perennial and diffused, not specifically linked to recovery and repair*
- Delivering a high quality labour force etc – *perennial and diffused, not specifically linked to recovery and repair*
- Maximising opportunities in the industries of the future – *almost insulting naivety, not specifically linked to recovery and repair.*

***Losing the opportunity of a starting allocation in October would have tragic consequences added to long delays already.***

The first impediment is political silo-thinking and rejection of outside “better ideas”. That was always evident under LNP but also ALP governments at national and state levels, no exceptions,

but is extreme in consideration of the Albanese Government's appetite for reform. It is two-speed, fast forward and stop.

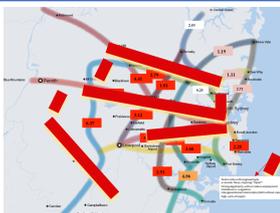
Part is "institutional" of two types. The progressive de-skilling from the immense achievements of the pre-1995 Australia to the bumbling deceit of Turnbull and Morrison and onto Kennedy/Chalmers has been seen around the world.

The personnel side comprises people who thrive in the non-accountable back corridors of Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne and the like who have no achievements in the real world of Newcastle, Snowy, Bradfield or Nugget Coombs. They are jealous and scared of being shown up so simply slam the door and deceive political masters.

Kennedy's potential to damage Albanese looks like this:

**Kennedy Effect 1: Wrecking Western Sydney**

City Deal West Metro Outer Metros Aerotropolis Freight  
**VICTIMS:** Albanese Shorten King Gallacher WESROC UWS



3 books + 2 websites

**Kennedy Effect 2: Wrecking Stimulus & Recovery**

No Plan Smashing SMEs on Borders \$130 billion Delays & contortions The Forgotten Casuals etc  
**VICTIMS:** Frydenberg Chalmers Albanese ACTU BCA

Note that the Treasurer did not have food and accommodation and arts and recreation in his three March funding tranches. He and the PM knew in March I was ready to ambush them so as to force them to negotiate, so they left those sectors until 23 July, when they wimped out. This was economic heresy - to let a PM's ego overcome the national interest, unnecessarily, should be a sackable offence in my opinion. The legacy is confronting the River businesses as much as all of Australia's SME operators. NB at the time of finalising this text, the PM is said to be pulling Australian Defence Personnel off the Queensland Border as an act of spite against a resilient Premier.

Kennedy wrecked W Sydney (\$400 b damage) +2 books and stimulus-stupidity.com

**Kennedy Effect 3: Budgetary Mayhem 2015 - 22**

**VICTIMS:** Frydenberg Albanese Chalmers Burney Bowen etc

2017 - 3/'18 • 2019 Fed election, Shorten Loses  
 Turnbills, • Morrison betrays fire chiefs, farmers, fire victims, cancels aircraft  
 Taylor, • minor promises to augment fire aircraft  
 Kennedy  
 Baird  
 Western Oct '19 to Feb '20 NSW Vic WA etc fires  
 City Deal  
 2018 7 '19 ALP endorses Western Sydney metros where no merit, Aerotropolis, air freight hub, Inland Rail catastrophe - the Kennedy Clusterduck

2015 onwards, suppresses linking budget to climate & demography change + start to reduce fire risks, helped Morrison to cancel 4 air water bombers in typical spite

3 book + 2 websites

**Kennedy Effect 4: Humiliating Integrity**

**Victims:** Albanese Prof Davis Chalmers Dreyfus +++ beneficiaries and personal health and near-death

2017 - 3/'18 Turnbills, Taylor, Kennedy Baird Western City Deal	2020 - 22 Morrison disintegrates - old saying, Oppositions don't win elections, govts lose them
• Albanese promises Journey to Change, Integrity	Albanese moves quickly on some humanitarian issues but not others
Gibbons critical illnesses and urgently hospitalised - no empathy from Albanese and Chalmers	<b>Gibbons poses comprehensive challenge to Albanese &amp; Chalmers to honour their promises and values</b>

Sydneybetrayals.me + current campaign

**Repression of Great Ideas and Conspiracy to Defraud**

The whole of Australia is still suffering the effects of "Bairdijikian Malenomics" which started in June 2012. Specific indicators include rejection of "Budget repair" and better advice, theft of cherry-picked ideas, and ~

- Political confusion and variability, no "plan", excessive delays in adjustments, clumsy mechanisms
- Lack of "balance" between cities & regions, "imbalance" in infrastructure spending, high regional impacts

- Excessive reliance on debt, projects have extremely low “revenue cover” (less than 5% in the Metros) and low to negative benefit/cost ratios
- Engineering crises in WestConnex and Metro – Australia’s “biggest projects” and least sustainable, the Western Sydney City Plan is destructive on transit and freight systems
- Budgets prevent spending on sooner, cheaper and more effective “options” (cf Eddington in Melbourne and Greiner/Gibbons in Sydney)
- Projects are poorly planned: high levels of waste and cost overruns, they produce more congestion not less

***The 8 years of forced homelessness and destitution and emergence of 3 critical illnesses, 62 days of antibiotics and 10 days in hospital, produced no sign of empathy from Albanese, Chalmers and their peers, all because I am courageous and independent, add:***

1. Save the Children and kids’ hunger and poverty charities – calculated to be 8,000 and more
2. Beanies for Brain Cancer, Mark Hughes Foundation, they raised \$2.3 m before COVID so I offered them two of those which would have met a real gap - double bastardry by LNP
3. Police Legacy Wall to Wall, NSW & Victoria x 2 years
4. Men of League
5. Marie Bashir Institute
6. My special mission from 1972 - National Institute to Remember Forgotten Heroes
7. Tim Fisher projects including world first pure sustainable train (better than Byron) - rejected by Mike Cannon-Brookes who wastes money everywhere else
8. Set-up of an indigenous women's' NRL team attached to a mainstream club as is the practice - attacked by V'Landys as Berejiklian's buddy, shows the oceans-deep malice
9. As here, bout 8,000-strong indigenous landcare program in teams of 100 to reduce fire risks in major (1,000 sq m) tranches over an initial 10 years - Aboriginal ministers Wyatt then Burney have been unfair and incompetent in plagiarising the notion
10. Rollout of 10 fireproof demonstration homes deliberately suppressed especially with 2019's savage fires, repeated in Western Australia
11. My family

My websites and books forensically analyse Australia’s problems and provide the solutions at a quality I have been famous for in energy, water and sewerage, state development, local government in various places but especially Newcastle; facing blockages by hubrists in State and Territory governments.

## APPENDIX

### Submission to Royal Commission

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Here is some background and some upfront concerns about the governance and operational aspects that will impede proper reforms in bushfire risk reduction and species protection. In fact, we're wasting our time if the Governments keep going they way they have been and so far refused to change.

At the end there is a matrix of risks with my proprietary solutions.

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### Chronology

1. I studied Aboriginal history at Sydney University in the 1970s, especially Professor Mulvaney's books
2. I moved with my family to Picton in early 1979, to be greeted by the great Wollondilly fires. The captain at Tahmoor RFS was Max Smith and we were mates and talked. At that time I was reading an American journal that had a lot of content about underground houses and I took a strong interest
3. I was with my family at Anne's brother's place in Peakhurst in 1994 when the fire that destroyed the Como Public School leapt the River and was approaching at 40 kmh, 4 kms away. We had no refuge and were saying goodbye to each other when the wind changed
4. I was living in Katoomba in October 2013 when the first and second rounds of fire broke out, and was on evacuation alert
5. I was aware then of Victorian practices and Phil Koperberg and I tried to persuade the City Council to observe its 2010 housing review, to remove housing allotments from firepaths inter alia, and Rob Rogers to introduce professional interpretative materials to such families – whether seeking to build or re-build. The RFS's community sessions were jargonistic and obtuse.
6. We were rudely rebuffed by both and I was threatened with violence by Council affiliates. Two prominent ABC journalists deliberately obstructed me and the ABC Board rejected my formal complaint. Phil left the Mountains in anger but later went back
7. We all knew that bushfire risks were spreading and growing after a long period of dry, hot 8-month seasons. I said so in correspondence to the PMs in 2018 and onwards when I offered to fund 10 x national demonstration fireproof houses in Queensland, NSW, Victoria, SA and Tasmania. Recently I offered to the Hon Ken Wyatt MP a model for the employment of some 8,000 traditional landcarers across the same geographical bands as the houses, and separately, funding for a 4<sup>th</sup> NRL Women's team based on indigenous

players (he welcomed that in a very positive letter but backed off supporting me otherwise). Those requests were and are documented on my websites.

I was also in Newcastle on the night of the earthquake and happened to be appointed as the City's General Manager in 1996, and helped the final stages of repair as well as preparing the new City Plan, partly to reduce flood risk.

Over the years I came to see the First Nation's traditional forest management practices as far superior to the RFS's model. I also talked with eco-architect Nigel Bell about the architectural side of firepath housing. I shall outline the consequences below.

I lived in the Victorian/NSW High Country for a long period, as previously visited. In Corryong I experienced 32 consecutive days of over 38 degrees (104 F), as nature was preparing the fireground for the next mayhem.

### **Political attitudes that will impede any and all recommendations**

This is a sample of correspondence (marked copyright) to the PM and Ministers, on 30 March '20:

*The Morrison Government's climate agenda is to hide real trends, pretend that credits from past programs can be applied which they can't, and push corporate solar, wind and geothermal manufacturers and operators as though their own cycle of resource usage and emissions won't be significant.*

*There are many good elements but nowhere will a citizen find the benefits from re-engaging the people of our First Nation and employing them in their traditional landcare forest management model.*

*The Blue Mountains, Victorian High Country, East through to West Gippsland, SA and Tasmania, and the coastal forests of NSW and Queensland, might each need 5 to 10 teams of 100, to have 7 x 3-week cycles, 2 on and 1 off, moving from tranche to tranche as they decide.*

*It will take time which will be endless if we don't start. The program would have so many benefits but also reduce emissions and community damage, by reducing the spread, intensity and duration of major bushfires. It would protect native species much better than do the RFS models.*

*But this might all be a zero-sum game as the Coalition's federal, state and local cliques are fighting between themselves. Are they capable of leadership? Only if Morrison grows in ethics, leadership and skills – and replaces the mercenaries with professionals.*

By the bye, the New York Times has made serious [allegations](#) against News and The Australian over the bushfires. If true

1. this is a denial of the raison d'etre of *The Australian* as Rupert Murdoch's great contribution to Australian journalism. Its incredible record of successful campaigns, such as Caroline Overington's against John Howard's Weapons for Wheat, would be chaff if it betrays an Aus aflame and in tears
2. this is a betrayal of the great journalists, past and present, like the late and great Matt Price, who impressed us so very much.

The [Guardian](#) and the [author](#) of "[Burning Bush: a Fire History of Australia](#)", have delivered well-researched, informative and quite aggressive opinion pieces about Morrison, and it's time Australia was well-informed ([Crowe](#) again). The climate deniers are being progressively exposed as naive, given the stark realities.

The SMH, like News and the TV services, has been publishing excellent photographs but none of its published authors have shown an understanding of practicalities. Recent coverage of the bushfires has focussed on the extent and severity of the events, the relationship with climate changes, and PM Scott Morrison's and Deputy PM McCormack's manic misstatements.

The recent fire season has highlighted two disparate elements. The first is the actual effects of higher temperatures and reduced rainfall, making for more widespread fires. The images of fleeing and burnt animals and residents, and the smoke- and tear-stained faces of the firefighters, will haunt us.

The second is the disconnection between highly self-obsessed and quite inept politicians and the populace. McCormack and Morrison attacked firefighters and farmers for being "greenies" when they were the ignorant ones – forgetting school lessons about Australia's three Ice Ages. We are going through "continental warning" after a mere 16,000 years of post-Ice Age temperatures.

They said, "*People don't need the ravings of some pure, enlightened and woke capital-city greenies ... the "raving inner-city lunatics"*".

Their statements enraged whole countries around the world, and their late concessions on climate change convinced no one that they had abandoned their mercantile and religious obsessions for coal mining. The fact is, the louder the warnings, the more vociferous the cries from the streets, the farther the climate deniers retreated into their carboniferous Bubbles.

The lack of preparation for the long-predicted Inferno, including the refusal to purchase additional fire-fighting aircraft, the lazy and haphazard announcements, and the PM's inability to immediately understand practicalities like replacement housing and reconstruction jobs, reflected those asinine attitudes.

Sydney journalist Nicole Hasham summarised the dominant political direction this way: "*... more than a decade of so-called 'climate wars' has left a policy paralysis. Driven by short-term interests, power struggles, politicking and blind ideology, the nation's leaders have fought over and dumped a raft of promising emissions-curbing measures*".

Liberal Tim Wilson MP wrote three years ago: "My interest is public policy ... and it is time to have some honest conversations". That has not happened. Add that the Australian Government has a problem talking to locals, or even knowing who the locals are, the NSW Bush Fire Commissioner hearing in the media that the PM was sending in the troops!

Morrison's city-Liberal and McCormack's country-Nationals Parties have rejected the better resourcing of local emergency teams along with the more general rejection of UK-style Localism which would bring a sharp focus to managed risks.

Morrison now has no way of blunder-checking options, including new ideas, or repairing the many mistakes.

He, like McCormack, has a chief-of-staff who was a senior coal industry lobbyist. Australia is economically-dependent on coal as a very large exporter, especially to China, and for the generation of bulk electricity.

Such officials are roadblocks on access within government offices.

**Imminent are revelations of deliberate, vindictive suppression for four years of a firesafe housing program. That is one of many examples of paralysed policy-making, where the absence of leadership and professional management are palpable and incredibly damaging.**

### **Fire solutions**

The vast majority of fires are started by lightning. The areas of afforestation are vast, with thousands of vulnerable sites, necessitating a maximum effort on risk zones and on the most effective tools, rather than the current flippery-floppery which is based on PR smoke and make-it-up-as-you-go “administration”.

There are no mechanistic approaches to reducing such risks as preventive backburning is impossible to apply too widely and it causes habitat loss as well as asthma risks.

The resilience of Londoners under terrorist attack and flood, Australians and Californians under eucalypt-fuelled fire, and Pacific/Asian cities facing tsunamis, cannot be doubted. All have records of “nation building”, including high standards of engineering and managerial performance.

In Australia, the normal Westminster balance between political cliques and the professional structures has been replaced by top-down “gifting” to favoured corporates, where gifting indicates graft, nepotism and cronyism. Engineering standards are appalling. This is not good enough when we’re supposed to be planning for future generations.

The only way to approach risk management is through what Australia is bad at – “local solutions to local problems”. This is a UK and Brookings Institute specialty that Australian mercantile manipulators cannot countenance.

We had governments which listened and thought – Churchill and his Australian counterpart Bob Menzies. They had offiders who acted straight and hard – in War and in nation-building, especially after 1945. We know the world has changed but why do we accept abysmal standards and horrid outcomes for future generations?

As in diplomacy, war, health and education, old-fashioned planning and management are needed and there’s no reason why we cannot demand to have them back.

High-intervention backburning diminishes habitat in a way the Aboriginal practices did not. Limitations on free burning relate nowadays to asthma costs as much as forest health concerns.

***Australia cannot wait two years for a royal commission to report and be part-implemented – but report it must for many reasons.***

The media need to acknowledge that the deliberate suppression of a “bushfire safe house” rollout is part of the hubristic corruption of the Turnbull/Morrison Government as well as media rejection

of accepted ethics. As is deprivation of a citizen's right to earn a living for his family from his valid efforts to improve decision-making.

The challenge is to ensure that the bushfires are seen in the context of a broken democracy and that solutions are holistic. It is vital this be achieved in terms of intergenerational responsibility.

Finally, here is my matrix which has to be © as so much of my IP has been stolen, as documented in the Daily Telegraph and Canberra Times:

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| Fire planning       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be aware of the ferocious nature of natural risks as seen in effects of storms, fires and floods as well as droughts and diseases on different locales, age groups and genders</li><li>• Ensure that existing professional research &amp; advisory circles are resourced and allowed free expression</li><li>• Make contingency planning part of every Budget cycle, cascaded down to Executive contracts</li><li>• Remove reliance on tricks and re-focus on surveillance on a 360° basis, through department and agencies, universities, communities and independent professionals</li><li>• Political appointees have to be confined to accountable channels, with the reinstatement of professional skills and independence in the departments, agencies and affiliates. "Repair" is essential and the fools who caused the damage must be kicked out of the way.</li></ul> |
| Forest management   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use RFS model in high risk zones but integrated with forest and firepath operations whoever they are done by – RFS, First Nation, Councils, Landcare etc</li><li>• Generally use traditional forest landcare</li><li>• Set up an Indigenous Bushfire Service as quoted above, with 4,000 to 8,000 workers</li><li>• Work through horses, motorcycles or other modes as they determine</li><li>• 2 weeks on and 1 off in each cycle through Autumn to Spring, can continue where RFS-type backburning is not feasible</li></ul>  |
| Community awareness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Improve interpretative materials and guides to the maximum effort cf Vic RFS website</li><li>• Community and media need to be less confused – through open and honest communication as in NZ</li><li>• Government needs to publish case studies e.g. Gaetjens on rorts, as lessons and signposts</li></ul>  |
| Housing safety      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Undertake review exercises in each firezone's local governments along the lines of the Blue Mountains' 2010 review and ensure the recommendations are implemented, with strong and balanced community engagement</li><li>• Force the PM to honour ethical standards and recompense this analyst for stolen IP, then support the ongoing process through supporting and guiding the early stages</li></ul>   |

- Engaging an accredited architect in defining the models
- Getting RFS to tick the designs including technical standard for next phase
- Testing a 1:10 or whatever scale at Londonderry or similar
- Selecting sites and engaging councils

Then this analyst will buy the land and build the models, when completed, the buildings will be sold and the returns will be donated back to bushfire NGOs which will not divert the funds away from bushfire victims as StVdeP has been alleged to do.