Waste Management From Natural Disasters

Fire and Flood

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Public Works Advisory

- Part of the Department of Regional NSW with 16 offices spread across regional NSW.
- PWA supports our Local and State Government clients to deliver critical infrastructure initiatives.
- PWA has specialist teams with expertise in civil infrastructure, including: water and wastewater, roads and bridges, rivers and stormwater and building projects.
- Engineering Emergency Management –
 Engineering Services Functional Area Co-Ordinator







The scale of recent disasters required a new paradigm for the clean-up response



New Level of Coordination

State Government Agencies



Councils



LAING O'ROURKE

Private Sector













Australian Government























2019 – 20 Bushfire Waste Management

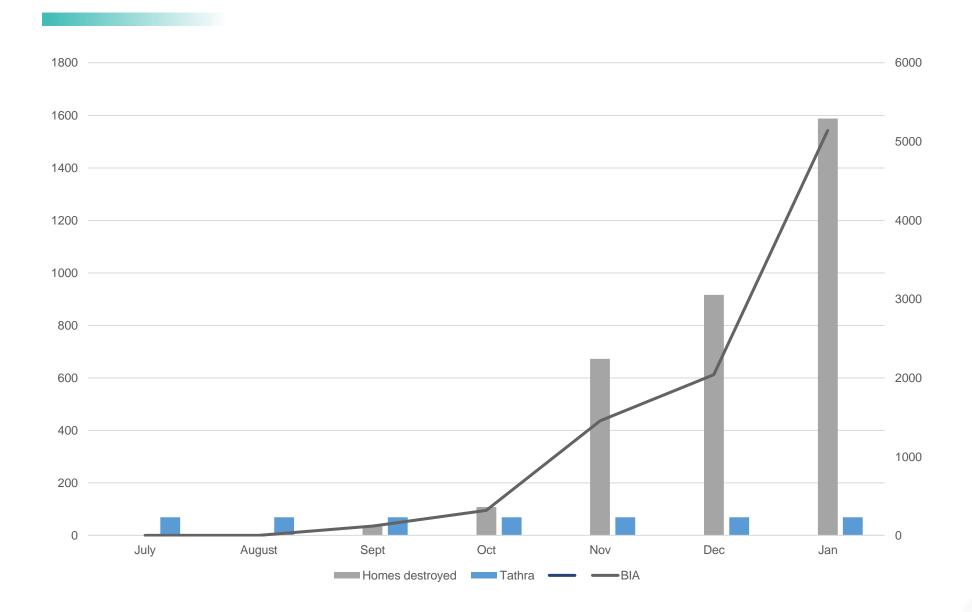


Previous bushfire clean-ups

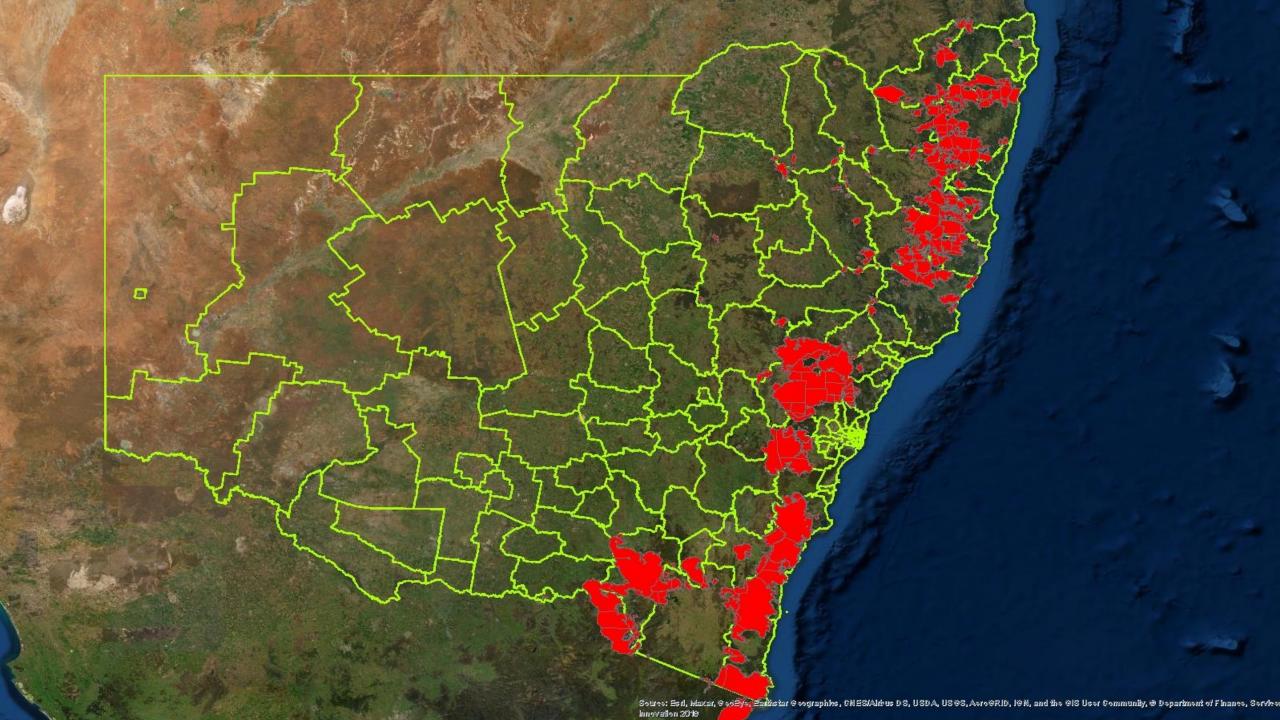
- Coonabarabran (2013)
 52 homes destroyed
- Blue Mountains (2013)
 203 homes destroyed
- Tathra (2018)
 66 homes destroyed



Context for the 2019 – 20 Response







Early Challenges





Evolution of the Response





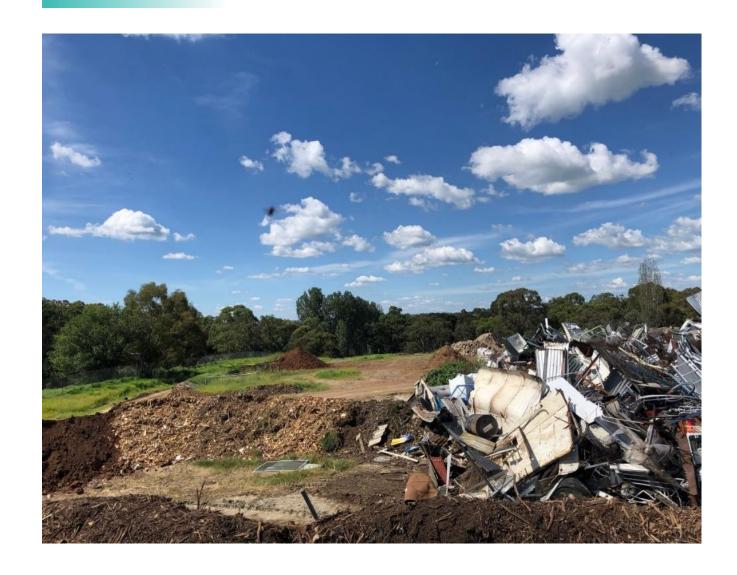
Bushfire Waste Strategy – the inputs







Bushfire Waste Strategy – the execution





Bushfire Waste Management

By the numbers

- >3650 eligible "Opt-In" registrations (Service NSW).
- 3601 Property Clearances (as at Friday 6 November 2020).
- 93 subcontractors engaged,
- 23 Indigenous owned, with Indigenous Australians making up more than 10% of total clean-up workforce.
- 99% local or regional businesses
- 95.4% of contracts were awarded to small or medium sized businesses
- In total, more than 1,000 jobs created
- At peak, this included 120 crews working across 30 Local Government Areas, 713 site operatives, 300 truck drivers.
- More than 340,000 tonnes of waste to licensed landfills.
- Training achievement: 6.7% of total hours worked. 44,495 hours
- Aboriginal Participation achieved 12% of total spend.
- More than 29,000 emails and 4,000 calls through the call centre were handled efficiently to ensure no one dealing with trauma was left unanswered.

March 2021 Floods Waste Management



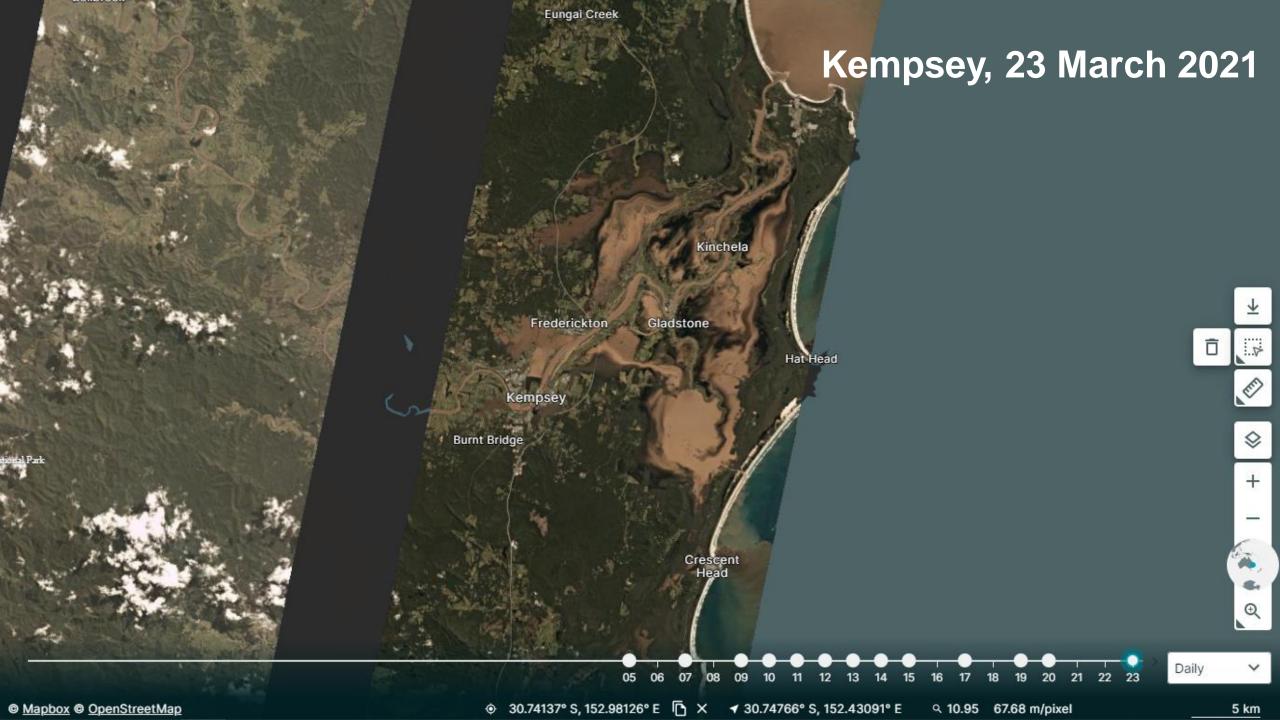
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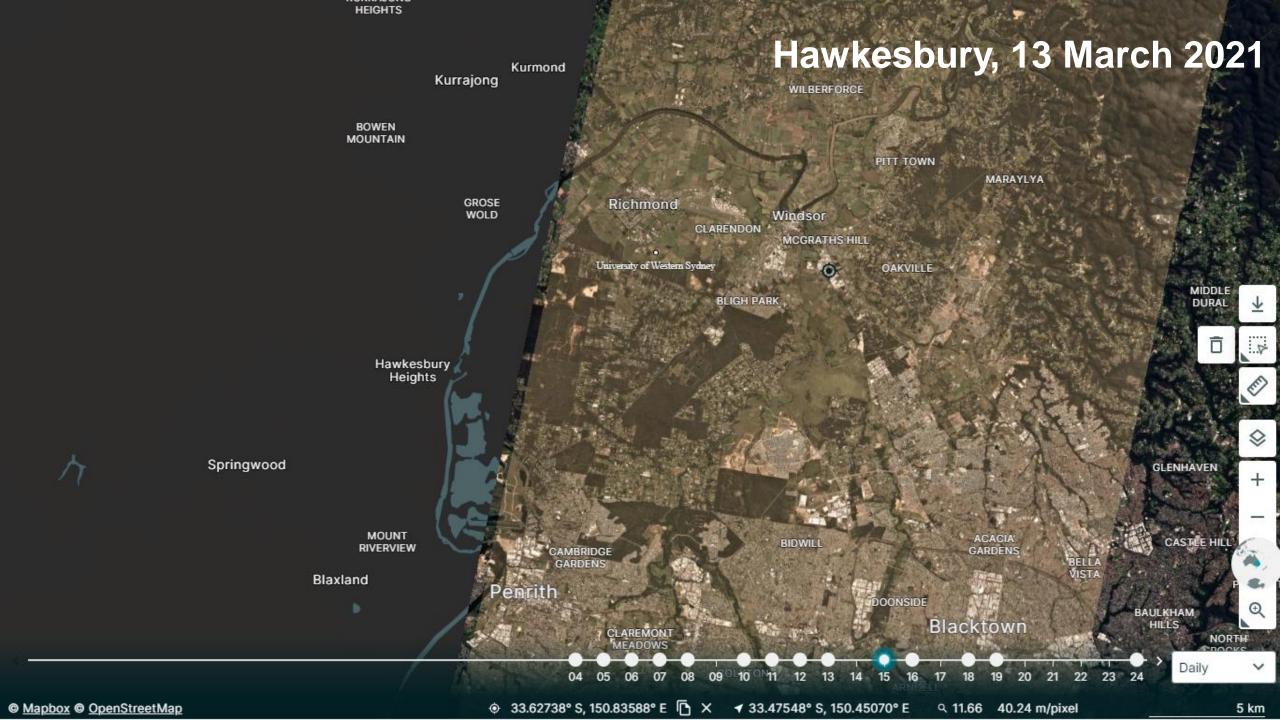


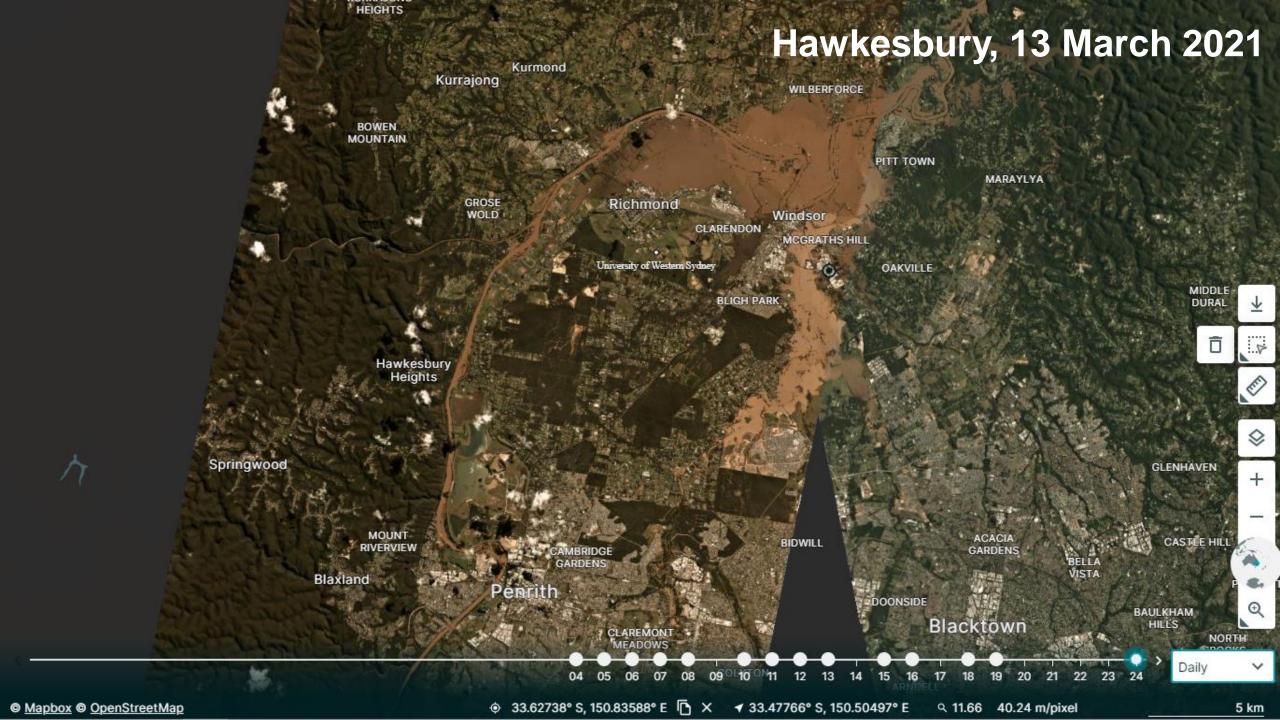












Who Will Respond?







Early Challenges



Flood Waste Strategy Mid-North Coast







Flood Waste Strategy - The Hawkesbury







Hawkesbury Riverside Gardens





Flood Waste Strategy - The Shoreline









What Next?





Questions









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