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Short comment

We live on Coraki Drive Pambula Beach and the issue of mobile reception has been an ongoing one for at least 20 years. Given the upgrades over the years we would have expected some improvement, however even when outside our house we are lucky to have 1 bar reception. This issue has been raised with successive federal local members - to no avail.

We are in a fire zone having only one road in/out and unless we have our landline /modem link(this is the main reason we maintain our fixed line) we would not get any advanced warnings of the need to evacuate etc. if there are safety problems. The recent bush fires that burnt so much forest country all around the PB/Merimbula area illustrates this- we evacuated twice when fires came close to Eden and Nethercote - we had to rely on ABC radio via fixed lines to get information.

This is on top of the lack of normal services that most urban consumers have via the Telstra mobile network. Our neighbors have to move out into the street to take and make calls on their mobiles .

There is a Council owned shower block at the bottom of Coraki Drive where a low powered repeater station could be placed to ensure locals and tourists get advanced warning of emergency messages. This is especially relevant as the state,local and federal goverments come to rely more and more on the mobile network for advice to residents etc in this mmobile age.

Step 2: Contact details

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