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## Description

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Following this fire, the CFS commissioned the Bushfire and Natural Hazards CRC to undertake research on the community's bushfire experience focusing on bushfire safety, the CFS Community Fire Safe program and information and warnings. Researchers from CQUniversity completed the research.

The research presented in this report specifically targeted three key issues for CFS bushfire safety initiatives.

1. Identifying from the Sampson Flat fire the potential implications for similar South Australian communities including the Adelaide Hills region as a whole.
2. Evaluating the impacts of the Community Fire Safe group program on key aspects of bushfire safety behavior.
3. Assessing the suitability of information and messaging for people living in the peri-urban fringe.

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