

MOBILE BLACK SPOT TELECOMMUNICATIONS FAILURE

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Bowna Wymah is a rural community on the northern side of the Hume Weir in Southern NSW. We are situated between Albury and Holbrook in the South West slopes in a highly fire prone area.

During the recent fire disaster in December – January 2019/20, this community once again was put at risk due to the very poor mobile reception in the two valleys. We have always had poor mobile reception. What has changed is the reduced dependence on landlines, due to the lack of maintenance of the landline infrastructure.

The Green Valley fireground was only about 20km to the east of the community and we had crews at the fires during the extent of the campaign.

It is a urgent priority to erect a mobile tower at the high point between the two catchments of Fowlers Swamp and Wagra Creeks.

Please include this community in the next round of funding.

Our submission can be made public.