

MEDIA RELEASE

Property losses from recent NSW bush fires

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NSW Rural Fire Service Building Impact Assessment teams are continuing to assess properties and communities impacted by the recent NSW bush fires.

Over the past few days, teams have assessed a large number of properties which were threatened by the fires, confirming a total of 26 homes have now been destroyed.

A total of 16 homes have been destroyed at the Long Gully Road fire near Drake, however this number may change as the fire continues to burn and crews have been unable to complete their assessment.

At this fire, more than 170 other homes in the direct area of the fire have been saved.

Across NSW, the latest confirmed losses from the fires are:

- > 26 homes destroyed, 13 damaged, 612 in the direct area saved
- > 6 facilities destroyed, 2 damaged, 51 saved
- > 77 outbuildings destroyed, 50 damaged, 545 saved.

Seven homes were destroyed at the Bees Nest fire near Armidale.

Two homes were destroyed at the Shark Creek bush fire near Yamba.

One home was destroyed at the Mount McKenzie Road bush fire near Tenterfield.

