



HAZARD NEWS

News, events and opinion

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RESEARCH

Coastal erosion, looking after animals, better teamwork

NEWS

Review complete, cyclone communication, sprinkler testing

EVENTS

AFAC18 program launch, Science at the Shine Dome, policy briefings

BLOGS

Hub of activity, improving risk communication

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Latest research available

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CRC focused and engaged: review panel

An independent review has confirmed that the CRC is progressing well with its research, utilisation and outreach activities and is on the right track to defining its long-term future.

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Bonus for coastal managers

A new StoryMap has been developed to better plan for storms and assist coastal managers to mitigate against erosion on Australian beaches.



Working as a team

Information can come at a cost in stressful environments but two checklists are helping incident management teams relieve breakdowns in communication.



Disaster plans for animals

Australians love their pets - now emergency services are incorporating findings from research to better plan for animals during disasters.



Shining a light on hazards

The annual Science at the Shine Dome featured CRC research focusing on the critical role that science plays in natural hazards and extreme weather events.



Sprinkler research whets appetite

PhD student Alan Green is investigating how protective sprinklers perform in the face of the strong winds and high temperatures that occur during bushfires.



Cyclone science shortlisted

PhD student Korah Parackal was a recent finalist for an award that recognised both his research and his communication skills.



Research to impact AFAC18

International keynote speakers, panel discussions and researchers from CRC projects will share their latest findings at AFAC18 powered by INTERSCHUTZ.

Briefing to enhance policy

Federal and territory governments, along with emergency service agencies, were briefed in Canberra last week on

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Lessons learnt post-disaster

CRC research and expertise is informing debriefs and lessons in the aftermath of emergencies. Find out about this and more in the latest *Australian Journal of Emergency Management*.



Asbestos danger set to rise

One in three Australian homes built before 2003 may contain asbestos, but Masters student Darryl Dixon is educating emergency management practitioners about these risks.



New addition to Board

The CRC welcomes Mark Crosweller, AFSM, to its Board. Mark heads the National Resilience Taskforce, in the Department of Home Affairs in the Commonwealth Government.



Last chance: Resilient Australia Awards

Has your research project made an Australian community more resilient? Submit your application to the 2018 Resilient Australia Awards. Hurry, submissions close 31 May!



Managing spontaneous volunteers

Upskill in supporting and coordinating spontaneous volunteers at clinics in Hobart, Cairns, Brisbane and Perth. Presenters will take you through principles from the recent AIDR handbook informed by CRC research.



New online

Check out all the latest journal articles and reports on CRC research that have been published online.

Project news

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A new project has been commissioned to investigate green wastage after Cyclone *Marcus* became the worst tropical cyclone to hit Darwin in 40 years.

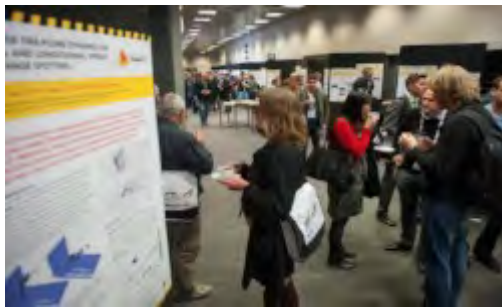


Hazards, culture and Indigenous communities project update

Learn about the latest from the *Hazards, culture and Indigenous communities* project, with updates for project end-users.



Events



Research across the ditch

Wellington hosts the Australasian Natural Hazards Management Conference next week, with plenty of CRC research featured.



Perth 2018 conference

The program has been released for our annual conference, AFAC18 powered by INTERSCHUTZ. Check it out here.



Volunteering highlighted in Queensland

CRC research on sustainable volunteering was featured on the Gold Coast this week.



Focus on community engagement

CRC research into communication and community engagement was front and centre in Coffs Harbour last week at the Australian Community Engagement and Fire Awareness Conference.



Emergency communication emphasis

Communication is vital, with the CRC-sponsored Emergency Media and Public Affairs conference discussing all things disaster communication in Melbourne on 3-5 June. Register now.

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Activity central

The CRC has been a hub of activity recently, writes CEO Dr Richard Thornton. Events in Canberra, Sydney, Coffs Harbour and the Gold Coast have all featured CRC science.



International insights and local lessons

Researcher A/Prof Amisha Mehta blogs about the connections she's made in Florida with industry and academics to examine critical issues in risk and crisis communication.



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