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Insurance Council welcomes funding boost for centre focusing on essential natural hazard research

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The Insurance Council of Australia (ICA) welcomes the announcement made today by the Australian Government to provide funding for natural hazards research over the next decade.

The ICA believes that the current Bushfire and Natural Hazards Cooperative Research Centre (BNHCRC) is a world's-best example of cross-sector collaboration working toward delivering user-driven research. This research has benefitted all Australians who live in areas that are exposed to bushfires and other natural hazards.

Australians realise the importance of natural disaster research, as it is the research findings that arm our emergency services, planners, builders, developers and communities with the information they need to continue to improve resilience, response and recovery to future natural disasters.

The ICA has worked closely with the BNHCRC and looks forward to working with government and other agencies to transition to a new research centre for natural hazard resilience and disaster risk reduction.

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