



3. Hazelwood Health Study: Community Wellbeing – Pamela Wood

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Initial Impact Study (FedUni) 2014

- Smoke, ash & dust
- Health concerns (immediate & future)
- Emergency response
 - feeling like no emergency plan – could it happen again
 - lack of provision for vulnerable people
 - feeling abandoned
 - ‘Morwell South’
- Communication
 - inadequate, confusing
 - best way to communicate?

Community Wellbeing Study, 2015

People's perceptions of

- the impact of the smoke event on community wellbeing
- community rebuilding activities
- effective communication



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Focus groups

- communities
- vulnerable groups

Interviews

- community rebuilding activities
- media professionals, social media

Media analysis