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# Study design driven by community input

- Community concerns can't be ignored – potential health impacts need to be assessed in a credible, independent and transparent way
- Ten years will not be enough to capture all long term outcomes
- Psychological impacts of the mine fire are a key concern
- Need to consider vulnerable groups
  - infants
  - school children
  - older people
  - those with greater exposures
- The community must have input into the study – it is about them.
- Regular and accessible reporting is required – not just reporting to government
- The core project team has a local base in order to connect with and understand local needs

Multidisciplinary team with expertise including rural health, epidemiology, environmental health risk assessment, toxicology, occupational health, psychology, respiratory medicine, child development, community resilience, biostatistics, geographic information systems, public health policy etc



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