2010 Australian Safer Community Awards

The Commonwealth Attorney-General, Robert McClelland, congratulates the following national award recipients. To find out more, read the 2010 Australian Safer Communities Awards Booklet located on the Attorney-General's Department website at www.ag.gov.au

State and Territory Government

Department of Families and Communities, State Emergency Service, Bureau of Meteorology, SA Health

SA Extreme Heat Response Plan



WINNER

Roger Wilkins AO with Vernon Carr, Pauline Cole, John Nairn, Graeme Wynwood, Val Smyth, Christine Andrews and Tracey Siebert.

Fire and Emergency Services Authority of WA

State Alert community warning system



HIGHLY COMMENDED Roger Wilkins A0 with Mike Klenner, FESA.

NSW Police Force, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

Think Before You Trek Bush Safety campaign



HIGHLY COMMENDED

Roger Wilkins A0 with Deputy Commander Dave Owens APM – NSW Police and Glenn Meade – NSW DECC.

> Emergency Management Queensland and Red Cross

Emergency REDIPlan: Household preparedness for people with a disability, their families and carers



Roger Wilkins AO with Carolyn Parsons – ARC and Nicola Moore – EMQ.

Volunteer

Strathewen Community Renewal Association Inc

Renewin' Strathewen – A community led recovery after bushfire



WINNER

Roger Wilkins AO with Malcolm Hackett, Diana Robertson, Steve Pascoe, Mary Avola – Strathewen Community Renewal.

Australian Red Cross
Emergency REDiPlan Community
Speakers



HIGHLY COMMENDED

Roger Wilkins AO with John Richardson and Andrew Coghlan – Australian Red Cross.

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Nationally Significant

Office of the Emergency Services Commissioner

Emergency Alert



WINNER

Roger Wilkins A0 with Joe Buffone – Office of the Emergency Services Commissioner.

Australian Red Cross After the Emergency Youth Resources



HIGHLY COMMENDED Roger Wilkins AO with Kate Brady and Loren Hackett – Australian Red Cross.

NSW Fire Brigades

Triple Zero

Kids' Challenge

Private Sector

ENERGEX Real Dangers – ENERGEX summer safety campaign



WINNER Roger Wilkins AO with Kath Ryan and Nathan Hatch – ENERGEX Ltd.

St John Ambulance Australia St John Ambulance Australia First Aid iPhone Apps



HIGHLY COMMENDED Roger Wilkins AO with Shay McAuley and Peter Le Cornu – St John Ambulance Australia.



HIGHLY COMMENDED

Roger Wilkins AO with Mark Whybro – NSW Fire Brigades, Wayne Debernardi – Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority of Victoria.

SECUREcorp 360 Degree CCTV patrol vehicles



HIGHLY COMMENDED Roger Wilkins AO with Craig Harwood and Alan Myall – SECUREcorp.



Malcolm Hackett's acceptance speech on behalf of all of the award recipients

"As a community member caught up in the 2009 Victorian bushfires, I'm grateful to live in a country that has the capacity and the resources to respond to disasters.

That said, and as the Royal Commissioners have pointed out, we've still got a lot to learn about improving both our preparedness and also implementing our emergency plans and I'm sure that these Australian Safer Communities Awards have an important role to play in stimulating that process.

I've watched disasters in other countries, as you have, as they unfold on a television, and we are fortunate in Australia that we can turn to both skilled professionals and committed volunteers in terms of emergency.

In fact, I feel very proud to live in a country where so many volunteers have rallied to support their fellow citizens in the aftermath of the bushfires and on behalf of the award nominees.

I thank the Australian Government, Attorney-General's Department and the State and Territories for conducting these awards.

In closing, I'd like to congratulate all the award nominees and the winners in the categories on their outstanding efforts in making Australian communities safer places.

Thank you."