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**LABOR CONDEMNS BEREJKLIAN GOVERNMENT AFTER  
CENTRAL COAST GETS NOTHING FROM BUSHFIRE  
RECOVERY FUND**

Labor has condemned Deputy Premier John Barilaro and the Berejiklian Government for ignoring the Central Coast's need for bushfire relief funding after the region did not receive a cent from the Government even though it suffered \$163 million of economic damage in the wake of last summer's incredibly destructive bushfire season.

Instead of distributing money from the \$177 million Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund on the basis of genuine need, Mr Barilaro and the Berejiklian Government allocated the vast bulk of the funding to seats held by the Government, while Labor seats across the Central Coast and the Blue Mountains received nothing.

Shadow Minister for the Central Coast David Harris said: "The people of the Central Coast were faced with a \$163 million bill from last summer's fire season, but our communities simply got nothing.

"The fires didn't discriminate on the basis of politics when they roared through our communities. I'm shocked that the recovery effort does.

"Gladys Berejiklian and John Barilaro are meant to be governing for all of NSW; it's a great shame that they only seem to be governing for their supporters and no one else."

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