Poor mobile phone service and some GPS maps incorrect

Some GPS mapping systems wrongly show roads out of this valley to the south are open (via Coolamine to the Snowy Mts Hwy). Gates are locked.

Radiant heat impacts and sheltering in a car

Sheltering from bush fire in a building is preferable to a car. Select a building where the gardens and shrubs are set well back. If no building is available, drive to a cleared area (reduced bush fire hazard), and park the car with headlights & hazards lights on. Get down low in the car, cover yourself, with a wet blanket, close air vents and windows. When the sound of the fire has passed, carefully leave the car (it will be hot).

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Emergency Local Broadcaster

ABC Riverina                         89.9        FM
Sounds of the Mountains:   96.3 / 94.1 FM
Mix 106.3                             106.3        FM
ABC Canberra                        666        AM

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Keep your eyes on the fire. Be aware of the impact on houses up to one hour before the fire arrives and several hours after the fire has passed. If you choose to stay and defend, you need to be aware of the impact of embers and smoke on your property. Ensure that you and your property are well-prepared and monitor your property closely during a bush fire.

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