



# Bush Fire Preparation Map



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### WORKS PROGRAM

Map Ref No.	Strategy	Action	Responsible Agency	Target / Action Date (Year)
1	Hazard Reduction	Monitor and maintain mechanical works for Strategic Fire Advantage Zone (SFAZ)	Council	on going
2	Hazard Reduction	Maintain Fire Trails	Council	on going
3	Hazard Reduction	Monitor and Maintain Asset Protection Zone (APZ)	Council	on going
4	Preparedness	Preparation of Bush Fire Survival Plans	Private	on going
5	Hazard Reduction	Maintain resident preparation zone to APZ standard where possible	Private	on going
6	Hazard Reduction	Monitor and maintain Strategic Fire Advantage Zone (SFAZ)	Local Land Services	on going
7	Hazard Reduction	Monitor and maintain to NSP guidelines as required	RFS, Council	annually

**Is your property fire-safe?**

- Cut back any overhanging trees or shrubs and dispose of cuttings appropriately.
- Check the condition of your roof and replace any damaged or missing tiles.
- Clean leaves from the roof, gutters and downpipes and fit with metal mesh guards.
- Non-combustible fences are the most effective at withstanding the intense heat generated by bush fire.
- Plant trees and shrubs that are less likely to ignite due to their root system.
- If you have a water tank, dam or swimming pool, consider installing a Static Water Supply sign (SWS).
- Enclose sub-floor areas.
- Store wood piles well away from the house and keep covered.
- Keep garden mulch away from the house and keep grass short.
- Make sure the pressure relief valves on LPG cylinders face outdoors.
- Ensure you have a hose which is long enough to reach every part of the home.
- Remove and store any flammable items away from the house.
- Install metal fly-wire or solid screens to the outside windows and doors.
- Have a non-combustible doormat.

Zone	Purpose	Suppression Objectives	Zone Characteristics
<b>Asset Protection Zone</b> 	To protect human life, property and highly valued public assets and values.	To enable the safe use of Direct Attack suppression strategies within the zone. To minimise bush fire impacts on undefendable assets.	As per RFS document Standards for Asset Protection Zones.
<b>Strategic Fire Advantage Zone</b> 	To provide strategic areas of fire protection advantage which will reduce the speed and intensity of bush fires, and reduce the potential for spot fire development. To aid containment of wildfires to existing management boundaries.	To improve the likelihood and safe use of Parallel/Attack suppression strategies within the zone. and/or Indirect Attack (back burning) in high to very high fire weather conditions within the zone. To reduce the likelihood of Crown fire development within the zone. and/or Spot fire ignition potential from the zone.	Zone width related to suppression objectives and dependant upon: -Topography -Aspect -Spotting propensity -Location of adjacent firebreaks -Mosaic pattern of treatment -Assess Overall Fuel Hazard (OFH) once vegetation communities reach minimum fire thresholds within this plan. Management practices should aim to achieve mosaic fuel reduction patterns so that the majority of the SFAZ has an OFH of less than high.
<b>Resident Preparation Zone</b> 	To identify that residents / property owners have a vital role to play in bush fire risk management and that they are responsible for their own property preparedness.	To increase the preparedness of residents for bush fire and ensure that vegetation in close proximity to residential assets are adequately maintained. To provide a defensible space for residents / fire fighters and complement hazard reduction works carried out within Asset Protection Zones / Strategic Fire Advantage Zones.	Residents / property owners should strive to achieve a 'Fire-Safe' property as outlined in the illustration above. Concerns regarding the bush fire safety of neighbouring properties should be raised with the NSW Rural Fire Service.

**LEGEND**

	Proposed Asset Protection Zone		Proposed Hazard Reduction
	Proposed Strategic Fire Advantage Zone		Residential Preparation Zone
	Asset Protection Zone		Proposed Fire Trail
	Strategic Fire Advantage Zone		Fire Trail

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