

MEDIA RELEASE

Bushfire Danger Period Ends

29th March 2019

The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has ended the statutory Bush Fire Danger Period in the Orana Team as at 31st March 2019 at 1159pm.

From the 1st of April 2019 fire permits will no longer be required in the Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) and Narromine Shire Council (NSC) Local government areas.

Superintendent Lyndon Wieland, Orana Team Manager said everyone must still stay within the law when using fire.

"Although the Bush Fire Danger Period has ended residents must still notify their neighbours and the NSW RFS giving 24 hours' notice prior to burning", Superintendent Wieland said.

Superintendent Wieland emphasised that "landowners have a legal responsibility and should they light a fire on their property without providing appropriate notifications (neighbours and the NSW RFS) and taking appropriate precautions to safely manage the fire and prevent its escape, which serious legal consequences may apply".

"Despite the onset of cooler weather, conditions remain for fires to suddenly occur threatening life, property and the environment, and residents should remain vigilant".

"Dubbo, Narromine and Wellington land owners and managers are encouraged take advantage of these conditions by undertaking hazard reduction activities to further reduce the risk of bushfires on their land". Superintendent Wieland said.

"Your local Rural Fire Station or Fire Control Centre can provide advice on how to safely undertake hazard reduction work, and how best to prepare yourself, your family and your property for the next bushfire season".

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