

## Western NSW District

This Fast Fact clarifies what constitutes Western NSW District as identified in the *Rural Fires Regulation 2002* (RF Regs).

Since the release of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006* (PBP), there have been several additional exclusions from the application of section 100B of the *Rural Fires Act 1997* (RF Act) for a bush fire safety authority. The noted exclusions are listed under clause 46A of the RF Regs and also summarised in Appendix 1 (A1.6) of PBP.

This includes the exclusion of subdivision of land in a Western NSW district from requiring a bush fire safety authority:

*i. subdivision of land for a rural residential purpose in a Western New South Wales district, but only if:*

- a. no lot created by the subdivision is greater than 10 hectares, and*
- b. the bush fire prone land in any lot is less than 10 per cent of the lot, and*
- c. each lot has direct access to an existing public road.*

### What is considered a Western NSW district?

Clause 46 of the RF Regs and PBP identify the following weather forecast districts as being "Western New South Wales District" (see Schedule 1 of the RF Regs):

- Upper Western Weather Forecast District

- Lower Western Weather Forecast District
- Riverina Weather Forecast District
- South West Slopes Weather Forecast District
- Central West Plains Weather Forecast District
- Central West Slopes Weather Forecast District
- Central Tablelands Weather Forecast District
- North West Plains Weather Forecast District
- North West Slopes Weather Forecast District

The local government areas (including amalgamations) for the Western NSW District in alphabetical order are:

- Balranald
- Barraba - (Amalgamated into Tamworth Region and Gwydir Shire)
- Berrigan
- Bingara - (Amalgamated into Gwydir Shire)
- Bland
- Blayney
- Bogan
- Boorowa
- Bourke
- Brewarrina
- Cabonne
- Carrathool
- Central Darling
- Cobar
- Conargo



- Coolah - (Amalgamated into Warrumbungle Shire)
- Coolamon
- Coonamble
- Coonabarabran - (Amalgamated into Warrumbungle Shire)
- Corowa
- Cowra
- Crookwell - (Amalgamated into Upper Lachlan Shire)
- Culcairn - (Amalgamated into Greater Hume Shire)
- Cootamundra
- Deniliquin
- Evans - (Amalgamated into Oberon and Bathurst Regional)
- Gilgandra
- Griffith
- Gundagai
- Gunnedah
- Harden
- Hay
- Holbrook - (Amalgamated into Greater Hume Shire)
- Hume - (Amalgamated into Greater Hume Shire)
- Inverell
- Jerilderie
- Junee
- Lachlan
- Leeton
- Lockhart
- Manilla - (Amalgamated into Tamworth Regional Shire)
- Merriwa - (Amalgamated into Upper Hunter and Mid-Western Regional)
- Moree Plains
- Mudgee - (Amalgamated into Mid-Western Regional)
- Mulwaree - (Amalgamated into Upper Lachlan and Goulburn Mulwaree)
- Murray
- Murrumbidgee
- Murrurundi - (Amalgamated into Upper Hunter and Liverpool Plains Shire )
- Narrabri
- Narrandera
- Narromine
- Nundle - (Amalgamated into Liverpool Plains and Tamworth Regional)
- Oberon
- Parkes
- Parry - (Amalgamated into Liverpool Plains and Tamworth Regional)
- Quirindi - (Amalgamated into Liverpool Plains)
- Rylstone - (Amalgamated into Mid-Western Regional and Lithgow City)
- Temora
- Tumbarumba
- Tumut
- Urana
- Wakool
- Walgett
- Warren
- Weddin
- Wellington
- Wentworth,
- Windouran.
- Wollondilly
- Yallaroi - (Amalgamated into Gwydir Shire)
- Yass
- Young

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