BUSH FIRE INFORMATION

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Information on Gospers Mountain Bush Fire Issued at 14 November 2019 at 11.30am

Situation

The Gospers Mountain bushfire continues to actively burn to the South and East in the Wollemi and Yengo National Parks. The fire is currently 65,000 hectares in size.

NSW Rural Fire Service (NSWRFS), Country Fire Authority (CFA) and National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS) fire fighters continue to work to contain the fire using offensive and defensive strategies. Heavy plant including dozers and aircraft continue to assist in the containment strategy.

Smoke and Fire activity will be visible for residents that live in Glen Davis, Putty Valley, Colo Heights, Upper Colo, Webbs Creek, St Albans through to Higher MacDonald, now is the time to prepare your family, property and enact your Bush Fire Survival Plan.

Deteriorating weather is forecasted again for Friday 15 Nov and early next week. Do not expect a fire truck if you are in trouble. Under these condition your safest option is to leave early. Only call 000 if it is an Emergency

Putty Road is closed to motorists at Colo and Milbrodale. Residents of Howes Valley can access their properties via the Milbrodale Road closure at this time

Advice

- If your plan is to leave, or your property is not prepared, leave now and head towards a safer location, moving into an area well away for any bushland.
- Be vigilant over the following weeks and monitor fire activity. This will help with your decision making.
- People with horses or large animals have an opportunity to relocate. Contact your Local Land Services for assistance.
- If you are threatened by fire, you may not get assistance. Call 000 if URGENT.
- If you are unable to leave, identify a safer location which may be nearby. This may include a cleared area well away from bushland or a Neighborhood Safer Place.

Information

- Updates on this fire are also available at <u>www.rfs.nsw.gov.au</u> or by calling call 1800 NSW RFS (1800 679 737) or via the Fires Near Me app.
- Animal owners can contact the Local Land Services on 1300 795 299 if you need emergency assistance or the location of the large animal safer place.
- For information on road conditions or closures, please call the NSW RMS on 132 213 or check <u>www.livetraffic.com</u> Remember roads may be closed without warning.
- For information on closures of National Parks associated with this fire, please visit <u>www.npws.nsw.gov.au</u>
- If you need to report a new fire or require urgent assistance, dial Triple Zero (000).

Authorised by Incident Controller Karen Hodges, Hawkesbury Fire Control Centre. Issued by the Incident Management Team on behalf of the Commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service.

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