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Fuel Reduction Burn at Pipers River



The Parks and Wildlife Service are currently working through planning a fuel reduction burn during this coming Spring within the Lefroy Regional Reserve, as part of the state-wide Fuel Reduction Program which is aimed at reducing the bushfire risk to help protect lives and communities. Refer to map below for location of the proposed burn block.



The total area of this burn will be approximately 162 hectares, and is likely to take 1 to 2 day/s to complete. Smoke may persist some days afterwards depending on wind conditions.

During burning operations **public access to this area will be restricted**. The public will be asked to remain well out of the burn site while the burn is taking place and for the following days until safety checks have been made along tracks and trails. Please comply with directions from staff or any signs if you are in the area.

This burn will occur at short notice under suitable weather conditions and will generate smoke, flames and ash. Residents in close proximity to this burn are requested to assist to minimise impacts from this planned burn to themselves by taking some important steps prior to the planned burn commencing. These are summarised below under **Tips during fuel reduction burning**.

If you have any queries in relation to this planned burn please contact Natalie Brown, Fire Operations Officer on 0409 868 467 or Prospect Office on 6777 2179  Tasmania
Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment 

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TIPS DURING FUEL REDUCTION BURNS



Check for hazard reductions near you at www.fire.tas.gov.au



Keep doors and windows closed to prevent smoke entering your home



Keep outdoor furniture undercover to prevent burns from embers



Retract pool covers, or cover pools, to prevent damage from embers



Cover, or stand trampolines up against hard surface to prevent damage from embers



Remove washing from clotheslines



Keep roof and gutters cleared of debris



Disconnect downpipes to protect rainwater tank supplies from contamination by smoke particles



Install fire proof wire mesh at Gable and vent spaces into roof cavity



Consider enclosing areas under decks and floors



Wood piles, rubbish heaps and other fuels removed to a safe distance, but never next to your house



Ensure pets have protected areas



If you're driving, slow down, keep windows up, recycle air-conditioning, turn headlights on



For your own safety, don't go sightseeing around hazard reduction areas



People with medical conditions are advised to have a personal plan for avoiding smoke from the burn. Advice is available from the Department of Health and Human Services website www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/peh/alerts/air/precautions or www.asthmatas.org.au



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