

How can landowners be involved?

Bushfire fuel can pose a risk to a community regardless of whether it is on public or private land. The Fuel Reduction Program aims to reduce bushfire risk regardless of the ownership of the land. **42%** of total area of fuel types which are treatable by fuel reduction burning are on private land.

There are two ways that a private land owner can get involved with the Fuel Reduction Program:



1. If your land is identified as being high risk and in a strategic location for community protection, you may at some time be approached by the Fuel Reduction Unit to discuss having your land treated by a fuel reduction burn.

Strategic risk areas are identified by the 10 Fire Management Area Committees across the State, using risk modelling and local area knowledge.



2. If you own land with high fuel loads that you are not able to manage yourself and think that it may be a risk to the local community, you can contact the Fuel Reduction Unit. They will inform you if your land is located in a future fuel reduction burn area.

If not, your details may be referred to the relevant Fire Management Area Committee to determine if it can be incorporated in a future burn.

You can also consider what other resources and tools are available to conduct your own fuel reduction burn, such as the information produced by the Red Hot Tips program www.sfmc.tas.gov.au/red-hot-tips

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A land owner whose property falls within a proposed burn area will be contacted at the earliest possible stage of planning by the Fuel Reduction Unit, both in person and in writing. This will be followed by formal written advice and mapping of the proposed burn area.

No burn will proceed without the approval of the land owner.



By working with the Fuel Reduction Program, individual land owners make a vital contribution to keeping their communities safe.

For more information, visit www.fire.tas.gov.au
or call the Fuel Reduction Unit on **1800 000 699** or fru@fire.tas.gov.au