



## Valla Beach

### PREPARATION PROGRAM

Agency	Key	NSW Rural Fire Service (NSWRFS), Department of Industry - Lands and Water (DPI - LW), Nambucca Shire Council (NSC), National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS), Dept Education & Training (DET)	Map Ref	Responsible Agency	Supporting Agency	Action Schedule
Property Planning	Develop precinct plans for residential bushland interface areas to assist in effective firefighting response	N/A	NSWRFS	NSWRFS		Ongoing
	Develop a precinct plan for the Valla Community Preschool to assist in effective firefighting response	N/A	NSWRFS	NSWRFS		Complete
	Develop a precinct plan for the Valla Beach Tourist Park to assist in effective firefighting response	N/A	NSWRFS	NSWRFS		Complete
Hazard Reduction	Maintain Residential Preparation Zones			Private landholders	NSWRFS	Ongoing
	Inspect Asset Protection Zones (APZ) to ensure compliance with RFS document Standards for APZ	A-L	NSWRFS	NSC		Annually, pre-fire season
	Maintain Jagun Nature Reserve Linear Fire Break to Standard	A	NPWS	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Langford Way Council Asset Protection Zone to Standard	B	NSC	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Cockburn St Asset Protection Zone to Standard	C	DET	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Jones St Asset Protection Zone to Standard	D	NSC	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Max Graham Drive Asset Protection Zone to Standard	E	NSC	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Valla Pre-School Asset Protection Zone to Standard	F	NSC	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Henderson St Asset Protection Zone to Standard	G	NSC/NPWS	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Henderson St Asset Protection Zone to Standard	H	NSC	DPI-LWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Valla Beach Road Asset Protection Zone to Standard	I	NPWS	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Tuna St Asset Protection Zone to Standard	J	NPWS	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Ocean View Drive Asset Protection Zones to Standard	K	NSC/NPWS	NSWRFS		2019-2024
	Maintain Neighbourhood Safer Place Asset Protection Zone to Standard	L	NSC	NSWRFS		2019-2024
Maintain road corridors and roadside verges to support safe egress	N/A	NSC	NSWRFS		2019-2024	
Hazard Reduction	Inspect Strategic Fire Advantage Zones (SFAZ) to assess fuel loads	1-3	NPWS/RFS			Annually
	Conduct prescribed burning in SFAZ when the overall bushfire fuel hazard reaches 'high'	1 & 3	NPWS	NSWRFS		Burn 1 2020
	Conduct prescribed burning in SFAZ when the overall bushfire fuel hazard reaches 'high'	2	DET	NSWRFS		2021
Preparedness	Inspect fire trails to ensure compliance with RFS document Standards for Fire Trails	---	NPWS	NPWS		Annually, pre-fire season
	Maintain fire trails to standard	---	NPWS	NSWRFS		2019-2024
Ignition Management	Manage use of fire in the environment through Fire Permits, Hazard Reduction Certificates & illegal camping prevention	N/A	NSWRFS	NPWS		Ongoing
	Conduct community engagement using the Valla Beach Survival Map focusing on development of survival plans	N/A	NSWRFS			Ongoing
Community Education	Install & maintain an Electronic Fire Danger Rating sign	N/A	NSWRFS	NSC		2019-2024
	Install Community Protection Plan Survival Map display signage	N/A	NSWRFS	NSC		2021

**Is your property fire-safe?**

- Cut back any overhanging trees or shrubs and dispose of cuttings appropriately.
- Check the condition of your roof and replace any damaged or missing tiles.
- Clean leaves from the roof, gutters and downpipes and fit quality metal leaf guards.
- Use combustible hoses and the most effective at withstanding the intense heat generated by bush fire.
- Plant trees and shrubs that are less likely to ignite due to their low oil content.
- If you have a water tank, dam or swimming pool, consider installing a water filter supply high (WFS).
- Enclose sub-floor areas.
- Store wood piles well away from the house and keep covered.
- Keep garden mulch away from the house and keep green plants.
- Make sure the pressure relief valves on LPG cylinders face outwards.
- Ensure you have a hose which is long enough to reach every part of your house.
- Remove and store any flammable items away from the house.
- Install escape fire-ure or solid screens to the outside windows and doors.
- Have a non-combustible doormat.

**LEGEND**

- Asset Protection Zone (APZ)**  
An area between a bush fire hazard and buildings or other assets that is kept clear of bushfire fuels and obstructions to firefighting.
- Strategic Fire Advantage Zone (SFAZ)**  
An area in which bush fire fuels that most affect fire spread and intensity are deliberately reduced through methods such as prescribed burning or livestock grazing.
- Residential Preparation Area**  
An area in which residents prepare their property for fire as shown in the illustration above.
- Fire Trail**  
A road specifically built and maintained for the purpose of accessing a property or area for fire management.
- Neighbourhood Safer Place**  
A place of last resort during a bush fire emergency.  
[www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/nsp](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/nsp)
- State Conservation Area/National Park**

**PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE.**

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There are four simple steps to get ready for a bush fire:

- DISCUSS
- PREPARE
- KNOW
- KEEP

**Get prepared for the Bush Fire Season and make your Bush Fire Survival Plan now. Go to [www.myfireplan.com.au](http://www.myfireplan.com.au)**



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