



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE



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Fire Permits Suspended

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The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has suspended fire permits until further notice in the Coffs Harbour and Bellingen Local Government Areas due to high temperatures predicted over the weekend and into next week.

NSW RFS Team Manager Superintendent Sean McArdle said the decision to suspend fire permits had been made in order to help keep the local community safe from bush and grass fires.

“In warm, dry and windy conditions fires can start quickly and spread rapidly. As there is little to no rain forecast in the coming weeks, the potential is there for dangerous fire weather to eventuate,” Superintendent McArdle said.

“While fire permits are suspended, we encourage residents to undertake other activities to protect their property from fire, such as clearing leaves from their gutters and removing flammable materials from around their homes.”

Superintendent McArdle said the NSW RFS appreciates the cooperation of residents on days of heightened fire danger.

Information on current and forecast Fire Danger Ratings, or to download a Bush Fire Survival Plan, visit the NSW RFS website at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au or phone the Coffs Harbour Fire Control Centre on 6651 6133.

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