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Advisory on Bushfires

Australia is grappling with one of its worst bushfire seasons in recent history. Bushfires this season have officially burnt the most land on modern record across eastern NSW. An area of 3.6 million hectares has burnt in NSW alone as of today claiming 15 lives and destroying over 1000 houses. With extreme weather condition persisting and more than 100 bushfires burning in NSW alone, residents and visitors alike need to remain vigilant and up their guards for bushfire emergency.

NSW Rural Fire Service continuously updates fire information which can be accessed on their website <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/> or by using NSW RFS 'Fires Near Me' mobile apps which is free to download and use. Since GPS location service and receiving data over internet can be unreliable during a bush fire, NSW RFS advises the citizens to use variety of sources including media, social media, official warning websites and services to stay up to date in a bushfire situation.

We advise you to follow the guidelines issued by the local authorities for keeping safe during this treacherous bushfire season and regularly consult following weblinks as well as other relevant sources to stay prepared and informed:

- <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au> (For bushfire updates and advices)
- <http://www.bom.gov.au/nsw/> (Weather conditions and warnings)
- <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan-and-prepare/bush-fire-survival-plan> (Guideline for preparing a survival plan)
- <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/fdr-and-tobans> (Fire danger rating and fire bans)
- https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/3118/Bush-Fire-Safety-for-Travellers-Brochure.pdf (Bushfire safety for travellers)
- <https://www.myfireplan.com.au/> (Planning for bushfire situation)
- <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/emergency-information> (emergency information)

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