# Verona Sands area

Including: Garden Island Creek, Abels Bay & Deep Bay

### **COMMUNITY BUSHFIRE PROTECTION PLAN**

November 2024

# Know what to do and where to go when threatened by bushfire.

# Low risk

Your first and safest option for survival on high fire risk days:

Leaving early when the Fire Danger Rating (FDR) for your area is Extreme or Catastrophic, or there is a Bushfire Alert for your area.

Remember: leaving early is <u>always</u> the safest option

# High risk

#### If leaving the area is no longer an option:

- A well-prepared property (yours or your neighbour's) that you can actively defend
- · The closest built-up area or town away from bushland or trees
- Designated Evacuation Centres Think about how you will get to these places. Have a plan.

Your safety cannot be guaranteed

# Extreme risk

If NO other options are available these are your places of LAST RESORT:

**Tasmania Fire Service has** NSP identified the following bushfire places of last resort (Nearby Safer Places/ NSPs) for your area:

#### **Helms Bay Cottages**

6863 Channel Highway Map Grid: C4 (Gardeners Bay)

#### **Deep Bay Jetty**

Deep Bay Jetty Road Map Grid: D7 (Gardeners Bay)

#### **Verona Sands Beach**

Westwood Avenue Map Grid: E6 (Verona Sands) Map Grid: G6 (Garden Island)

#### See the map(s) in this plan

Add bushfire places of last resort (NSPs) to your Bushfire Plan and note any others you may know.

TIP: Neighbouring plans may also have bushfire places of last resort (NSPs).

Identifying your own bushfire place of last resort (NSP)

You can also identify a site to use as a bushfire place of last resort if your plan fails, and you are trapped in the area. It should be:

- · A large clear area (such as lawn, gravel, dirt or concrete)
- Without flammable vegetation (such as long grass or bush)
- · Close and quick to get to
- Safe to get to during a bushfire (not travelling through bush)
- Free of other hazards (such as power lines or traffic)
- Free of other risks to your safety (such as drowning or falling)

The clear area needs to be large and far away enough from flammable vegetation to protect you from radiant heat from a bushfire. Consider the type and slope of surrounding vegetation, and if there is a structure you can shelter in or behind.

WARNING: there is risk of trauma, injury or death



#### In an emergency call triple zero (000) anywhere in Australia

For people who are deaf or have a hearing or speech impairment there are six ways to contact emergency services. relayservice.gov.au



IMPORTANT: Tasmania Fire Service may not be able to protect you during some bushfires.

# **SCAN TO PLAN**



Scan the code to visit our bushfire safety website. Start your Bushfire Plan, and get your free copy of the Bushfire Safety Guide with more information on bushfire places of last resort (NSPs).



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