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State Bushfire Risk Assessment — Quick facts for residents

- **What is it?** The SBRA maps plausible extreme bushfire scenarios to 2050 so councils and residents can plan and prepare.
- **Is it a prediction?** ***No*** – it shows worst-plausible scenarios to help you take action now.
- **What should I do?** Update your household bushfire plan, clear vegetation safely, know your local Bushfire Safer Places and follow council guidance.
- **Where to find more info?** Download the risk assessment outputs at State Bushfire Risk Assessment - SBCC - State Bushfire Coordination Committee or visit South Australian Country Fire Service for further bushfire preparedness advice.

Community and Individuals

Q: Why is this Risk Assessment required?

A: The State Bushfire Risk Assessment is mandated by the South Australian Bushfire Coordination Committee (SBCC) under State legislation. It ensures we systematically identify, analyse, and communicate future bushfire hazards so communities can plan, prepare and respond effectively.

Q: How should I use this information to prepare personally?

A: Review the community summary and scenario maps for your area, update your household bushfire survival plan, clear vegetation where safe and in line with vegetation-clearing legislation and local policy guidance, prepare emergency kits, check and update your insurance so it reflects current circumstances, and identify local Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges. We recognise cost-of-living pressures may affect insurance decisions contact your insurer for options and advice about the appropriate insurance cover.

Q: My home would be lost under these scenarios. Should I be worried?

A: The scenarios illustrate plausible extreme events out to 2050, not predictions of what will definitely happen. They provide a worst-plausible outlook so you can strengthen your preparedness measures; managing vegetation, upgrading building protections, identifying your Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges, have your bushfire survival plan prepared and practiced, and rehearsing local area travel routes, well before fires threaten.

Local Government

Q: What support is available to councils for implementing risk reduction?

A: Application for grants and related advice is available through Local Government, State and Federal disaster ready funding grants and schemes from SAFECOM and NEMA. Councils can also partner with State and local agencies to access training, mapping tools, and community engagement frameworks.

Q: How can I raise concerns or provide feedback?

A: Submit written comments through the SBCC website Contact us - SBCC - State Bushfire Coordination Committee

For further information please visit State Bushfire Risk Assessment - SBCC - State Bushfire Coordination Committee and the full FAQ state-bushfire-risk-assessment-faq.pdf

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