



Dear Landowner

Community expectation has highlighted that there are some fire management issues on the northern face of Grindelwald between Alpine Crescent and Rosevears Vineyard on the West Tamar Highway. In a joint exercise between Tamar Ridge Estates and the Tasmania Fire Service, combined with the anticipated co-operation from you, the landowner, we plan to conduct some strategic fuel reduction burning around the Alpine Crescent residential area.

Over the past 3 years, our fire seasons have been lasting for extended periods, have been extremely drier and warmer than ever before. That trend looks set to continue, thus we need to be pro-active in lessening the risk of potential for a wildfire.

The area in question is the steep forested area directly above the Rosevears Vineyard complex.

At this stage, we are working on the planning process, which has included preliminary talks with several Alpine Crescent property owners, with favourable feedback for a prescribed fuel reduction burn to be carried out during the autumn of 2009. As a part of this process, we need to plan with and engage all landowners involved to gauge your reaction to this proposal.

As we progress in our planning we would like to evaluate your property to identify any issues including but not limited to, stock, fences and internal structures etc. We would also need to encourage and ensure that there is a defensible space between your house boundaries and the proposed burn area. This will involve an on site visit.

Can you please register your interest with Ian Cawthorn (Tasmania Fire Service) on the following numbers prior to the 30th September 2008. Please contact Tasmania Fire Service Northern Region on 6336 5633

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Ian White
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