

Welcome



- Overview of the workshop
- Introductions
 - Who you are and where you're from
 - Where were you on Black Saturday?
 - One thing you like to do to relax





Preparing for Fire Season

Sally Peacock



Two Mandatory eLearning activities

Basic Wildfire Awareness (eLearn)



The Basic Wildfire Awareness course provides a basic awareness of fire behavior, fire suppression techniques, safety and survival during wildfire and planned burn operations.

The Basic Wildfire Awareness course is a minimum qualification for personnel entering a fireground. It is typically held by firefighting support personnel. This course does not provide a firefighting qualification.

This course has been developed and shared by DELWP for the use of firefighting personnel in DELWP, DJPR and other relevant organisations involved in Wildfire response. Participation records will be linked in to the DRaC system for use at multi-agency incidents.

Approved participants will be awarded a Statement of Attainment.





EMMQ

Emergency Management Medical QuestionnaireQuestionnaire Form





Completed forms are to be emailed directly to CHM at healthservices@chm.com.au by Friday 14 December 2018.

Thank you for completing this questionnaire, which will form the basis of your medical suitability for deployment to Emergency Management roles. A CHM team member will contact you within 5 business days upon receipt of your completed EMMQ. This contact will be made via your nominated mobile phone or email address to inform you of your initial result.

In the event CHM are unable to finalise your result based on the information provided, you may need to provide further information via email or teleconference and/or attend your medical practitioner to obtain further information pertaining to your health history. You will be advised of next steps by one of the CHM team.

Section 1 – Sign and Consent

Employee Authority and Consent

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information I have provided on this form is true and correct.

This questionnaire asks you a series of medical related questions. Your answers to these questions will be reviewed by DEDJTR's medical provider, CHM, who will provide you with one of the following medical classifications:

Class A: Medically fit for continuing in role with no restrictions

Class B: Medically fit for continuing in role with modifications

Class C: Temporarily unfit **Class D:** Unfit for emergency role

Only employees who receive a Class A or Class B classification can be deployed in an emergency role.

Information provided in a EMMQ is current for two years.



Pack your bags!

- Overalls
- Boots
- Helmet
- Hi-Vis vest
- Riggers gloves
- Hearing protection (x2)
- Eye protection
- Fire Blanket
- Calling cards
- Snacks, Water
- Sunscreen etc



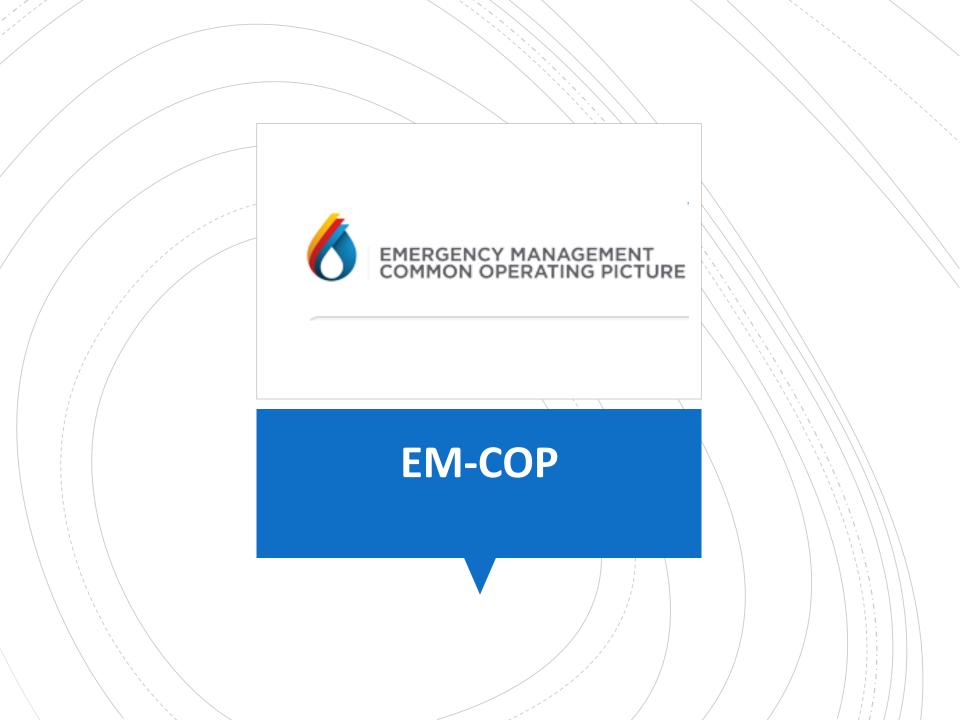


Maintain situational awareness

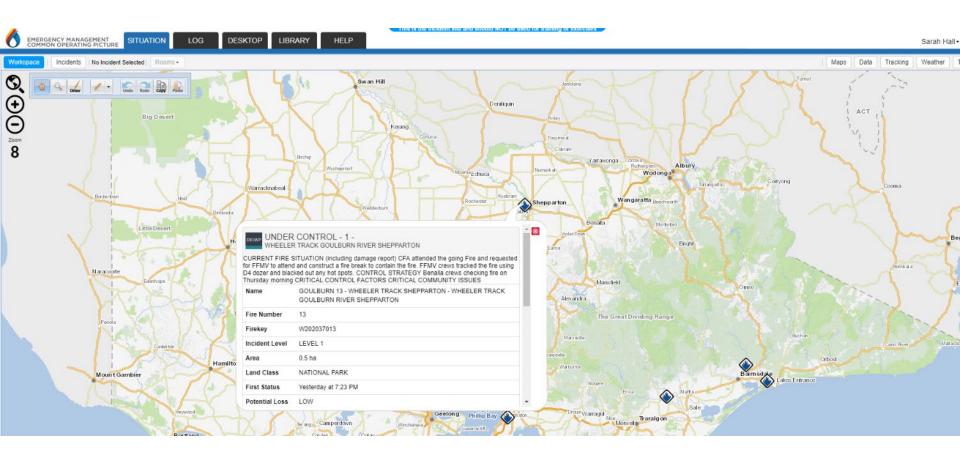
- Be aware of fire danger ratings
- Departmental procedures:
 - Code red policy
 - JSP Field work
 - Managing fatigue safely
- VicEmergency alerts
- Leave your trunk on when travelling
- Keep supervisor and calendar updated with your location
- Online resources EMCOP, Fireweb





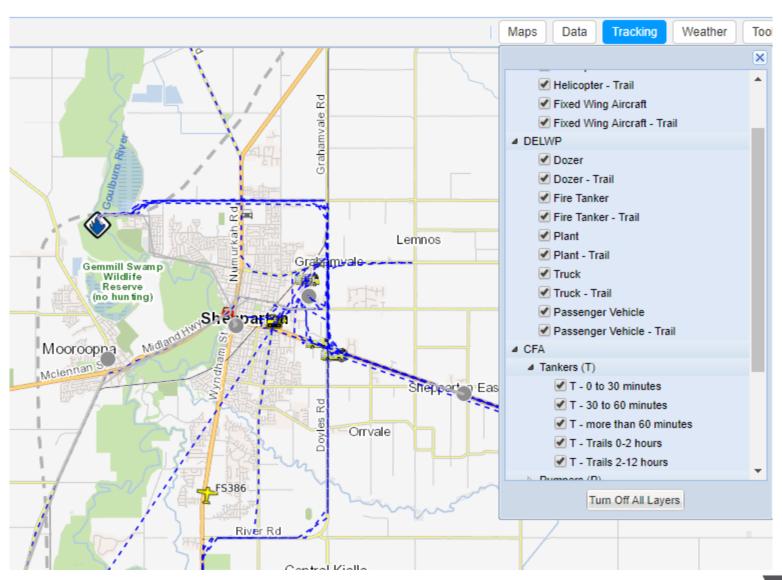


EMCOP - cop.em.vic.gov.au



Homework! – Sign up for an EMCOP account and familiarise yourselves





DESKTOP

LIBRARY

HELP

Sections

Training

Rosters

EM Partners

SCT

SCC Support

State

Operations - Multi Hazard / Multi Agency







Activation Level



SCC/RCC/ICC Contacts Readiness Book



Deployments IILU



EM Drive (web)



EM Reporting



EM-Share Sharing & Learning



EM-Collab



EM-Webmail Login Code



IMT Toolbox





Operational Plans



SCC Meetings Rooms



State Events Calendar



Significant Public Events



Vic Events Calendar



Safety Alerts & Fact Sheets



EM Drive

& Fireweb

Registration

Schedule Operational



Schedule Products



SCC Shift Plan



Readiness Aircraft



Conferencing

Whispir Messaging

Operations - Hazard / Agency Specific



Portal

CFA SDO



Apps Login

DELWP FFM











LIMSOC





Operational Parks Vic Radio AHDO Portal



SMSer Messaging



Viewer

Cyber Security Portal

Briefings



SCC Briefing



SCC Live Briefing



Incident

Manager

SCC Media Room



General Briefings & Forums

Reports



Air Quality Report



Before Action Reports



IIA Report (first 6 hrs)



Intel Summary



Flood Intel

Report

SCC

Map Pack



SCC Media Talking Points



EMJPIC Key Messages



State Relief & Recovery Report



Significant Incident Update



State SitRep (19:00)



State Situation Update





EMCOP – state summary

	Thursday	26 Sep 2019		State Summary	
Fire Weather		Going Incidents and Active Burns		Warnings - All Hazards	
for Thursday 26 September 2019		Incidents Burns		NOW NEW TODAY	
Bux District FFDI GFDI Rati	e e e e e e e e e e e e e se se se se se	Large Going 0 In Progress 0 Medium Going 0 Patrolled 0 Small Going 0 Ready 39 New Today 65 New Today 0 All Now 12 All Now 39 Bushfires are CFA and DELWP bushfires. Others are other CFA, MFB and SES incidents. Burns are DELWP fuel reduction burns. Safe not shown. Aligns to EM-COP. Updates every 5 mins.		Evacuation 0 0	
Aircraft Availability Type Available Assigned		Incidents by Agency Now Today		RCC & ICC Readiness	



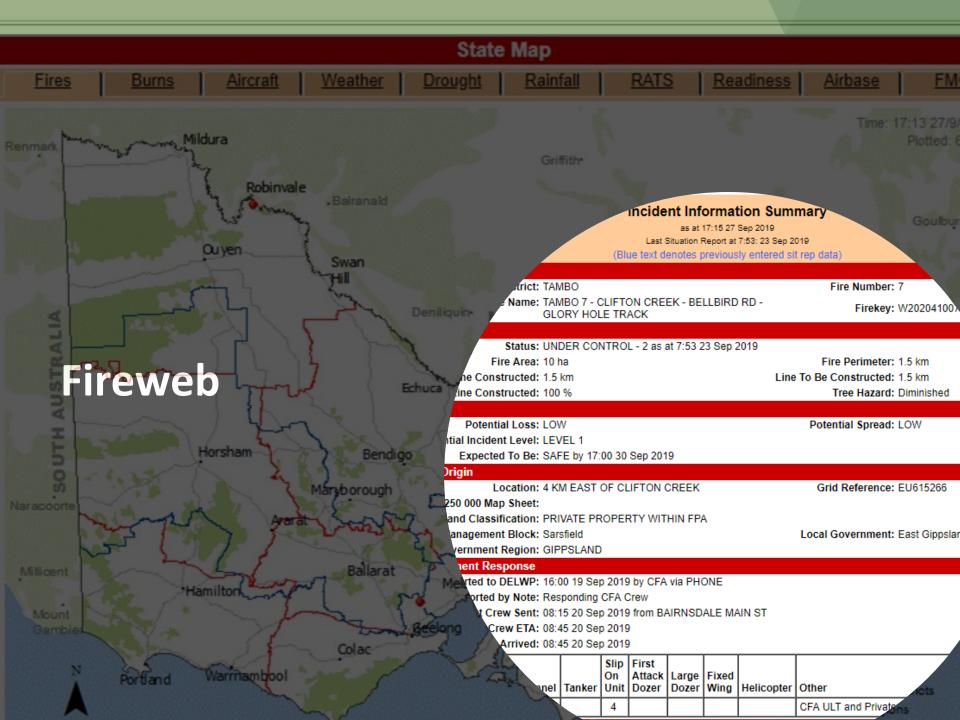
LIVE FEED LISTING FOR LODDON MALLEE DIVISION

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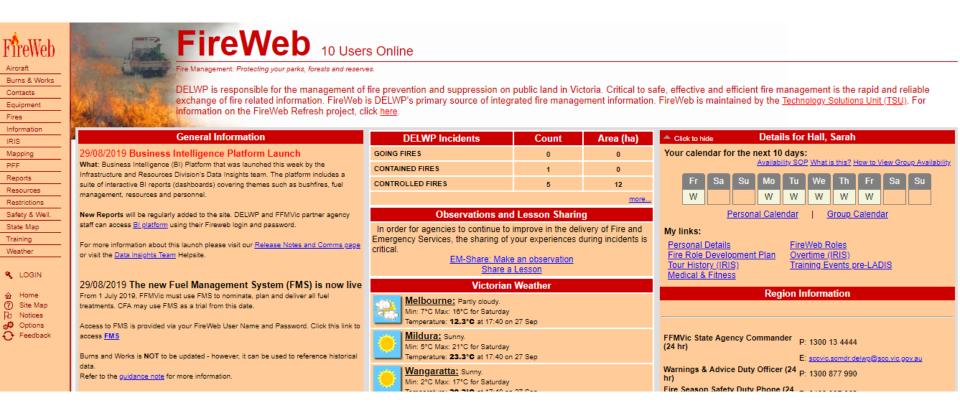
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Listen	Feed	Genre	Listeners	Player Selection	Links	Status
•	Ambulance Victoria Ambulance Victoria (Statewide) EMS (Emergency Medical Service), MICA (Mobile Intensive Care Ambulance Paramedic), HEMS (Helicopter Emergency Medical Service) Frequency 167.237MHz	Public Safety	0	HTML5 Web Player	3	Offline
•		Public Safety	10	HTML5 Web Player	() <u>*</u>	Online
•	Country Fire Authority Dispatch - District 18 This digital talkgroup is used for brigades in the Victorian Country Fire Authority's District 18 to respond to incidents which are dispatched by ESTA (Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority) using their State Emergency Communications Centre.	Public Safety	1	HTML5 Web Player	3	Online
•	Country Fire Authority Dispatch - District 2 This digital talkgroup is used for brigades in the Victorian Country Fire Authority's District 2 to respond to incidents which are dispatched by ESTA (Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority) using their State Emergency Communications Centre.	Public Safety	9	HTML5 Web Player	3	Online
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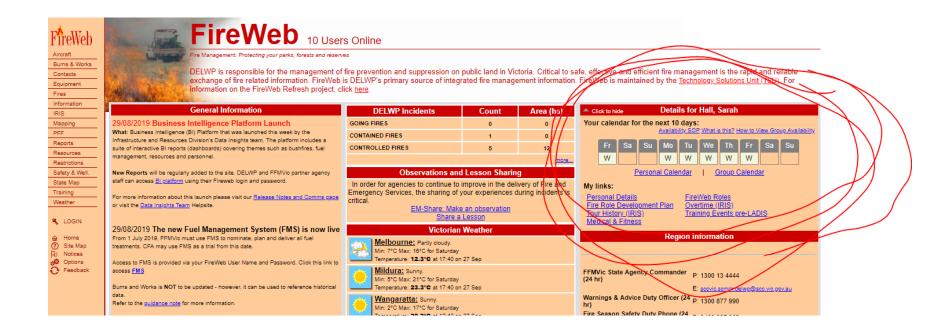
fireweb.ffm.vic.gov.au



Homework! – Sign up for fireweb and update your aCal



aCal – Your availability for deployment



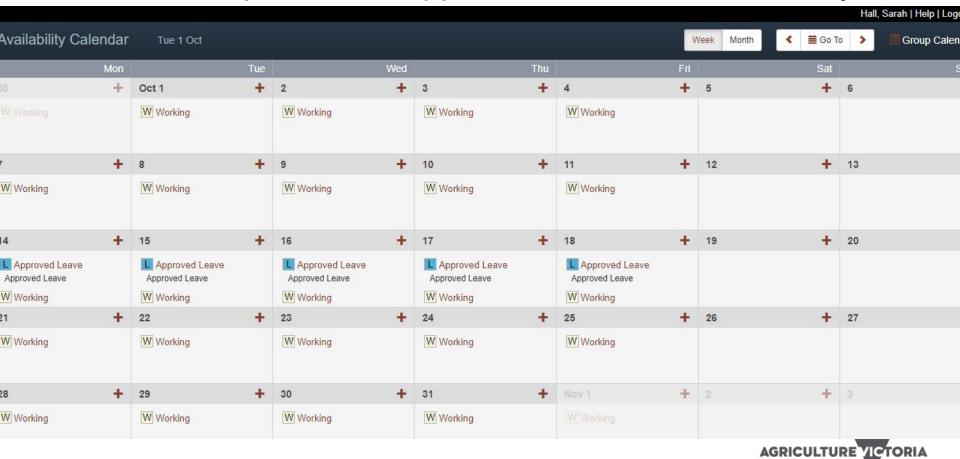
IMPORTANT:

In large responses, you may be automatically deployed based on your aCal



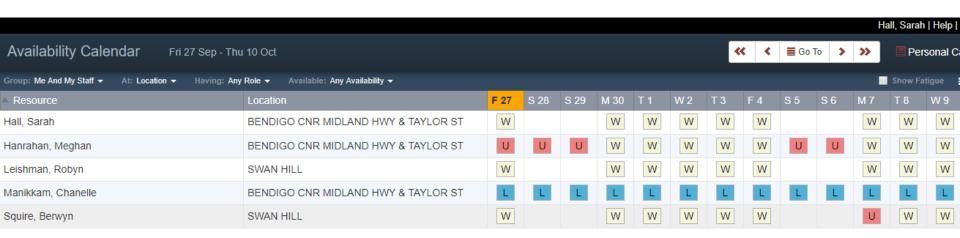
aCal – Your availability for deployment

Will auto update from approved leave on HRESS only



aCal – Your availability for deployment

Your manager can set unavailability on your behalf





Working with other agencies

- Important to build networks in peace time
- Each name an agency we may work with in an emergency?



Know your role

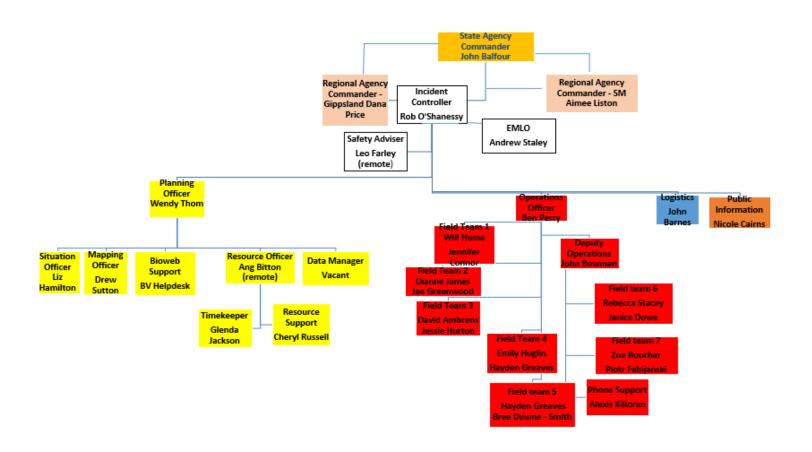
- Assessment team member/leader
- Phone Surveillance team member, operations support, data entry etc
- Know your chain of command





Know your team

Chain of command







MERO

MEMPC

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MRM

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Kate Rowe

Jordy

Amelia

Andrew

Albi

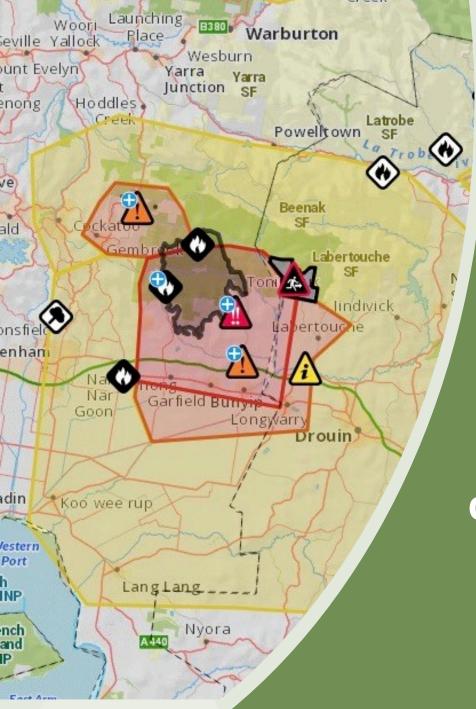
Nathan

Kate Keith

Georgia

Robyn

Claire





There's a fire in my district. What do I do?

Sarah Hall

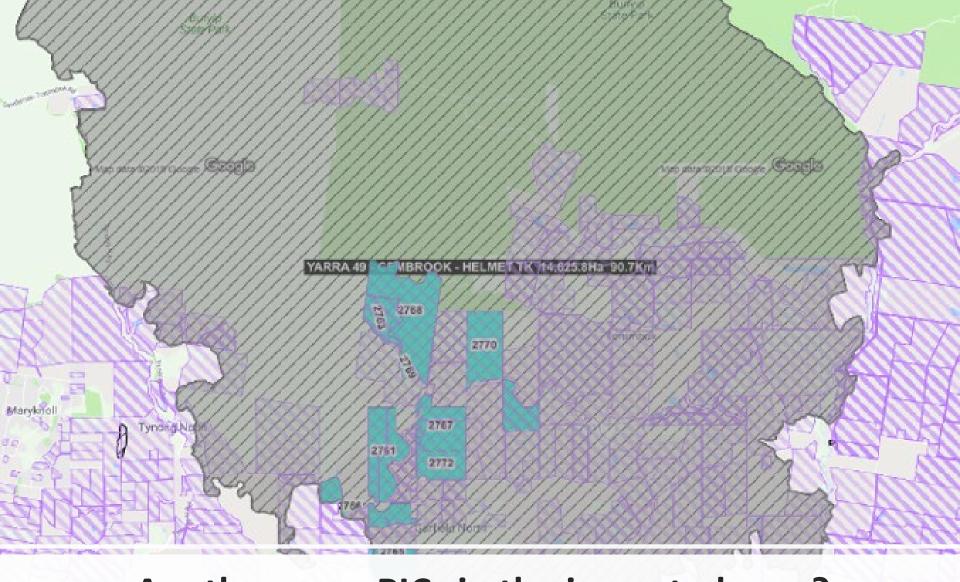
A fire has started...

- Monitor situation and maintain personal readiness
- If you become aware of animal impacts through your networks, notify RAC immediately

NEVER SELF DEPLOY

- You must be formally deployed prior to undertaking any response activities
- Manage expectations: "Hurry up and wait"
 In medium to large fires, unlikely to gain access same day





Are there any PICs in the impacted area?



iPad Exercise

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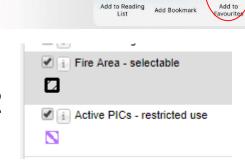
Save to bookmarks!

1) Open PIC map

2) Turn on fire area



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bvex.agriculture.vic.gov.au

BioWe

3) Find Lawsons Rd, Emerald fire area

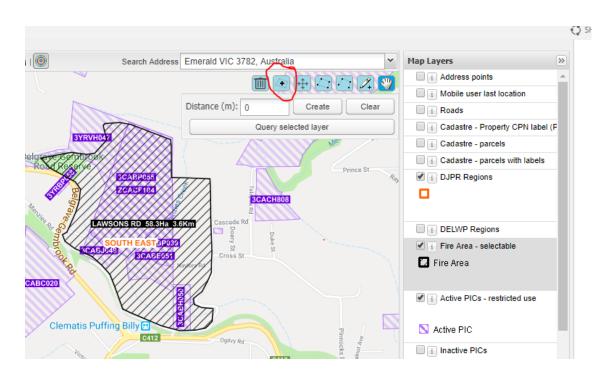


4G 4 95% (B)

Add to Notes

Obtain property info for Emerald fire

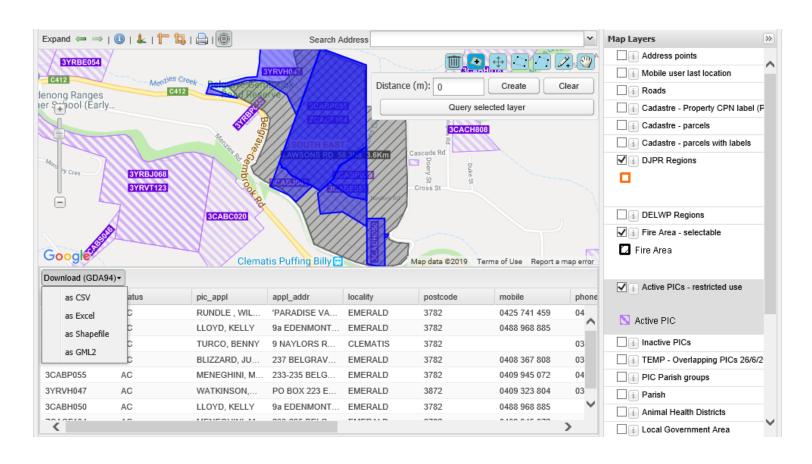
4) Select feature from selected layer (fire area will turn blue)



- 5) Create buffer, and query PICs in selected layer
 - 0m will give you just those properties in the fire area
 - If fire still going, may choose to do wider buffer

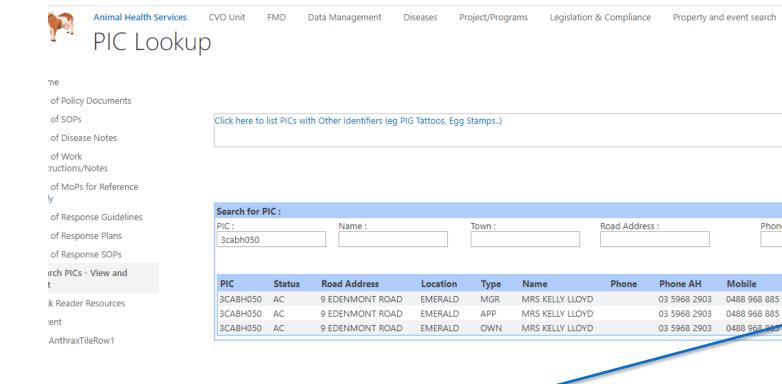


Export to Excel





Use PITR to estimate livestock numbers



Stock				
Туре	Species	QTY		
Animal	Horses		3	
Poultry	Chickens - Layer		4	



Search

Search this site

Phone:

Report

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ADMIS / PITR / EDIT

Initial phone surveillance

- People likely to be extremely distressed
- Likely to have evacuated and unsure of the fire impacts OR fighting the fire



- Introduce yourself and provide a point of contact
 - follow up text message may assist
- Your primary aim is to ascertain if there are animals at risk and report this finding up your chain of command as soon as possible
- Other impact assessment information can be collected once fireground accessible
- Complete a max forms entry for each call



Deployment process

- Phone contact by resourcing officer, RAC or duty officer
- Advise your usual supervisor of your deployment
- Deployment email will follow

DEPLOYMENT NOTICE FOR:	Sarah Hall	
Incident Name:	ANTHRAX 2019 - SWAN HILL	
Role:	Incident Controller	
Tour Date & Information: (Tour dates, include travel first and last day)	Travel: March 3 Work Days: March 4 - March 6 (inclusive) Shift Hours: 8am - 5pm (subject to variation) Travel Day: March 7 Required rest break following deployment: As this deployment is working normal hours no rest days will be required after this 3 day deployment. Subject to change by the Incident Controller	
Location of activity: Address: Contact Number:	DJPR Office - Swan Hill 324-330 Campbell St, Swan Hill VIC 3585	





Introduction to the Control Centre and Staging Area

Jeff Cave

On arrival to the control centre

- AgVic control centre may be our closest office to the fire, or may be joined with another response agency
- Check in with your Operations officer
- You will receive an induction
- Collect any food or drink required for that shift
- Await further instruction





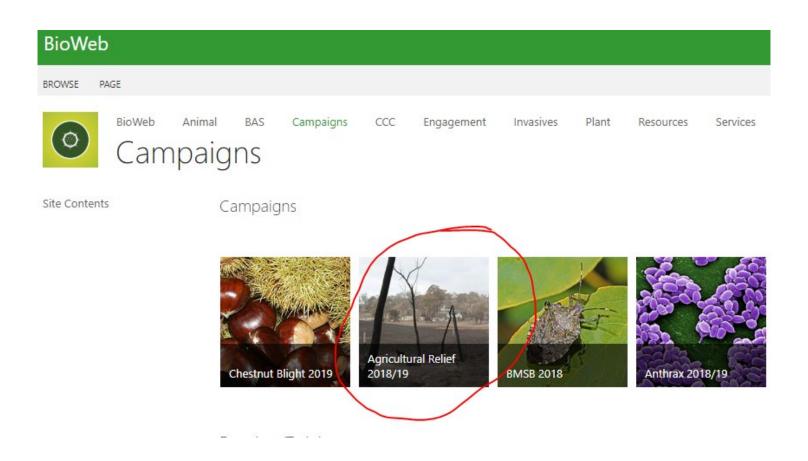
Briefings - SMEACS



- Situation
- Mission
- Execution
- Administration
- Communications
- Safety



Data management system - MAX





SitReps and IAPs

For each day of the response, the AgVic IMT will produce:

- Incident Action Plan (IAP)
- Situation Report (SitRep)

These are usually supplied at the morning briefing, and are available in the

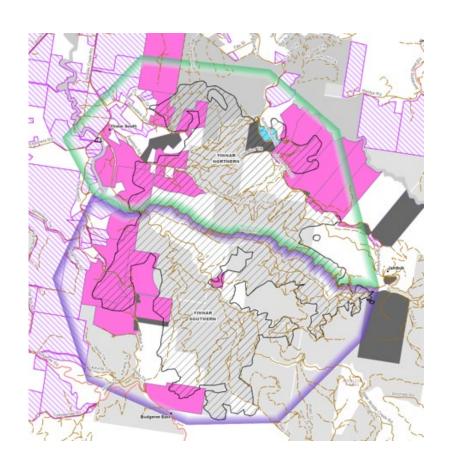
"Planning" section of the MAX campaign

These documents are specific to our AgVic response and are not for external circulation



Sectors

- Large fires are usually divided into sectors eg. North and South
- Each sector will have a CFA or DELWP Sector Commander who is responsible





When will we be allowed on the fireground?



- AgVic staff will only be allowed to enter the fireground only when the lead agency determines it is safe to do so
- In medium to large responses, this will be communicated by the AgVic EMLO back to the AgVic IMT
- In some circumstances, you may need an escort
- It may not be until the next day or even later that safe access is able to be granted
- It may be before or at the same time as property owners themselves





Entering and exiting the fire ground

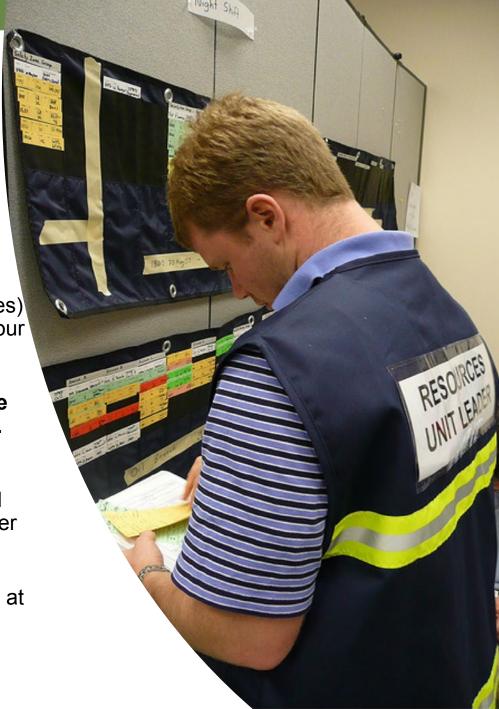
 When working on the firegrounds, the sector commander (IC for small fires) of the lead agency is responsible for your welfare (DELWP or CFA)

 Always follow the instructions of the sector commander and lead agency.

 You must radio/phone in to report your movements onto and off the fireground

- To the CFA/DELWP sector commander
- To your AgVic operations officer

 Remember to complete your check ins at the agreed times



Important Radio Talk

- Generally leave your radio on the fire ground channel for the sector you are working in and listen for updates
- Red flag warning STOP AND LISTEN!!!
- Divcom = divisional command
 Stationary unit close to the incident where
 radio comms are coordinated.
 Communications usually recorded.



Sign up for the upcoming trunk radio training!



Timesheets

EmployeeName: Sarah Hall		Sarah Hall	Emergency Event:	Mildura				Employment type: Full time		
Agency: DEDJTR Award: VPS			_Role/s: _Name of Supervisor:	Assessment team leader Lauren				Signature:	1l l	ea _
		WORK TYPE or TASK WORK TYPE: Readiness/Standby/ Emergency Support/Assessment/ Rest Day/Standby)	LOCATION	NORMAL DAY Start time for day From	TRAVEL TO Event/ Rest Location Time	DUTY TIME From To		TRAVEL FROM Event/ Rest Location Time arrived	TOTAL Hours Worked (Travel+Duty	Comments
Day	Date			FIOIII	departed	FIOIII	10	Time arrived	HIS : WIIII	
1	14/11/16	Assessment team leader	Mildura	8:15	7:00	11:30	18:30	:	11:30	
2	15/11/16	Assessment team leader	Mildura	8:15	7:45	8:00	18:00	20:00	12:00	
3	16/11/16	Travel to Bendigo	Travel	8:15	8:00			10:00	2:00	
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Remember to keep a copy for yourself!





Exercise (if time allows)

Agricultural Relief 2018/19

Open campaigns page

- > Open Case overview map
- How many properties experienced livestock losses in the Bunyip fire? (hint, turn on appropriate layer!)
- > Open situation report for 2018 Mt Mercer fire
- How many sheep were destroyed by AgVic in this fire?





Campfire stories

"Before I was a vet"

Kate Rowe

"Experiences from Black Saturday" Sally Peacock

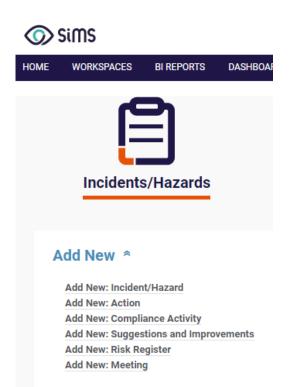




Safety is your first priority ALWAYS

Safety considerations include:

- Private properties will not have been assessed by fire crews
- Spot fires may re-ignite
- Always wear appropriate PPE
- Phone towers may be overloaded or out
- Trunk radios do not have coverage in all areas
- Extreme heat, fatigue
- Dealing with distressed people with firearms?
- Safely working with firearms
- Park car in safe location
- Handling facilities for animals may be destroyed
- Animals in pain can be unpredictable
- Contaminated sites (asbestos etc)
- Animal activist groups
- Snake bite, insect bites





Initial surveillance aims



- Determine priorities for animal assessment
- Identify safety considerations
- Identify any other urgent assistance requirements
- Allow planning officer to determine resource requirements



Timely data collection

- SUBMIT cases as soon as possible
- Check in and provide updates as directed



Don't get tied up at the first property assessing stock when there could be a much worse situation next door



Create MAX Forms entry for each new case

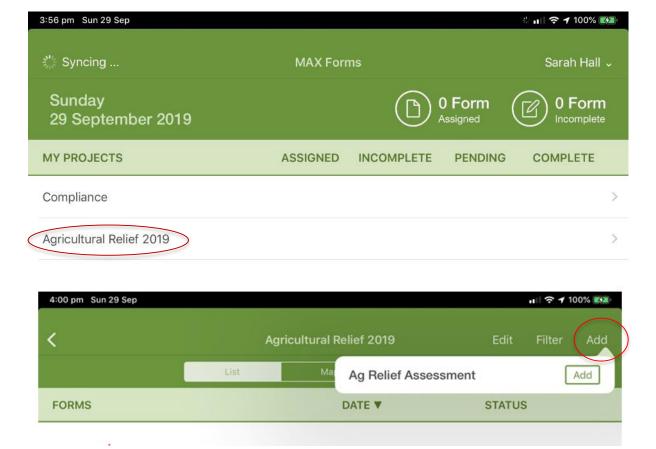


- Familiarise yourself with app
- Leave case status open if data collection incomplete
- Submit as often as possible (may need to drive for reception)
- Call in any safety matters or urgent referrals to Ops officer ASAP
- Standby animal assessment teams
- You may be re-diverted
- Stick to your allocated route
- Manage ipad battery life

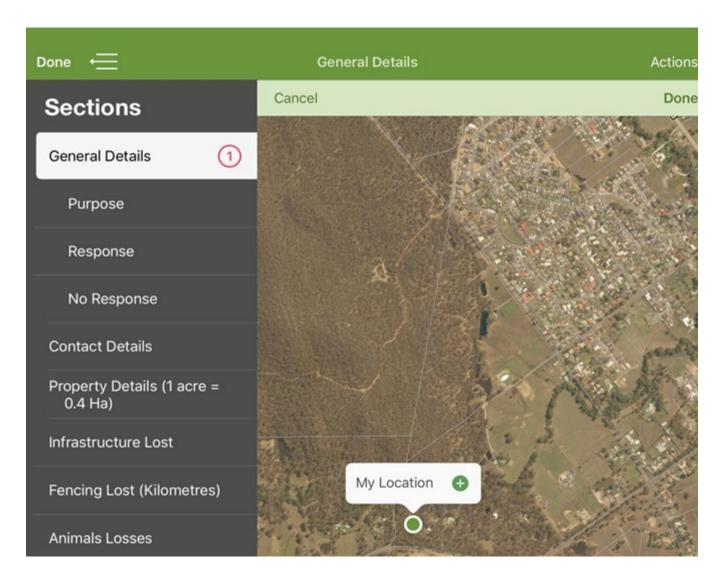


MAX Forms Exercise

Create a new Ag Relief Assessment









Complete the following impact assessment

- You are doing an impact assessment via property visit here at 1-7 Taylor Street, Epsom. PIC 3DPIV001
- You are talking to the farm owner/manager Mr John Citizen
- It is a hobby farm and approximately half of the property is fire affected
- A hayshed and woodshed have been lost containing 50 small squares of hay and enough wood to see you through 2 winters. The poultry shed has also burnt down.
- All the perimeter fencing has been lost, internal fencing is ok.
- John had 3 cows, 3 sheep, 1 horse, 12 chooks and 1 bee hive prior to the fire. The horse escaped as John cut the fence. The sheep and cows require assessment and the chooks have died.
- The livestock are reliant on tank water only, which was accessed by CFA for firefighting purposes. There is only one trough of water remaining on farm.
- They are not connected to town water and are reliant on tank water for home use
- John has rescued a joey from a pouch of a dead mother. He is bottle feeding it cows milk.
- John had a range of fruit trees on the property, including 2 orange trees, a grape vine, 3 apple trees and a veggie patch which has all been lost in the fire.
- John is not sure what to do about fencing, and pasture recovery following the fire and would like some advice
- You are unable to assess the cows and sheep as the yards have been damaged, and you
 are concerned you can see burns so a revisit will be required with portable yards.
- Notes: Leave control centre/incident/sector blank DO NOT SUBMIT CASE



Case status

OPEN (further action/info necessary)

Assessment Completed (all info recorded, all livestock assessed)

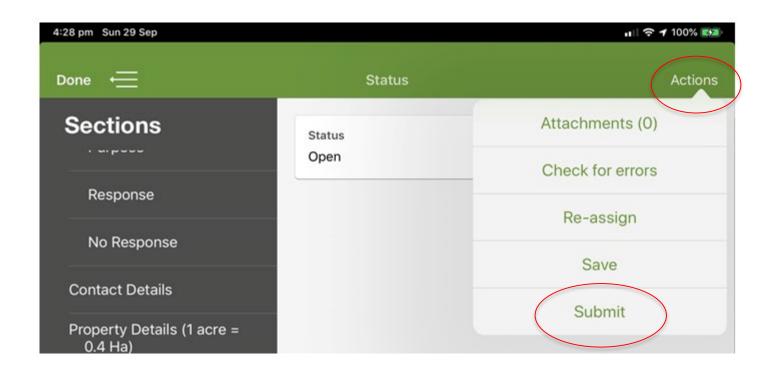
Contact Required (further info still required)

CLOSED (ICC to apply when assessed)



How to submit

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS TODAY





MAX Forms - Assigned cases

- Following initial surveillance data collection, the IMT may assign you specific cases:
 - to complete initial animal assessment
 - obtain uncollected data
 - repeat animal assessment
 - re-visit when owners not available at first contact
- If necessary, clarify your task with your manager
- These cases will show up in your list on MAX forms
- Assigned to a person, not a team
- DO NOT CREATE A NEW CASE





AGRICULTURE VICTORIA

Livestock Assessment



Questions to ask first

- Are they insured?
- Is there a water and feed source remaining for them?
- Is there adequate fencing?
- Are the owners able to provide nursing care?
- What is the animals purpose/production status?









Four assessment categories







SALVAGE SLAUGHTER



REASSESS IN 3-7 DAYS



NO APPARENT DAMAGE



1) Destroy immediately

- Unconscious/altered consciousness
- Down
- Extensive burns visible
- Significant swelling of legs
- Respiratory difficulties
- Burns to hairless areas sloughing/cracked leather
- "Burns to >15% of the body"
- Burns to the face/eyes



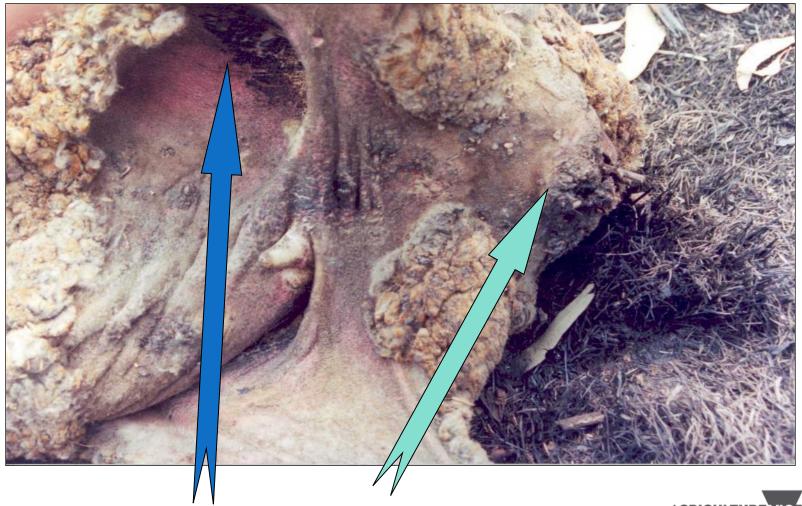


Recently shorn, down, unable to rise, swollen face, nasal discharge



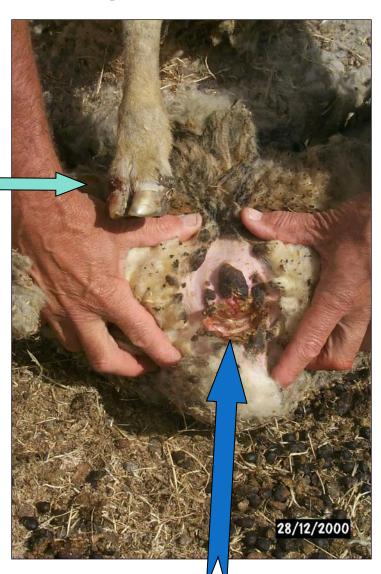


Skin cracked, thickened, "papery", lifting off (sloughing), several days old



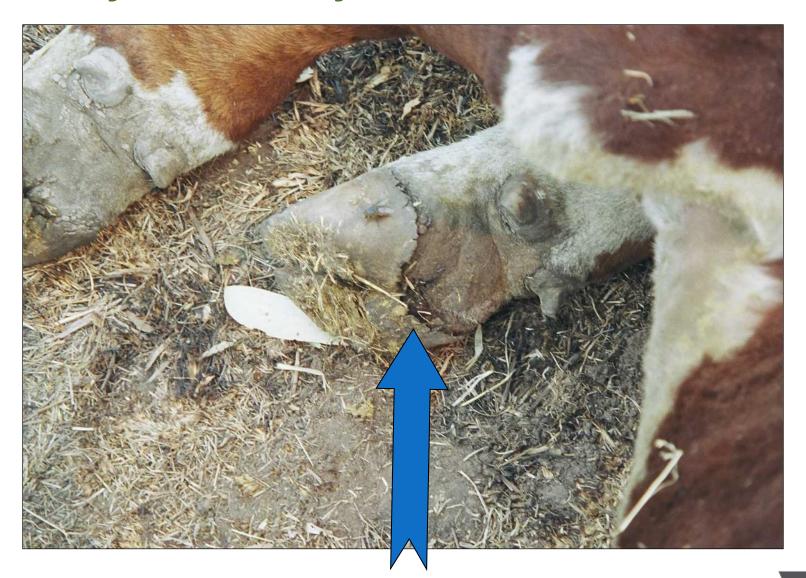
Burns to inside legs, vulva and anus, other parts of body

Injury to coronet ≥ of front right leg

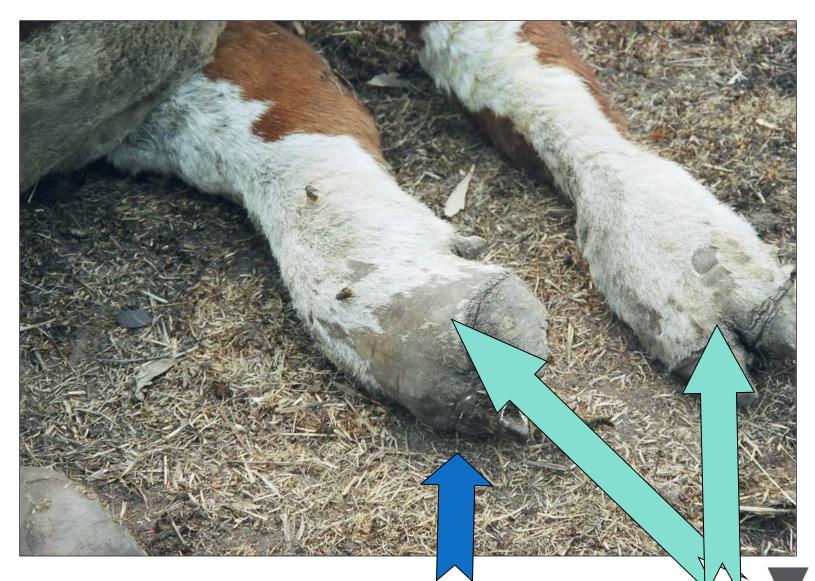


Burns to vulva and anus





Front right claws, underrun, "shelling" off (thimble)



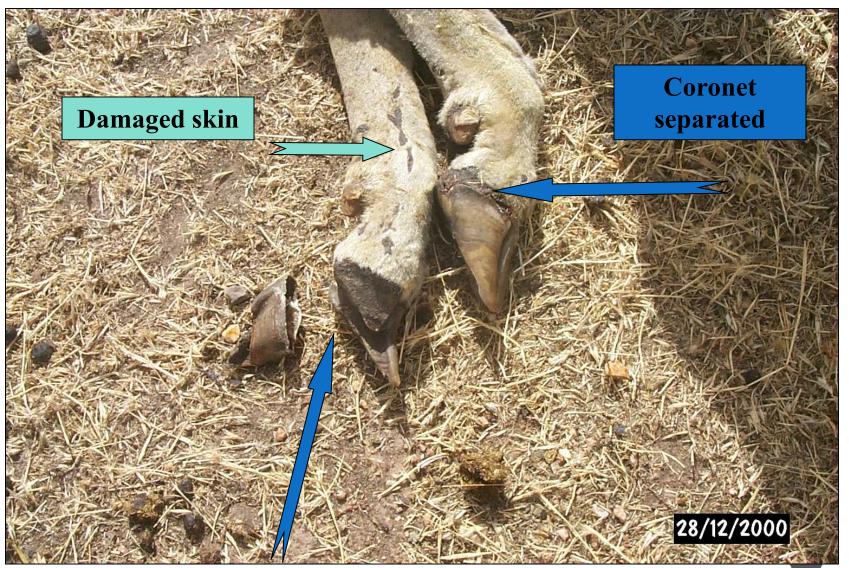
Same animal, hind legs, coronet and skin damage CILLULURE VICTORIA



Claw separating from underlying tissue, skin damaged



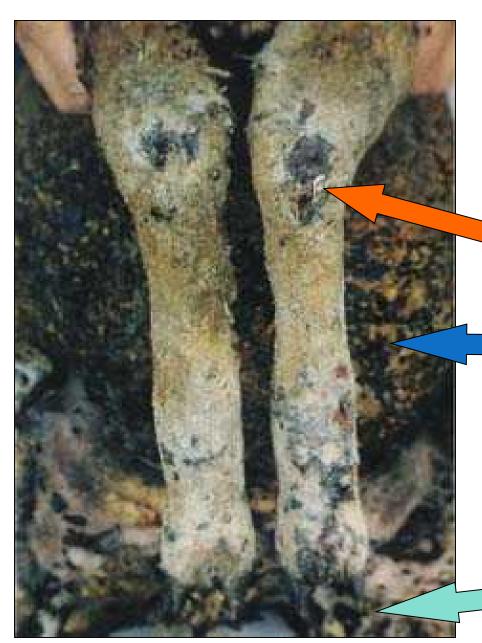
Claws separating from quick, blood bruising to soles



Hoof shelled off -- imagine walking on YOUR nail bed YOUR nail bed



Hoof sloughed -- fresher than previous image



Skin grossly damaged and swollen on legs and abdomen (in background)

Claws forced apart by swelling



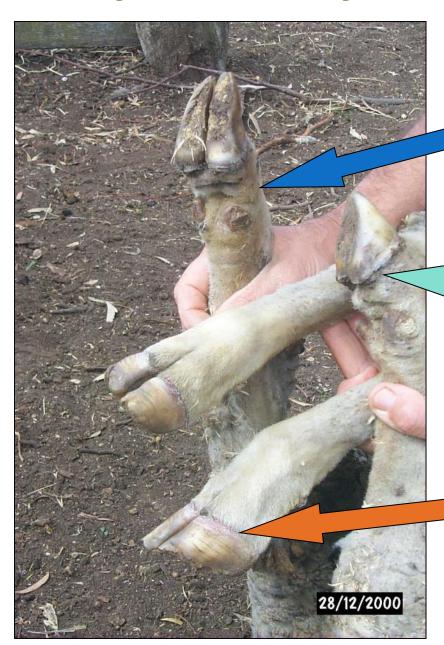
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Nose and lips damaged Fleece unburnt

Decision will depend upon ???





Hind legs swollen

Separation of coronet

All 8 claws have hyperaemic coronets and bruising - will separate soon

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Bruised foot, coronet affected

Nose and lips burnt

Skin on legs burnt



Destroy Immediately



Severe burn to inside hind leg (inguinal region)

Destroy Immediately ?? Re-assess



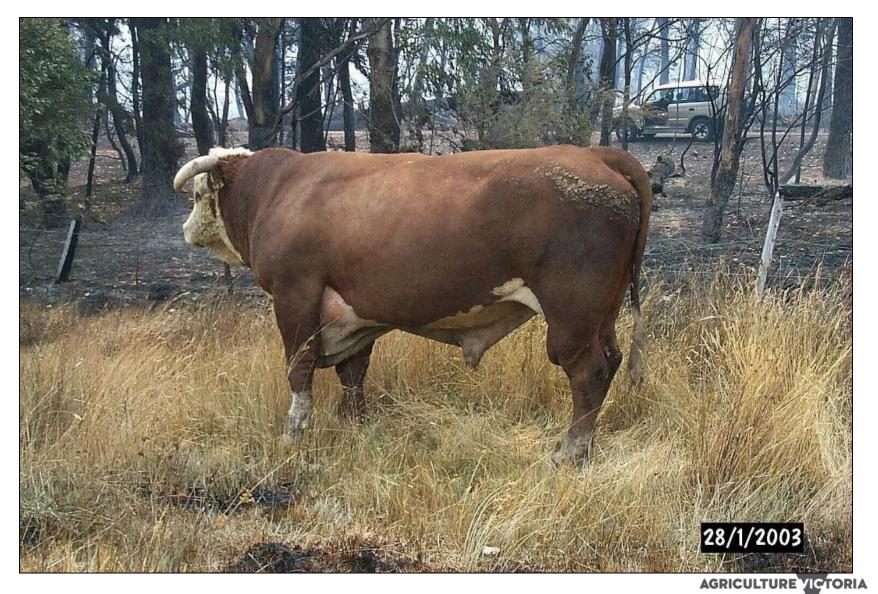
Anus and vulva affected, scab coming off

2) Salvage Slaughter

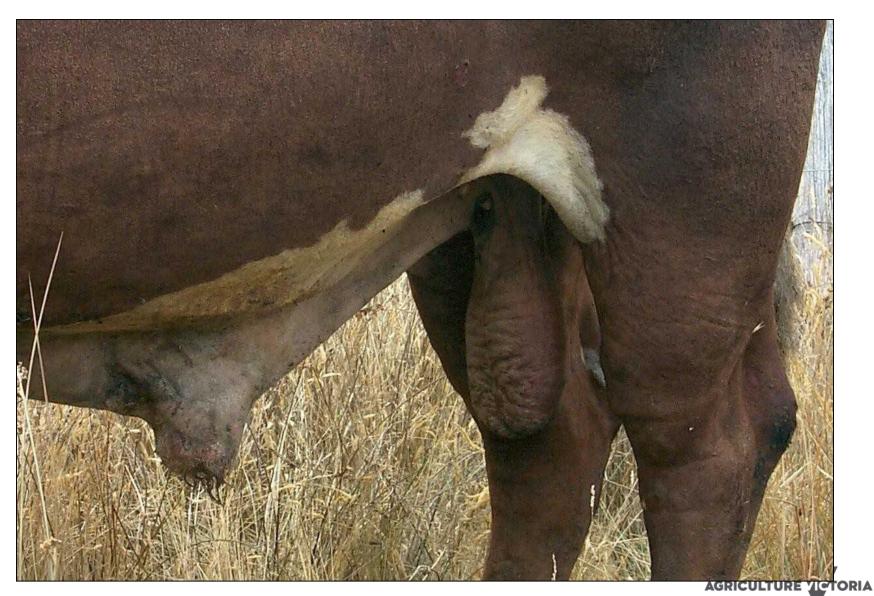
- IMT will explore potential arrangements for salvage slaughter
- Animals will need to survive at least a few days
 - Feed and water
 - No treatments in that time (WHP)
 - Reassess prior to loading
- Only an option for "marketable animals"
- Must be fit to transport
- Bare areas of hardened cracking skin condemned
- An option for unburnt animals on farms with no feed/water/fencing also



Enough Data ??

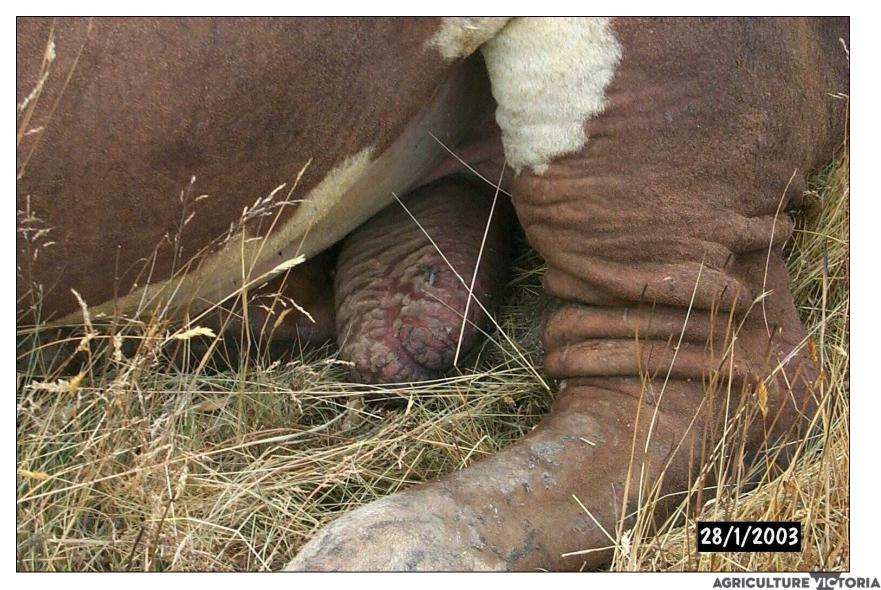


Burn under L elbow (?), reluctant to move, quiet demeanour



Prepuce and foreskin slightly burnt, scrotum reddened

Salvage Slaughter or Re-assess, more data?



Salvage Slaughter (fit to travel?), or Re-assess



Immediate or Salvage Slaughter or Re-assess



Hooves starting to separate from all 4 claws, burnt skin above claws



3) Nurse and reassess

- Flag reassessment required
- Animals must be mobile and alert
- Burns to <15% of body
- Facilities, labour, food and feed must be available
- Close daily inspection
- Does owner have ability to euthanase?
- Need good quality feed, soft ground, hospital area
- Does owner intend to engage a private vet for tx?
- Manage flystrike risk





Salvage Slaughter or Re-assess





Salvage Slaughter or Re-assess



Eyes fine, small area burnt around the eyes and on ears



Salvage Slaughter or Re-assess?



All 5 teat ends burnt, scabbed

Salvage Slaughter



No apparent injuries, availability of feed will determine the future of the group

Animal without Apparent Damage



Escaped the fire, what is there to eat?



- Divide yourselves into 4 "Assessment teams"
- Each will be given a case to consider
- Discuss your actions amongst your team
 - What is your first priority?
 - How will you manage the livestock?

Panel Questions

Ask us anything!







