

18 Jan 19 - KaFra held onsite meeting at Kawana Forest with the combined Fire Rescue, Rural Fire, North Coast Region Urban Rural Interface Office, Izone Officer.

22 Jan 19 - Outcomes of this meeting are summarised below.

Thank you for your concerns and personal effort assisting Kawana Forest to be a safe and resilient community.

After visiting the site with you, the combined Fire Rescue, Rural Fire, and North Coast Region Urban Rural Interface Officer, the following point summarise the outcomes:

- Existing sporting fields to the south west and new fields to the south create a natural buffer for grass fires heading from the Caloundra Road direction, Meridan Way also assists as well
- Using the gate adjacent to the school to the sporting field for vehicle access is not recommended (KaFRA comment – this area will be the meeting point/command centre for the fire service and vehicles and crews)
- Properties along the Northern edge have a constructed walking track and clear area that would assist Rural fire light attack vehicles to carry out backburning and offensive operations.
- At any stage that residents are concerned about significant fires in the vicinity, the Qld Fire and Emergency Website or Qld Fire and Emergency social media platforms should be the single point of truth
- QFES would be reluctant to mandatory evacuate the suburb as having a bush fire would assist the residents to assist QFES in case of ambers landing in and around that can be easily extinguished with a garden hose or mop and bucket
- Residents in the area should be prepared for bushfires by having a Bushfire Safety Plan (links below)
- Residents are reminded to keep their properties free from accumulated garden waste material and call 000 should they notice a fire in their location

As discussed, the Izone Officer and Rural Fire service could assist with a Prepare, Act, Survive information session to be delivered at your community meeting.

[https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire\\_Safety/Pages/Prepare-for-bushfire-season.aspx](https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire_Safety/Pages/Prepare-for-bushfire-season.aspx)

[https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire\\_Safety/Pages/Create-your-bushfire-survival-plan.aspx](https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire_Safety/Pages/Create-your-bushfire-survival-plan.aspx)

[https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire\\_Safety/Neighbourhood-Safer-Places/Igas/pages/Sunshine-Coast-Regional-Council.aspx](https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire_Safety/Neighbourhood-Safer-Places/Igas/pages/Sunshine-Coast-Regional-Council.aspx)

Hope this assists,

Regards Warren

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**North Coast Region**

**Queensland Fire and Emergency Services**

**Fire & Rescue**

4 Feb 2019 – KaFra committee meeting. Share outcomes via website, facebook page. Ask residents to express interest if they would like the local Izone Officers and Rural Fire Service to assist with a Prepare, Act, Survive information session to be delivered at The Meeting Place community centre.