## **Understand your bushfire risk**



## Feedback Survey. Q11: What actions will you take as a result of this webinar to improve your bushfire safety?

- 1 More likely to stay and defend with our 6km exit road vulnerability.
- 2 Property cleanup, service water pump, reverse plan.
- 3 Ember risk reduction above window frames. More vegetation to be reduced. Try and create the appropriate type of topographical map shown by Kevin for sharing in our Fireguard group.
- 4 Think about what and where I plant things.
- We're looking for a rural property and when we find something design and layout of house/shed and surrounding vegetation.
- Mesh around solar hot water panel to lessen debris from piling up, make something around our gas bottles to protect them from possible ember attack, speak to the neighbours about these webinars and their plans.
- Assess the trees that may impede exiting the property and also on route to safe area. Options are poor, reinforcing the need to leave early.
- 8 Cut lower branches of some shrubs that will reduce fuel load close to house (I am not allowed to cut down the ornamental shrubs).
- 9 Look at protection for upstairs windows against flying tree branches. Promote BRI on our local email group especially the next session on Places Of Last Resort. People have a poor understanding of these and in our area often don't understand the extreme risks of trying to get to the nearest one.
- 10 Encourage others of the relevance of these webinars. Start preparations for fire mitigation (I do this every year).
- 11 Continue to apply your guidance on our vegetation, although I am still perplexed as to the best mulch to apply to our gardens we are working to establish. Seeking advice as to how to better manage exposed areas of our mud brick home.
- 12 A very good look around our house to see what needs to be done to better prepare.
- 13 Look further as to the wider environment we live in.
- 14 Keep up my work of keeping the middle level scrub under control.

- 15 Remove mulch beds from near the house.
- 16 Certainly consider the known areas of our property for wind-borne debris as an indicator for fire embers. Also, consider our neighbouring topography as well as up to 10kms away for further info.
- 17 I will take a fresh look at surrounding 10km area then think upon some information presented during the presentation.
- 18 Be more proactive with making sure the house is ready and practise our evacuation plan.
- 19 Review my risk assessment methods.
- 20 I value this bushland character which could not be retained during a rebuild. Consider options.
- 21 Removal of wood mulch and replace with repurposed gravel/stone. Remove more combustible shrubs/trees. Encourage neighbours to view site.
- 22 Reassess the garden vegetation and better subfloor enclosure for ember protection.
- 23 10 km aerial assessment of fuel. Will also check gutter guard for integrity as well as ground level fire protection against ember attack.
- 24 Check topography on Google Earth.
- 25 I will continue to improve my property against ember attack.
- 26 Refresh my thinking about what may happen.
- 27 Get my husband to watch it ASAP and then make a new checklist. Alter electricity meter box, get someone to inspect our solar roof panels and remove debris from roof and gutters. Consult bushfire resilience website.
- Bushfire preparation is an ongoing and never ending process of improvements, both big and small. I need to look at eventually having a better fire rated roof on the house. Old outbuildings are a fire danger if they ignite close to the house and will need to be reviewed.
- 29 List of items to have available and appropriate clothing. Family discussion on preparation.