

LIVESTOCK AND LARGE ANIMALS

Information for farmers and rural landholders

To best protect livestock, it is important to be prepared and self-reliant. Including animals and livestock in your plans will reduce stress at the time, allow clearer thinking and improve chances of keeping you and your livestock safe.

Questions to consider when planning for emergency

- ☐ Are you able to sufficiently care for your stock for 3-7 days, or longer in a prolonged fire emergency?
- ☐ Are your feed/fodder supplies sufficient, safe and accessible for your livestock?
- ☐ Do you have a safe place on your property for livestock?
- ☐ Does the safe place have multiple access routes?
- ☐ Are animal houses / shelters / sheds protected?
- ☐ Do you have basic medical supplies and rescue equipment?

Are your livestock identifiable?

- ☐ Can you relocate your animals quickly? What safe transport options and routes do you have (including backup options)? If not, what are the alternatives to moving them?
- ☐ Do you have alternate water and power sources? Are your water supplies protected from fire?
- ☐ Can your biosecurity be maintained?
- ☐ Can a neighbour or friend enact your plan if you are not home?



The safety of your animals is your responsibility. Being prepared is essential to your animal's survival.



In a bush fire emergency, NSW Department of Primary Industries and Local Land Services support rural landholders and farmers by:

- ✓ Assisting primary producers, animal holding establishments and the community to be prepared for bush fires
- ✓ Coordinating rescue, evacuation and emergency care for animals
- ✓ Coordinating assessment, humane destruction and disposal of affected animals
- ✓ Supporting recovery arrangements including providing impact damage assessments and contributing to recovery centres and committees

Key Contacts



Department of Primary Industries

www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/emergency



Local Land Services

P: 1300 795 299

www.lls.nsw.gov.au/emergency

For more information regarding preparing animals and livestock for bush fires, visit the NSW DPI website.

For more information on what you can do to prepare for bush fire this season:



NSW Rural Fire Service Website
www.rfs.nsw.gov.au
www.myfireplan.com.au



Your nearest NSW RFS
Fire Control Centre:



Bush Fire Information Line
1800 NSW RFS (1800 679 737)



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