

## Doing your pre-trip research

There's nothing worse than getting all the way down to your section to find it's just been closed or diverted. Sometimes it's just bad timing – a prescribed burn may have been on the cards for some time and it happens to be the day... as happened recently to some experienced volunteers!

But there are some simple checks you can make to decrease your chances of a wasted trip.

### 1. Track alerts

As soon as a closure or diversion is established by PaWS, they let us know. The information is uploaded as soon as possible to the BTF website. You will find it on the **Realignments/Diversions** tab for the specific region in the **Section by Section Guide** ([www.bibbulmuntrack.org.au/trip-planner/track-sections/](http://www.bibbulmuntrack.org.au/trip-planner/track-sections/)). There is often a link to a map (with additional detail) on the PaWS website.

Track alerts are removed as soon as we receive notification from PaWS.

#### Diversion due to bridge works

**Location:** Between Boarding House and Beavis Campsites

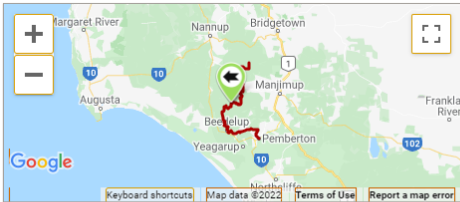
The Bibbulmun Track is closed for 10.3km until further notice due to maintenance works on the Lease Road Bridge. A 13.7km diversion along Palings Road, Prickly Road, Waistcoat Road and Lease Road is in place.

**Download the map.**

The original route will remain closed until declared safe. For your safety stay on the marked diversion, adhere to and follow all signage and instructions from Parks and Wildlife and other staff.

Walkers should be aware of construction vehicles and other traffic in the area.

For further information, please contact the Parks and Wildlife Service Pemberton office on (08) 9776 1207.



#### Boarding House Campsite works

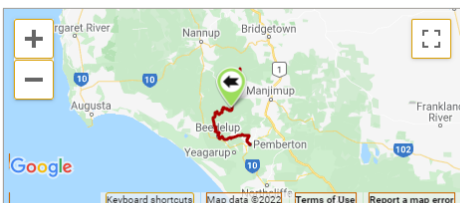
**Location:** Between Donnelly River Village and Palings Rd

The Bibbulmun Track Boarding House campsite toilet is undergoing a replacement and is temporarily unavailable. A temporary toilet will be made available during the construction period.

The water supply, shelter and campsite will remain open and accessible to walkers.

For your safety adhere to and follow all signage and instructions from Parks and Wildlife and construction staff.

For more information, please contact the Parks and Wildlife Service Pemberton office on (08) 9776 1207.



Typical Track alerts

### 2. Prescribed burns

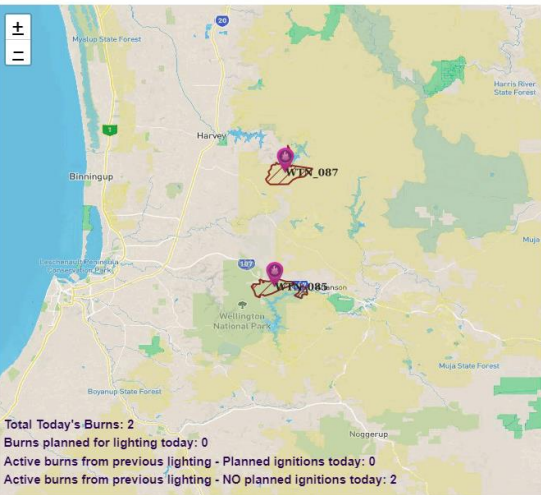
“It is difficult to provide accurate notice of where and when prescribed burns will take place since the decision to commence a planned burn involves consideration of many factors. The decision to carry out a prescribed burn is made on the day and is dependent on suitable weather conditions and fuel moisture.” (PaWS website)

When a potential burn is scheduled and may involve the Track, PaWS place indicative notices at either end of the area, and often pre-emptively mark most of the anticipated diversion. However, the Track is only closed, the diversion activated and the signage upgraded, when burning is confirmed. As soon as that confirmation is provided to us, it is included in the Track alerts (above).

appropriate speeds when travelling in these areas.

### Prescribed burns:

Burns which have been approved for ignition today. The weather will influence whether or not today's planned prescribed burns are lit.



**Total Today's Burns: 2**  
 Burns planned for lighting today: 0  
 Active burns from previous lighting - Planned ignitions today: 0  
 Active burns from previous lighting - NO planned ignitions today: 2

**No burns displaying?**  
 Note: If there are no burns displayed by 9:30AM, please check back tomorrow.

**Using the map**  
 • Navigate the map using your mouse (or touch device)

Pilbara  
 World Heritage areas  
 Kalbar Regional Park  
 Trails

**In a life threatening emergency call triple zero (000)**  
 For emergency information call **13 33 37**  
 For fires on Parks and Wildlife managed land call **(08) 9219 9000**

Parks  
 Park safety

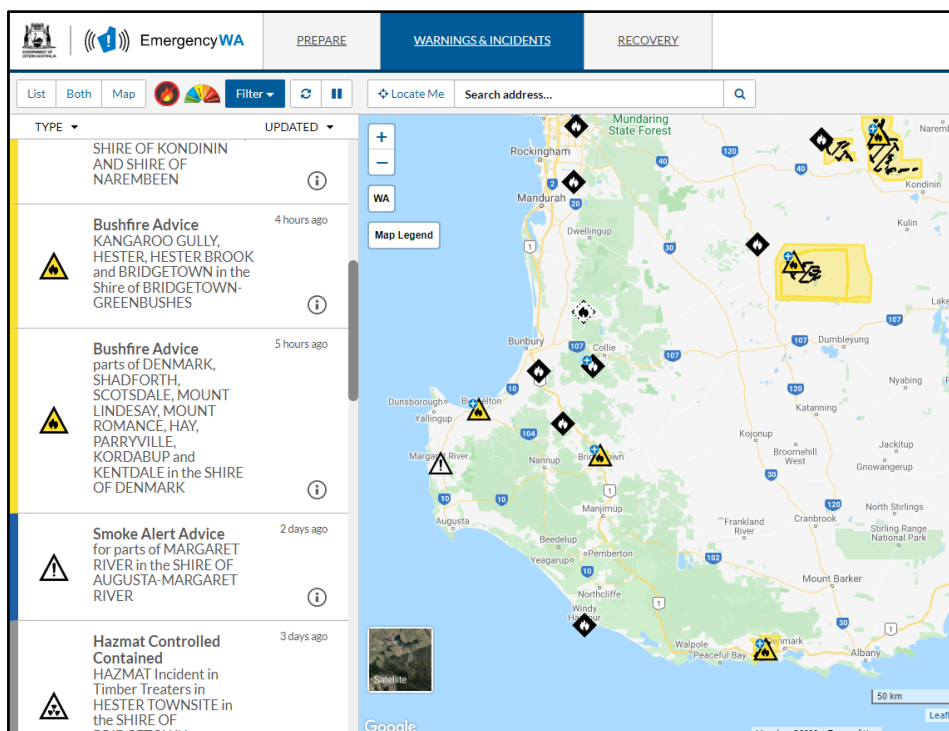
You might want to find out about burns approved for ignition for the day but not yet confirmed/lit. To get this information, go to [www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/management/fire/prescribed-burning/burns](http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/management/fire/prescribed-burning/burns) and navigate the map to zoom in to your section. If in doubt, contact your District office, identifying yourself as a BTF maintenance volunteer, to get the latest update.

The prescribed burn information available on the PaWS website

### 3. Bushfires

The most up-to-date information on the location and status of bushfires can be found on the State Governments' emergency website [www.emergency.wa.gov.au](http://www.emergency.wa.gov.au).

Do not put yourself, or others in danger by visiting your section in dangerous fire conditions. See [www.bibbulmuntrack.org.au/trip-planner/health-hygiene-safety/](http://www.bibbulmuntrack.org.au/trip-planner/health-hygiene-safety/) for our general advice.



EmergencyWA PREPARE WARNINGS & INCIDENTS RECOVERY

List Both Map Filter Locate Me Search address...

**TYPE** **UPDATED**

- SHIRE OF KONDININ AND SHIRE OF NAREMBEEN
- Bushfire Advice** KANGAROO GULLY, HESTER, HESTER BROOK and BRIDGETOWN in the Shire of BRIDGETOWN-GREENBUSHES 4 hours ago
- Bushfire Advice** parts of DENMARK, SHADFORTH, MOUNT LINDESAY, MOUNT ROMANCE, HAY, PARRYVILLE, KORDABUP and KENTDALE in the SHIRE OF DENMARK 5 hours ago
- Smoke Alert Advice** for parts of MARGARET RIVER in the SHIRE OF AUGUSTA-MARGARET RIVER 2 days ago
- Hazmat Controlled Contained** HAZMAT Incident in Timber Treators in HESTER TOWNSITE in the SHIRE OF BRIDGETOWN 3 days ago

Map Legend

50 km

Fire information available via the EmergencyWA website