# Fire Prevention and Preparedness

Frankston City

**Seaford Wetlands Reserve** 

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#### Description

The Seaford Wetlands are located approximately 5 km north of the Frankston CBD, and covers an area of around 184 ha. The wetlands are bordered by residential development on its northern, western and southern boundaries. The reserve contains significant remnant wetland vegetation, a large portion of which is listed under the RAMSAR convention.

#### Assets at risk

- Local residences
- Biodiversity

# Prevention and preparedness programs

- · Mechanical fuel reduction
- Prescribed burning
- Safety patrols
- Community education
- · Emergency planning
- Weed management

### Fire history

A fire occurred within the wetlands in 2004 and burnt an area of approximately 5 ha. As a result of the burning peat layer the fire burnt for a total of 6 months.

#### Fire scenario

The development surrounding the wetlands to the north, west and south means that it is unlikely that a fire would spread into the area other than by ember spotting or local ignition. Vegetation within the reserve is known to be capable of supporting a fire and, under a worst case scenario, fire could be fanned towards residential properties in the east by prevailing north-westerly and south-westerly winds occurring on high fire danger days.

#### Occurrence of works

November	
December	✓
January	✓
February	✓
March	

#### Contacts



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**FireReady app**Apple and Android



Emergency Services 000

# Example of works

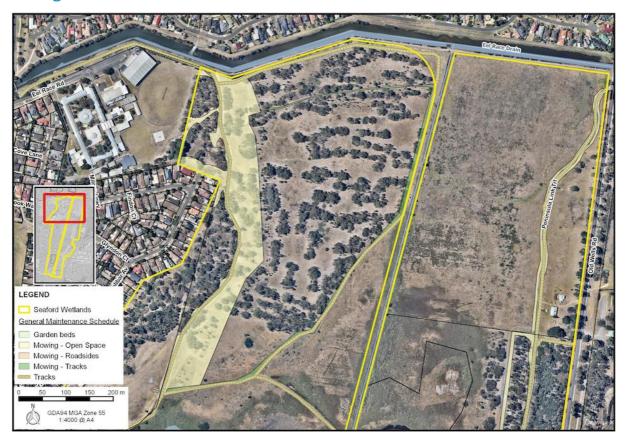
Unmanaged vegetation



Fuel break



## Fire management



Map 1: Fire management at Seaford Wetlands Reserve



Map 2: Fire management at Seaford Wetlands Reserve



Map 3: Fire management at Seaford Wetlands Reserve



Map 4: Fire management at Seaford Wetlands Reserve