Department of Education and Early Childhood Development



MEMORANDUM

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TO:

All SEVR Staff

FROM:

Kevin O'Rourke, Emergency Management Coordinator

DATE:

10 February 2014

SUBJECT:

Update on Fire Impact

Summary

BUSHFIRE UPDATE ON SCHOOLS AND EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRES IN EAST GIPPSLAND, AND SEVR STAFF

The current bushfires in the Gippsland region have had a big impact on, not only our schools and early childhood centres, but also our own staff working in the Gippsland offices.

Staff who are unable to attend their normal work location should discuss with their Manager alternative work arrangements.

Staff should also be reminded of the Department's Employee Assistance Program with PPC Worldwide. Employees wishing to contact the EAP please call 1300 361 008.

You will be advised further if the situation deteriorates. All staff should continue to monitor the CFA web site on <u>a daily basis</u> to determine any impact fires may have on travel destinations.

The following schools will be closed tomorrow:

- Goongerah/Tubbut P-8 school (both campuses)
- Devon North Primary School (still be to advised)

The following Early Childhood Centres are also closed:

- Goongerah ELC
- Dala Lidj Woollem Bellum

The following **Bus Routes** are cancelled:

Bairnsdale

Flaggy Creek

Baringa

Churchill-Morwell

Traralgon-Morwell

Buchan

Butchers Ridge

East Gippsland SS

Flaggy Creek to Bairnsdale

Latrobe SS

Morwell-Traralgon Newborough – Traralgon Moe – Traralgon

Lindenow PS

Dargo – Lindenow Fernbank – Lindenow

Lowanna College

McDonalds Track, Newborough

Yarram SC

Binginwarri – Yarram Hiawatha – Yarram Tarra Valley

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