RADIO - LIVE READ SCRIPTS — HAZELWOOD MINE FIRE To run on 50/50 rotation

1. COMMUNITY ADVICE (to run from 1 March 2014)

Air quality in and around Morwell is being affected by smoke and ash from the mine fire.

Paramedics and nurses are providing health information, assessments and referrals at a Community Health Assessment Centre located at the Ambulance Victoria regional office, 2 Saskia Way, Morwell, daily from 8am to 8pm.

A Community Information and Recovery Centre is open in Morwell at 22 Hazelwood Road, from 9 am until 6 pm daily. Government and community services staff are available at the centre to provide advice.

For information about how to protect your health from the smoke and ash visit: health.vic.gov.au

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2. TEMPORARY RELOCATION (to run from 1 March 2014)

The Chief Health Officer has advised people aged over 65, pre-school aged children, pregnant women and anyone with a pre-existing heart or lung condition living or working in Morwell South to consider temporarily relocating, as a precaution.

Grants are available from the Victorian Government to help eligible Morwell residents who are in financial hardship to take a break away from the smoke.

Depending on your circumstances, you may be eligible. For more information about financial assistance to help you relocate call the Department of Human Services on **1800 006 468**.

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