

FIRE PREPAREDNESS

WORKS NOTIFICATION

Selective hazardous tree removal and vegetation mulching will take place in Kinglake National Park to reduce bushfire risk and improve fire and emergency access.

Date: Mid November 2022

- Duration: Approximately 2 weeks (weekdays only)
- Location: The South side of Healesville-Kinglake Road, Castella (see map)
- Impact: Healesville-Kinglake Road between Melba Hwy and Mt Slide Road will be partially closed during the works. There may be short delays to road users. After the work is complete, the absence of vegetation will be noticeable, the area will look more open, and this may be confronting for regular park visitors.

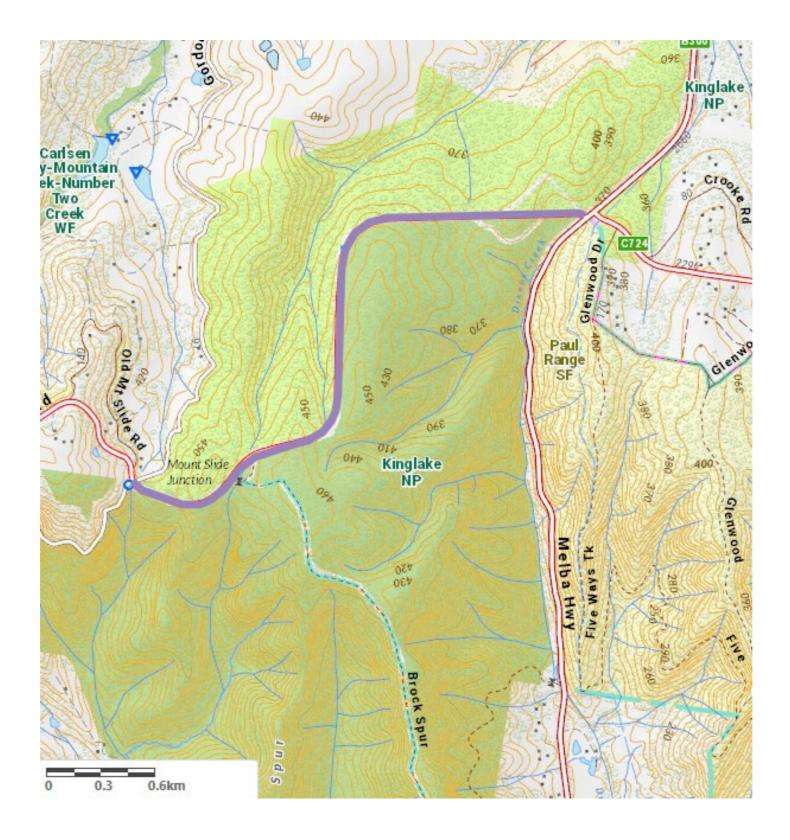
Environmental and cultural heritage assessments have been undertaken to ensure important areas are protected.

Why: These works are to expand the fuel break to 20m wide to improve access and safety for firefighting, planned burning and our annual fuel break grass slashing program. This area sits within a Bushfire Moderation Zone and is managed regularly to reduce bushfire risk to the surrounding communities.



For more information about this work call Parks Victoria on 13 1963 or visit <u>parks.vic.gov.au</u>.





The purple line shows the location of the fuel break improvement works for 2022/23.

The scheduling and duration of work can sometimes change depending on conditions.

