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Community Safety

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Attention Jock Conlon
Coordinator Biodiversity | City of Marion

Dear Jock

Inspection of the vegetation at Aleppo Pines west of Cormorant Drive and Aleppo Pines east of Cormorant Drive

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Aleppo Pines west of Cormorant Drive

- There is ample distance from the stand of Aleppo Pines and the residential dwellings on the western side of Cormorant Drive (approximately 18 meters). This allows for sufficient access for our appliances to quickly fight a fire.
- It is recommended that the lower branches of the Aleppo Pines be uplifted to reduce connectivity to the lower vegetation layer and therefore reducing the risk of a ground fire connecting to the canopy of the pines trees. This should be carried out in the first year of maintenance/removal.
- The topography is reasonable flat and therefore reduces the ability for fire to spread rapidly to the neighbouring stand of pine trees.
- There is no urgency to remove this stand of pines from a fire perspective

Aleppo Pines east of Cormorant Drive

- There is ample distance from the stand of Aleppo Pines and the residential dwellings on the eastern side of Cormorant Drive. This allows for sufficient access for our appliances to quickly fight a fire.
- Although there is no road separating this stand of Aleppo Pines and the residential dwelling
 there is still good access either end of the stand. Appliances will be able to access the road network
 from either end of the stand and officers will be able to access the whole stand of pines by foot with
 firefighting equipment.
- It is recommended that the lower branches of the Aleppo Pines be uplifted to reduce connectivity to the lower vegetation layer and therefore reducing the risk of a ground fire connecting to the canopy of the pines trees. This should be carried out in the first year of maintenance/removal.
- The topography is reasonable flat and therefore reduces the ability for fire to spread rapidly to the vegetated gully.
- There is no urgency to remove this stand of pines from a fire perspective

For information relating to this correspondence or further advice regarding fire safety, please contact the below mentioned officer on 8204 3611.

Yours faithfully

Regards

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