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AERIAL FIREFIGHTING CESSATION DATES - ALTERED

Key Message

The cessation dates for some aerial firefighting resources for the 2023/24 southern bushfire season have been altered due to prolonged bushfire risk.

What does it mean for me?

Aerial firefighting aircraft will continue to be available to support Operations as detailed below.

Jandakot

Available until close of business 8 May 2024

- 3 x SEAT/bombers (AT 802 with 3,150lts per aircraft)
- 1 x Air Attack supervision helicopter (AA1)

Available until close of business 1 May 2024

- 1 x Air Intel – Aerial Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance (ISR) helicopter.
- 2 x Helitaks (Bell 214B with 2,650lts per aircraft).
- 1 x Air Attack supervision and utility helicopter (AA7).

Available post season

- Utility helicopter, Monday to Friday 0900 – 1700 hrs.
- Linescanner and strategic ISR - 7 days a week, 18 hours a day.

Serpentine

Available until close of business 1 May 2024

- 2 x Helitaks - High Volume (Black Hawk with 4,500lts per aircraft).

Bunbury

Available until close of business 8 May 2024

- 3 x SEAT/bombers (AT 802 with 3,150lts per aircraft)
- Air Attack supervision helicopter (AA2).

All other seasonal aerial firefighting resources have ceased operations.

Further information

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Target Audience: All personnel involved in Bushfire Operations				
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