Bushfire advice

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Bushfire ADVICE for Pincombe Range, 30km north-east of Kununurra in the Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley

ALERT LEVEL:
A bushfire ADVICE remains in place for people in the Pincombe Range Conservation Park, 30km north-east of Kununurra in the Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley.

The fire is burning in savanna grassland in inaccessible ranges near the Weaber Plains Road. There is no threat to lives or homes. Although there is no immediate danger you need to be aware and keep up to date.

WHAT TO DO:
- Stay alert and monitor your surroundings.
- Watch for signs of a bushfire, especially smoke and flames.

ROAD CLOSURES:
No roads are closed. Motorists should avoid the area and be aware of fire and other emergency services personnel working on site.

RECREATION SITE CLOSURES:
No recreation sites are closed.

BUSHFIRE BEHAVIOUR:
The bushfire is moving slowly in inaccessible country. About 6000 hectares have been burnt.

WHAT FIREFIGHTERS ARE DOING:
DEC is monitoring the fire. DEC is liaising with the Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley, the Fire and Emergency Services Authority and local pastoralists. The aim is to contain it using existing roads and tracks associated with the Ord River Irrigation Area. Pastoralists are upgrading the existing firebreak network to the east of the Pincombe Range to Sorby Yard.

CAUSE:
The cause of the fire is unknown. People are asked to report any suspicious behaviour or vehicles to Police Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

AGENCY RESPONSIBLE:
DEC is managing the fire.

KEEP UP TO DATE:
Visit www.dec.wa.gov.au, www.fesa.wa.gov.au, call 1300 657 209 or listen to news bulletins.

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The next update will be provided by 11am tomorrow (16 July 2012) unless the situation changes.

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