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Dear Sir

I am a country resident in Western Australia, and was active in the local brigade for 10 years.

I would like to suggest an additional future strategy to help reduce fuel loads.

Currently landowners perform winter hazard reduction burns along with volunteer brigades and various land management organisations. The opportunities to perform hazard reduction burns is reducing due to longer fire seasons.

This strategy would allow landowners to burn at either end of the fire season in addition to the winter period.

But they need support:

1. Land owners need an agreed burn area, agreed with the Authorities.
2. Land owners need mandatory training by Fire Authorities, bit like skippers need for a boat.
3. Land owners need equipment, typically fire fighting units for the back of utes, supported by grants.

Local Bush Fire Brigades need to be available to support if required, hence will perform less hazard reduction burns but are there to support land owners if required.

I also believe we need legislation that maintains cleared zones around assets, this needs to be applied to all assets old and new. Some form of grant would be required for older established properties.

Regards and good luck with your review.

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Western Australia

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