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Forests Act 1958

DETERMINATION OF FIREWOOD COLLECTION AREAS

I, Scott Falconer, Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Loddon Mallee Region, Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action, make the following determination under section 57U of the **Forests Act 1958**.

Definitions

In this determination and with reference to the numbered item in the table in the determination:

- (a) **closing date**, being the date of revocation of the determination of the firewood collection area, means the date specified in column 6 of the item;
- (b) **opening date**, being the date on which the determination of the firewood collection area comes into operation, means the date specified in column 5 of the item.

Determination

Each area of State forest shown hatched on a plan lodged in the Central Plan Office of the Department of Transport and Planning, the number of which is shown in column 1 of the item in the table in this determination, is a firewood collection area for the purposes of section 57U of the **Forests Act 1958**, effective from the opening date for that area until the closing date for that area (inclusive).

Being satisfied that it is necessary to do so for management of the supply of fallen or felled trees for domestic use as firewood in the region of the State comprising of the Shires of Buloke, Campaspe, Central Goldfields, Gannawarra, Hepburn, Loddon, Macedon Ranges, Mitchell, Mt Alexander, Northern Grampians, Pyrenees, Strathbogie and Greater Bendigo, Greater Shepparton City Councils, I specify that only the following classes of persons (or their nominees) may cut and take away fallen or felled trees in the firewood collection area:

- (a) residents of the Shire of Buloke;
- (b) residents of the Shire of Campaspe;
- (c) residents of the Shire of Central Goldfields;
- (d) residents of the Shire of Gannawarra;
- (e) residents of the Greater Bendigo City Council;
- (f) residents of the Greater Shepparton City Council;
- (g) residents of the Shire of Hepburn;
- (h) residents of the Shire of Loddon;
- (i) residents of the Shire of Macedon Ranges;
- (j) residents of the Shire of Mitchell;
- (k) residents of the Shire of Mt Alexander;
- (l) residents of the Shire of Northern Grampians;
- (m) residents of the Shire of Pyrenees;
- (n) residents of the Shire of Strathbogie.

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Table – Firewood collection areas

Item No.	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
	LEGL No.	DEECA Region	DEECA District	Name of Firewood Collection Area	Opening Date	Closing Date
1	25-110	Loddon Mallee	Murray Goldfields	Heathcote Firewood Stockpile	14/04/2025	12/05/2025

Notes

1. The information in columns 2, 3 and 4 of the table is for information only.
2. **DEECA** means Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action.
3. The legal plan of any firewood collection area may be obtained from the Central Plan Office of the Department of Transport and Planning – see www.landata.vic.gov.au select Central Plan Office, and LEGL Plan. Maps of firewood collection areas that are open from time to time may be obtained from www.ffm.vic.gov.au/firewood.
4. There are no firewood collection areas open outside the firewood collection seasons as defined in the **Forests Act 1958**.
5. When a class of person is specified in relation to the firewood collection area under this determination, it is an offence under section 57W of the **Forests Act 1958** for any person who is not a member of that class or their nominee to cut and take away fallen or felled trees from that area.

Dated 10 April 2025

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as delegate of the Secretary to the
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action

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