

AS3959 Bushfire Attack Level Assessment Report

This report has been prepared using the Simplified Procedure (Method 1) as detailed in Section 2 of AS3959-2018.

Site Details				
Address:	Stage 1, Lot 705 & 707 Armadale Road			
Suburb:	Treeby WA 6164			
Local Government Area	City of Cockburn			
State:	Western Australia			
Description of Building Works	Residential lots for Class 1 Dwellings			

Report Details						
Report / Job Number:	2507-21	Report Version	3			
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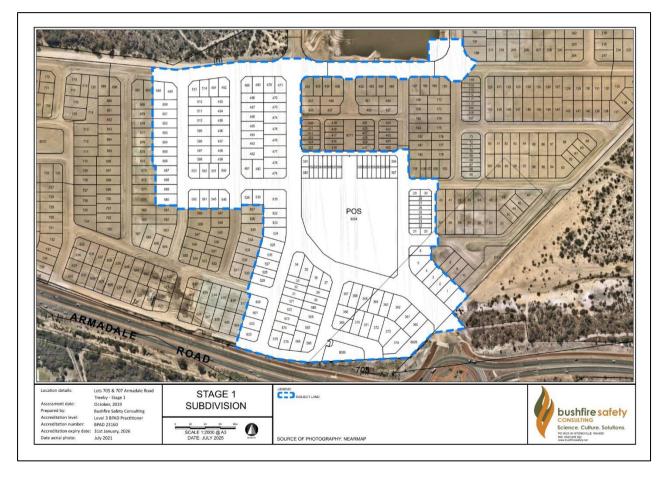
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Site Assessment and Site Plans

The assessment of this development was undertaken on 20/06/2025 by Bushfire Safety Consulting Pty Ltd for the purposes of determining the Bushfire Attack Level for each lot and dwelling in accordance with AS 3959 – 2018 Simplified Procedure (Method 1). The Stage 1 subdivision development creates 145 urban residential lots and internal roads with stages developed to the west and east of the site. This assessment has been undertaken to provide BAL ratings for each lot and dwelling in the subdivision stage (below) as outlined in the vegetation classification map.





Vegetation Classification

All vegetation within 150m of the subdivision stage was classified in accordance with Clause 2.2.3 of AS 3959-2018. There is no vegetation on the lots, the entire area has been cleared, roads and lots are constructed. Classified vegetation within 100 metres occurs to the north of the subdivision and south of Armadale Road.

There are Public Open Spaces proposed in the subdivision and within 100 metres that have all been cleared and landscaped.

Each distinguishable vegetation plot with the potential to determine the Bushfire Attack Level is identified below and outlined in the Vegetation Classification Plan.

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Plot Number: 1

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class A Forest

Description/justification of classification:

Middle storey of scrub vegetation including Acacia and woollybush with overstorey of eucalypts, melaleuca trees and tall banksia trees



Photo ID: 2

Plot Number: 1

Class A Forest

Description/justification of classification:

Middle storey of scrub vegetation including Acacia and woollybush with overstorey of eucalypts, melaleuca trees and tall banksia trees



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Plot Number: 1

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class A Forest

Description/justification of classification:

Middle storey of scrub vegetation including Acacia and woollybush with overstorey of tall eucalypts.



Photo ID: 4

Plot Number: 1

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class A Forest

Description/justification of classification:

Middle storey of scrub vegetation including Acacia and woollybush with overstorey of tall eucalypts.





Photo ID: 5

Plot Number: 2

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class B Woodland

Description/justification of classification: Banksia trees >

6m tall with open canopy and low shrubland.

Photo ID: 6

Plot Number: 2

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class B Woodland

Description/justification of classification: Banksia trees >

6m tall with open canopy and low shrubland.



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Plot Number: 2

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class B Woodland

Description/justification of classification: Banksia trees >

6m tall with open canopy and low shrubland.



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Plot Number: 3

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class B Woodland

Description/justification of classification: revegetation area with scattered overstorey trees and low shrubland

vegetation.



Photo ID: 9

Plot Number: 3

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class B Woodland

Description/justification of classification: revegetation area with scattered overstorey trees and low shrubland

vegetation.





Photo ID: 10 Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: revegetation area adjacent to Armadale road, revegetation plans confirm

vegetation matures 2-6 m in height

Photo ID: 11 Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: revegetation area adjacent to Armadale road, revegetation plans confirm

vegetation matures 2-6 m in height

Photo ID: 12 Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Scrub vegetation

up to 3 m high south of Armadale Road.

Photo ID: 13
Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: revegetation area adjacent to Armadale Road, revegetation plans confirm vegetation matures 2-6 m in height

Photo ID: 14 Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: revegetation area adjacent to Armadale Road, revegetation plans confirm vegetation matures 2-6 m in height













Photo ID: 15

Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Vegetation dominated by woollybush and low shrubs that matures 2-6

m in height.

Photo ID: 16

Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Vegetation dominated by woollybush and low shrubs that matures 2-6

m in height.



Plot Number: 4

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Vegetation dominated by woollybush and low shrubs that matures 2-6

m in height.

Photo ID: 18

Plot Number: 5

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Low Banksia scrub Vegetation dominated by low banksia trees that

mature 2-6 m in height.

Photo ID: 19

Plot Number: 5

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Low Banksia scrub Vegetation dominated by low banksia trees that

mature 2-6 m in height.













Photo ID: 20 Plot Number: 5

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class D Scrub

Description/justification of classification: Degraded land

which is currently being re-vegetated

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Plot Number: 6

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class C Shrubland

Description/justification of classification Degraded land, but proposed for low shrubland revegetation according to approved revegetation plans



Photo ID: 22

Plot Number: 6

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class C Shrubland

Description/justification of classification Mature

vegetation dominated by low shrubland 0.5 – 1m in height.



Photo ID: 23

Plot Number: 6

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class C Shrubland

Description/justification of classification Mature vegetation dominated by low shrubland 0.5 – 1m in height.



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Plot Number: 6

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class C Shrubland

Description/justification of classification Mature

vegetation dominated by low shrubland 0.5 – 1m in height.





Photo ID: 25
Plot Number: 6

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class C Shrubland

Description/justification of classification Mature

vegetation dominated by low shrubland 0.5 – 1m in height.



Photo ID: 26

Plot Number: 7

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class G Grassland

Description/justification of classification Grass and weeds

in open area.



Photo ID: 27

Plot Number: 7

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Class G Grassland

Description/justification of classification Grass and weeds

in open area.



Photo ID: 28

Plot Number: 8

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(f)

Description/justification of classification Revegetation

area in Public Open Space areas



Photo ID: 29

Plot Number: 8

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(f)

Description/justification of classification Revegetation

area in Public Open Space areas





Photo ID: 30 Plot Number: 8

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(f)

Description/justification of classification Cleared

development area – future residential lots



Photo ID: 31

Plot Number: 9

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(e)

Description/justification of classification Cleared

development area – future residential lots and public roads.



Photo ID: 32

Plot Number: 9

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(e)

Description/justification of classification Cleared

development area – future residential lots.



Photo ID: 33

Plot Number: 9

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(e)

Description/justification of classification Cleared

development area – future residential lots and public roads.



Photo ID: 34

Plot Number: 9

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(e)

Description/justification of classification Cleared

development area – future residential lots and public roads.





Photo ID: 35

Plot Number: 9

Vegetation classification or exclusion clause:

Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2(e)

Description/justification of classification Cleared

development area – future residential lots.



Relevant Fire Danger Index

The fire danger index for this site has been determined in accordance with Table 2.1 in AS3959–2018.

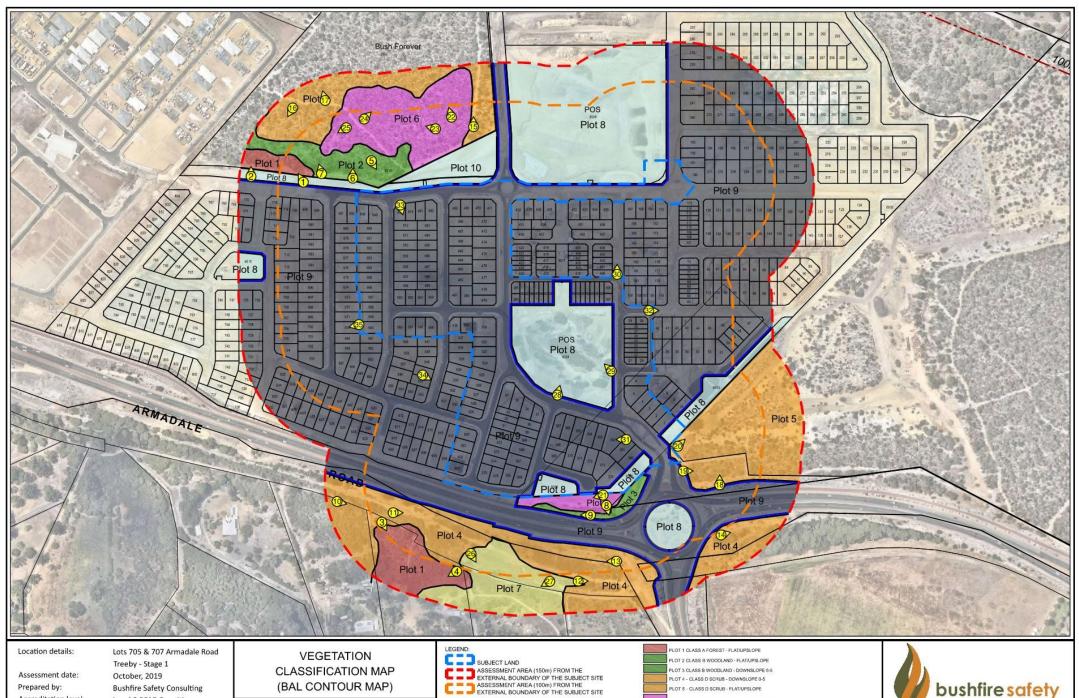
Fire Danger Index:	Table
FDI : 80	2.5

Effective Slope

The effective slope under the classified vegetation is outlined in the following table.

Plot No.	Classified Vegetation	Effective slope	
1	Class A Forest	Flat/upslope	
2	Class B Woodland	Flat/upslope	
3	Class B Woodland	Downslope 0-5	
4	Class D Scrub	Downslope 0-5	
5	Class D Scrub	Flat/upslope	
6	Class C Shrubland	Flat/upslope	
7	Class G Grassland	Flat/upslope	
8	Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2 (f)	Flat/upslope	
9	Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2 (f)	N/A	
10	Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2 (e)	N/A	
11	Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2 (f)	N/A	
12	Exclusion Clause 2.2.3.2 (f)	N/A	





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SOURCE OF PHOTOGRAPHY: NEARMAP

PLOT 6 - CLASS C SHRUBLAND - FLAT/UPSLOPE PLOT 7 CLASS G GRASSLAND - FLAT/UPSLOPE PLOT 8 EXCLUSION CLAUSE 2.2.3.2(f) PLOT 9 - EXCLUSION CLAUSE 2.2.3.2(e) PLOT 10 EXCLUSION CLAUSE 2.2.3.2(f) (currently Class B Woodland)



Determined Bushfire Attack Level

The determined Bushfire Attack Level (highest BAL) for the lots and future dwellings has been determined in accordance with clause 2.2.6 of AS3959-2018 using the above analysis.

Potential Bushfire Impacts

The predicted radiant heat flux levels into the site from the assessment are outlined below in Table 1 and the BAL Contour Plan.



Lots	Vegetation Class	Plot No.	Slope	Setback Distance		BAL Rating
				External	Internal	
1	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	17 metres	0	BAL-29
2	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	32 metres	0	BAL-12.5
3	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	44.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
4	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	57 metres	0	BAL-12.5
5	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	69.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
6	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	83 metres	0	BAL-12.5
20	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	93.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
21 & 23 - 30	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
22	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	97.9 metres	0	BAL-12.5
31	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	84 metres	0	BAL-12.5
32	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	93 metres	0	BAL-12.5
33, 34, 35	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
36	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	96 metres	0	BAL-12.5
37	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	90.8 metres	0	BAL-12.5
38	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	82 metres	0	BAL-12.5
39	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	72 metres	0	BAL-12.5
380 -397	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
474 - 485	Class D Scrub	5	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
470	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	66.7 metres	0	BAL-12.5
471	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	72.4 metres	0	BAL-12.5
472	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	85.3 metres	0	BAL-12.5
473	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	97 metres	0	BAL-12.5
486	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	95.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
487	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	83.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
488	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	72.9 metres	0	BAL-12.5
489	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	55.4 metres	0	BAL-12.5
490	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	59.2 metres	0	BAL-12.5
491	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	36.6 metres	0	BAL-12.5
492	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	41.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
493	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	60 metres	0	BAL-12.5
494	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	70.6 metres	0	BAL-12.5
495	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	81 metres	0	BAL-12.5

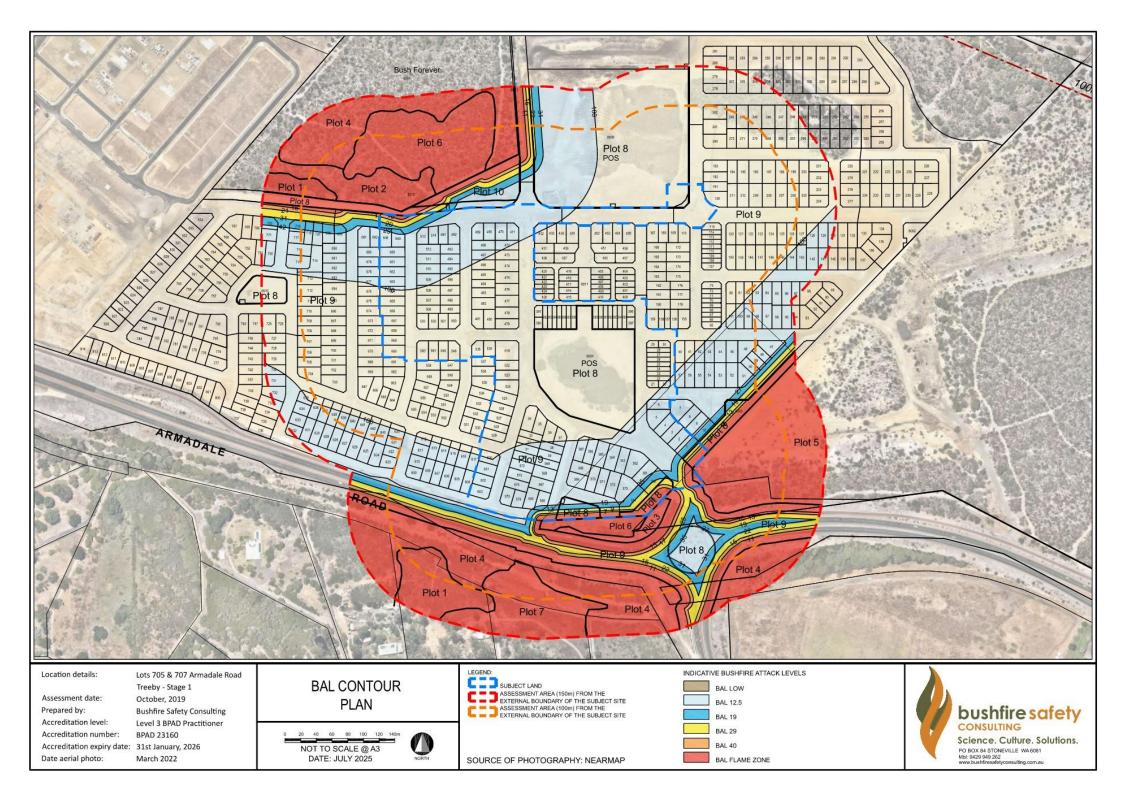


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496	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	93 metres	0	BAL-12.5
508	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	96.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
509	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	82 metres	0	BAL-12.5
510	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	70 metres	0	BAL-12.5
511	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	58 metres	0	BAL-12.5
512	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	46 metres	0	BAL-12.5
513	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	30 metres	0	BAL-12.5
514	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	32.9 metres	0	BAL-12.5
497 - 503	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
506 - 507	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
648	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	25.5 metres	0	BAL-19
649	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	23.5 metres	0	BAL-19
650	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	46 metres	0	BAL-12.5
651	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	58.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
652	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	71 metres	0	BAL-12.5
653	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	83.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
654	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	96 metres	0	BAL-12.5
655 - 660	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
560 -561	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
545 -546	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
538 - 539	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
519	Class B Woodland	2	Flat/Upslope	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
522 - 529	Class B Woodland	2	Down 0-5°	>100 metres	0	BAL-LOW
600	Class D Scrub	4	Down 0-5°	93.7 metres	0	BAL-12.5
601	Class D Scrub	4	Down 0-5°	78 metres	0	BAL-12.5
602	Class D Scrub	4	Down 0-5°	63.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
603	Class D Scrub	4	Down 0-5°	48 metres	0	BAL-12.5
565	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	17 metres	0	BAL-19
566	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	13.5 metres	0	BAL-19
567	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	34 metres	0	BAL-12.5
568	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	48 metres	0	BAL-12.5
569	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	62.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
571	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	72 metres	0	BAL-12.5



Table 1: BAL Inputs and BAL Ratings						
572	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	61 metres	0	BAL-12.5
573	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	50 metres	0	BAL-12.5
574	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	40.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
575	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	43 metres	0	BAL-12.5
576	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	29.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
360	Class B Woodland	3	Down 0-5°	17 metres	0	BAL-29
361	Class B Woodland	3	Down 0-5°	31.6 metres	0	BAL-19
362	Class B Woodland	3	Down 0-5°	47.2 metres	0	BAL-12.5
363	Class B Woodland	3	Down 0-5°	58.2 metres	0	BAL-12.5
364	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	57.3 metres	0	BAL-12.5
365	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	62.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
366	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	67.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
367	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	71.2 metres	0	BAL-12.5
368	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	53.5 metres	0	BAL-12.5
369	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	35.3 metres	0	BAL-12.5
370	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	32.4 metres	0	BAL-12.5
371	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	28 metres	0	BAL-12.5
372	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	25.1 metres	0	BAL-12.5
373	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	15.1 metres	0	BAL-19
374	Class C Shrubland	6	Flat/Upslope	6 metres	3	BAL-29





Appendix 1: Additional Information / Advisory Notes

A Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) Assessment is a means of measuring the severity of a buildings potential exposure to ember attack, radiant heat and direct flame contact from a bushfire event, and thereby determining the construction measures required for the dwelling.

The method used to determination of the BAL rating, and subsequent building construction standards, are directly referenced from Australian Standard AS3959-2018 Construction of buildings in bushfire prone areas.

The BAL rating is determined through the identification and assessment of the following parameters:

- Fire danger Index (FDI) rating; assumed to be FDI-80 for Western Australia
- All classified vegetation <u>within 100m</u> of the subject building
- Separation distance between the building and the classified vegetation
- Slope of the land under the classified vegetation

AS3959-2018 has six (6) levels of BAL, based on the radiant heat flux exposure to the building, and also identifies the relevant sections for building construction as detailed below;

Bushfire Attack Level (BAL)	Classified Vegetation within 100m of the site and heat flux exposure thresholds	Description of predicted bushfire attack and levels of exposure	Construction Sections (within AS3959)
BAL-LOW	See Clause 2.2.3.2	There is insufficient risk to warrant specific construction requirements	4
BAL-12.5	≤12.5kW/m²	Ember attack	3 & 5
BAL-19	>12.5kW/m² to ≤19kW/m²	Increasing levels of ember attack and burning debris ignited by windbourne embers together with increasing heat flux	3 & 6
BAL-29	>19kW/m² to ≤29kW/m²	Increasing levels of ember attack and burning debris ignited by windbourne embers together with increasing heat flux	3 & 7
BAL-40	>29kW/m² to ≤40kW/m²	Increasing levels of ember attack and burning debris ignited by windbourne embers together with increasing heat flux with the increased likelihood of exposure to flames	3 & 8
BAL-FZ	>40kW/m²	Direct exposure to flames from fire front in addition to heat flux and ember attack	3 & 9

