As part of your Bushfire Survival Plan, you should identify the travel time and distance to your identified Neighbourhood Safer Place. You should update your plan every year prior to the bushfire season and confirm that your identified Neighbourhood Safer Place has not changed location. You should not drive through fire affected areas to get to your Neighbourhood Safer Place.

Visit the Rural Fire Service website and click on your local government area to view the designated Neighbourhood Safer Place locations in your area. If there is no Neighbourhood Safer Place currently identified for your area, continue to monitor the website for updates.

Once you have arrived at an Open Space Neighbourhood Safer Place, some actions to consider include:

- Continually listen/seek/monitor further information in relation to the fire by whatever means of communication you may have (radio, mobile phone, internet etc).
- As fire approaches – seek protection from radiant heat and embers as best you can. Attempt to cover any exposed skin with blankets/clothing. You should lie flat on the ground during the passage of the fire front.
- Remain vigilant for possible new fire fronts from other directions.

Once you have arrived at a Building Neighbourhood Safer Place, some actions to consider include:

- Continually listen/seek/monitor further information in relation to the fire by whatever means of communication you may have (radio, mobile phone, internet etc).
- As fire approaches – ensure all doors and windows are sealed as best as possible.
- When fire has passed – if safe to do so, check for fires and embers outside extinguish if possible.
- Remain vigilant for possible new fire fronts from other directions.

Remember to complete your Bushfire Survival Plan to ensure that you and your family are prepared and know what to do in the event of a bushfire. For information about how to develop your own Bushfire Survival Plan visit www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au.

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