

Memorandum of Understanding

Between the Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd and Forestry Tasmania Guidelines for Planned Burns

Forestry Tasmania and Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd have agreed on a notification process to ensure open dialogue between the two industries when the grape picking and burning seasons coincide.

The grape harvest usually runs between mid March and late April but some varieties Cabernet, Merlot and Pinot Noir may not be picked until mid May.

Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd has agreed to nominate a representative grower in each of the seven wine growing regions.

Forestry Tasmania will include the nominated Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd representatives in burn notification groups, so that they are informed of burns in the vicinity of vineyards.

The nominated Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd representatives will pass on information to other growers in their region.

Community Liaison Officers to be first point of contact for growers.

It is understood by Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd that the representatives do not have a veto over planned burns, but Forestry Tasmania will take into account growers concerns when deciding burn priorities.

Forestry Tasmania will provide information about planned burns on the www.plannedburnstas.com.au website, which will be updated daily at 10:05am.

Other forestry companies also place their proposed burns on the [plannedburnstas.com.au](http://www.plannedburnstas.com.au) web site and Parks and Wildlife Service also provides information about its proposed burns at www.parks.tas.gov.au.

The following parties agree to the aforementioned agreement.

Bob Gordon
Managing Director
Forestry Tasmania

Stuart Nettlefold
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Wine Industry Tasmania Ltd