

Works Notification

West Point Road – Picnic Bay Hazard Reduction Burn

Tuesday 10 June 2026

What works are coming up?

Townsville City Council is committed to community safety, with an Emergency Management team focused on planning for natural hazards and reducing risks.

In regional Queensland, landowners must implement fire prevention measures on their property, including creating fire trails to help reduce fire risks and prevent fires from spreading to neighbouring properties.

To meet these requirements, Council is carrying out a joint hazard reduction burn with the Department of Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation in the open space behind the Magnetic Island Transfer Station on West Point Road, Picnic Bay, as shown overleaf.

When will the works take place?

Location	West Point Road, Picnic Bay.
Timing	Originally scheduled for Tuesday 9 June, these works have been rescheduled to Wednesday 17 June 2026 due to weather. Works are expected to take two days (2) to complete , weather permitting.
Hours	Regular work hours are from 6am to 6pm Monday to Saturday . In exceptional cases, work may be required outside these hours.

What will the works include?

As part of the works, Council will undertake controlled ignition of the area using planned burning methodologies, with ongoing monitoring, including smoke management.

During the burn, we may need to enter your property for control and safety purposes.

The burn schedule is weather-dependent, with the exact date to be posted on Council's Facebook page 24 hours in advance.

What does this mean for me?

If you live near or are travelling through the area, you may experience:

- certain access points, including roads, may be temporarily closed for fire safety
- remove combustible items like green waste and tall grass from your property
- inform your neighbours about the fire operations and prepare your property
- residents with health issues affected by smoke should take precautions.

Funding

This project is funded by Townsville City Council.

Contact us

To find out more about these works or the project, please contact us on the details below.

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