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**Northern Inland Branch**  
**Macleay Gorges Reserves**  
**Fire Management Strategy (External) 2018**  
Mapsheet 16 - 18

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**Map Details**  
Datum: Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA) 1994  
Projection: UTM Map Grid of Australia (MGA) Zone 56  
Noted scales are true when printed on A4 size paper.

**OWRNP RFMS Legend - Mapsheet No 16**

	Historic Sites Requiring Protection OWRNP (2)		Walking Tracks
	Threatened Property That May Require Protection		Powerlines
	Historic Sites		Rivers and Creeks
	Protect from fire and heavy plant where possible (6)		Contour 50m interval
	Southern Dry Heath / Shrubland (25)		Unclassified
	Rainforest		Essential - Cat 1
	Gate NPWS - Assume all gates locked		Important - Cat 1
	Gate non NPWS		Important - Cat 7
	Heli Landing Site		Important - Cat 9
	Quarry		Dormant
	Water Point Vehicle		Fire History - Five Years 201213
	Camping Area (2)		Fire History - Five Years 201415
	Road Closure Point		Macleay Gorges Reserves (2)
	Day Use Area (2)		Other National Park
			Lands Vested in the Minister

**Operational Guidelines - Natural, Cultural, Park Users and Neighbours**

Resource	Guidelines												
<b>ALL</b> FM 4.2.7	• Brief all personnel involved in construction or other work which has fire suppression operations, on site locations and the required management strategies appropriate to the site type.												
<b>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Management</b>	• Aboriginal sites have been categorised with the following protective actions if possible in the event of a fire. • AHI1 - As far as possible, protect site from fire. Do not cut down trees. • AHI2 - As far as possible, protect site from fire. Avoid all ground disturbance including the use of earthmoving machinery, hand-tool line construction and driving over site. Avoid water bombing which may cause ground disturbance. • AHI3 - Avoid all ground disturbance. Avoid water bombing. Site may be burnt by bushfire, backburn or prescribed burn without damage.												
<b>Historic Heritage Management</b>	• The following heritage items shown on this map sheet may require protection in a fire. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item ID</th> <th>Site Name</th> <th>Site Type</th> <th>Protective Action Required</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2230</td> <td>Apsley Falls Entrance &amp; Complex</td> <td>Complex</td> <td>Asset protect vulnerable to fire. May require protection.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2622</td> <td>Playway's Mark On Tree, Apsley Falls</td> <td>Monument</td> <td>General but vulnerable (risk low)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Item ID	Site Name	Site Type	Protective Action Required	2230	Apsley Falls Entrance & Complex	Complex	Asset protect vulnerable to fire. May require protection.	2622	Playway's Mark On Tree, Apsley Falls	Monument	General but vulnerable (risk low)
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<b>Threatened Fauna Management</b>	• Avoid all ground disturbance including the use of earthmoving machinery, handline construction and driving over sites. Avoid water bombing, which may damage site. • Use of foam and retardant around the site is acceptable if authorised by the IC. • There are no threatened fauna issues on this map sheet that require protective actions in the event of a fire. • As far as possible, protect large and hollow-bearing trees. Avoid high intensity fires that consume canopies and fallen logs. • Where practicable, protect boulder areas and trees from the fire if the effects of the resulting fire frequency, season & intensity will have a significant or unknown impact. • Surfactants may be used except where location is within 50m of a watercourse, dam or swamp. All existing threatened frog records are displayed as an exclusion zone (50m exclusion of surfactants and other fire suppression chemicals).												
<b>Threatened Flora Management</b>	• The following threatened flora are known to occur on this map sheet. Undertake protective actions as described below if possible. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Common Name or Flora Community</th> <th>Protective Action Required</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Southern Dry Heath (Shrubland)</td> <td>Exclude fire and machinery where possible.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Narrow-leaved Peppercorn</td> <td>Exclude fire use if possible. Limit machine use.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Common Name or Flora Community	Protective Action Required	Southern Dry Heath (Shrubland)	Exclude fire and machinery where possible.	Narrow-leaved Peppercorn	Exclude fire use if possible. Limit machine use.						
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<b>Threatened Property Management</b>	• As far as possible, avoid inter-fire intervals of <10 years where these species are known to occur. If possible avoid the use of earth moving machinery in locations where these species are known to occur. If possible avoid the use of retardant in locations where these species are known to occur. • Where possible, protect wet growth habitat trees. • Surfactants may be used except where location is within 50m of a watercourse, dam or swamp.												
<b>Threatened Property Management</b>	• Apsley Falls APZ • Tia Falls APZ • Lookouts at both APZ areas will require protection • If possible, strengthen APZ areas around park assets prior to the arrival of wildfire and if possible defend them from fire. • Where possible, strengthen APZ areas around park assets prior to the arrival of wildfire and if possible defend them from fire. • Where possible, protect wet growth habitat trees.												
<b>Smoke Management</b>	• No smoke management issues identified.												
<b>Visitor Management</b>	• Road Closure at park entrance for Apsley and Tia APZ areas. • Check for visitors at the campgrounds and visitor areas of Apsley and Tia. • Reconnaissance of walk tracks - Helicopter or quad bike at Tia required.												
<b>WARNINGS</b>	• No specific warnings.												

**Locator Map**

