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NATURE OF THE INCIDENT:

- A large number of civilians making use of the Beecroft Weapon Range (BWR) campground have been directed by Defence to leave the Range on account of the Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating issued for Tue 08 Jan 13.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE INCIDENT:

- Campers were provided with initial advice on the morning of 07 Jan 13 and were formally directed to evacuate the BWR on the afternoon of 07 Jan 13 on declaration of a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for the Illawarra and Shoalhaven areas.

ACTIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY:

- Defence coordinated an evacuation of all civilian personnel.
- The majority understood the reason for evacuation and co-operated with directions.
- It was expected that all civilians would be clear of the Range by 2100 on 07 Jan 13.

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