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GRASS MOWING IN CANBERRA – WEEKLY REPORT

The ACT Government wishes to advise that mowing will be carried out at the following locations in Canberra (weather permitting) commencing on Monday 16 January 2012.

Inner north

Location	Purpose
Ainslie and Downer.	General suburb mowing, including fire fuel reduction.
Northbourne Avenue, Pialligo Avenue and Fairbairn Avenue.	Arterial roads mowing.

Tuggeranong

Location	Purpose
Greenway, Wanniasa, Conder, Chisholm, Gilmore and Kambah (east of Drakeford Drive).	General suburb mowing, including fire fuel reduction.
Drakeford Drive (Kambah, Greenway and Bonython), Isabella Drive (Chisholm and Gilmore).	Arterial roads mowing.

Woden / Weston Creek

Location	Purpose
Farrer, Fisher, Mawson, Phillip, Stirling, Swinger Hill, Waramanga and Torrens.	General suburb mowing, including fire fuel reduction.
Streeton Drive.	Arterial roads mowing.

Inner south

Location	Purpose
Hume, Forrest, Kingston, Yarralumla and Oaks Estate.	General suburb mowing, including fire fuel reduction.
Alexandrina Drive, Canberra Avenue, Melbourne Avenue, Monaro Highway, Sturt Avenue and Wentworth Avenue.	Arterial roads mowing.

Belconnen

Location	Purpose
Bruce, Belconnen, Aranda, McKellar and Evatt.	General suburb mowing, including fire fuel reduction.
Hayden Drive, Diddams Close, Eastern Valley Way, Aikman Drive and College Street.	Arterial roads mowing.

Gungahlin

Location	Purpose
Amaroo, Crace and Ngunnawal.	General suburb mowing, including fire fuel reduction.
Barton Highway, Hall.	Arterial roads mowing.

Key facts

- The ACT Government is responsible for mowing more than 5000 hectares (equivalent to 5,000 football fields) of irrigated and non-irrigated grass in urban open space and at the urban edge.
- The ACT Government has a base mowing fleet of 78 mowers, comprising 54 internal and 24 contract mowers. 29 of the government owned mowers have recently been replaced with new leased mowers. Additional contract mowers are also employed through-out the mowing season.
- The ACT Government's Fire Management Unit is monitoring fuel loads across the Territory and prioritising work accordingly. Programmed works include hazard reduction burns, mowing, slashing and even grazing to reduce fuel loads.
- Public safety with fire fuel reduction and line of sight along roads remains a priority.
- Residents are reminded that they are responsible for mowing the nature strip that adjoins their property.
- The ACT Government appreciates people's patience while the mowing program takes place.

For the latest details of the mowing program people can review the mowing programs on Territory and Municipal Services website at <http://www.tams.act.gov.au/> or contact Canberra Connect on 13 22 81.

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