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Be safe during the extended Easter Break

Sustainable Timber Tasmania (STT) would like to remind visitors about potential hazards when venturing into production forests, parks and reserves, over the extended break of Easter and Anzac Day.

Visitors undertaking recreational and other activities are reminded of the increased risks in and around fire affected areas. This risk results from fire damaged trees as well as several other post fire dangers including unstable burnt ground and infrastructure.

STT Fire Management Manager Dean Sheehan said crews are working hard within the impacted areas to locate and remove dangerous trees alongside major roads. However, there will remain an ongoing and real risk that trees may fall before or after this work is completed.

“Many minor roads and tracks remain blocked and obstructed and will remain closed to the public if the environment is assessed to be hazardous,” Mr Sheehan said.

“Arve Road is now open to the Hartz intersection with a speed limit of 40km. If weather conditions become too windy, we will close the road due to safety reasons.

In addition, specific areas remain closed for safety reasons such as the Tahune Airwalk. These areas will remain closed until further notice, when assessments can be made, and they are deemed safe to be reopened. Please observe all signage and do not attempt to drive tracks that are obstructed.

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