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**Sent:** Saturday, 11 January 2003 22:45

To: Harry Ryder' Subject: Park fires

## Hi Harry

I have been talking to the landholders burnt out around the Big Dessert. The similarities with what happened here and in the Grampians are frightening. I do not have the slightest shadow of doubt with what I have found out from the three instances that there has been a deliberate atempt to burn out neighbouring land holders when a fire was coming out of a National Park. People should be warned that this has been happening if they are in the path of a fire in a National Park. At this stage we can only guess at the motives.

Regards Ralph