

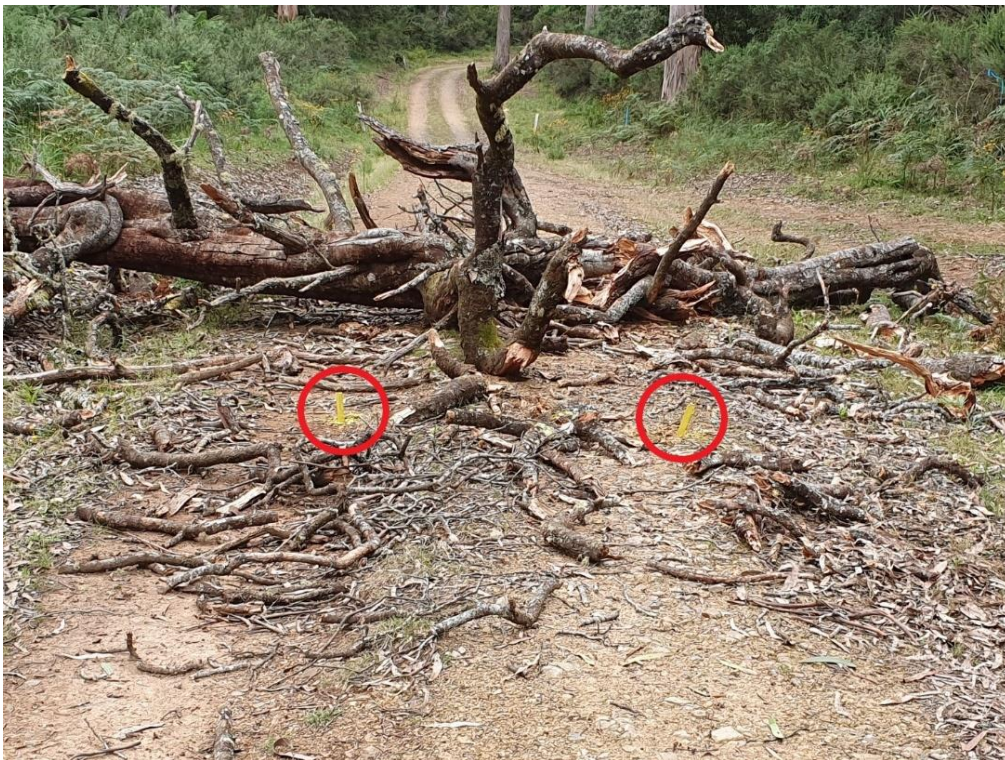
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Safety risks from steel spikes in forest roads

VicForests wishes to alert you, your members and associates of the serious risks and hazards to people and property from acts of driving steel spikes into public forest roads, as was done recently on Playgrounds Road in the Bonang State Forest.

This deliberate act is extremely dangerous and has previously resulted in serious damage to vehicles and could result in harm to individuals. As well as putting the forest workers and truck drivers accessing the coupe at risk, this activity also puts at risk DELWP and VicForests staff, authorised officers, Victoria Police and members of the public that may be using these public forest roads.



VicForests requests that potentially life threatening activities such as this are ceased by all and actively discouraged by you.

VicForests will continue to do everything reasonably practicable to protect the health and well being of both protesters and forestry personnel. However, deliberate, and malicious activities as seen in this situation, could lead to death or serious injury.

VicForests seeks your co-operation on this matter to ensure the health and safety of all persons.

We would appreciate if you could convey the content of this letter to your members and associates.

This communication will be retained and be accessible from VicForests website,
<http://www.vicforests.com.au>

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