Landscape Fires '93 Conference

RECENT developments in bushfire science and management will form the theme of a three-day conference to be held at the Como Training Centre from September 27-29.

The conference is being sponsored jointly by CALM and the Bush Fires Board

Speakers will present papers addressing six themes: new developments in fire danger rating and fire behaviour modelling; fire measurements for fire ecology studies; bushfire emissions; bushfires and the urban landscape; fireinduced landscape mosaics; and fire, plant and animal interactions.

Facilities will also be available for displaying

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poster papers.

Following the conference there will be an optional one-day field trip to examine fire management issues in the coastal sandplain area north of Perth. This will include a visit to the spectacular Lesueur National Park accompanied by Moora District staff.

The conference has already attracted interest from researchers and managers throughout Australia, and enquiries have also been received from overseas.

Papers from the conference sessions will be published as a feature edition of CALM Science, the new departmental scientific journal

The organising committee for the conference includes senior research scientists Neil Burrows, Gordon Friend and myself from CALM's Science and Information Division, and Dr Malcolm Gill from Canberra's CSIRO Division of Plant Industry.

Conference registration papers and further details of the program can be obtained from members of the organising committee, or by writing to Landscape Fires '93, care of CALM Science and Information Division, Manjimup WA 6258. (Phone: (097) 71 1988 or fax: (097) 71 2855.)