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POLICY 75: MANAGING BUSHFIRE-RELATED RISK

Policy Statement No 75 - Managing Bushfire-related Risk has recently been reviewed and approved by the FES Commissioner.

The aim of Policy 75 is to improve community safety by managing bushfire-related risk through effective risk assessment and bushfire risk treatment strategies. The revision of this policy is very timely in terms of the recent restructuring of DFES to enhance our capabilities across the prevention, preparedness, response and recovery spectrum. It will further support the planned expansion of our bushfire mitigation activities.

DFES personnel must use AS/NZS ISO 31000:2009 Risk Management: Principles and Guidelines to assess and treat all bushfire-related risks including those to personnel. This policy supports best practice in all aspects of DFES bushfire risk management processes and provides guidance on the process to be used by employees and emergency services volunteers when assessing bushfire-related risk and implementing risk treatments.

The revised version of the Policy has been reviewed by the Office of Bushfire Risk Management and Legal and Legislative Services to ensure compliance with various Acts and legislation along with other DFES Policy and Doctrine.

The policy has now been posted on the intranet and can be viewed at the links below.

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Full links for staff: Link to Policy 75 on DFES Intranet