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Managing Bushfire in Western Australia - Statement of Intent

The WA Government has launched the Statement of Intent for Managing Bushfire in Western Australia.

This Statement is a culmination of a significant body of work to strengthen the way we manage bushfires at an individual, community, local and state level.

The development of a state level policy and set of long-term objectives for bushfire management in Western Australia was a recommendation from the *Special Inquiry into the January 2016 Waroona Fire* (Ferguson Report).

The work over many years through the State Bushfire Advisory Council and its predecessor has evolved this policy into the Vision and Principles as the foundation document to the public facing Managing Bushfire in Western Australia - Statement of Intent.

The documents <u>Managing bushfire in Western Australia - Statement of Intent</u> and <u>Vision and Principles to guide the management of bushfire in Western Australia</u> are now available on the DFES website.

By working together and having a shared understanding of the risks and our responsibilities in managing bushfire, we can all help to protect lives and our way of life in Western Australia.

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