

**TITLE: BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT**

**POLICY NO.1**

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**AMENDED:**

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### **Purpose of the Policy**

The purpose of the Bushfire Management Policy is to provide guidance for proponents where the Bushfire Management Overlay Code applies to development.

This policy does not apply to self-assessable development.

### **Bushfire Management Areas**

- (1) Where development is proposed in areas of bushfire hazard as identified on the Bushfire Management Overlay Map, Council may request the following details to be provided to assist in assessment of the development:
  - (a) whether the proposed development is located in a medium or high risk bushfire hazard area;
  - (b) the degree of severity of the bushfire hazard; and
  - (c) an assessment of the proposed development in regards to the bushfire hazard and the measures proposed to be incorporated to minimise the bushfire hazard in regard to property and persons
- (2) To assist Council in making their assessment of the proposed development, the following details are also suggested
  - (a) detailed slope and aspect analysis at 1:10,000 scale;
  - (b) details concerning vegetation type in the area and likely fuel loads;
  - (c) an analysis of the intended bushfire management of the site in accordance with the *Bushfire Management Planning in Queensland*, Rural Fire Service, 1998;
  - (d) details of proposed measures to reduce the risk of bushfire within the subject area. This may include fuel management (by mechanical removal, grazing or burning), details of proposed fire control lines / fire breaks, specific building codes to reduce risk of house fires, emergency vehicle access between houses;
  - (e) details of proposed entry and exit to each property and the development as a whole;
  - (f) details on water availability for fire fighting purposes; and
  - (g) other details which may be requested by the Queensland Fire Service which are particular to the site.