

2022-2023 Risk Reduction Plan

To support the implementation of the Bushfire Management Area Plan within the Fire and Emergency Services Act (2005) and maintain consistency with ISO31000 2019.

The Upper Eyre Peninsula Bushfire Management Committee (UEP BMC) provides the following:

1. Overview

Agencies and Councils were invited to contribute to the UEP BMC Risk Reduction Plan (RRP) for 2022-2023 financial year. The UEP BMC RRP is based on the delivery of actions outlined in the UEP Bushfire Management Area Plan (BMAP).

UEP BMC member agencies with assets rated as Very High & Extreme in the current BMAP were asked to identify which treatment strategies would be planned for implementation. It was emphasised that this RRP is for the upcoming twelve months only (2022-2023 Financial Year) and is not a full review of the BMAP.

There are agencies that enact policy or advise industry best practice. Due to the BMAP focus on on-ground delivery some agencies may not have any assets/treatments listed against them, therefore they have been exempt from being required to report against the UEP BMC RRP.

This plan is a first endeavour to empower BMCs to undertake a planned and coordinated approach to the mitigation of bushfire risk. It is acknowledged that capacity and capability varies across all member agencies which emphasises the collaborative purpose of BMC's to address existential and landscape risk.

The intent of the 2022-2023 UEP BMC RRP is to form the basis for the 2022-2023 Annual Report. Member agencies will be able to report against the complete and non-complete status of asset treatments rated Very High and Extreme and provide reasoning as to any challenges / constraints witnessed over the year (e.g. resources or weather conditions impacting delivery).

2. Agency Submissions

Within the UEP BMC there was one member agency and one state agency who completed the reporting template.

Some State Agencies chose to provide a single state-wide report being that they have presence over more than one BMC. Where appropriate during the workshop they were able to provide further information and collaboration treatments.

While agencies were asked to report against Very High and Extreme assets within the BMAP it also needs to be highlighted that there are areas within each agency that are business as usual actions being undertaken for those assets lower than Very High that are not being captured for this iteration of the UEP BMC RRP.

2.1 – Single Organisation Actions

Each agency from within the UEP BMC was asked to submit their risk reduction plan for the 2022-2023 financial year.

Attached is a collated spreadsheet of all Plans received from those agencies that submitted information by the required date. Where no formal submission was received from an agency, and as communicated to UEP BMC, assets rated as Very High and Extreme have been included on their behalf.

See *Attachment 1 – 2022-23 UEP BMC Risk Reduction Plan – Register*.

2.2 – Coordinated Actions for next 12 months

A workshop was conducted within the BMC Meeting held in July 2022 where agencies were requested to submit assets of interest that their agencies intend to prioritise for the 2022-2023 UEP BMC RRP.

Discussions were then held in regard to potential areas of coordination and collaboration between agencies.

Below is the table of coordinated activities created from the discussions held at the UEP BMC meeting in July 2022.

Coordinated Risk Reduction Activities Planned		
Asset ID	Agency/organisation:	Activity planned: (including amendments)
5030011	Local Government / South Australian Country Fire Service (SACFS)	S.150F hazard reduction compliance (s.105F) inspections and Community Fire Safe program on surrounding properties of the asset
4630008	Local Government / SACFS	S.105F inspections and Community Fire Safe program
4630015	Local Government / SACFS	S.105F inspections and vegetation management on surrounding properties of the asset
5830047	Local Government / Tourism / CFS	Bushfire Traveller / Blitz program
5830074	Local Government / SACFS	S.105F inspections and Bushfire Ready Program
6850029	Viterra / Local Government	S.105F processes on property and surrounds



3. Reporting Activities

Agencies were asked to report on the proposed risk reduction activity for each asset assigned to their area that are Very High/Extreme. Most agencies chose to report on the activity as a broad statement not identifying kilometres/hectares for hazard reduction or number of proposed s.105F hazard reduction compliance (s.105F) Notices to be issued.

Collated data on the number of assets highlighted in the collated 2022-2023 UEP BMC RRP is as follows.

Assets with Hazard Reduction Proposed	Assets with treatment of s.105F Notices Proposed
16	36

**These figures are a raw extract from Attachment 1, a limitation for noting is this data could be grouped e.g.: a settlement polygon which may encompass multiple assets.*

4. Supporting Agencies

Each agency has reviewed their respective actions captured in the 2022-2023 UEP BMC RRP. Agencies only have the authority to approve their own assigned actions within this plan for 2022-2023.

Table below outlines the Agencies belonging to the Upper Eyre Peninsula BMC that have approved their respective actions.

Member Agency	Submission Received Yes/No	Agency Actions Validated/Approved by CE
District Council of Elliston	No	No
District Council of Ceduna	No	Yes
District Council of Cleve	No	Yes
District Council of Franklin Harbour	No	Yes
District Council of Kimba	Yes	No
District Council of Streaky Bay	No	Yes
Wudinna District Council	No	Yes
South Australian Country Fire Service	Yes	Yes
Department for Environment and Water	No	Yes
South Australian Police	No	Yes

**Validated means member agency has returned information; Approved means CE or equivalent has adopted these treatments against the member agency*



The table below lists agencies and organisations that at this point in time have no requirement to report on the 2022-2023 UEP BMC RRP as they have no recorded assets in the UEP BMAP in the Very High or Extreme category.

Member Agency
Whyalla City Council
Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board
Department for Infrastructure and Transport
Primary Producers SA
SA Metropolitan Fire Service
SA Water
CFS Volunteer Association
Conservation Council SA

5. Endorsement

This report has been endorsed by the Upper Eyre Peninsula Bushfire Management Committee as an out of session action item.

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Chair - Upper Eyre Peninsula Bushfire Management Committee

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