# ADELAIDE MOUNT LOFTY RANGES BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

## **MINUTES**

**Date:** 20 August 2021

**Time:** 10:40am

**Location:** Gawler Council Chambers, Gawler

Chair: Steven Salamon, Acting CFS Regional Commander, Region 1

Meeting Contact:

**Document Status:** APPROVED

ATTENDEES				
Name	Title			
Steven Salamon	Acting CFS Regional Commander, Region 1 – Chair			
Adrian Parente	CFS Regional Prevention Officer, Region 1 – Executive Officer			
Jana Wurriehausen	CFS Regional Admin Officer, Region 1			
David Loveder	SA Water - Member			
Ali Ben Kahn	CCSA - Member			
Doug Munn	CFSVA - Deputy			
Amy Riebe	BMPU – Guest Speaker			
Andrew Cross	Town of Gawler – Deputy			
Daryl Klingberg	CFS VA – Member			
Andrew Kirkley	Adelaide Hills Council – Member			
Dave Watson	City of Playford – Deputy			
Grant Hewitt	City of Tea Tree Gully – Member			
Sonia Post	CFS Regional Prevention Officer, Region 2			
Teleconference:				
Daniel Brind	Forestry SA – Member			
Eero Haatainen	SA MFS – Member			
John Darzanos	City of Salisbury – Member			
Daniel Newson	Mt Barker District Council - Member			
Darren Hurst	City of Playford - Member			
Dimitar Uzelac	City of Burnside - Member			
Glen Carter	The Barossa Council - Deputy			
Susan Ivory	Hills & Fleurieu Landscape Board - Deputy			
Jock Conlon	City of Marion - Deputy			
Mark Austin	City of Mitcham - Deputy			
Neal McDonald	City of Onkaparinga - Member			

Sharon Perin	City of Marion - Member
Ian Tanner	DEW - Member

APOLOGIES			
Name	Title		
Mark Fairney	SAPOL – Member		
Gus Sickerdick	SAPOL - Deputy		
Andrew Boucher	SA MFS - Deputy		
Damian Stam	SA Water – Deputy		
Kim Krebs	Hills & Fleurieu Landscape Board – Member		
Bruno Turrini	Forestry SA – Deputy		
Ben DellaTorre	Hills & Fleurieu Landscape Board - Member		
Phil Burton	Mt Barker District Council - Deputy		
Jamie Turley	The Barossa Council - Member		
Andrew Sheath	DEW – Deputy		
Namir Almufti	DIT – Member		
Bernard Larkin	DIT - Deputy		
Peter Merry	Forestry SA - Deputy		
Louise Dabrowski	Town of Gawler - Member		
Matthew Ahern	Adelaide Hills Council - Deputy		
Remo Paolini	Campbelltown City Council - Member		
Gary Scott	Campbeltown City Council - Deputy		
Scott Hartmann	City of Burnside – Deputy		
Anthony Anderson	City of Mitcham – Member		
Paul Ashby	City of Onkaparinga - Deputy		
Carol Neil	City of Tea Tree Gully - Deputy		
Brad Scholefield	City of Salisbury		
Michael Coulson	CFS Community Engagement Region 1		
Natasha Huber	CFS Community Engagement Region 1		

#### 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES:

Chair

Welcome and general introduction to new faces in attendance at today's AMLR BMC Meeting. Introduction of Steven Salamon, acting in Peter Phillips' role as CFS Regional Commander, Region 1 and meeting Chair.

Welcome to members attending via Teams Teleconference and Apologies.

#### 2. SAFETY BRIEFING: Andrew Cross

The emergency evacuation procedures for the building, location of exit points and facilities briefing was given.

#### 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

Chair

Reminder to declare interest upfront. If anything comes up during the meeting as a conflict of interest, notify at time/beginning of discussion. It will be up to the committee to decide if it is a conflict or not.

"No conflict of interest or any other business was disclosed throughout the course of the meeting."

#### 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Chair

Key Points:	Confirm Minutes of Previous Meeting				
Resolution:	"That the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting".				
Moved:	Grant Hewitt (City of Tea Tree Gully)	Seconded:	Ali Ben Kahn (CCSA)	Motion:	Carried

Reminder that BMC Meetings are recorded and a copy can be requested through the Region.

#### 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Chair

#### 5.1 Woodside Bushfire Safer Place

#### **Executive Officer/Amy Riebe**

- A reassessment of all Bushfire Safer Places is planned, and a committee is currently drafting more standardised criteria for this.
- Woodside Bushfire Safer Place review has been supported by State. Due to a change in boundaries
  on the website, further consultation is being sought to ensure the best approach is being taken
  around community consultation and communication.
- The changes in boundaries will likely affect the BMAP for the area and will need to be considered.
   Proposal: That the AMLR BMC endorse the changes being made to the Woodside Bushfire Safer Place and corresponding boundaries, providing that assistance is offered by CFS for a communications package to inform the local communities these changes.

Proposed: SA Water Seconded: CFS VA Motion: Carried

**ACTION:** Contact CFS State to seek further guidance around communication strategies and develop a Community Awareness Campaign to the Woodside Bushfire Safer Place boundary changes.

Chair/EO

#### 5.2 NRM/Landscape Board

**Executive Officer** 

- Susan Ivory provided summary of functions and roles of Landscape Board.
- Emphasis was given to the boards responsibility of managing roadside vegetation and weeds with reference to the Landscape South Australia Act 2019 and the board's Landscape Plan (this can be accessed online).
- Currently the Landscape Board has two major running projects that directly feed into the Landscape Plan:
  - 1) An Economy Recovery Plan in the Cuddlee Creek area. The Landscape Board has partnered up with both Mt Barker and Adelaide Hills Council on one part of this project, which has seen additional funding being provided towards roadside management and weed control in those council areas.
  - 2) Landscapes Priority Funds Project. This will be an ongoing project, which has received funding for 2 years, but a five-year work plan is currently being created to ensure continuance). This project will see involvement of all 6 councils that fall within the Landscape Boards footprint. Roadside and verge management funding will occur, as well as seeing involvement of private landowners to remove priority pest from roadsides and properties.
- More projects are on the agenda for the Landscape Board, but manage other areas than what was the focus of the discussion at this AMLR BMC.

ACTION: A Landscape Plan Guide will be provided to the committee. A link to this can also be found on the Landscape Board website.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE:

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6.1	28/7/2021	Email – Information regarding grant for heritage agreement blocks
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6.2 Email – Various Agency Reports in

OUT

6.3	29/6/2021	Email – Draft Minutes from June meeting
6.4	5/7/2021	Email – Introduction of new action Region 1 Prevention Officer, Adrian Parente
6.5	15/7/2021	Email – Letter to Ben Della Torre re clarification of Landscape Board roles and functions.
6.6	29/7/2021	Email – Brochure and Bushfire Safety Guide order request
6.7	29/7/2021	Email – Information regarding grant for heritage agreement blocks

6.8 4/8/2021 Email – Bushfire Management Plan information

6.9 6/8/2021 Email – Meeting Invite & Report call 6.10 12/8/2021 Email – Reminder for reports

6.11 13/8/2021 Email – AMLR BMC Agenda, Agency Reports, Annual Reporting Reminder

6.12 Email – Follow up Emails with late reports

Chair reminded committee to forward agency reports by cut-off date, to ensure everyone has enough time to read documents, follow up as needed and to reduce workload on admin support.

#### 7. BUSINESS ITEMS

7.1

#### **Agency Reports**

7.1.1 CCSA -

In addition to report: nil

7.1.2 <u>CFSVA</u> –

In addition to report: nil

7.1.3 <u>DEW</u> –

In addition to report: nil

7.1.4 DTI –

No Report. Not present at meeting

7.1.5 <u>Forestry SA</u> –

In addition to report: nil

7.1.6 Hills & Fleurieu Landscape Board -

No Report. See Minute Item 5.2 for discussion

- 7.1.7 Primary Producers VACANT
- 7.1.8 <u>SAMFS</u> –

In addition to report: nil

7.1.9 SAPOL -

In addition to report: nil

#### 7.1.10 SA Water -

**In addition to report:** CCSA: "Did opening up reservoirs to the public had implications on bushfire readiness/preparation?" D. Loveder explained that this was assessed but would likely not impact on any operational challenges. A key mechanism to this was to keep locations closed on Total Fire Ban Days. Some additional changes may still be implemented later, depending on visitation numbers at specific locations.

# 7.2 Local Government

Adelaide Hills Council – In addition to report: nil

<u>Campbelltown City Council</u> – **In addition to report:** nil

<u>City of Burnside</u> – **No report:** nil

City of Marion -

In addition to report: Compliance inspection dates have been brought forward to early October

to allow for legislated timeframes for landowners.

City of Mitcham -

In addition to report: nil

City of Onkaparinga -

In addition to report: nil

City of Playford –

In addition to report: nil

City of Salisbury -

In addition to report: nil

<u>City of Tea Tree Gully</u> – **In addition to report:** nil

Mt Barker District Council – In addition to report: nil

The Barossa Council—
In addition to report: nil

Town of Gawler –

In addition to report: nil

#### 7.2.2 <u>CFS Community Engagement</u> – No Report

Chair advised that Natasha Huber is on leave currently and Sarah Harris will be joining team to backfill vacant position.

#### 7.2.3 Bushfire Management Planning Unit -

In addition to Report – List of amendments to assets that has come out of Annual Reporting data collection is being collated and will be distributed once complete.

#### 7.2.4 Bushfire Amendments – nil

#### 8.1 Permit Issuing Guidelines

- Changes to legislations in the Fire & Emergency Services Act have been proclaimed and are currently with Crown Law to review & advise.
- Exec. Officer recommended that more consistency needs to be achieved across the state with regards to permit issuing guidelines, in particular weather conditions and burn timeframes for Sched. 9 permits for broad-acre burns.
- The committee will need to examine, whether a 4-week timeframe needs to be provided by the land owner, during which the burn is being conducted and weather conditions need to be considered on the day of the burn as well as 2 days after.
- Suggestion was made to adopt the above for pile burns as well. Some councils have adopted this already

ACTION 1: Exec. Officer to update committee of legislation changes post review.

ACTION 2: Draft permit issuing guidelines to be presented at the next AMLR BMC meeting for endorsement.

Proposal: City of Tea Tree Gully Seconded: CFS VA Motion: Carried

#### 8.2 Annual Reporting Guidelines

- A text report for all BMC's is in draft and will be circulated to each committee next week. These reports will cover meeting attendance, guorums, major issues discussed, outcomes, etc.
- A data report is also in draft and will be circulated to the committee next week.
- Before both documents are submitted to the SBCC, an electronic vote will occur for BMC members to endorse these.

ACTION: Circulate draft reports to BMC members for out of session electronic vote for endorsement.

An electronic vote has occurred since the meeting and the AMLR BMC annual report has been endorsed. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes. Thank you everyone for your quick action.

#### 9 BMC Induction Workshop for members & deputies

- New term for BMC committees, which sees several new committee members joining
- BMC is also moving to a more independent, transparent, and legislated committee
- Workshop gave an introduction on committee guidelines, responsibilities and changes that have occurred.

An electronic copy of the induction workshop will be circulated to the committee before the next meeting. An example graph of the report data is attached to the Minutes.

#### 10 Urgent Business

#### 11 Meeting Close

The next meeting is scheduled to be held 15th October 2021 – Location to be announced

#### Voting for Deputy Chair will occur at next meeting

Meeting closed: 12:30pm

### 2020 Meeting Dates