FRV's Bushfire Capabilities & Response



Supporting State Arrangements

- FRV provides support to State Arrangements Including:
 - State Response Controllers.
 - State Agency Commanders.
 - Regional Controllers.
 - Regional Agency Commanders and
 - Incident Management Team with our Operational and Corporate staff.
- FRV support Regional and Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committees



Supporting State Arrangements, Cont.

- State Review Teams reviewing State Doctrine (e.g. SEMP / LMAP review)
- FRV is well positioned to support potential High-Risk Weather with:
 - State Aviation capability
 - Aircraft Systems (RPAS).
 - Ground Intelligence and Impact Assessment Teams.
 - Strike Teams (asset protection).
 - Community Support Personal.
 - Fire Investigation Unit.
 - Swift Water Rescue capability.





Strengthening Interoperability With Partner Agencies

FRV works with its partner agencies through:

- Joint arrangements with agencies such as CFA and DEECA
- MOUs are in place to reduce ambiguity between the respective agency legislative requirements.
- > JSOP's for Incident control and fire ground Interoperability.
- MOUs allow for FRV Staff to work across agencies
- FRV are signatories to a Local Mutual Aid Plans (LMAPs) ensuring resource support in the multi-agency environment.



Preparing our people for the high-risk season

- FRV "All Staff Briefings" ahead of the summer season.
- Subjects include Command functions, Weather, State Arrangements.
- FRV staff involvement Regional Briefings as participants .
- FRV briefing providing our Corporate Staff for emergency management roles.
- In addition, our staff with specialised skills have attended skills maintenance sessions.



Preparing and planning with the community

- FRV is working with DEECA and CFA to deliver a coordinated media campaign to target people who live, work and travel in areas of high bushfire risk.
- FRV are actively promoting state Digital Fire Permit system.
- FRVs Multicultural Liaison Officers (MLO's) are engaging with communities to deliver bushfire safety messages.
- FRV is integrated through the State, Regional and Municipal level planning.
- We will continue to promote the AFDRS with our partner agencies through a joint media campaign.



Continuous Improvement in agency readiness

- FRV's RPAS program.
- RPAS has been utilised for a wide variety of incidents from fires to floods as well as assisting Victoria Police at incidents.
- RPAS was utilised in the recent flooding event throughout parts of Victoria and will be a key resource for incident controllers this summer season.





Continuous Improvement in agency readiness, Cont.

- The Grass and Scrub response system provides the integration of FRV resources with CFA, including incident management personnel, directly into response escalation.
- The system improves firefighter and community safety.
- FRV's Performance and Assurance team actively promote After Action Reviews.
- FRV is reviewing the simulation products



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Thank you

