

SEYMOUR RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

OVERALL PLAN 2020-2021

Key Activities

The Seymour Rural Fire Brigade (RFB) area is located at the northern end of the Hinchinbrook Shire and is bordered by Girringun National Park to the northwest, the Seymour River to the east and the Herbert River to the south. The Brigade's key activities/services include:

- Identify, map and monitor fuel load in the Seymour RFB Area. Identified risk areas will have plans developed to reduce risk of uncontrolled wild fires;
- Brigade Training Training will be ongoing as is available from Division. Also the Brigade will take part in cross training with the Urban Fire Fighters, including training them in our methods. This is part of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service goal of a better understanding between the two divisions;
- Ongoing costs to maintain and repair and upgrade or equipment;
- Response to Wildfires;
- Ongoing maintenance plan for the rural fire vehicle, replacing tyres and batteries as part of ongoing wear and tear. Modification to carry additional equipment is also ongoing; and
- Upgrade Communication Equipment Purchase handheld radios.

2. The rateable land to which the Special Charge applies:

The special rate will apply to all rateable land situated within the area identified on the map numbered 2020/2.

3. Cost of implementing this Overall Plan:

The Brigade has advised Council that the cost of implementing the Plan for 2020-2021 is likely to cost \$1,696 for operational costs. Unused funds will be set aside towards the longer-term plan to build a new Fire Station.

The Brigade has requested Council to levy each parcel of rateable land an amount of \$40 per annum for at least the next year. This charge will raise \$7,570 per annum to be contributed to the Seymour Rural Fire Brigade.

4. Estimated time for implementing this Overall Plan:

This Overall Plan covers the 2020-2021 financial year. It is reviewed, and updated as required, on an annual basis.

5. Legal Parameters

Local Government Act 2009 Local Government Regulation 2012 Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990

Associated Documents

2020-2021 Revenue Statement

Seymour Rural Fire Brigade Area Map 2020/2

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