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Plan 12 – Community Land Management Plan for Emergency Services Reserves



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This Management Plan should be read in conjunction to the Introductory Information in Plan 1, which includes general information that relates to each individual plan.

This Management Plan pertains to all community land that has been placed into the category Emergency Services including that portion of multi-use sites that have a Passive Recreation component.

All of these reserves house Country Fire Services operational bases and one also houses a South Australian Ambulance Service operational base.

Adelaide Hills Council contains much of the highest bushfire risk country in South Australia. During the course of European settlement in South Australia there have been many catastrophic bushfires throughout the Council area, with loss of life and significant property loss. For the protection of the residents, visitors and property of the Adelaide Hills Council area it is essential that emergency services have suitable operational bases for their life and property saving activities.

Adelaide Hills Council provides over 20 locations for Country Fire Service (CFS) stations spread across the Council area, as well as one ambulance station. These are small reserves that have the purpose of providing sufficient land for emergency services buildings and parking. Two CFS stations at Cherryville and Montacute within the Council area are located on road reserves. As road reserves are excluded from the definition of community land, these two stations are not subject to this community land management plan.

Ambulance stations provide a base for emergency response to critical incidents that endanger human life.

Not all CFS and ambulance stations within the area of Council are located on land owned by Council. Those stations not located on Council's community land are not subject to this plan.

For security of occupation, long term leases are in place for all land in this category. If there is a change in the name of the Lessee, this will not constitute a change in the management plan for Emergency Services reserves.

Improvements on reserves in the Emergency Services category

The following improvements are consistent with the purpose of the land in this category:

- The construction or upgrading of buildings for the housing of emergency services vehicles and operational facilities.
- Parking areas for the staff and volunteers that operate from the operational facilities.
- Towers for drying hoses at CFS stations.
- Training facilities that are consistent with emergency services operations.

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Objectives

- To support the activities of emergency services by providing suitable locations for their operational bases throughout the area of Adelaide Hills Council.

Performance Targets

- Suitable locations are available throughout the area of Adelaide Hills Council for the operational bases of emergency services.
- Emergency services operational bases located on community land of Adelaide Hills Council have long term security of tenure.

Performance Measures

- The Minister for Emergency Services, or the successor to that position, or Ministerial delegates are satisfied with the provision of locations for emergency services operational bases by Adelaide Hills Council.
- All emergency services operational bases located on land of Adelaide Hills Council have long term leases in place.