



Local Emergency Management Committee Minutes

7 May 2024

CITY OF BUSSELTONAGENDA FOR THE LEMC MEETING TO BE HELD ON 7 May 2024

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member opened the meeting at 02:01pm.

The Presiding Member noted the meeting is held on the lands of the Wadandi people and acknowledged them as Traditional Owners, paying respect to their Elders, past and present and Aboriginal Elders of other communities who may be present.

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Attendance - Members

Phill Cronin	City of Busselton, Mayor (Presiding Member)
Anne Ryan	City of Busselton, Deputy Mayor
Jodie Richards	City of Busselton, Councillor
Rachel Runco	City of Busselton, Manager Community Services
Matt du Plessis	City of Busselton, Community Emergency Services Manager
Rob Saunders	City of Busselton, Airport Compliance Officer
Peter Thomas	DFES, District Officer Capes
Des Austin	State Emergency Service
James Bradley	WAPOL, OIC Busselton
Jon Adams	WAPOL, OIC Dunsborough
Renee Flaxman	Department of Communities, Regional Emergency Coordinator
Neil Guise	Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development (via Teams)
Deborah Symonds	Busselton Jetty Inc.
Josh Jackson	Water Corporation (via Teams)
Jodie Omodei	WA Country Health Service
Dion Spurgeon	City of Busselton, Environmental Health Coordinator
Jennifer May	City of Busselton, Manager Airport
Adrian Fisher	City of Busselton, Recreation & Community Development Coordinator
Neil McKay	City of Busselton, Bushfire Mitigation Officer
Tanya Simpson	City of Busselton, Ranger & Emergency Services Admin Officer
Wayne Credaro	Busselton SES (via Teams)
James Bradley	WAPOL, OIC Busselton
Jon Adams	WAPOL, OIC Dunsborough
Daniel Anderson	WA Health Services, Coordinator of Nursing & Midwifery
Ed Hatherley	Department of Biodiversity Conservation & Attractions
Craig Thornton	Western Power

Attendance – Guests

Fiona Graham	Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions
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Apologies

Shane Bryant	Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development
Erin Hutchins	Department of Fire & Emergency Services
Luke Fowles	St John Ambulance

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of Minutes from meeting held **31 October 2023**

Moved: Matt du Plessis, City of Busselton/DFES

Seconded: James Bradley, WAPOL CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING

Department of Communities circulated Local Emergency Welfare Plan to LEMC members.

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Tabled and accepted by the Committee.

6. PRESENTATION

6.1 Fiona Graham, Department of Biodiversity Conservation & Attractions spoke to the LEMC members about the recent whale stranding in Quindalup 25th April. Fiona spoke on the timeline of events and outcomes as well as incorporating learnings into a new marine mammal response manual.

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7. OFFICER/AGENCY REPORTS

- 7.1 LEMC Executive Officer, Matt du Plessis – Attachment 1
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 - Busselton Jetty – WHS Advisor, Deborah Symonds
 - Busselton Water – Technical Officer, Keith Mungham
 - DFES – District Officer Emergency Management, Nathan Hall
 - DFES – State Emergency Service, Des Austin
 - WA Country Health Service, Jodie Omodei/Daniel Anderson
 - WAPOL – OIC Busselton, Snr Sgt James Bradley
 - WAPOL – OIC Dunsborough, Sgt Robbie Fay
 - St John Ambulance, Luke Fowles

8. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

9. **UPCOMING EVENTS**

DATES AND TIMES	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDANCE
MAY 2024			
Sat 01/05/2024 – 7.30am – 12pm Sun 2/05/2024 – 7.30am – 3.30pm	Busselton Festival of Triathlon	Busselton Foreshore (east of Jetty) Barnard Park West, Churchill Park (Parking)	8000
Sun 12/05/2024 7am – 5.30pm	Margaret River Ultra Marathon – 42km Race (additional to MRUM on Sat)	Yallingup – Howard Park Winery	400
Fri 17/05/2024 4.30am – 6.30pm	Forest Rally Ceremonial Start	Busselton Foreshore Stage & Amphitheatre	750

10. **DESKTOP EXERCISE – Chemical Spill**

Desktop exercise ran through a Hazmat Chemical Spill involving Chlorine Gas. Discussions were had on the potential consequences of a chlorine gas leak, highlighting the importance of multi-agency collaboration and differing agencies response strategies.

Some of the lessons learned was that there would be:

- [Major impact on resources for WAPOL](#)
- [Multiple road closures and major traffic diversions](#)
- [Consider additional electronic signage \(VMS\)](#)
- [There would be two seperate Hazards:](#)
 - [HAZMAT – DFES](#)
 - [Road Crash – WAPOL](#)
 - [WAPOL would take the lead , however DFES would run the HAZMAT](#)

Further discussions on future Desktop Exercises ideas, - Possible scenarios to consider include:

- [Air crash](#)
- [Terrorism](#)
- [Power Failure](#)
- [Busselton Jetty incident](#)
- [Communications Failure](#)
- [Incident during major Event season](#)
- [Electric vehicle Fire – Dunsborough](#)

11. **CLOSURE AND NEXT MEETING**

Meeting closed at: 3:22pm

Next meeting: 29 October 2024

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Attachment 7.1 LEMC Executive Officer

Agency: City of Busselton

Officer Representing: Matt du Plessis

1.1. Correspondence

All relevant correspondence and information regarding emergency management legislation, policies and other information is provided via email to LEMC members in a timely manner. Correspondence queries can be made by contacting city@busselton.wa.gov.au

2. Confirmation of LEMA Contact Details

Appendix 4 of the LEMA is the Contacts, Special Needs Groups, Resources and Critical Infrastructure Directory. It is reviewed and updated on a quarterly basis and distributed accordingly.

Since the last LEMC meeting the Contacts Directory was updated and distributed in:

- June 2023
- September 2023
- December 2023
- April 2024 – *for review*

3. Incident Support Group (ISG) Activations

There were no ISG activations since last meeting.

4. Training Exercises

- The City of Busselton and DFES completed an Operational Support and Recovery Discovery Exercise (DISCEX) on the 12th March 2024.
- The aim was to review the City of Busselton's understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the Operational Support and Recovery positions in response to a Level 2 Incident within its municipal boundary.
- The main objectives achieved were:
 - Explore staff's understanding of their designated operational support or recovery positions.
 - Explore the City's Business Continuity Plan to identify its ability to maintain key operational functions, whilst supporting the Hazard Management Agency to manage a level 2 incident.

5. Future Meeting Dates

Future meeting dates are as follows:

- 29 October 2024
- 6 May 2025
- 28 October 2025
- 5th May 2026

Attachment 7.2 District Emergency Management Advisor – South West

Agency: Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Officer Representing: Erin Hutchins

The last meeting of the **State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC)** was held on the 6 March 2024. SEMC Communiques can be found [here](#).

2024 SEMC MEETING SCHEDULE

- May
- August
- October
- December

STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DOCUMENTS**State EM Document Amendments**

The State EM Policy Branch of the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) administers the review and consultation of the State emergency management documents in consultation with relevant stakeholders.

To maintain accuracy and currency of the documents, they are reviewed annually for statement of fact changes and must undergo a comprehensive review every 5 years.

To assist with our ongoing review of the documents please advise the State EM Policy Branch if you have identified any errors in a State EM document [here](#).

CONSULTATION REQUESTS

You can view all current consultations on the [Engage WA EM consultation homepage](#)

DISTRICT NEWS

The **District Emergency Management Committee (DEMC)** was held on Tuesday 19 March 2024. The next meeting is scheduled for October 2024.

LOCAL NEWS

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Please check the due date for your five-yearly LEMA reviews and allow a minimum of six months to complete the LEMA review process. Funding opportunities are available to assist.

GRANT PROGRAM UPDATES

The State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) oversees the distribution of grant funding to support activities that reduce disaster risk and enhance WA's resilience to disasters.

Information on funding opportunities can be found [here](#).

Please contact semc.grants@dfes.wa.gov.au for further information on the grant programs.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

WALGA offer Emergency Management training for Local Government

Local Governments have an essential role in Emergency Management due to their legislated responsibilities and links to the community. The way emergencies are managed is critical to the safety and sustainability of communities, ensuring the effective functioning of the Local Government and their staff. WALGA offer Emergency Management training courses such as;

- Emergency Management Fundamentals
- Emergency Management Foundations for Local Government
- Emergency Management for Local Government Leaders
- Community Disaster Recovery
- Recovery Coordinators Course for Local Government

All of these courses are valuable in that they build connections and networks with members of other Local Governments across the State, further enhancing information sharing and building capacity.

Further information can be found [here](#).

SECTOR UPDATES

2024 Resilient Australia Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2024 Resilient Australia Awards, a program that celebrates and promotes outstanding initiatives that foster community resilience to disasters and emergencies across the nation. These awards recognise exceptional contributions in seven categories, showcasing the efforts to enhance our collective preparedness, response, and recovery capabilities. Projects or initiatives must have commenced after 1 January 2022 or demonstrate significant outcomes or enhancements since that date. Nominations close on **31 May 2024**. For further details and to submit nominations, visit the [Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience website](#).

Emergency WA

Emergency WA has now been linked to the State Government Services WA App. Users can opt in to receive location-based notifications of bushfire warnings. Find out more [here](#).

2023 Emergency Preparedness Report

The 2023 Emergency Preparedness Report has now been published and is accessible via the [SEMC website](#).

The State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) produces the Emergency Preparedness Report annually for the Minister for Emergency Services.

This report is a snapshot in time of the level of emergency management capability and preparedness we have, as a state, to manage before, during and after emergency events. It highlights our strengths, weaknesses and areas for improvement statewide, and combines the input from about 170 agencies.

This style of reporting started in 2012 following catastrophic fire emergencies in the preceding fire season. As the only state in Australia to develop such a report for ministerial engagement, it has become a key reference for emergency preparedness in WA.

2022-23 Major Incidents Report and Australia's Riskscape

The Major Incidents Report 2022-23 and Australia's Riskscape Report Showcase webinar is now available to watch online, [here](#). The webinar identifies key factors in the systemic risk landscape that shape the risk, impacts and recovery from natural disaster.

The report identifies unique aspects of incidents and shares observations from managing them so the EM sector can plan and improve.

LEMC

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Attachment 7.3 Senior Policy Officer

Agency: Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development

Officer Representing: Shane Bryant

For Awareness Only:

Please note - there are currently no Biosecurity (Plant and Animal Pest & Diseases) Incidents or Incursions in the South West of Western Australia.

Attachment 7.4 District Officer Capes

Agency: Department of Fire & Emergency Services

Officer Representing: Peter Thomas

- **International Firefighters Day**

In recognition of International Firefighters' Day, the Department of Fire and Emergency Services will conduct a service at the Busselton Fire and Rescue Station. The service will be conducted on Saturday the 4th of May starting at 1000.

- **Wooroloo Bushfire Review Recommendations**

The WA Government requested the Australasian Fire and Emergency Service Authorities Council Limited (AFAC) to undertake an independent operational review of the fire operations leading up to and during the Wooroloo bushfire of February 2021.

The Wooroloo Bushfire Review was publicly released on 29 March 2022 with various recommendations to enhance prevention, preparedness, response and recovery to bushfire in WA.

The WA Government directed the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) to lead the response to the 13 recommendations.

DFES established the Wooroloo Implementation Coordination Group to oversee the Government's response, and appointed project leads to manage responses to each of the recommendations.

An online resource - Update on the Government response to the Wooroloo review - has been developed to provide all interested community members and stakeholders with regular progress reports for each recommendation.

The resource was released in March 2023, August 2023, and the most recent update was released in February 2024 and is available on the WA Government Website.

- **WAFES Conference 2024**

A fitting theme, plus two fascinating keynote speakers, have been confirmed for the 2024 WAFES Conference. Held at Crown Perth on Friday 6 and Saturday 7 September, the 2024 WAFES Conference will explore the theme of Yesterday, today, tomorrow: celebrating our heritage, embracing innovation and planning for the challenges of the future.

Two engaging keynote speakers have also been confirmed for the 2024 WAFES Conference:

- Dr Alan Thompson – best-selling author and world expert in artificial intelligence.
 - Kendall Whyte – 2022 WA Young Australian of the Year and founder of the Blue Tree Project.
- This year, a change to the registration process will give volunteers the opportunity to self-nominate and be considered for a place at the conference. BGUs are also encouraged to put forward volunteers for this unique learning and networking opportunity, with nominations open from 1 May to 5 June.

- **Bushfire Season**

This year's High Threat period (bushfire season) was extended to the 11th of April for the LSW region. The region did extend the on call and zones responses until the 26th of April.

This has been a long and dry season, with the risk of fires still a concern. This was evident by the recent fires near Walpole. With the opening of the prescribed burning season by most Local Governments there is great concern that many people may not be used to the dryer than normal conditions and we could potentially see an increase in escaped burns.

Attachment 7.5 Regional Coordinator

Agency: Department of Communities

Officer Representing: Renee Flaxman

Communities Recovery Activities**1. Kimberley Floods Recovery Program**

- The Kimberley Floods Recovery program has moved into its second year, with a revised focus on community resilience and wellbeing with an aim of creating a way forward for the community post the floods.
- Communities maintains community recovery officers at the Fitzroy Crossing Flood Hub operated by the Shire of Derby West Kimberley, working in partnership with the Shire, DFES, DPIRD and other partner agencies to deliver the outcomes of the State Recovery and Resilience Plan.
- [Kimberley-Floods-State-Recovery-and-Resilience-plan-2023-2024.pdf \(website-files.com\)](#)
- Communities is managing the recovery needs of individuals, families and communities impacted by the flood. This is called the Social domain and is focused on safety, security, shelter, health, the psychosocial wellbeing of displaced individuals and community resilience.

Communities also manages a component of the infrastructure and built environment Domain, with recovery activities focussed on clean-up, repair and reconstruction of buildings homes and roads.

2. Mariginiup Fires Recovery Program

- Communities is supporting the City of Wanneroo to deliver the psychosocial wellbeing and financial support elements of the recovery program.
- Communities has engaged several psychologists to support impacted resident referrals and has delivered a financial assistance package aimed at supporting the replacement of essential household items damaged in the fires.
- Communities is currently supporting the City with site visits to damaged properties to commence the clean-up program to ensure residents have access to support services if required.

[Mariginiup Bushfire Recovery Information.pdf](#)

State-wide audit evacuation centres

- Department of Communities (Communities) is finalising audits of the State's nominated evacuation centres.
- The audits are to identify hazard-specific risks relevant to the region and to identify opportunities for local governments to upgrade facilities to mitigate these risks.
- Communities would like to engage with local governments (LGs) and WALGA to discuss opportunities through the Disaster Ready Fund grants for 2025 to improve these facilities and mitigate risks in emergency events.

Reach out to your Emergency Relief and Support Regional Coordinator or email erspartners@communities.wa.gov.au for more information.

Disaster Ready Fund

Several LGs in Western Australia (WA) submitted applications for the Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) in 2024 to support the improvement of their facilities used as evacuation centres.

Communities had the opportunity to review LGs applications for the Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) provided to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) for 2024 and assessed that the projects would contribute to the State's ability to provide emergency accommodation for evacuating communities. All applications were considered suitable to progress for further consideration in the DRF process.

Communities 2023/24 High Threat Season Activations

The Department of Communities' Emergency Relief and Support (ERS) Directorate would like to acknowledge and thank all of our local and state partners for the assistance and support provided over the 2023-24 season.

Since October 2023, there has been a total of forty events supported by Communities including:

- Activation under the AUSRECEPLAN– Israel and Gaza repatriation
- Pre-planning undertaken for 3 high threat weather events, which did not result in activation.
- 457 People were supported during events through our client management system
- 1 Active and declared recovery event (under Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements) - Mariginiup Fire.
- Just prior to Christmas 2023, there were 6 activations supported by Communities over just 2 days (20-22 December).

Our team looks forward to working with you all over the coming months as we prepare for the 2024-25 season.

Local EM Information**1. Evacuation Centre Training**

This will be a priority for all the regions over the next 6 months. Communities would like to request that all LEMC members please identify staff that require training. We recommend that this training be conducted in a gazetted evacuation centre but can explore alternate facilities if required.

2. Exercising

Please ensure that the Department is invited to any exercises relating to EM. We would be happy to consider an inject to this exercise if it is appropriate.

3. Activations

South West Communities staff have been activated to stand up 6 evacuation centres in the region since the start of the season:

- SoDardanup - Eaton Bushfire (21st to 22nd December 2023) – Evacuation Centre opened at Eaton Recreation Centre then moved to Eaton Boomers Football Club
- SoCollie - Coolongatta Bushfire (11th to 12th January 2024) – Evacuation Centre opened at Roche Park

- SoNannup – Jalbarragup Millbrook State Forest Bushfire (17th to 18th January 2024) Evacuation Centre opened at Nannup Recreation Centre
- SoHarvey – Leschenault and Australind Bushfire (27th February 2024) – Evacuation Centre opened at Eaton Recreation Centre
- Capel – Harewoods Bushfire (10th March to 11th March 2024) – South West Sports Centre
- SoManjimup – Walpole Middle Road Complex Bushfire (26th to 27th April 2024) – Evacuation Centre opened at Walpole Recreation Centre.

4. ERS Stream 1 Regional Preparedness and Coordination

Sharon Austin has completed her acting position of ERS Regional Officer.

Attachment 7.6

Agency: City of Busselton
Officer Representing: Jennifer May – Airport Manager
Matters to be discussed: BMRA Update.

The BMRA continues to see consistent growth in passenger numbers with Jetstar RPT services and closed charter flights operating during the reporting period.

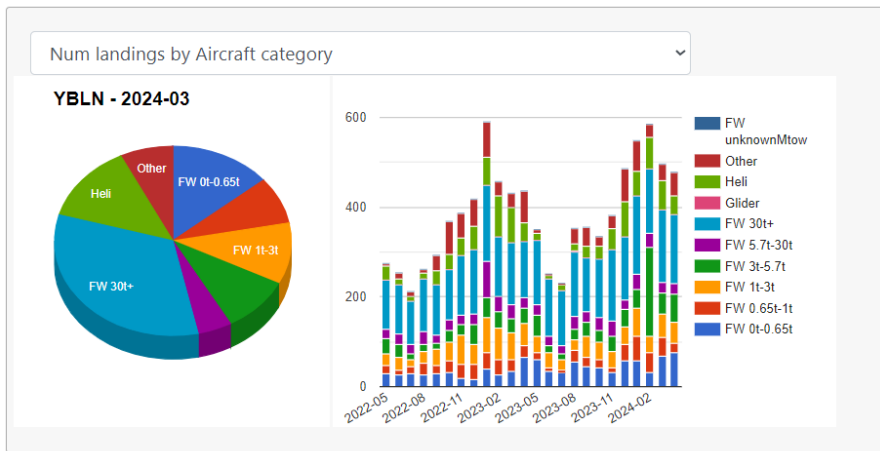
Operations:

The total number of scheduled services operating from the BMRA as of the end of April 2024 37 flights per week, with 31 Fly in Fly out (FIFO) closed charter and 6 RPT services.

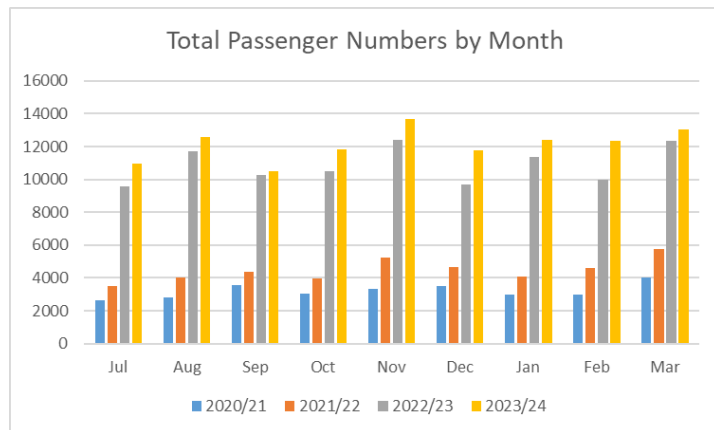
Jetstar commenced a new schedule from the 1 April with 3 direct Melbourne services and 3 direct Sydney service per week. Five airlines are operating from the BMRA with RPT and closed charter services utilising the following aircraft types;

- Dash 8/300
- Fokker100 (96 seats)
- Airbus A320 (183 and 186 seats)
- Boeing 737/700 & B737/800 (138 and 173 seats)

For the 2022/23 FY there was 5319 landings compared to 5186 landings in the 2021/22 FY. The following graph represent the breakdown of landings by Maximum Take Off Weight (MTOW) at BMRA by month since May 2022.



The passenger numbers for the 2022/23 FY were 135,700 compared to 69,120 for the 2021/22, representing an increase of over 196%. The continued increase in passenger numbers can be attributed to the growth in FIFO passenger numbers across all closed charter airlines and Jetstar RPT services. The total number of passengers passing through the Airport to the 31 March 2024 was 109,188 compared to 97,804 for the same period in 2022/23.



Reportable Incidents – 2023/24

- Security incidents reported to CISC - 12 reportable incidents – security equipment failures & secondary screening measures implemented, CCTV failure, Screened passenger incident.
- Security incidents not reported to CISC – 6 incidents (gates left open; ASICs)
- Bird Strikes – 7 reported ATSB

Operational & Capital Projects for 2023/24

- Aerodrome emergency exercise - completed
- Master Plan 2023 - completed
- RFDS relocation project - completed
- General Aviation precinct apron reseal - completed
- Central Apron CCTV – due to be complete by July 2024
- General Aviation hangars – 1 x lease executed
- Runway strip compliance works – commencing on the 26th of May 2024

Emergency Exercise Update

The City is required to conduct an aerodrome emergency exercise annually, alternating between a field exercise and desktop. As the field exercise was unable to be held in later 2023, the City undertook to start with a field exercise to the point of handover to the WAPOL and then complete the exercise as a desktop with the critical emergency management agencies. The exercise was named Exercise Collision and is detailed below.

Exercise COLLISION

Flight BUSO1, an RPT, A320 Jetstar aircraft, call sign JQ9999 is parked on the central apron bay 10 with 6 crew on board for a departure time of 1045 (local) to Melbourne. All passengers have disembarked the aircraft from the inbound flight and are in the arrival's hall waiting for their luggage. There are also unknown number of family and friends waiting to meet incoming passengers. The ground handling staff (SWAS) have 8 staff members on the ramp doing the turnaround luggage unloading/loading, waste, and water operations. At the same time BMRA Airport reporting officer (ARO 3) has commenced refuelling, the fuel truck has 15,000 litres in the truck. At 1000 flight BUSO1 check-in is closed, the last passengers are going through security screening and boarding is ready to commence with 150 passengers. There is an unknown number of the public and 5 SWAS staff in the terminal departure building.

At approximately 1015 a B737 aircraft BUSO2, Call sign VA9999 closed charter flight with NIL freight, 4 crew and 45 passengers lands and has been assigned to park on bay 11 on the central apron. There are 4 SWAS

staff members on bay 11 waiting for VA9999 to arrive at the parking bay. Soon after landing VA9999 pulls onto the central apron and the wing of BUSO2 collides with the aircraft tail of BUSO1. BUSO2 immediately stops taxiing, located behind BUSO1, The ground handling staff (SWAS) in operations with BUSO1 notices liquid (assume Jet Fuel) pouring out of the wing of BUSO2 and running onto the apron towards BUSO1. They immediately report the situation to the ARO (SAFETY 1) located on the central apron in the safety vehicle. The ARO (SAFETY 1) activates the Aerodrome Emergency Plan by calling 000 and requests full emergency response for an aircraft incident.

The following actions below were raised during the desktop component of the exercise for action/improvement and to be incorporated in the aerodrome emergency plan of by the respective agencies;

- BMRA Aerodrome reporting officer (ARO) setup the forward command post (FCP) and taking control of the incident – Internal training to be conducted to ensure multiple locations can be utilised for FCP location.
- BMRA incident handover to WAPOL, ensure the correct and required information is given in the handover – Internal training for airport staff to gather the correct and required information, a checklist to be created for the AEP kit, training with airport contractors (SWAS) to gather airline information and information that can be released by the airline.
- BMRA to have information for the refuelling truck (blast radius, DG requirements) – BMRA to add Air BP manuals/procedures to the AEP kit.
- BMRA to have a nominated incident controller person for emergencies, each agency to have an incident controller at the incident control point for all agency communications – BMRA to nominate as required.
- BMRA Aerodrome Emergency Plan contacts list not updated – Update the contact list/AEP to be made and sent out to required agencies.
- Locations and areas at the airport that can be used for passenger holding areas, Triage, Incident control points and resources at these locations – Create a map of locations that can be utilized, procurement processes for the resources required (chairs, shades, water)
- BMRA gate codes to be given to emergency services – BMRA to send updated gate code to required agencies.
- BMRA familiarization walk/drive around the airport areas for new staff/refresh within the agencies - BMRA will continue to support the agencies required in operations or emergencies and will hold familiarization sessions at the airport when available.
- Agencies to have different coloured and labelled tabards to identify agencies – BMRA to purchase tabards for COB.
- BMRA have one staff member (ARO) on site on weekends – In the event of an emergency BMRA to use airport contractors (AMS, SWAS) where possible until BMRA airport staff have arrived on site.

The next emergency exercise will be a full emergency exercise in September 2024.



Attachment 7.7

Agency: Water Corporation

Officer Representing: Josh Jackson, Operations Manager Leeuwin

Matters to be discussed:**Incidents**

No incidents to report since the last meeting.

Current Projects**10 Mile UV upgrade-**

Project completed allowing more peak water delivery during the high consumption periods and during incidents.

General

We have seen an increase in questions around our ability to supply water during the long dry spells we have been experiencing, including taking on additional/ new customers' needs via Water Carters and standpipes.

All our schemes have been running within the Standard Operational plans and within current supply capacities. We have seen an increase on demand across all schemes over the last few years and planning is underway to ensure we are well placed to deliver services in line with the drying climate.

Attachment 7.8

Agency: Western Power

Officer Representing: Craig Thornton, Acting Team Leader

Matters to be discussed:**Prevention & Preparedness Activities**

- Western Power continues to monitor and assess high risk events that may impact the network.
- Vegetation management is conducted annually as part of our internal BAU processes.

Response to emergencies

- No Level 2/3 emergencies have occurred in the South West District since the last COB meeting.
- Western Power has not been required to activate its Emergency Management Team (EMT) for any incidents in the South West since the last COB meeting.

Recovery Activities

- Western Power has conducted minor Recovery Activities for storm damage in the South West District since the last COB meeting. The most recent incidents being the electrical storm just last week where there were a few transformers damaged by lightning strikes.

Emerging Risks for COB awareness

- None to report.