

## State Emergency Management Documents Amendments List December 2021

The following list identifies amendments to suite of State emergency management documents came into effect on 15 December 2021 (unless otherwise specified below).

On 07 May 2021, State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) approved statement of fact amendments and /or amendments to improve the inclusivity and accessibility of the documents (resolution number 32/2021). Redesigned documents have previously been published on 10 June 2021 and 7 October 2021. Additional redesigned documents will be released in due course.

On 3 December 2021, SEMC approved amendments to the State EM Policy and State EM Plan to extend the recovery arrangements provided under Appendix AA for the rest of the period of the COVID-19 State Recovery Controller Appointment (resolution number 92/2021). In addition, new and updated versions of State Hazard Plans were approved for publication (resolution numbers 99/2021 and 100/2021).

On 13 August 2022, SEMC approved State Hazard Plan – Severe Weather (Interim) (resolution number 52/2021). Following the approval, additional consultation within DFES was required prior to the publication of this plan.

All new and reviewed documents have been redesigned to improve inclusivity and accessibility.

Redactions are shown in red strikethrough text and additions are shown with highlighted underlined text. Please email [semc.policylegislation@dfes.wa.gov.au](mailto:semc.policylegislation@dfes.wa.gov.au) to provide feedback or comment.

### Generic Amendments to All Updated State Emergency Management Documents

Amendment	Comment
State emergency management documents reissued in new accessible designs.	To comply with accessibility standards.
Version, SEMC resolution number, Date of Approval and Date of Effect added to cover and footers as applicable.	Version control
The Australian Government's Crisis Coordination Centre (CCC) updated to Australian Government National Situation Room (NSR)	Statement of fact amendment
All references to St John Ambulance Australia (Western Australia) Inc. amended to St John Ambulance Western Australia Ltd. (SJA)	Statement of fact amendment

Amendment	Comment
All references to 'Westplan' removed.	Statement of fact amendment With the SEMC approval of State Hazard Plans for Collapse and Earthquake, all Westplans have been converted to State Hazard Plans (SEMC Resolution 100/2021)
Removal of overuse of acronyms (e.g EM for emergency management). Acronyms for key emergency management proper nouns such as personnel, groups and bodies (e.g. HMA, ISG, OASG, SEC) maintained.	Removal of overuse of acronyms, particularly common terms that are not proper nouns to comply with accessibility.
All tables reformatted to add appropriate header row and header titles and remove merged cells (where possible).	Amended to comply with accessibility standards for tables.
Alternate text and captions inserted to all figures and table summaries provided for complex tables. Where figures have small print, an appropriate note has been inserted to print on A3 to ensure documents passes print accessibility.	Amendments to meet accessibility standards for tables and figures.
Consistent reference style to legislation and other State emergency management documents applied.	Amended for consistency across all State emergency management documents.
Inclusive language applied where applicable (e.g he/she replaced with they).	Amended to align with the Australian Government Style Manual.
Removal of the use of semicolons within bulleted lists. Where text is directly quoting formal documents such as legislation, semicolons were retained.	Amended to align with the Australian Government Style Manual recommending minimal punctuation for simplification of language.

## Specific Amendments State Emergency Management Policy v3.01

Page	Statement/Section	Amendment	Comment
8	1.1	<p>State Hazard Plans — each defined and prescribed hazard has a dedicated State Hazard Plan that outlines the arrangements on how to manage that hazard across the PPRR spectrum.<sup>1</sup> <del>A process is currently underway to amalgamate similar Westplans, and to convert all Westplans into State Hazard Plans. This is occurring in a staged approach over time.</del></p> <p><b>New Footnote: 1 As of December 2021, all Westplans were converted into State Hazard Plans with similar hazards amalgamated into one plan where appropriate.</b></p>	With the SEMC approval of State Hazard Plans for Collapse and Earthquake, all Westplans have been converted to State Hazard Plans (SEMC Resolution 100/2021)
49	Appendix AA	<p>The following five sections of the State Emergency Management Framework are amended such that they do not apply for <b>the period of the COVID-19 State Recovery Controller appointment</b> and are intended to be effective retrospectively from 15 July 2020 for recovery activities undertaken by the State Recovery Controller for the pandemic caused by the virus COVID-19.</p>	Approved by SEMC 3 December 2021 (92/2021)

## Specific Amendments State Emergency Management Plan v3.02

Page	Statement/Section	Amendment	Comment
10	2.1.3	<p><b>State Hazard Plans</b></p> <p>Each defined and prescribed hazard has a dedicated State Hazard Plan<sup>2</sup> <del>(Westplan)</del> that describes the strategic arrangements on how to manage that hazard across the PPRR spectrum. These arrangements are additional to the all-hazards arrangements defined within this State EM Plan.</p> <p><del>A process is currently underway to amalgamate similar Westplans and to convert all Westplans into State Hazard Plans. This is occurring in a staged approach over time. The current plans are all available on the SEMC website.</del></p>	With the SEMC approval of State Hazard Plans for Collapse and Earthquake, all Westplans have been converted to State Hazard Plans (SEMC Resolution 100/2021)

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		<p>The SEMC has delegated responsibility for the development, maintenance, review and exercising of relevant State Hazard Plans (<del>Westplans</del>) to the agencies prescribed as HMAs in Part 3 of the EM Regulations.</p> <p><u>New Footnote: 2 As of December 2021, all Westplans were converted into State Hazard Plans with similar hazards amalgamated into one plan where appropriate.</u></p>	
73	Appendix AA	<p>The following five sections of the State Emergency Management Framework are amended such that they do not apply for <u>the period of the COVID-19 State Recovery Controller appointment</u> and are intended to be effective retrospectively from 15 July 2020 for recovery activities undertaken by the State Recovery Controller for the pandemic caused by the virus COVID-19.</p>	Approved by SEMC 3 December 2021 (92/2021)

## NEW State Hazard Plan – Collapse v1.00

Statement/ Section	Amendment Summary	Comment
Throughout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated hazard information and references based on most recent research.</li> <li>Inclusion of capability baseline scenarios.</li> <li>Inclusion of information on mitigation related research.</li> <li>Updated diagrams and images.</li> <li>Removal of redundant elements captured in other State EM documents.</li> <li>Updated to reflect superseded and newly enacted legislation, policy, and procedures.</li> <li>Updated to reflect changes in DFES policy and doctrine.</li> <li>Review of stakeholder roles and responsibilities.</li> </ul>	<p>Westplan Collapse was reviewed and converted into the redesigned State Hazard Plan format.</p> <p>Approved by SEMC 3 December 2021 (100/2021)</p>

## NEW State Hazard Plan – Earthquake v1.00

Statement/ Section	Amendment Summary	Comment
Throughout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated hazard information and references based on most recent research.</li> <li>Inclusion of capability baseline scenarios.</li> <li>Inclusion of information on mitigation related research.</li> <li>Updated diagrams and images.</li> <li>Removal of redundant elements captured in other State EM documents.</li> <li>Updated to reflect superseded and newly enacted legislation, policy, and procedures.</li> <li>Updated to reflect changes in DFES policy and doctrine.</li> <li>Review of stakeholder roles and responsibilities.</li> </ul>	<p>Westplan Earthquake was reviewed and converted into the redesigned State Hazard Plan format.</p> <p>Approved by SEMC 3 December 2021 (100/2021)</p>

## Specific Amendments State Hazard Plan – Energy Supply Disruption v2.00

Page	Statement/ Section	Amendment	Comment
13	2.2.3	Notable Major Hazard Facilities in Western Australia include the <b>BP Kwinana Major Import Terminal</b> <del>BP Refinery</del> and the Coogee Chemicals terminal.	Statement of fact amendment provided by Energy Policy WA
14	2.3.5 (New)	<p><b><u>2.3.5 Pilbara Independent System Operator (Pilbara ISOCO)</u></b></p> <p><u>Pilbara ISOCO is responsible for maintaining and improving system security, managing essential system services and facilitating network coordination and planning in the North West Interconnected System.</u></p> <p><u>Pilbara ISOCO acts as the Pilbara independent system operator in accordance with the Pilbara networks rules which were made by the Minister for Energy under Part 8A of the Electricity Industry Act 2004.</u></p>	Statement of fact amendment provided by Energy Policy WA

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		<u>The Pilbara ISOCo was incorporated in June 2021 and as of December 2021 is building capability to undertake these functions.</u>	
45	Appendix C	<u>Pilbara Independent System Operator (Pilbara ISOCo)</u> a) <u>Notify of threats to, actual or imminent, the security of the electricity supply system.</u> b) <u>Provide technical advice on network configuration.</u> c) <u>Provide a representative to the Operational Area Management Team (OAMT), if required.</u>	Statement of fact amendment provided by Energy Policy WA
49	Appendix D	<del>Department of Housing</del> Department of Communities. Roles: Government Agency with roles under <u>Preparedness</u> , Response and Recovery.	Statement of fact amendment to reflect current department structure amalgamating Department of Housing with Department of Communities
51	Appendix D	<u>Pilbara Independent System Operator (Pilbara ISOCo), Roles: Electricity System Operator with roles under Prevention, Preparedness and Response.</u>	Statement of fact amendment provided by Energy Policy WA

## Specific Amendments State Hazard Plan – HAZMAT Annex B SPREAD v3.00

Page	Statement/ Section	Amendment	Comment
7	1.3.2	The <del>Space Activities Act 1998</del> <u>Space (Launches and Returns) Act 2018</u> includes a number of responsibilities for emergencies associated with space activities authorised under the Act.	Statement of fact amendment: Space Activities Act 1998 superseded by <i>Space (Launches and Returns) Act 2018</i>
8	1.4	Legislation and codes relevant to this plan include but are not limited to:  <del>Space Activities Act 1998</del> <u>Space (Launches and Returns) Act 2018</u> .	Statement of fact amendment: Space Activities Act 1998 superseded by <i>Space (Launches and Returns) Act 2018</i>

## Specific Amendments State Hazard Plan – Maritime Environmental Emergencies v2.00

Published 22 December 2021

Statement/ Section	Amendment Summary	Comment
Throughout	Removal of duplications that are captured in the State Emergency Management Plan and legislation where appropriate.	After a full review was completed and consultation was undertaken this plan was submitted for endorsement to the Response Capability Subcommittee on 27 October 2021. The plan received SEMC approval on 3 December 2021 (99/2021).
Throughout	Amendments to definitions and roles and responsibilities to reflect Emergency Management legislation and consultation feedback.	As above

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1.1	Incorporation of amendments as it relates to the application of the State Hazard Plan – Maritime Environmental Emergencies and a hostile act, in line with the new State Hazard Plan – Hostile Act.	As above
3.2.1	Additional information and examples of the baseline capability for Marine Transport Emergency has been incorporated to provide clarity.	As above
3.3.2	The importance of Port Authorities, Port Operators and Maritime Facility Operators liaising with the HMA on the development and review of their Oil Spill Contingency Plans has been emphasised.	As above
3.3.6	The role and membership of the Environmental Liaison Group has been inserted into the Plan, as this was previously omitted. The Water Corporation and ChemCentre have been added to the additional representatives who may be requested to participate in the Environmental Liaison Group as appropriate.	As above
4.1	It has been clarified that the HMA/SMPC may reassign the role of Controlling Agency if it is deemed that a Controlling Agency is incapable of providing an adequate response <i>and</i> an emergency situation has been declared.	As above
4.2.5	The role of the MCCU has been inserted into the Plan for consistency with the National Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies. The MCCU is the group of incident management personnel comprised of the Maritime Casualty Coordinator and other personnel appointed by the Maritime Casualty Coordinator to be responsible for the response to a maritime casualty.	As above
4.3	If a significant offshore incident has occurred in Commonwealth waters, the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA) CEO may declare an ‘Oil Pollution Emergency’ and, in accordance with section 576B, Division 2A of the <i>Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act</i>	As above

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	2006. This enables the CEO to direct the titleholder to undertake (or not undertake) specific actions in relation to the petroleum escape, including on land or in waters of the State.	
5	The new Incident Management recovery roles and arrangements have been reflected in the Plan. The impact statement categories have been incorporated for consistency with both the State Recovery and the National Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies.	As above

## **NEW State Hazard Plan – Severe Weather (Interim) v0.01**

Published 24 December 2021

Page	Statement/ Section	Amendment	Comment
NA	Throughout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amalgamation of Westplans for Cyclone, Flood and Storm</li> <li>• Removal of redundant elements captured in other State EM documents.</li> <li>• Updated to reflect superseded and newly enacted legislation, policy, and procedures.</li> <li>• Updated to reflect changes in DFES policy and doctrine.</li> </ul>	Interim plan approved by SEMC 13 August 2021 (52/2021) A comprehensive evidence-based review of the draft plan is to be undertaken and informed by the lessons identified from TC Seroja prior to October 2022.
10	1.5	Update to new drainage legislation title: <i>Water Services Act 2012</i>	As above.
10	1.6	Update to assurance process to reflect changes in DFES policy and doctrine.	As above.
14	2.2	Expansion of 2.2 Mitigation Strategies	As above.
15	2.3	Clarification of local government and the Department of Communities responsibility to identify Identification of suitable buildings for designation as evacuation centres	As above.

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16	2.3	Addition of Management of local drainage networks included as a risk reduction strategy	As above.
22	3.7.1	Confirmation of Australian Government Physical Assistance arrangements	As above.
40-46	Appendix C	Removal of 'Provide a representative on local and regional/district tropical cyclone/severe weather planning committees (where practicable)	As above.
46	Appendix C	Confirmation of WA Police Force Response Responsibilities	As above.

### Specific Amendments State Hazard Plan – Tsunami v2.00

Statement/ Section	Amendment	Comment
Throughout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated hazard information and references based on most recent research.</li> <li>Inclusion of capability baseline scenarios.</li> <li>Inclusion of information on mitigation related research.</li> <li>Updated diagrams and images.</li> <li>Removal of redundant elements captured in other State EM documents.</li> <li>Updated to reflect superseded and newly enacted legislation, policy, and procedures.</li> <li>Updated to reflect changes in DFES policy and doctrine.</li> <li>Review of stakeholder roles and responsibilities.</li> </ul>	<p>State Hazard Plan Tsunami undertook a comprehensive review alongside the redevelopment of State Hazard Plans for Collapse and Earthquake.</p> <p>Approved by SEMC 3 December 2021 (100/2021)</p>

**Note:** Page numbers listed refer to the current document.