

2021/2022

Annual Report



SEMC
STATE EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC)



Acknowledgement of Country

The State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) acknowledges the traditional custodians throughout Western Australia (WA) and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities, their cultures and to Elders past, present and emerging. Aboriginal people should be aware this publication may contain images or names of deceased persons in photographs or printed material.

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From the Minister

It is a pleasure to table the 2021/22 Annual Report for the State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) to the 41st Parliament of Western Australia. I thank the Chair of the SEMC, Dr Ron F Edwards, for submitting the Annual Report in accordance with section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2005*.

The Annual Report showcases the work of the members of the SEMC, its subcommittees and reference groups, as well as the District and Local Emergency Management Committees. I acknowledge their significant and valuable contributions towards making Western Australia safer. Of particular note is the work commenced to update the strategic direction of the SEMC and efforts to prepare the emergency management sector for the impacts of climate change.

Since my appointment as the Minister for Emergency Services in December 2021, I have been impressed with the resiliency and connectedness of the Western Australian community, particularly in the face of incredible adversities such as fires, floods, cyclones, and COVID-19.

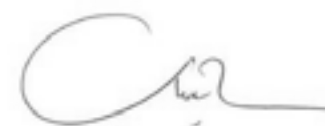
Under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* provisions, Western Australia's strong management of COVID-19 allowed the State to suppress the virus, protect lives and maintain a strong economy. The State achieved a soft landing, and on behalf of the McGowan government, I thank every Western Australian for their cooperation in keeping themselves and each other safe, which contributed to the successful management of a once-in-one-hundred-year global pandemic.

Western Australia's emergency management arrangements have been tested beyond our effective response to COVID-19. Ongoing support is provided to communities impacted by Tropical Cyclone Seroja and the devastating Wooroloo bushfire. The State Government is committed to continuing working in partnership with local governments and community groups to help impacted communities recover and rebuild.

It is evident from the response to emergency events in recent years, that the Western Australian community is strong and resilient. This can be largely attributed to the hard work and commitment of emergency service volunteers and staff in Western Australia that work around

the clock to keep us safe. Volunteers in particular play a key role in our communities, and I acknowledge their vital contribution to the State's emergency management arrangements. One of the most enjoyable aspects of my job is visiting the regions and meeting with many different volunteers. I am impressed with the dedication and selfless efforts of the volunteers that protect and build resilience within their communities.

I look forward to continuing working with the SEMC as we prepare for and respond to challenges in the emergency management sector.



Hon. Stephen Dawson MLC
Minister for Emergency Services
25 November 2022

Statement of Compliance

for the year ended June 2022

To the Hon. Stephen Dawson MLC, Minister for Emergency Services

In accordance with section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2005*, I hereby submit for your information and presentation to Parliament the Annual Report of the State Emergency Management Committee for the year ended 30 June 2022.

The report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Emergency Management Act 2005*.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Ron F Edwards

Chair, State Emergency Management Committee

25 November 2022



Hon. Stephen Dawson MLC
Minister for Emergency Services

From the SEMC Chair

It is a pleasure to present the SEMC Annual Report for 2021/22. The Annual Report highlights the excellent work done across the emergency management sector.

On behalf of the SEMC, and the entire sector, I congratulate and welcome the Hon. Stephen Dawson MLC on his appointment as Minister for Emergency Services from 21 December 2021. The SEMC looks forward to working with Minister Dawson in achieving the objectives of the SEMC Strategic Plan.

I express sincere thanks to the Hon. Reece Whitby MLA for the leadership he showed in his time as Minister for Emergency Services.

It has been another busy year with the continuing COVID-19 response, along with a challenging northern cyclone season, southern fire season, significant and ongoing recovery efforts following the Wooroloo Bushfire and Tropical Cyclone Seroja and damaging floods and storms.

As evidenced in this report, these considerable endeavours have not slowed the sector in progressing the work and agenda of the SEMC.

These events, not to mention the extreme impacts that our East Coast communities have experienced in recent years, have reinforced the need to look to the future. The SEMC is committed to preparing the sector to adapt to a changing climate, which brings with it a forecast of emergencies that are more frequent, of higher intensity and threatening communities that have not previously been at risk.

In November 2021, the Committee welcomed the appointment of Mr Rick Curtis as the SEMC Executive Officer. I acknowledge the contributions of Ms Melissa Pexton, who served as Executive Officer before taking up the challenging role of State Recovery Controller following Tropical Cyclone Seroja. The SEMC is particularly grateful for the innovative and enthusiastic way in which Ms Pexton has worked with the impacted communities to support them on their recovery journey.



Dr Ron F Edwards
Chair, State Emergency
Management Committee

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From the SEMC Chair (Cont.)

During 2021, the SEMC changed the way that membership of the Committee is administered. The new system of ex officio appointments ensures that there is a seamless transition between members and continuous access to the expert leadership of the agencies that deal most closely with emergency management.

The Committee continues to be enhanced by the appointment of independent members. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms Julie Waylen to the SEMC. I express my gratitude to Ms Linda Savage who during her tenure was particularly committed to the continuous improvement of the sector and leaves a strong legacy in emergency management.

I often reflect on what a privilege it is to chair the SEMC. To help guide the emergency management sector as we move to adapting to climate change is immensely satisfying – not to mention thought-provoking and challenging. I am grateful to my fellow SEMC members for the diversity, knowledge and wisdom they bring to the table. There are too many people to mention who have contributed to the outcomes listed in this report from the SEMC's subcommittees, reference groups and the District and Local Emergency Management Committees – my thanks go to all of them. The sector relies on their commitment to ensuring a prepared, resilient and safer State.



Dr Ron F Edwards

Chair, State Emergency Management Committee
25 November 2022

From the SEMC Executive Officer

During the past year, the SEMC has continued to play a key role in creating a more resilient and safer Western Australia.

It has been a challenging year for the emergency management sector. The work of SEMC and its subcommittees, reference groups, and District and Local Emergency Management Committees have been fundamental in ensuring that Western Australia's emergency management framework maintains contemporary policy and required capability.

We are living in a time of unprecedented change. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in Western Australia being in a state of emergency since March 2020, during which time significant events such as the Wooroloo Bushfire and Tropical Cyclone Seroja have challenged elements of the preparedness, prevention, response and continue to require a significant recovery effort.

Since commencing as the Executive Officer in November 2021, I have worked with SEMC to improve our governance and external communication. This has allowed for SEMC to reflect on these challenges and those that have occurred on the East Coast through the SEMC Strategic Planning Workshop, Chairs Forum and the self evaluation survey.

Through this process, it has been identified that there is a clear desire from the emergency management sector for the SEMC to provide greater strategic direction and guidance in responding to these challenges.

The SEMC Strategic Plan will be updated to set the intent behind a whole-of-government emergency management response to the risks associated with climate change. Resilience through prevention and preparedness must be built within the community. Climate change has become a greater priority and a Subcommittee will be established and tasked with the delivery of a Climate Change Adaptation Plan for the Western Australian emergency management sector.

In March 2021, the SEMC endorsed a comprehensive review of the State Recovery Framework to ensure that future recovery challenges are met. SEMC further considered this issue at the Strategy Planning Workshop and recovery will continue to be a focus of the SEMC.



Mr Rick Curtis
Executive Officer,
State Emergency
Management Committee

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From the SEMC Executive Officer (Cont.)

To help guide the sector, the SEMC endorsed a review of SEMC subcommittees and reference groups to ensure effective governance and alignment with the SEMC Strategic Plan and desired outcomes.

District Emergency Management Committee (DEMCs) and Local Emergency Management Committees (LEMCs) will also be reviewed to establish clear roles and responsibilities, functions, and governance arrangements.

Philanthropic and not for profit organisations are critical to the achievement of emergency management outcomes. The SEMC has recognised the need for a strategic approach and the development of a Philanthropic Framework to enable effective partnerships to assist in providing safety for communities.

The SEMC continues to support localised community emergency management outcomes. Work is on-going for a comprehensive sector-led review of Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) and the delivery of the Community Disaster Resilience Strategy.

The SEMC continues to facilitate risk reduction projects through the \$12.5 million National Partnership Agreement on Disaster Risk Reduction. In 2021/22, \$2.462 million was approved for projects with a further round of grant funding currently under assessment.

I thank SEMC members for their support and valuable contributions throughout the year, and to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services providing for administrative and expert support to the SEMC.



Mr Rick Curtis

Executive Officer, State Emergency Management Committee

25 November 2022

2021 SEMC and Emergency Management Support Activities

JULY 2021	AUGUST 2021	SEPTEMBER 2021	OCTOBER 2021	NOVEMBER 2021	DECEMBER 2021
1 July State Exercise Coordination Team Reference Group	13 August SEMC Meeting	9 September District Strategic Planning Meeting	1 October SEMC Meeting	2 November SECG Meeting	2 December Public Information Reference Group
1 July Great Southern DEMC 7 July Midwest Gascoyne DEMC Goldfields Esperance DEMC		28 September SECG Meeting	5 October South West DEMC 12 October North Metropolitan DEMC Central Metropolitan DEMC 13 October Wheatbelt DEMC 20 October Great Southern DEMC 22 October Midwest Gascoyne DEMC 26 October East Metropolitan DEMC 26 October South Metropolitan DEMC 27 October Goldfields Esperance DEMC	4 November Risk Subcommittee 7 November Essential Services Network Operators Reference Group 11 November SEMC Subcommittee and Reference Group Chairs Forum	3 December SEMC Meeting 10 December SECG Meeting
SEMC			8 October Recovery and Community Subcommittee 20 October Public Safety Communications Subcommittee 27 October Response Capability Subcommittee		
SEGC					
Subcommittee/Reference Group					
DEMC					

2022 SEMC and Emergency Management Support Activities

JANUARY 2022	FEBRUARY 2022	MARCH 2022	APRIL 2022	MAY 2022	JUNE 2022
4 January SECG Meeting 20 January SECG Meeting 19 January SEMC out of Session Meeting	5 February SECG Meeting 6 February SECG Meeting	3 March SECG Meeting 9 March Midwest Gascoyne DEMC 14 March Pilbara DEMC 16 March Wheatbelt DEMC 22 March Southwest DEMC 23 March Great Southern DEMC 15 March 2022 Public Safety Communications Subcommittee 23 March 2022 Response Capability Subcommittee 25 March 2022 Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee	7 April Essential Services Network Operators Reference Group	4 May Public Information Reference Group 5 May SEMC Meeting 11 May Kimberley DEMC	11 June Pilbara DEMC (Exercise) 15 June Midwest Gascoyne DEMC 29 June Midwest Gascoyne DEMC 21 June Risk Subcommittee 24 June Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee

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Subcommittee/Reference Group

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Introduction

The role of SEMC

The SEMC has a strategic advisory role in relation to emergency management in Western Australia.

The SEMC, established under section 13 of the *Emergency Management Act 2005* (the EM Act), is a standing committee that provides strategic advice to the Minister for Emergency Services. The SEMC meet five times a year to:

- Consider strategic issues
- Make recommendations to the Minister
- Provide oversight and direction to the emergency management sector.

The SEMC Chair meets with the Minister for Emergency Services monthly.

The SEMC's primary responsibilities are to:

- Advise the Minister on emergency management and the preparedness of the State to combat emergencies
- Guide and support public authorities – including industry, commerce, and the community – to plan and prepare for efficient emergency management

- Assists the Minister for Emergency Services in the administration of the EM Act
- Provide a forum for community coordination to minimise the effects of emergencies
- Provide a forum to develop community-wide information systems to improve communications during emergencies
- Develop and coordinate risk management strategies to assess community vulnerability to emergencies
- Arrange for the preparation of State emergency management policies and plans.

A subcommittee and reference group structure support the SEMC, providing expert advice on various aspects of emergency management.

The 2021/22 Annual Report provides an overview of the work, activities, and operations of the SEMC.

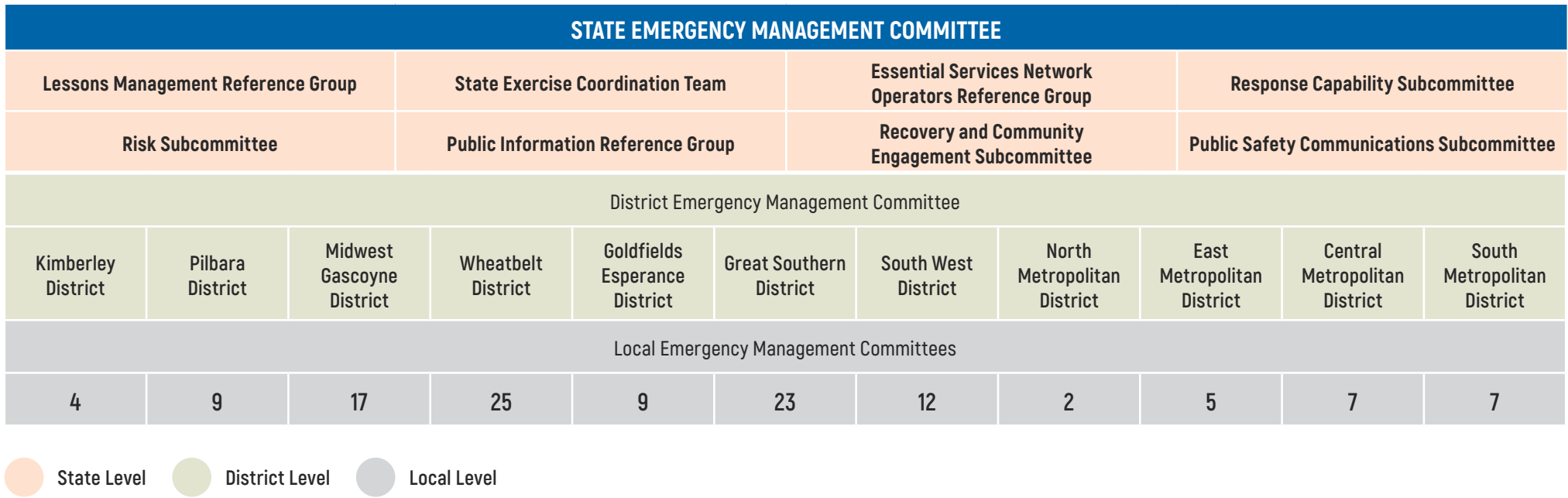
The Emergency Management Structure in Western Australia

The Emergency Management structure is a three-tiered hierarchy, as established by the EM Act.

The following diagram illustrates the roles of the SEMC subcommittees and reference groups, DEMC and LEMC.

The structure incorporates the number of agencies that take part across State, district and local levels to minimise the impact of emergencies on the community. The SEMC strengthens their connections and guides interaction through the Emergency Management Framework.

Figure 1: Western Australian emergency management structure.





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SEMC Members and Meetings

SEMC Members

The EM Act establishes the membership structure of the SEMC. It includes four positions designated in the EM Act and up to seven other members nominated by the Minister for Emergency Services.



Chair
Dr Ron F Edwards
Independent Member



Deputy Chair
Ms Emma Cole
Independent Member



Executive Officer
Mr Rick Curtis



SEMC Member
Mr Darren Klemm AFSM
Fire and Emergency
Services Commissioner



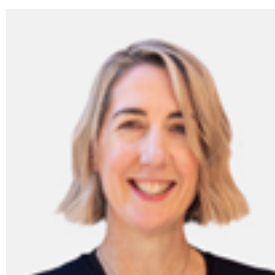
SEMC Member
Mr Chris Dawson APM
Commissioner of Police



SEMC Member
Mr Mark Webb PSM
Director General, DBCA



SEMC Member
Dr Andrew Robertson
CSC PSM
Chief Health Officer, DoH



SEMC Member
Ms Emily Roper
Director General, DPC



SEMC Member
Mr Nick Sloan
Chief Executive Officer,
WALGA



SEMC Member
Mr Mike Rowe
Director General,
Communities



SEMC Member
Ms Linda Savage
Independent Member
*Member until
3 September 2021



SEMC Member
Ms Julie Waylen
Independent Member

SEMC Meetings

Meeting Attendance

The SEMC meets five times a year in August, October, December, March and May. The attendance of members in the reporting period is summarised in Figure 2.

Figure 2: Attendance at the SEMC ordinary meetings.

MEMBER	2021			2022		DEPUTY
	13 AUG	01 OCT	03 DEC	11 MAR	5 MAY	
Dr Ron Edwards	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ms Emma Cole	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mr Rick Curtis	-	-	✓	✓	✓	
Mr Darren Klemm	✗ ¹	✗ ¹	✗ ¹	✓	✗ ¹	Craig Waters ¹
Mr Chris Dawson	✗ ²	✗ ³	✗ ²	✗ ⁴	✗ ⁴	Gary Dreibergs ² , Paul Zanetti ³ , Kylie Whiteley ⁴
Mr Mark Webb	✗ ⁵	✗ ⁵	✗ ⁵	✗ ⁵	✗ ⁵	Peter Dans ⁵
Dr Andrew Robertson	✗ ⁶	✗ ⁶	✓	✗ ⁷	✗ ⁸	John Heslop ⁶ , Dr Tudor Codreanu ⁷ , Dr Revle Bangor-Jones ⁸
Ms Emily Roper	✗ ⁹	✗ ⁹	✓	✓	✓	Helen Gladstones ⁹
Mr Nick Sloan	✓	✗ ¹⁰	✓	✓	✗ ¹⁰	Nicole Matthews ¹⁰
Mr Mike Rowe	✓	✗ ¹¹	✓	✓	✓	Geraldine Carlton ¹¹
Ms Linda Savage	✓	-	-	-	-	
Ms Julie Waylen	-	-	-	-	✓	

✓ Attended ✗ Apology - Not a SEMC Member at time of meeting

Out of Session Meetings

During the year the SEMC progressed key projects and items for discussion through out of session meetings. The attendance of members in the reporting period is summarised in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Attendance at the SEMC out of session meetings.

MEMBER	19 – 31 January 2022 – Out of Session meeting	DEPUTY
Dr Ron Edwards	✓	
Ms Emma Cole	✓	
Mr Rick Curtis	✓	
Mr Darren Klemm	✓	
Mr Chris Dawson	✓	
Mr Mark Webb	✗	Peter Dans
Dr Andrew Robertson	✓	
Ms Emily Roper	✓	
Mr Nick Sloan	✓	
Mr Mike Rowe	✗	Stuart Cowie
Ms Linda Savage	-	
Ms Julie Waylen	-	

✓ Attended ✗ Apology - Not a SEMC Member at time of meeting



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Strategic Context, Challenges, Priorities and Outcomes

Leadership

In recent times, Western Australia has faced several large-scale emergencies that have tested the resolve and resilience of the community and emergency management agencies.

Recent significant events including the Black Summer Bushfires, New South Wales floods, COVID-19 pandemic, Wooroloo Bushfire, Tropical Cyclone Seroja and the unprecedented four concurrent Level Three bushfires across the south west land division in February 2022 have highlighted the strengths and capability of the sector, as well as areas for improvement.

Strategic Planning Workshop

The SEMC held a Strategic Planning Workshop in May 2022 to discuss the current and emerging priorities of a changing emergency management landscape. Consideration was given to climate change, recovery, philanthropy, district and local emergency management committees and the role and governance of subcommittees and reference groups.

At the Workshop the SEMC recognised the need for to update the SEMC Strategic Plan to provide a greater focus on community level outcomes through a focus on prevention and preparedness and addressing the challenges presented by climate change.

Adapting to a Changing Climate

It is widely acknowledged that the effects of climate change mean an increase in intensity, frequency and duration of extreme weather events. The events include heatwaves, cyclones, droughts, floods, storms and fires. Communities will be vulnerable to natural hazard risks that they haven't experienced before.

The SEMC recognises the challenge of a climate change, and that a longer-term approach is needed.

The emergency management framework must allow a focus on prevention and preparedness to ensure it is able to cope with a compounding effect on resources during response and recovery.

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Leadership (Cont.)

The *Western Australian Climate Policy* sets out the State's plan for a climate-resilient community. In 2022/23 the SEMC intends to develop a framework through an Emergency Management Climate Change Adaptation Plan to support this policy, and to build resilience in the Western Australian community.

A Focus on Recovery

In March 2022, the SEMC endorsed a review into existing recovery arrangements. There have been no structural changes to the recovery framework since 2012. Major recovery efforts undertaken since then include for the Waroona Bushfire, Wooroloo Bushfire and Tropical Cyclone Seroja.

The insights identified in these recovery efforts will be considered within the review, including:

- A people and community focus on recovery
- Local government playing a key role
- The success of a district approach in the aftermath of Tropical Cyclone Seroja
- The effectiveness of recovery efforts where resources are challenged is not best served by a strict delineation between State level and locally led recovery efforts

- Improved role clarity and coordination through 'operationalising' recovery
- Better arrangements for state government agencies to work in collaboration with the private sector
- Limitations of existing Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements
- Impact of climate change
- The importance of considering mental health impacts.

Getting a Helping Hand

The goodwill of philanthropic and private organisations is critical when providing community support. Emerging relationships between local and state government stakeholders and philanthropic organisations sit outside the emergency management framework, which can lead to fragmented efforts. Effective use of partnerships can significantly increase the capacity and capability of the emergency management framework and improve community outcomes.

Successful recovery efforts have demonstrated that outcomes improve when there are synergies between philanthropic and private organisations.

The SEMC have recognised the need for strategic engagement. SEMC will seek to address this challenge in 2022/23 through the development of a Philanthropic Framework. This will come under an 'all hazard' approach within prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. This will establish clear roles and responsibilities, functions and governance arrangements for local and state government engagement with philanthropic and private organisations.

A Community Focus

In recent years, Western Australians have shown resilience, support to one another and tenacity through the impacts of COVID-19, bushfires, cyclones and floods. During this time, businesses have found innovative ways of working and communities are rebuilding both physically and mentally. They have done this not only with the support of government, but with the strength of volunteers and the connections with neighbours, family and friends.

The SEMC is focusing on increasing collaboration and coordination to support locally-led emergency management arrangements. Community vulnerability is reduced through risk reduction and adaptation. Building a resilient community is key to prevention, preparedness, response and recovery within WA.

Community Disaster Resilience Strategy

Resilience is a primary goal of emergency management in several national and international strategies and frameworks as part of the broader agenda to reduce disaster risk. Resilience is integral to all aspects of emergency management.

The Community Disaster Resilience Strategy aims to provide guidance to support all Western Australians to increase their disaster resilience. The Strategy identifies priorities to direct investment and guide initiatives.

The Strategy provides for an ‘opt-in’ model to allow for flexibility with resources, partnerships, funding applications and business cases. It will guide new initiatives and allow modification of existing projects where appropriate.

Valuable feedback was gathered through the six-month consultation process. Delivery of the final draft Strategy and implementation plan is expected in early 2023.

Local Emergency Management Arrangements Review

In late 2019, the SEMC approved a sector-led review of Local Emergency Management Arrangement (LEMA) requirements and responsibilities. The SEMC and WALGA project leads are working with key stakeholders to investigate and develop options for streamlining the LEMA process. The review will develop a more effective LEMA model that accounts for the different sizes, capabilities and risk profiles of local governments while clarifying responsibilities and supporting local governments who lack emergency management resources.

At the completion of the review in June 2023, a LEMA Improvement Plan, including an implementation plan, will be developed.

This project is outlined further in ‘A Capable Sector’ section of this report.

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A Community Focus (Cont.)

National Disaster Risk Reduction Grant

The Western Australian Government has a National Partnership Agreement (NPA) with the Commonwealth Government for Disaster Risk Reduction. The NPA funds disaster reduction activities that are intended to deliver the outcomes of the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework (NDRR).

The NPA is the primary funding mechanism for the NDRR Grants Program.

In 2021/22 the SEMC finalised two rounds of NDRR grant funding. The grant assessment process is underway for a third round.

Figure 4: NDRR grants approved in 2021/22.

APPLICANT ORGANISATION	PROJECT NAME	NDRR ALLOCATED
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation	Understanding Flood Risk in the Canning and Southern Rivers	\$85,000
Department of Fire and Emergency Services	Next Generation Community Warnings and Australian Warning System	\$1,374,096
Department of Fire and Emergency Services	Telecommunications Power Resilience Improvement Research Project	\$240,000
Shire of Dundas	Freight and Supply Chain Risk From Bushfire in the Southern Goldfields	\$59,600
Shire of Woodanilling	Alternative Portable Power Source for the Administration Office & Welfare Centre in Woodanilling	\$8,603
Department of Fire and Emergency Services	AFDRS WA Community Education and Awareness	\$362,751
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions	Advancing Capacity for Indigenous Fire Management in the Martu Determination	\$55,000
WA Council for Social Service	Disaster Resilience and Emergency Planning	\$240,688
Town of Port Hedland	Ready Hedland	\$37,210

A Capable Sector

Western Australia must have a capable emergency management sector so it can prevent, prepare, respond and recover from catastrophic events. We must build capability within the sector to ensure the capacity of systems and processes are not overwhelmed in a disaster event.

Capability Framework

The SEMC Emergency Management Capability Framework is a capability-based approach. It assesses the State’s capacity to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. The Framework allows for systematic analysis of existing capabilities at a State and organisational level. It also guides capability development in Western Australia.

The Capability Framework underpins the Annual Preparedness Report Capability Survey. Around 170 organisations that comprise the WA emergency management sector receive the survey. The 2021/22 survey had a 90% response rate and the findings will inform the 2022 Emergency Preparedness Report.

A comprehensive review of the Capability Framework commenced in the 2021/22 reporting period. The review seeks to deliver a more holistic approach to building, maintaining and measuring capability and will be completed in early 2023.

State Risk

The State Risk Project started in 2013. The project aims to gain consistent and comprehensive coverage of risks at state, district and local levels. The risks assessed are from hazards prescribed under State emergency management legislation. The State Risk Project uses both the method and criteria outlined in the National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines. It also uses internationally recognised standards for the risk assessment process (AS/NZS ISO 31000:2009).

In the decade since the project started, the SEMC’s understanding of the 28 prescribed hazards has notably improved. SEMC is currently working with Hazard Management Agencies to develop public-facing information sheets. This information will notify the WA community of risks and current mitigation strategies.

Data collected from the State Risk Project will inform a review of State Emergency Management Procedures.

The review is underway and when finished, the procedure will be added to the WA suite of documents.

All West Australians Reducing Emergencies Grant

The All West Australians Reducing Emergencies Grant (AWARE) program aims to enhance Western Australia’s emergency management arrangements. This happens by investing in capacity building and preparedness activities at a local level.

In 2021/22, a whole-of-State project to review the Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) commenced. The project is partially funded through the AWARE program and in partnership with DFES and WALGA. It represents a significant investment in continuous improvement for local level arrangements.

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A Capable Sector (Cont.)

A grant round for \$200,000 of AWARE funding occurred in the reporting period, with the applications currently under assessment.

Emergency Management Plans

The SEMC approved changes to the incident level criteria descriptors and incident declaration process, contained within the State Emergency Management Plan and Procedure. Amending the process ensured consistency across all State Emergency Management Framework documents. Updates to the criteria for each incident level mean they are contemporary and fit for purpose.

The extension of the COVID-19 State Recovery Controller's authority was approved by the SEMC. This extension allowed the continuation of recovery activities. Importantly, it also enables the Controller to lead a whole of government approach for the term of the appointment.

In 2021/22, consultation with the sector occurred on the following documents:

- State Emergency Management Response Procedure 20; Australian Government Physical Assistance/Defence Assistance to Civil Communities

- State Emergency Management: Traffic Management During Emergencies Guidelines
- Revoking All Hazards Flagging Arrangements.

State Hazard Plans

The SEMC approved eight State Hazard Plans in the 2021/22 reporting period:

- Animal and Plant Biosecurity
- Collapse
- Earthquake
- Hostile Act
- Maritime Environmental Emergencies
- Severe Weather Interim Plan
- Tsunami.

The approval of the State Hazard Plan – Earthquake and Collapse in December 2021 concluded the Westplan Rationalisation Strategy.

Focused Governance

Focusing on good governance practices is a priority of SEMC. Sound governance ensures a coordinated and collaborative risk and evidence-based approach to emergency management.

2021 – 2024 SEMC Strategic Plan

The 2021/22 period saw the release of a new SEMC Strategic Plan with a focus on the following strategic goals:

Figure 5: Our Strategic goals.



Supporting the Western Australian Government and the Sector

The SEMC continued to provide guidance on emergency management arrangements in 2021/22:

- The Chair attended seven meetings of State Emergency Coordination Groups. These included the COVID-19 pandemic, Calgardup Bushfire and the Bridgetown, Denmark, Shackleton and Narrogin East bushfires
- Provided advice to the State Government on the recommendations of the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements
- Hosted the Wooroloo Bushfire Review on the SEMC website
- Conducted a forum to consult with, and provide direction to, subcommittee and reference group chairs
- Commenced the transition of the SEMC website to the wa.gov domain
- Awarded \$174,140 to build local preparedness and capacity through the All West Australians Reducing Emergencies program.

- Awarded \$2,462,948 for risk reduction and resilience projects under the National Disaster Risk Reduction Program.

Supporting the National Recovery and Resilience Agency

In the reporting period, the SEMC provided support across the emergency management sector. This included advice and coordination on behalf of the National Recovery and Resilience Agency for the delivery of the following grant programs:

- National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program
- Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation Program
- Preparing Australian Communities Program
- Projects of national significance under the Disaster Risk Reduction Package.

Use of the Emergency Management Act to respond to COVID-19

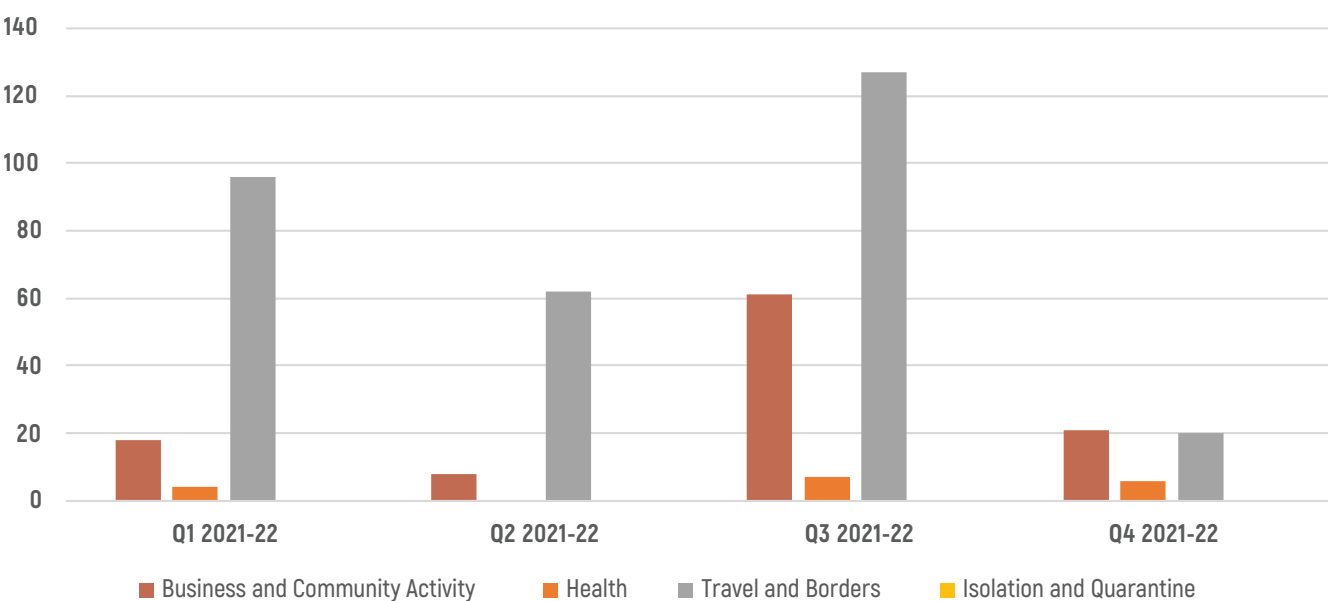
The EM Act provides powers that assist in the management of emergency incidents arising from prescribed hazards and establishes the responsibilities of State and local agencies.

Emergency situation declarations (section 50) and State of Emergency declarations (section 56) provide additional powers for specific circumstances. The State of Emergency provision was used for the first time in March 2020, in response to COVID-19. Since that time over 852 directions have been made under the EM Act and *Public Health Act 2016* (PH Act).

The SEMC has been monitoring the use of the powers under the EM Act to understand the ways in which it is used and the effectiveness of the legislation.

Figure 6 illustrates the number of times the EM Act and PH Act were used to make, amend or revoke Directions during travel, and the purpose of those Directions.

Figure 6: Directions issued under the Emergency Management Act 2005 and the Public Health Act 2016 - 1 July 2021- 30 June 2022.





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Subcommittees and Reference Groups

Subcommittee and Reference Groups

The SEMC structure comprises of subcommittees and reference groups. They provide expert advice on various aspects of emergency management and manage strategic projects.

The activities of the subcommittees and reference groups are summarised at the following pages.

Subcommittee and Reference Group Review

The effective operation of the SEMC subcommittees and reference groups is critical to the success of the SEMC. Due to the dynamic nature of emergency management, the SEMC endorsed a review of the governance and strategic alignment of the groups. This will ensure the SEMC achieves its strategic objectives and maintains emergency management capability at a high level across the State. The review is due to be completed early 2023.



Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee

Objective

To support the SEMC in strengthening the State's resilience through enhancing emergency management recovery and community engagement capabilities.

Chair

Emma Cole

Deputy Chair State Emergency Management Committee

Sponsor

Emma Cole

Deputy Chair State Emergency Management Committee

Executive Officer

Suellen Flint & Leah Parlour

Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Meeting dates

- 8 October 2021
- 25 March 2022
- 24 June 2022

Out of Session Meetings

- 1 February 2022

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Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee (Cont.)

Activities

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS	PROJECT	STATUS
EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE Changing risk, capability and preparedness are measured and reported across the State.	State Preparedness Capability Survey	COMPLETE The survey provided current recovery capacity of agencies and reported information in relation to the EM preparedness and capability of the State.
RESILIENT COMMUNITY Community vulnerability is reduced through risk reduction and adaptation.	WA Community Disaster Resilience Strategy	ONGOING Consultation on the Discussion Paper has concluded, and a draft Strategy and Implementation Plan is under development.
	Medium to Long-term Emergency Accommodation	ONGOING A paper has been developed and a cross agency working group will be established to examine medium and long-term accommodation issues in detail and to develop a policy position.
	Emergency Welfare Partners Forum	ONGOING The Forum was held in July 2021 a Partners Strategy Outcomes Framework is under development.
	Private and Philanthropic Organisations in EM	ONGOING A Paper outlining the strengths and challenges of including private and philanthropic organisations in public sector emergency management has been submitted to SEMC.
	Emergency Waste Management	ONGOING Emergency Waste Management reports are being consolidated. A working group will then be established to inform the development of a procedure manual and template.
CAPABLE SECTOR Capability to respond to risks and vulnerabilities across the State is strengthened.	Animal Welfare in Emergencies	ONGOING The Animal Welfare in Emergencies plan was tested in the 2020/2021 emergency events and is being refined.

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Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee (Cont.)

Outcomes

The Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee continued to progress key initiatives and projects in 2021/22. Positive levels of participation through cross-agency and sector information sharing and collaboration occurred throughout the year.

The WA Community Disaster Resilience Strategy progressed with a Discussion Paper released for consultation during the reporting period. The Strategy and Implementation Plan is under development and will be ready for consultation in late 2022.

The State Preparedness Capability survey highlighted the capacity for agencies to respond to another large-scale event, but some stressors have been identified with consecutive, long-tail recovery support.

The Subcommittee provided comprehensive advice to the SEMC regarding the role of private and philanthropic organisations in emergency management.

Oversight was provided for the development of a paper considering medium to long term accommodation issues. A working group will be formed to address the recommendations.

Regular updates were received on the lessons identified from the 2020/21 emergencies to inform amendments to the State Support Plan – Animal Welfare in Emergencies Plan.

Jennifer Pidgeon of Australian Red Cross has been appointed as Deputy Chair of the Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee, bringing strong representation for the community sector.

Response Capability Subcommittee

Objective

To provide a forum that promotes collaborative and strategic dialogue to consider and promote strategies to address the State's emergency response capability gaps.

Chair

Gary Dreibergs

Western Australia Police Force

Kylie Whiteley

Western Australia Police Force

Sponsor

Chris Dawson APM

Western Australia Police Force

Executive Officer

Matt Verney

Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Meeting dates

- 5 July 2021
- 27 October 2021
- 23 March 2022

Out of Session Meetings

- 14 – 22 July 2021

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Response Capability Subcommittee (Cont.)

Activities

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS	PROJECT	STATUS
CAPABLE SECTOR Ensure robust emergency management arrangements are in place.	First Responders in Active Armed Offender (High Threat) Incident Sites.	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A working group with representatives from the WA Police, Department of Fire Emergency Services and St John Ambulance (SJA) continues to examine the need for training/equipment and defining the agencies current interoperability to respond and save lives.• Develop methods to facilitate the operations of emergencies services to assist with the emergency triage and extrication of injured people, etc within a high threat environment.• A draft report from the working group Chair was sent to members in 2022. The interoperability framework needs to be completed, which will include a multi-agency capability gap assessment.• Members are considering a concept of operations for a Police and Emergency Services integrated model, which will be provided to the Response Capability Subcommittee when completed.
	Emergency Management Information Systems Working Group (EMISWG).	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Response Capability Subcommittee endorsed the implementation of the Emergency Management Information Systems (EMIS) Working Group.• The 2016 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the Interoperable Communications Agreement and provisions of WebFusion (an integrated communications hub) was exhausted in 2020 and a new MoU for an EMIS Agreement is in progress.

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Response Capability Subcommittee (Cont.)

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS	PROJECT	STATUS
CAPABLE SECTOR Ensure robust emergency management arrangements are in place.	Registration process for evacuated personnel.	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To facilitate the accounting of persons affected by incidents, the Department of Communities has recognised the ongoing suitability of the registration and reunification Register.Find.Reunite (RFR) service. The system is activated and funded by Department of Communities and is managed by the Australian Red Cross. In addition to RFR, the Department of Communities has developed and implemented a standalone Customer Relationship Management program (CRM). The CRM enhances the Department of Communities ability to capture, analyse and report community welfare demand and social impact data to the Hazard Management Agency, Support Organisations and affected local governments during emergency events and recovery phases. Scoped an application for the registration of persons who have evacuated, including the number of persons, persons with special needs remaining in residence, pets, tourists, visitors and transient populations such as fly-in-fly-out workers.
	Personal Locator Beacons in high-risk situations.	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Working Group with representatives from WA Police Force, DFES, Department of Biodiversity, Conservations and Attractions (DBCA), Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS), Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) and WALGA has been established and convened. WA Police Force to establish and lead a working group to develop a project plan to explore options for regulating the carriage of personal locator beacons.
	Safety of designated evacuation centres.	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In collaboration with local governments, Local Emergency Management Committees, and Hazard Management Agencies, the Department of Communities continues to progress towards completing the agreed mitigation strategies.

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Response Capability Subcommittee (Cont.)

Outcomes

The Response Capability Subcommittee provided input to the following documents:

- Revised State Emergency Management Level 2 and Level 3 Incident Level Criteria
- Development of a revised Incident Level Declaration Form – Form 23
- Incident Support Group (ISG) and Operational Area Support Group (OASG) meeting template.

The Response Capability Subcommittee reviewed and endorsed the following State Hazard Plans:

- Animal and Plant Biosecurity
- Hostile Act
- Tsunami
- Earthquake
- Collapse
- Maritime Environmental Emergencies.

The Response Capability Subcommittee provided oversight and direction to the following working groups, including:

- First Responders Operating in Active Armed Offender (High Threat) Incidents Sites
- Registration Process for Evacuated Personnel
- Emergency Management Information Systems
- Personal Locator Beacons in High-Risk Situations
- Safety of Designated Evacuation Centres.

Risk Subcommittee

Objective

To consult and advise on ways to improve the coordination and application of an evidence-based approach to emergency risk management for all hazards.

Chair

Damien Pumphrey

Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Sponsor

Pending

Executive Officer

Justin Whitney

Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Meeting dates

- 4 November 2021
- 21 June 2022

Activities

The key activity of the subcommittee is the State Risk Project which is linked to the strategic goal of effective governance and capable sector.

Outcomes

The subcommittee completed all outstanding items on its action list in April 2022. The subcommittee committed to the future direction and priorities of the Risk Subcommittee which included a facilitated discussion based on observations and experiences of members to determine the future scope and purpose of the Subcommittee.

Proposals:

- The development of a State Risk Framework
- Present on the Strengthening Telecommunications Against Natural Disasters (STAND) project.

Key achievements:

- State Risk Project identified the risks to WA
- Lessons identified from previous events and emergencies improved Risk Subcommittee processes
- Risk Subcommittee effectively creates synergy with lessons identified and exercising.

The following presentations were received by the subcommittee:

- Security of Critical Infrastructure Protection Act 2018 – an initiative of the Department of Home Affairs
- Key Findings from Severe Wind Hazard Assessment (SWHA) Project for WA
- Spatial WA Project
- Lessons Management Workshop.

Essential Services Network Operators Reference Group (ESNORG)

Objective

To provide a forum for the exchange of information that will assist or improve the operation of essential services or functions in relation to emergency management for the benefit of the community.

Chair

Scott Northcott
Water Corporation

Sponsor

Pending

Executive Officer

Andrea James
Western Power

Meeting dates

- 4 November 2021
- 7 April 2022

Activities

Exercise Spinner examined the resilience of the essential services network operators and to guide the development of strategies to mitigate the consequential impacts of a cyclone. The exercise was completed onsite in Port Hedland 5 – 6 October 2021. The evaluation and final report endorsed by ESNORG in April 2022.

This key activity is linked to the strategic goal of building a capable sector.

Outcomes

- Held the Annual ESNORG Preseason Briefing – 21 October 2021, with the theme of resilience through an essential service lens
- The Bureau of Meteorology commenced twice weekly weather briefings for Essential Service Network Operators
- Held the first of a series of presentations for member agencies to compare and contrast different approaches to managing and responding to disruptive risk events.

Public Safety Communications Subcommittee

Objective

To support the development and operation of effective and efficient Public Safety Communications (PSC) in Western Australia.

Chair

Greg Italiano

Office of Digital Government

Sponsor

Emily Roper

Director General for Department of the Premier and Cabinet

Executive Officer

Claire Mead

Department of the Premier and Cabinet

Meeting dates

- 13 July 2021
- 20 October 2021
- 15 March 2022

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Public Safety Communications Subcommittee (Cont.)

Activities and Outcomes

Agencies collaborating to develop the WA Government Public Safety Communications Framework and providing regular updates on their key projects.

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS	PROJECT	STATUS
CAPABILITY Develop an emergency management capability profile of the State and promote targeted investment in the State's emergency management capabilities.	Public Safety Mobile Boardband (PSMB).	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none">Multi operator PSMB network Proof of Concept (POC) trial being undertaken by New South Wales (NSW). States and territories (including WA) have provided feedback on the overall program of work and are waiting for further work stream definitions from the Department of Home Affairs who is the current project steward.
	Low-Earth Orbit (LEO) Satellite Pilot.	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none">WA Police Force satellite trials have commenced on a range of satellite capabilities including LEO satellites.Satellite trials involving frontline officers in some of the most remote parts of Western Australia is currently underway.Trials involve the testing of both voice communications and data through Western Australia Police Force applications (OneForce mobility).Evaluations are based on various satellite services availability, reliability, end user experience and cost.
	Next Generation Triple Zero (NG000).	ONGOING <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Next Generation Triple Zero project is designed to enable anyone requiring emergency assistance to connect to emergency services through any device, anywhere and anytime.Current priorities are SMS000 and other non-voice contacts to Triple Zero, video to Triple Zero capability and papers circulated nation-wide to identify the system issues and operational complexities.Advanced mobile location capability was rolled out late last year and is available nationwide.The National Emergency Communications Working Group is coordinating the project with Telstra, government agencies and other technical providers.

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Public Safety Communications Subcommittee (Cont.)

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS	PROJECT	STATUS
CAPABILITY Develop an emergency management capability profile of the State and promote targeted investment in the State's emergency management capabilities.	Emergency Services Radio Network (ESRN) (formerly known as the Government Radio Network).	ONGOING Funding has been provided to address the highest risk elements of the ESRN business case, specifically the rate of failure associated with hardware obsolescence. A Steering Committee has been established to address the rollout of the program; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tender process is complete for the replacement of end user devices across multiple agencies • Contract negotiations are complete and contract award to a panel is in progress. ESRN project team undertaking detailed analysis and design review for interagency sharing of site infrastructure and backhaul capabilities.
	Emergency Alert.	ONGOING Discussions progressing around shift from SMS based to cell-based system for emergency alerts.
	Procurement of Crisis Information Management System.	ONGOING Project Steering Committee to be established and business cases for participating agencies will be developed.
ASSURANCE Develop and maintain an emergency management assurance framework.	WA Government Public Safety Communications Framework.	ONGOING The PSCS is reviewing forming an SEMC State Support Plan as an appropriate strategic direction for this framework, which would contain clearly defined preparedness and decision support assets from this committee.

Public Information Reference Group

Objective

To provide advice and support to the SEMC and its subcommittees in relation to arrangements for the provision of emergency public information and public awareness.

Chair

Howard Gretton

Western Australia Police Force

Sponsor

Chris Dawson APM

Western Australia Police Force

Executive Officer

Sarah Best

Western Australia Police Force

Meeting dates

- 2 December 2021
- 4 May 2022

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Public Information Reference Group (Cont.)

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS	PROJECT	STATUS
RESILIENT COMMUNITY More agencies and businesses have plans to maintain service delivery to the community.	Numerous staffing requests from both COVID-19 Communications at Department of the Premier and Cabinet and the HMA, Department of Health.	ONGOING
	Media Liaison Officer (MLO) Training.	COMPLETE
	Bridgetown and Denmark Fires.	COMPLETE
	COVID-19 Pandemic Working Group merged with Communications Advisory Group.	ONGOING Communications Advisory Group members continue to disseminate COVID-19 public information.
CAPABLE SECTOR Ensure robust emergency management arrangements are in place.	COVID-19 Lessons Learnt.	ONGOING

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Public Information Reference Group (Cont.)

Outcomes

COVID-19 Pandemic Working Group: Successful Stakeholder Engagement

The Pandemic Working Group (PWG) was established in the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic with the objective of assisting the HMA and other controlling agencies with outbreak planning and emergency response messaging.

The continued collaboration among PWG members helped controlling agencies monitor emerging trends and communication challenges, as well as opportunities, particularly to promote response measures such as vaccinations and the G2G Pass.

State Emergency Public Information Line: 13COVID

13COVID has been one of the central pillars of public communication during the COVID crisis. The 13COVID call centre continued to support pandemic response. The Call Centre handled 905,346 calls for the 2021/22 financial year, which is an average of 2,496 calls per day. Call volumes reached a record high throughout March 2022, with 134,407 calls received at a daily average of 4,336 calls per day.

From 15 March 2022, at the request of the Department of Health, operating hours for 13COVID were extended to 8pm, to allow more opportunities for callers to register RAT results as COVID-19 case numbers surged past 6,000 per day. The extended operating hours continued until 19 June 2022.

COVID-19 Communications (Formerly COVID-19 Information Coordination Centre)

The Department of Premier and Cabinet's COVID-19 Communications Team (CCT) worked closely with the State Emergency Public Information Coordinator and Department of Health as the HMA to ensure the Western Australian community had access to the latest information about COVID-19.

The CCT distributed public information across multiple channels, including the wa.gov.au website, multiple social media channels, radio, TV, print media, digital and out of home advertising. This information was also provided to the 13COVID to help keep members of the public up to date.

Engagement and support with culturally and linguistically diverse communities and Aboriginal stakeholders continues to be a priority for the CCT, as well as outreach with industry representatives and non-government organisations.

Lessons Management Reference Group

Objective

To improve the State’s emergency management capabilities through evaluation of lessons and promotion of a continuous improvement ethos and to integrate lessons management activities into the emergency management sector as a normal course of business.

Chair

Vacant

Sponsor

Vacant

Executive Officer

Vacant

Meeting dates

N/A

Activities

The Lessons Management Reference Group did not meet in 2021/22 and further meetings are on hold pending a review of the SEMC Subcommittees and Reference Groups.

State Exercise Coordination Team (Reference Group)

Objective

To be the coordinating body for Emergency Management (EM) exercises in Western Australia that will provide expert advice, assistance and guidance to Emergency Management Agencies (EMA's) and non-government agencies in the preparation, coordination, delivery and evaluation of EM exercise activities.

Chair

Vacant

Sponsor

Vacant

Executive Officer

Vacant

Meeting dates

Nil

Activities and Outcomes

In August 2021, the SEMC resolved to review the purpose and function of the State Exercise Coordination Team and the State Exercise Framework.

The SEMC consider that exercising is an essential component of preparedness and should be used to enhance capability and contribute to continuous improvement. The review of the exercise framework has been integrated into the broader review of the SEMC subcommittees and reference groups outlined elsewhere in this report.



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District and Local Emergency Management

District and Local Emergency Management

The EM Act establishes District Emergency Management Committees (DEMCs) and Local Emergency Management Committees (LEMCs).

The function of a DEMC is to assist in the establishment and maintenance of effective emergency management arrangements for the district for which it is constituted.

The DEMCs are:

- Kimberley
- Pilbara
- Midwest Gascoyne
- Wheatbelt
- North Metropolitan
- Central Metropolitan
- East Metropolitan
- South Metropolitan
- South West
- Goldfields-Esperance
- Great Southern

The functions of a LEMC are to:

- Advise and assist the local government to prepare local emergency management arrangements for its district
- Develop, review and test local emergency management arrangements in consultation with state agencies and other stakeholders
- Carry out other emergency management activities as directed by the SEMC or prescribed by the regulations.

The EM Act requires that DEMCs and LEMCs meet regularly to plan for emergency management. The Emergency Management Policy and Plan describe further requirements for DEMCs and LEMCs in terms of meeting agendas and reporting to the SEMC.

The EM Act requires that each local government prepare Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) for their jurisdiction. LEMA are monitored and reviewed by the relevant LEMC and DEMC and endorsed by the SEMC. It is a requirement that LEMA be updated at least every five years.

The activities of DEMCs and LEMCs are reported at a district level in the following pages.

District and Local Emergency Management Committee Review

At the May 2022 SEMC meeting, members agreed to a review of DEMCs and LEMCs to evaluate the effectiveness of the committees in achieving the strategic objectives of the SEMC.

The review will:

1. Establish clear roles and responsibilities, functions, and governance for DEMCs and LEMCs in achieving the strategic objectives of the SEMC
2. Identify improvement opportunities to the governance arrangements and capabilities to increase effective and efficient emergency management outcomes
3. Create a shared understanding of SEMC expectations of DEMCs and LEMCs within the emergency management sector.

Kimberley

The year at a glance

- Membership expanded to include industry groups with plans to establish a Kimberley Industries sub-committee
- Worked collaboratively to manage the significant increase in tourism to the region due to lasting impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic
- Active response to cyclone and flood events during the annual wet season.

INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
563716	Kununurra	Wyndham-East Kimberley	(water search)	2
567526	Kununurra	Wyndham-East Kimberley	(Crash)	2

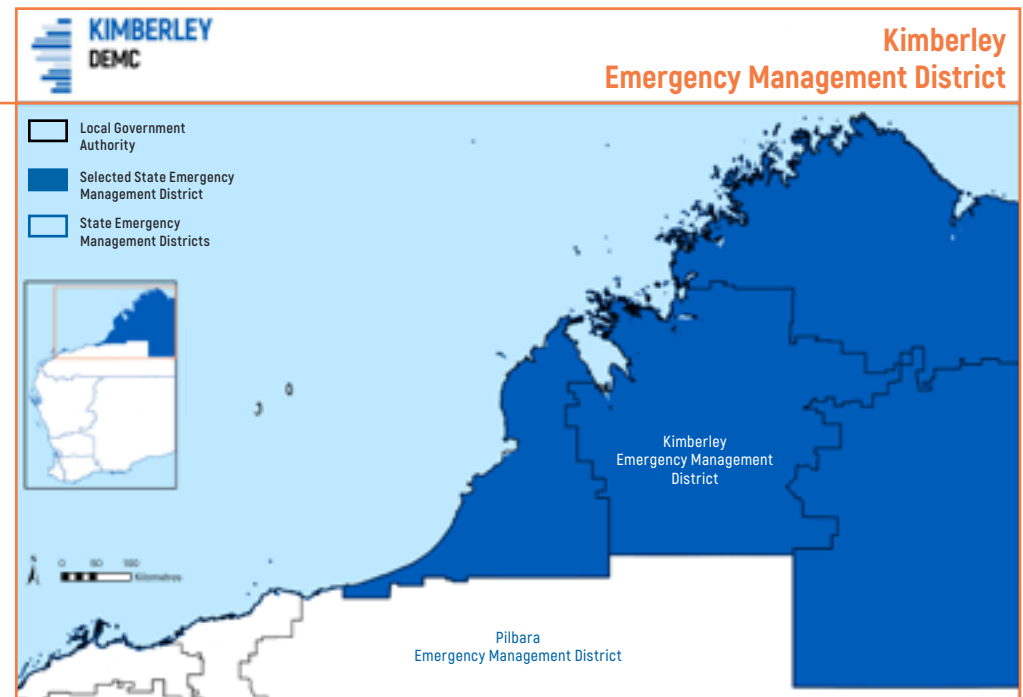
Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
11 October 2021	20
9 February 2022	19
10 May 2022	19

Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	4
Number of LEMCs	4
LGs with current LEMA	2
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	2
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	Nil

Note: 1 LG currently has their LEMA progressing through the endorsement process and 1 other is about to commence a review of their LEMA.



Activation of the OASG

February 2022	Tropical Cyclone Anika
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District OASG Exercises

Nil.

Pilbara

The year at a glance

- Membership expanded to include Aboriginal representation
- Working collaboratively in preparation for the Total Solar Eclipse event in Exmouth and other coastal areas in April 2023
- Active response to cyclone and flood events during the annual wet season.

INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
536188	Boodarie bushfire	Port Hedland	13840	2
549284	Mount Sheila bushfire	Ashburton	11462	2

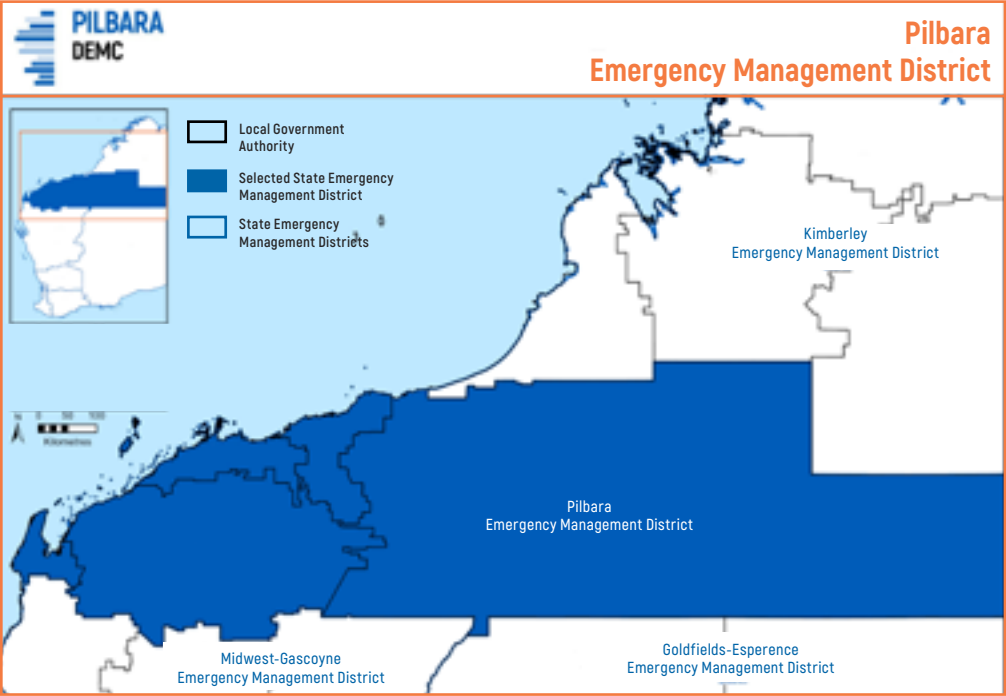
Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
13 October 2021	22
15 March 2022	24
14 June 2022	25

Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	5
Number of LEMCs	9
LGs with current LEMA	3
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	3
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	Nil

Note: 2 LGs currently have their LEMA progressing through the endorsement and approval process.



Activation of the OASG

November 2021	Tom Price Bushfire
February 2022	Tropical Cyclone Anika
May 2022	Pilbara Severe Weather Event

Midwest-Gascoyne

The year at a glance

- Ongoing recovery due to impacts of Tropical Cyclone Seroja
- Conducted multi agency pre-season Bureau of Meteorology forum across the Midwest region
- Continued issues with regional telecommunications reported by local governments
- Conducting after action review following Gascoyne and Carnarvon complex fires
- Preparation and planning for Total Solar Eclipse event in 2023 in conjunction with multiple HMAs and support agencies across several EM districts.

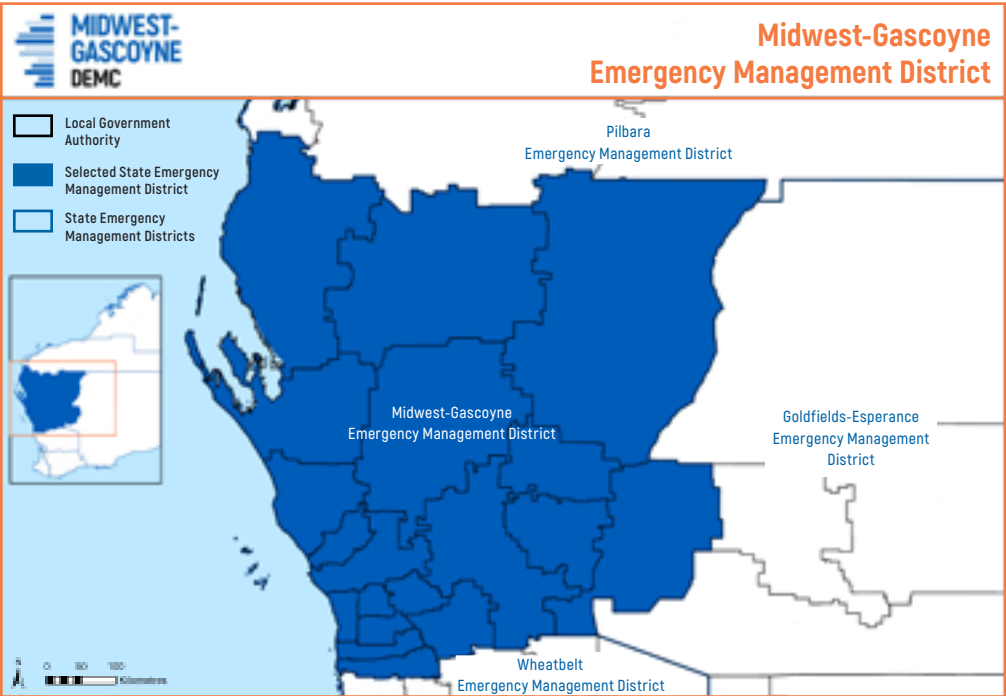
INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
557310	Gascoyne Complex 2022	Carnarvon	298575	2
544775	Missing Person	Carnarvon	[search]	2

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
22 October 2021	24
8 March 2022	17
13 July 2022	17

Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	19
Number of LEMCs	17
LGs with current LEMA	13
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	2 – 10 LG exempt due to TC Seroja
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	Nil
Note: All LGs in the district are in the process of updating their LEMA.	



Activation of the OASG

March 2022	Cyclone Charlotte
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District OASG Exercises

Remote Aboriginal Communities Covid Outbreak Exercise on Friday 14 January 2022 – WA Police Force and WA Country Health Service (WACHS).

Goldfields-Esperance

The year at a glance

- In the early part of the year, the EM landscape was once again dominated by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Goldfields Esperance DEMC members and LEMCs were instrumental in assisting Western Australia Country Health Service (WACHS) to coordinate across all agencies and organise community-based vaccination clinics to meet vaccination targets prior to Christmas 2021
- A Goldfields Esperance EM District Strategy was endorsed by the DEMC in March 2022. Aligned to the SEMC Strategy it focusses on key areas to embed contemporary EM strategies into current EM work, to strengthen and encourage partnerships across LG boundaries between agencies and the local and district level. It also focusses on practical ways to assist LGs achieve their emergency management goals
- Research was undertaken on the potential benefits of an Emergency Rescue Helicopter Service based in the Goldfields to service the wider community in eastern WA.

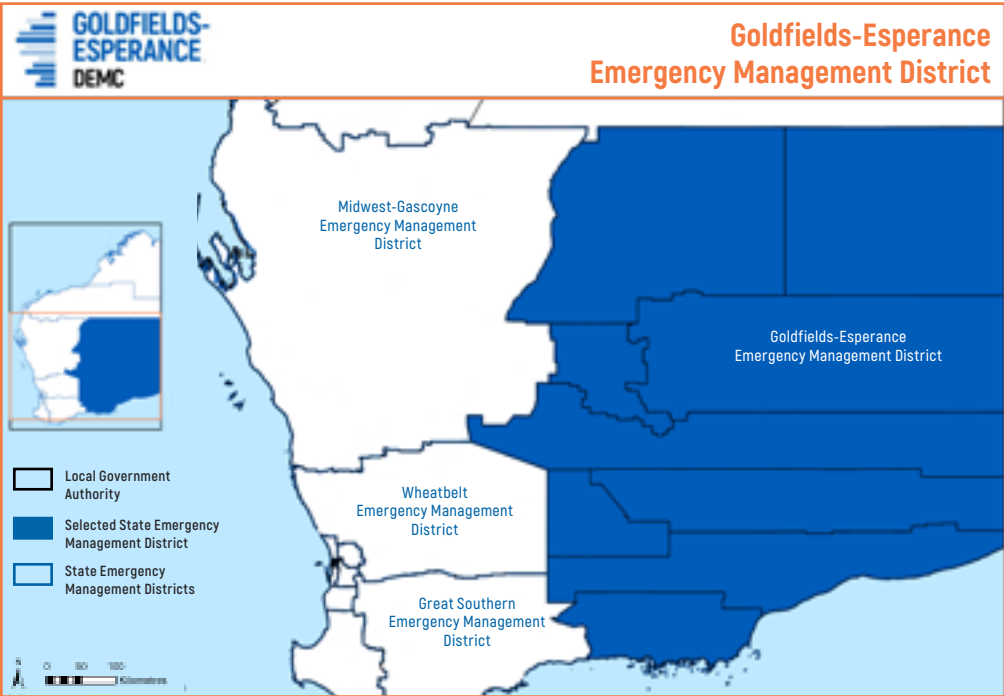
Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
27 October 2021	24
30 March 2022	18

Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	9
Number of LEMCs	9
LGs with current LEMA	7
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	4
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	Nil

Note: LGs in the district without a current LEMA are in the process of updating their LEMA.



Activation of the OASG

WACHS have been holding monthly OASGs meetings	COVID-19
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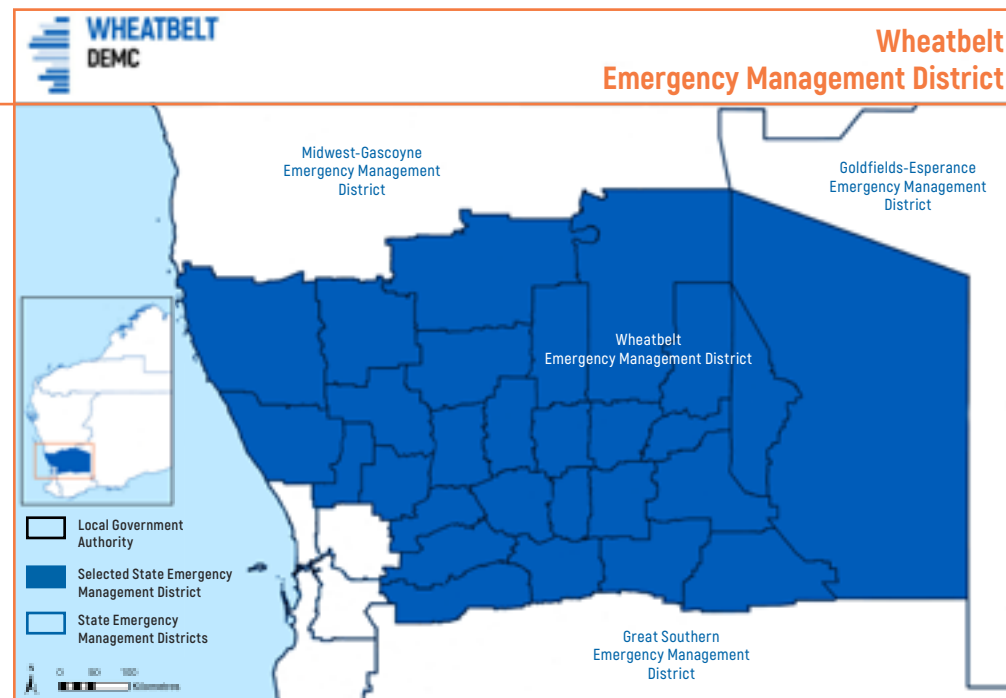
District OASG Exercises

23 December 2021 – WA Police Force and WACHS exercised a COVID-19 outbreak in isolated Aboriginal community.

Wheatbelt

The year at a glance

- The Wheatbelt DEMC and LEMCs were instrumental in assisting Western Australia Country Health Service to coordinate across all agencies and organise community-based vaccination clinics to meet vaccination targets prior to Christmas 2021 in response to COVID-19 pandemic
- An emphasis on development of relevant plans to build resilience. All 28 local governments in the Wheatbelt have a current set of compliant LEMA
- A Wheatbelt EM District Strategy was endorsed by the DEMC in March 2022. Aligned to the SEMC Strategic Plan it focusses on key areas to embed contemporary EM strategies into current EM work, to strengthen and encourage partnerships across LG boundaries between agencies and the local and district level. It also focusses on practical ways to assist LGs achieve their emergency management goals
- Learnings from the OASG debrief of the Shackleton Bush Fire Complex have been shared and exercised. LEMC exercises based on these have been well received
- The effectiveness of the District Local Recovery Coordination Group covering the Shackleton Bush Fire Complex and the Norseman East Fires has also been presented to the DEMC and learnings shared.



Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	28
Number of LEMCs	27
LGs with current LEMA	28
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	14
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	Nil

Activation of the OASG

WACHS ongoing monthly meetings	COVID-19
February 2022	Shackleton Fire Complex

District OASG Exercises

January 2021 – WA Police Force and Western Australia Country Health Service.

INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
560058	Shackleton Complex 2022	Bruce Rock	44600	3

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
13 October 2021	19
16 March 2022	12
16 June 2022	21

Metropolitan

Contemporary Metropolitan Emergency Management Arrangements

- A trial meeting structure was held in 2021 to consider a contemporary and sustainable emergency management structure for the four metropolitan EM districts. The trial will continue into 2022
- The North DEMC (North and Central) and the South DEMC (South and East) for meeting purposes
- A survey was sent to committee members at the conclusion of the trials. Members preferred the joint meeting structure and valued exercises, forums, and the opportunity to collaborate with the emergency management sector. The DEMC Executive Leadership Team were consulted on the preferred option and agreed to continue the joint meeting arrangements
- The DEMC Metropolitan meetings in the first half of 2022 were cancelled due to safety concerns in the COVID-19 peak
- A pre-season DEMC forum on the Wooroloo Bushfire theme 'Looking Back, Looking Forward' was hosted in October 2021 for the four metropolitan DEMCs
- Panel members from various agencies provided a strategic overview of their agency's involvement and key lessons from their experiences. The City of Swan's Local Recovery Coordinator provided a keynote address. DEMC members were given the opportunity to ask the panel questions.

Funding for Emergencies – Traffic Management

- The four Metropolitan DEMCs requested clarity in relation to funding in emergencies such as the allocation of traffic management expenses during emergency response and responsibilities
- As a result a review relating to funding for emergency responses commenced and will develop clear policies that are appropriate for the 28 prescribed hazards.

North Metropolitan

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
12 October 2021	70
Note: No meeting for April/May due to COVID-19 outbreak.	

North Metropolitan Local Governments and LEMCs

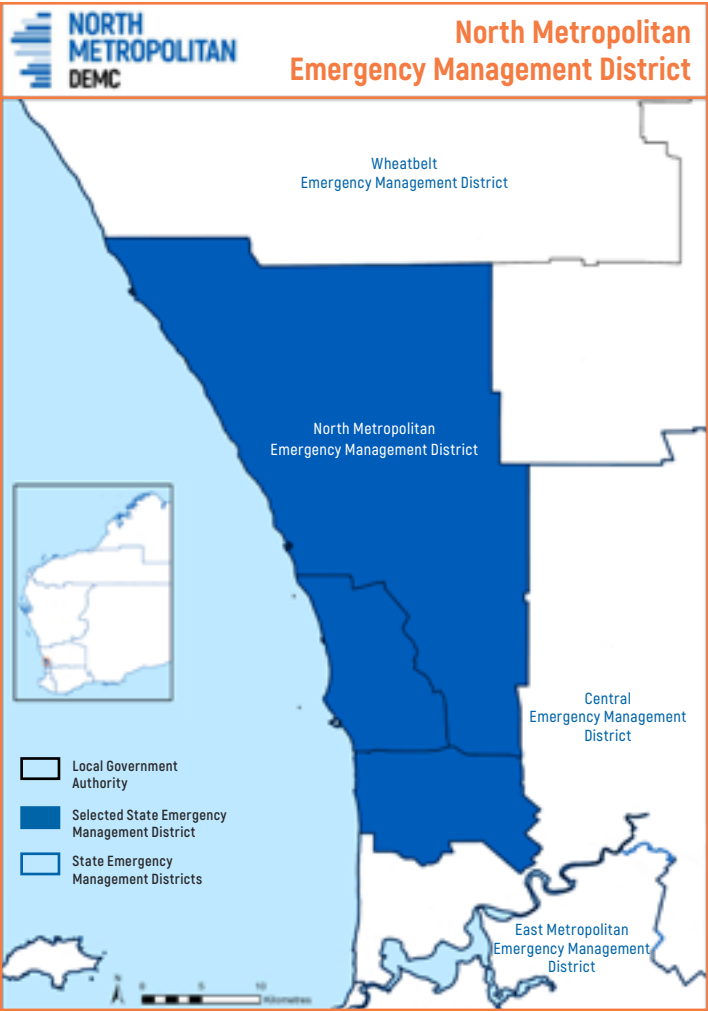
Number of LGs in district	3
Number of LEMCs	2
LGs with current LEMA	2
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	1
Note: Meetings and exercises were cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19 outbreak. All LGs in the district are in the process of updating their LEMAs.	

Activation of the OASG

Nil.

District OASG Exercises

Nil.



Central Metropolitan

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
12 October 2021	70
Note: No meeting for April/May due to COVID-19 outbreak.	

INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
556362	Wooroloo December 2021	Mundaring	328	2
559539	Canning Mills	Kalamunda	96	2

Central Metropolitan Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	14
Number of LEMCs	7
LGs with current LEMA	5
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	4

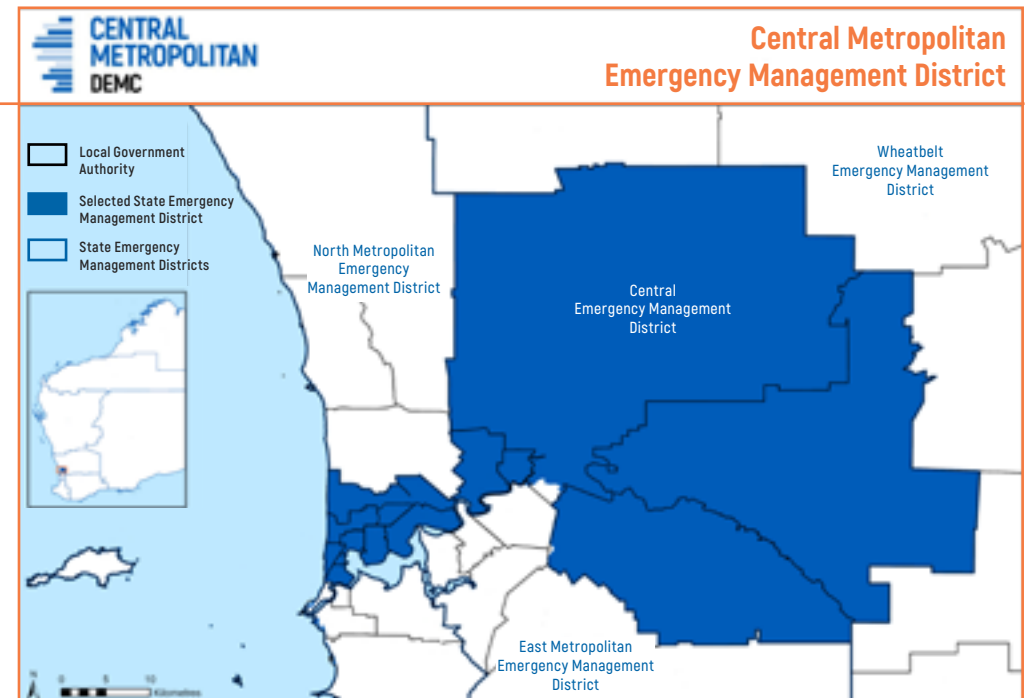
Note: Meetings and exercises were cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19 outbreak.
All LGs in the district are in the process of updating their LEMAs.

Activation of the OASG

Nil.

District OASG Exercises

Nil.



East Metropolitan

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
26 October 2021	70
Note: No meeting for April/May due to COVID-19 outbreak.	

South Metropolitan Local Governments and LEMCs

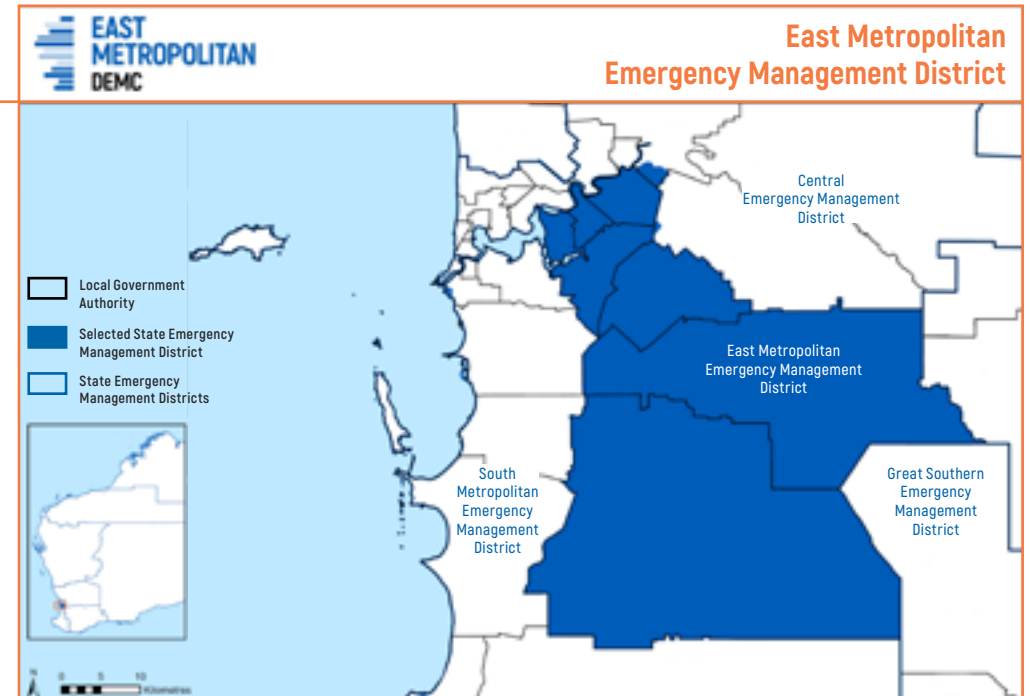
Number of LGs in district	6
Number of LEMCs	5
LGs with current LEMA	7
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	3
Note: Meetings and exercises were cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19 outbreak. All LGs in the district are in the process of updating their LEMAs.	

Activation of the OASG

Nil.

District OASG Exercises

Nil.



South Metropolitan

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
26 October 2021	70
Note: No meeting for April/May due to COVID-19 outbreak.	

South Metropolitan Local Governments and LEMCs

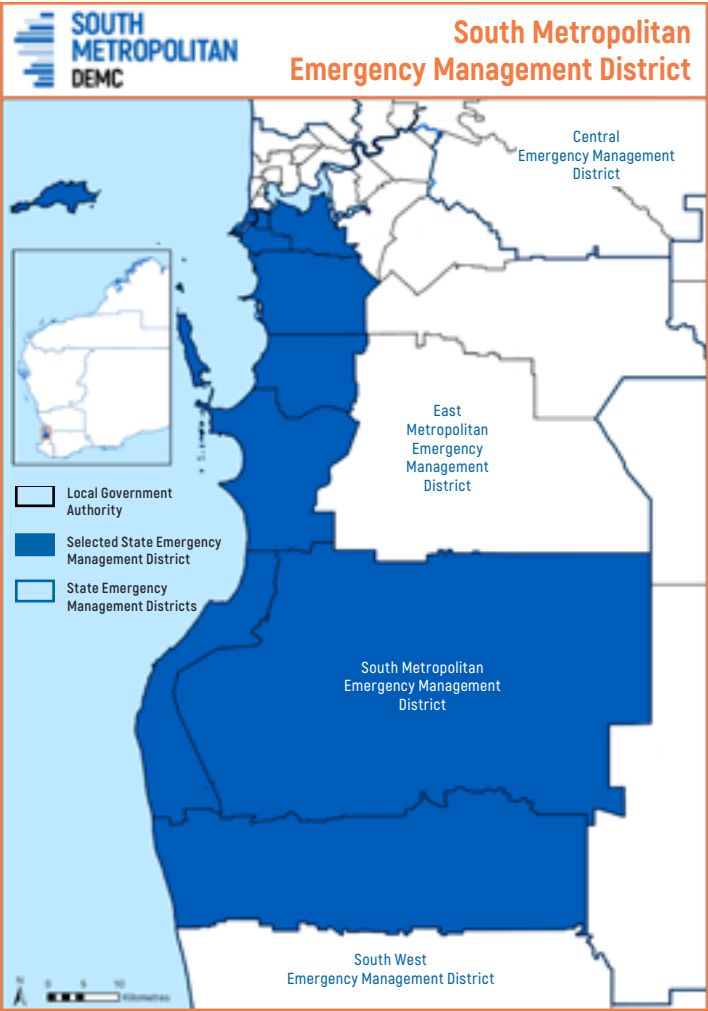
Number of LGs in district	9
Number of LEMCs	7
LGs with current LEMA	7
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	3
Note: Meetings and exercises were cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19 outbreak. All LGs in the district are in the process of updating their LEMAs.	

Activation of the OASG

Nil.

District OASG Exercises

Nil.



South West

The year at a glance

COVID-19 response and coordination activities across the South West district have been again the enduring emergency management feature for this reporting period. The Department of Health has been actively engaging and keeping key EM stakeholders informed via COVID-19 OASG and Test, Trace, Isolate and Quarantine (TTIQ).

Response and recovery activities were a large undertaking for the following significant bushfires in the region.

INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
554503	Calgardup bushfire	Augusta – Margaret River	7832	3
554637	Yallingup bushfire	City of Busselton	165	2
556355	Canebrake	Augusta – Margaret River	105	2
557625	Dunsborough	City of Busselton	235	2
559541	Ravenscliffe	Donnybrook – Balingup	691	2
559636	Nambeelup	Mandurah	98	2
559656	Topanup	Manjimup	500	2
559961	Bridgetown	Bridgetown – Greenbushes	2206	3
563033	Flybrook	Manjimup – Nannup	9074	2

Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
26 October 2021	31
15 March 2021	22

Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	12
Number of LEMCs	12
LGs with current LEMA	10
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	4
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	1



Local Governments and LEMCs (Cont.)

6 LGs in the district are in the process of updating their LEMA.
 1 LG LEMA currently with SEMC for noting (Dardanup).
 1 LG LEMA in the process for LEMC noting and Council endorsement (Capel).

Activation of the OASG

December 2021 Calgardup Bushfire

District OASG Exercises

21 October 2021 COVID-19 DISCEX

Great Southern

The year at a glance

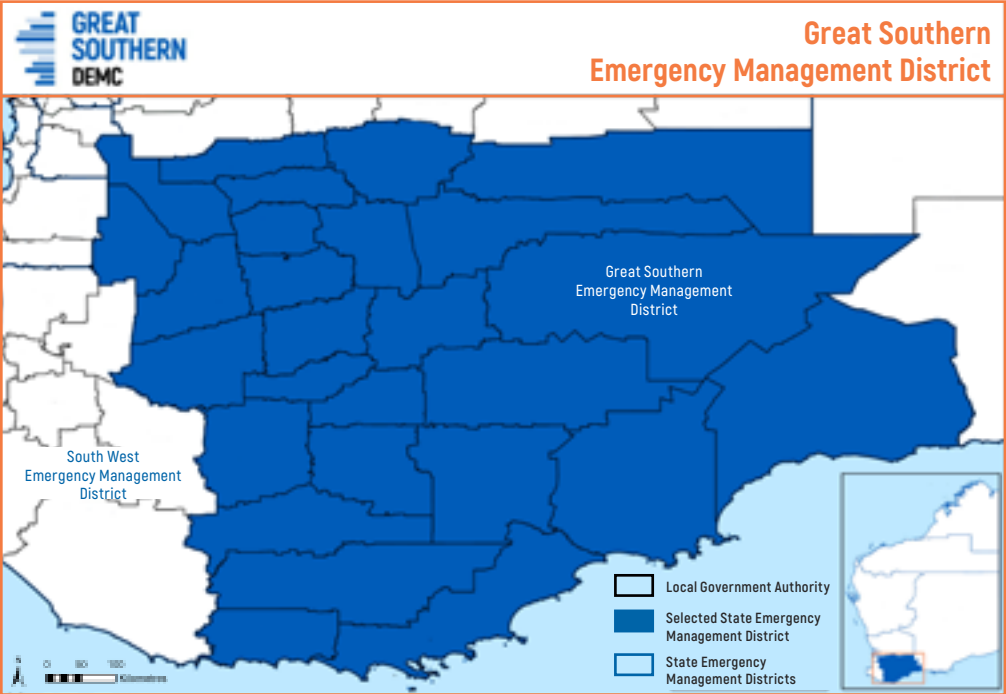
Local Emergency Management Forums are continued to be supported by the Great Southern DEMC. In 2021/2022 three forums were held covering a range of contemporary emergency management topics. Forums have been well attended by local government staff and Councillors from across the District.

Two significant incidents which required multi-agency coordination and six agency exercises occurred in the period July to December 2021.

In summer 2022 the District experienced the Bayview Rise (Denmark) Bushfire, the Narrogin East Bushfire, the Shackleton Complex Bushfire and a series of lightning strikes impacting multiple locations in two local governments.

Recovery became a key focus for District agencies following the bushfires with Local Recovery Coordination Groups being established in Shire of Denmark, Shire of Narrogin (combined with Wickpin and Cuballing Shires) and Shire of Corrigin (Shackleton Bushfire). A District Recovery Coordination Group (DRCG) was established for the Shackleton Bushfire and Narrogin East Bushfire for the:

- Provision of advice and guidance on the recovery policies and procedures
- Understanding emerging issues and key challenges
- Linking local and state government agencies and/or recovery partners where necessary to assist impacted communities
- Creating a forum for the affected local governments to come together to share and learn from each other's approaches and challenges
- Monitor the wellbeing and welfare of the recovery leaders as they too may have been impacted
- Provide situational awareness and reporting to the State Recovery Coordinator.



INCIDENT	NAME	SHIRE/CITY	SIZE HA	LEVEL
534130	Piesseville	Wagin	(water search)	2
559811	Bayview Rise Bushfire	Denmark	2200	3
560035	Narrogin East	Narrogin	17851	3
560531	Hopetoun	Ravensthorpe	162	2
560533	Newdegate Complex	Lake Grace	227	2
560546	Jerramungup	Jerramungup	872	2

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Meetings of the District Emergency Management Committee

MEETING DATES	ATTENDANCE
1 July 2021	19
20 October 2021	14
23 March 2022	Cancelled
29 March 2022	16

Local Governments and LEMCs

Number of LGs in district	27
Number of LEMCs	23
LGs with current LEMA	14
Number of LEMCs that exercised in the year	14
Local Emergency Risk Management Reports tabled at DEMC	Nil

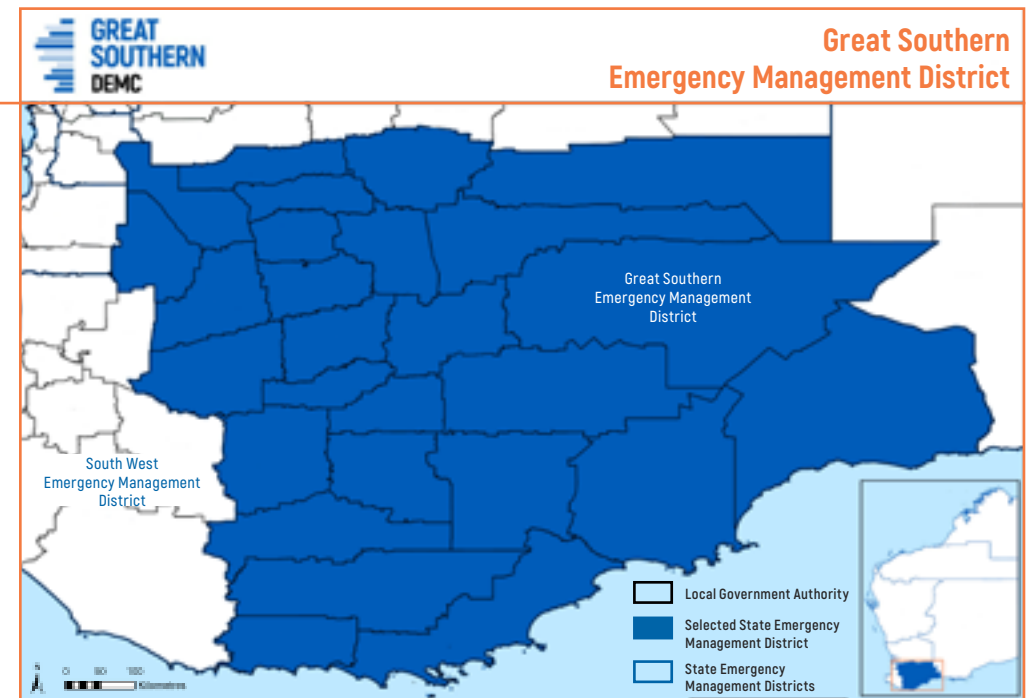
Note: All local governments have a set of LEMA. Several local governments are in the review phase.

Activation of the OASG

2021/2022	Great Southern COVID-19 OASG
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District OASG Exercises

25 August 2021	Katanning Local Welfare Exercise
12 September 2021	Great Southern Regional Bushfire Exercise
14 September 2021	Upper Great Southern Regional Bushfire Exercise
17 August 2021	COVID Maritime Incident





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State Emergency Management Framework

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State Emergency Management Framework

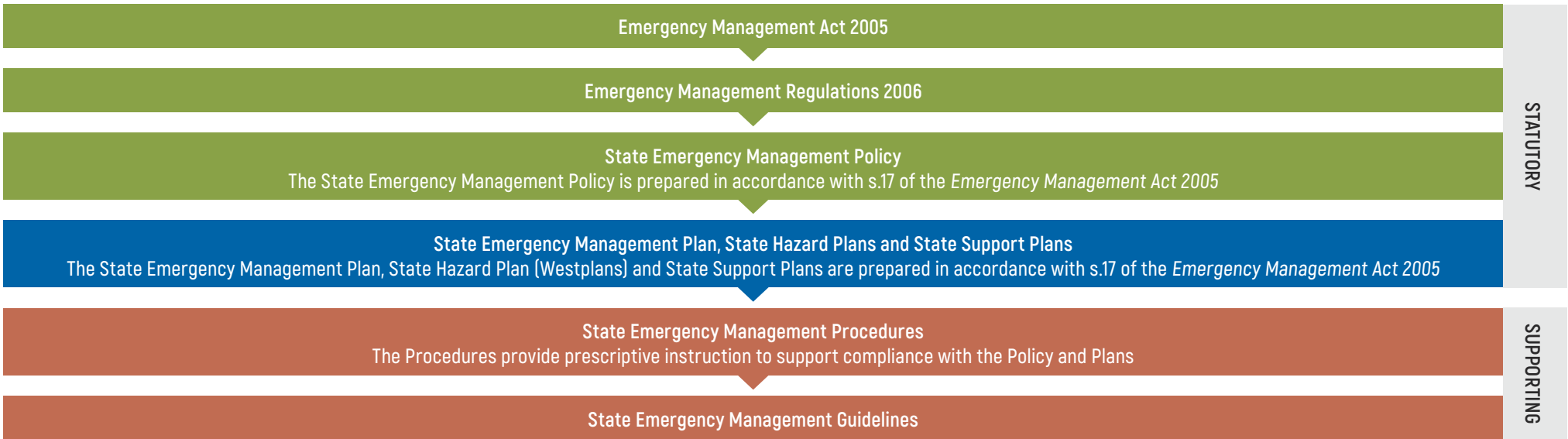
Overview

The State Emergency Management Framework comprises of legislation, policy, plans, procedures, guidelines and a governance structure to facilitate the effective management of emergencies.

In 2021, a review of the suite of the State Emergency Management documents commenced, with the assistance of an independent external consultant.

Emergency management agencies, public authorities and entities with agreed roles and responsibilities within the State Emergency Management Framework participated in a workshop and survey to identify key issues within the State EM documents.

Figure 6: The State Emergency Management Framework.



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State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)

Underpinned by the *State Emergency Management Act 2005* and the *State Emergency Management Regulations 2006*, the Framework also includes the:

- State Emergency Management Policy (prepared in accordance with section 17 of the EM Act)
- State Emergency Management Plan, State Hazard Plans and State Support plans (prepared under section 18 of the EM Act)
- State Emergency Management Procedure
- State Emergency Management Guidelines
- State Emergency Management Glossary.

Emergency Management Legislation and Regulations

Amendments were made to the EM Act in response to the COVID-19 pandemic:

- *COVID-19 Response Legislation Amendment (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Act (No. 2) 2021 (assented to on 24 November 2021)*
- *COVID-19 Response Legislation Amendment (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Act 2022 (assented to on 27 May 2022).*

Updates and Amendments

In support of the emergency management principle of continuous improvement, the SEMC endorsed a number of amendments to the State Emergency Management Framework in 2021/22 to maintain accuracy and to reflect contemporary practice. The amendments are published on the SEMC website and were communicated to emergency management stakeholders.

The State Emergency Management Policy Branch completed a review of the State Emergency Management Incident Level Criteria descriptors and incident declaration process within the State Emergency Management Plan and Procedure. The review ensures the criteria for each incident level (Level 1, 2 and 3) are contemporary, fit for purpose and consistent across the Emergency Management Framework.

The SEMC provided approval to extend the recovery arrangements (provided under Appendix AA of both the State Emergency Management Policy and State Emergency Management Plan) for the rest of the period of the COVID-19 State Recovery Controller Appointment.

State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)

State Hazard Plans

Hazard specific plans have been developed to support the all-hazard focused State level Policy, Plan and Procedure. Hazards are defined in both the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and the *Emergency Management Regulations 2006* to include 28 specific hazards.

The SEMC has delegated responsibility for the development, maintenance and review of all relevant State Hazard Plans (SHP) to the hazard management agencies. There is a range of support functions and services that are not hazard specific but support emergency management arrangements across all hazards. These include emergency public information, welfare, and health support. These services may be required regardless of the type of hazard that occurs and are detailed in State Support Plans (SSP).

The Westplan Rationalisation Project to develop unified plans for hazards that have similar requirements in preparedness and response was completed in December 2021 with the following plans approved:

- State Hazard Plan – Maritime Environmental Emergencies
- State Hazard Plan – Severe Weather (Interim).




The SEMC endorsed the initial State Hazard Plan – Hostile Act on 13 August 2021 following the addition of the hazard of 'hostile act' in the *Emergency Management Regulations 2006* in March 2020.

The SEMC also approved:

- The comprehensive five-year cyclic review and accessibility redesign of the State Hazard Plans for Animal and Plant Biosecurity and Tsunami
- The redesigned State Hazard Plan - Energy Supply Disruptions, State Hazard Plan - HAZMAT Annex B Space Re-entry Debris to improve accessibility and inclusivity.







Work to complete the accessibility and inclusivity redesign of the remaining suite of State Emergency Framework documents will progress throughout 2022.

State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)




SHP	CRASH EMERGENCY PLANS		
Hazard			
	AIR CRASH	RAIL CRASH	ROAD CRASH
HMA	Commissioner of Police	Public Transport Authority and Arc Infrastructure	Commissioner of Police
Last Review Date	2018		
Plan Review Date	2023		



SHP	ANIMAL AND PLANT BIOSECURITY	COLLAPSE	EARTHQUAKE
Hazard			
	ANIMALS AND PLANTS	COLLAPSE Injury or threat to life of persons trapped by the collapse of a structure or landforms	EARTHQUAKE
HMA	Agriculture Director General	Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner	Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner
Last Review Date	2021	2021	2021
Plan Review Date	August 2026	December 2026	December 2026

State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)




SHP	ENERGY SUPPLY DISRUPTION		
Hazard			
	ELECTRICITY SUPPLY DISRUPTION Loss of or interruption to the supply of electricity that is capable of causing or resulting in loss of life, prejudice to the safety, or harm to the health, of a person	GAS SUPPLY DISRUPTION Loss of or interruption to the supply of natural gas, that is capable of causing or resulting in loss of life, prejudice to the safety, or harm to the health, of a person	LIQUID FUEL SUPPLY DISRUPTION Loss of or interruption to the supply of liquid fuel as defined in the <i>Liquid Fuel Emergency Act 1984 section 3(1)</i> , that is capable of causing or resulting in loss of life, prejudice to the safety, or harm to the health, of a person
HMA	Coordinator of Energy		
Last Review Date	2018		
Plan Review Date	December 2023		
SHP	SEVERE WEATHER (INTERIM)		
Hazard			
	CYCLONE	FLOOD	STORM
HMA	Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner		
Last Review Date	August 2021		
Plan Review Date	October 2022		

State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)

SHP	FIRE		HUMAN BIOSECURITY	
Hazard				
	FIRE		Actual or impending spillage, release or escape of a biological substance that is capable of causing loss of life, injury to a person or damage to the health of a person, property or the environment	HUMAN EPIDEMIC
HMA	Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner		Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Health	
Last Review Date	2019		2019	
Plan Review Date	November 2024		May 2024	





SHP	MARITIME ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCIES		
Hazard			
	MARINE OIL POLLUTION Actual or impending spillage, release or escape of oil or an oily mixture that is capable of causing loss of life, injury to a person or damage to the health of a person, property or the environment		MARINE TRANSPORT EMERGENCY Actual or impending event involving vessel (including a collision, a stranding or an incident of navigation) that is capable of causing loss of life, injury to a person or damage to the health of a person, property or the environment
HMA	Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Transport		
Last Review Date	2021		
Plan Review Date	December 2026		

State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)

SHP	HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCIES (HAZMAT)	HAZMAT ANNEX A: RADIATION ESCAPE FROM A NUCLEAR POWERED WARSHIP (NPW)	HAZMAT ANNEX B: SPACE RE-ENTRY DEBRIS (SPRED)
Hazard	 <p>Actual or impending spillage, release or escape of a (a) chemical, (b) radiological or (c) other substance (HAZMAT) that is capable of causing loss of life, injury to a person or damage to the health of a person, property or the environment</p>	 <p>Radiation Escape from a Nuclear Powered Warship</p>	 <p>Space Re-entry Debris</p>
HMA	Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner	Commissioner of Police	Commissioner of Police
Last Review Date	2018	2021	2020
Plan Review Date	August 2023	May 2026	May 2025

SHP	SEARCH AND RESCUE	
Hazard	 <p>Land Search – for persons lost or in distress, that requires a significant coordination of search operations</p>	 <p>Marine Search – for persons lost or in distress in waters or on a vessel in waters within the limits of the State, all coastal waters of the State within the meaning given in the <i>Coastal Waters (State Powers) Act 1980 (Cth)</i> and areas within the limits of a port as provided in the <i>Shipping and Pilotage Act 1967</i>, and the <i>Port Authorities Act 1999</i></p>
HMA	Commissioner of Police	
Last Review Date	2018	
Plan Review Date	August 2023	

State Emergency Management Framework (Cont.)

SHP	HEATWAVE	TERRORIST ACT	TSUNAMI	HOSTILE ACT
Hazard				
	HEATWAVE	TERRORIST ACT	TSUNAMI	HOSTILE ACT
HMA	Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Health	Commissioner of Police	Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner	Commissioner of Police
Last Review Date	2018	2018	2021	2021
Plan Review Date	May 2023	August 2021 (In Progress)	December 2026	August 2026
	STATE SUPPORT PLAN			
SSP	EMERGENCY PUBLIC INFORMATION	ANIMAL WELFARE IN EMERGENCIES	EMERGENCY WELFARE (INTERIM)	STATE HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN
HMA	Public Information Reference Group	Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development	Department of Communities	Department of Health
Last Review Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Plan Review Date	December 2023	November 2024	July 2020	August 2026



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Regulatory Matters

Enabling Legislation

The SEMC is established by section 13 (1) of the *Emergency Management Act 2005*.

Responsible Minister

The Hon. Stephen Dawson MLC, Minister for Emergency Services; Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Volunterraing.

Administered Legislation

The SEMC assists the Minister for Emergency Services in the administration of the *Emergency Management Act 2005*.

Shared Responsibilities with other Agencies

The SEMC relies on the work of multiple organisations to undertake its functions. DFES supports the SEMC, three subcommittees and two reference groups. The Western Australia Police Force supports the Public Information Reference Group, DPC supports the PSC Subcommittee, and Main Roads and the Water Corporation jointly support the Essential Services Network Operators Reference Group. Each subcommittee and reference group comprises organisational executives and senior personnel from a range of public sector agencies and private organisations. The ongoing collaboration and integration of all parties is critical to the success of the SEMC and the progression of emergency management arrangements across the State.

Other Disclosures

The SEMC has a Service Level Agreement with DFES for the provision of staff and other resources to enable the SEMC to fulfil its duties. The DFES Annual Report contains information on how the Department meets the following requirements:

- Disability Access and Inclusion Plan outcomes
- Compliance with public sector standards and ethical codes
- Record keeping plans
- Reconciliation Action Plan
- Occupational Safety and Health.

The Service Level Agreement is due for review following adoption of a new Strategic Plan in 2022/23.

Disclosures and Compliance (Cont.)

Remuneration of Members

NAME	POSITION	TYPE OF REMUNERATION	PERIOD OF MEMBERSHIP	BASE SALARY	GROSS REMUNERATION 2021/2022
Dr Ron Edwards	Chair	Per annum	Full year	\$66,290	\$66,290
Ms Emma Cole	Deputy Chair Independent Member	Nil	Full year	\$49,718	\$49,718
Mr Rick Curtis APM	Executive Officer	Nil	Appointed 9 November 2021	\$0	
Mr Darren Klemm AFSM	Member	Nil	Full year	\$0	
Mr Chris Dawson	Commissioner of Police	Nil	Full year	\$0	
Mr Mark Webb PSM	Member	Nil	Full year	\$0	
Dr Andrew Robertson CSC PSM	Member	Nil	Full year	\$0	
Ms Emily Roper	Member	Nil	Appointed December 2021	\$0	
Mr Nick Sloan	Member	Nil	Full year	\$0	
Mr Mike Rowe	Member	Nil	Appointed May 2021	\$0	
Ms Linda Savage	Independent Member	Per annum	From July 2021 to September 2022	\$6,480.77	\$6,480.77
Ms Julie Waylen	Independent Member	Per annum	From April 2022 to June 2022	\$7,116.14	\$7,116.14
Total				\$129,604.91	\$129,604.91

Disclosures and Compliance (Cont.)

Acronyms

AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority	LEMC	Local Emergency Management Committee
BoM	Bureau of Meteorology	LG	Local Government
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity, Conservations & Attractions	LEO	Low-Earth Orbit
DEMC	District Emergency Management Committee	MLO	Media Liaison Officer
DFES	Department of Fire and Emergency Services	MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
DISCEX	Discussion Exercise	NSW	New South Wales
DMIRS	Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety	OASG	Operational Area Support Group
DoH	Department of Health	PoC	Proof of Concept
DPC	Department of the Premier and Cabinet	PSC	Public Safety Communications
DPIRD	Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development	PSM	Public Service Medal
EM Act	Emergency Management Act 2005	PSMB	Public Safety Mobile Boardband
EMIS	Emergency Management Information Systems	RCE	Recovery and Community Engagement Subcommittee
ESNORG	Essential Services Network Operators Reference Group	RFR	Register.Find.Reunite
ESRN	Emergency Services Radio Network	SECG	State Emergency Coordination Group
ISG	Incident Support Group	SECT	State Exercise Coordination Team
LEMA	Local Emergency Management Arrangements	SEMC	State Emergency Management Committee

Disclosures and Compliance (Cont.)

Acronyms (Cont.)

SEPIC	State Emergency Public Information Coordinator
SHP	State Hazard Plan
SSP	State Support Plan
STAND	Strengthening Telecommunications Against Natural Disasters
SJA	St John Ambulance
TTIQ	Test, Trace, Isolate and Quarantine
WA	Western Australia
WACHS	Western Australia Country Health Service
WALGA	Western Australian Local Government Association



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