

Emergency Services Reform Office

Newsletter

Site visits

We are committed to communicating with as many people as we can throughout the reform process. One of the ways we can achieve this is through site visits.

Our first visit is to Murray Bridge, via the CFS State Training Centre at Brukunga. We will have a tour of the STC and meet with the training staff, before heading to Murray Bridge where we will visit the MFS Station, followed by the SES Unit and CFS Brigade.

We are planning some other site visits throughout the State to hear your suggestions on progressing the reform. We are also interested in hearing the challenges you face in your day to day roles, and how to improve these in the new structure. If you would like the ESRO team to visit your unit, brigade or station, do let us know. We will do our best to accommodate as many invitations as possible.

Upcoming Dates

23rd February - Reference Group meeting

24th February - site visits to CFS State Training Centre and Murray Bridge

Working groups

We have received enquiries and offers of interest to join the working groups, which are appreciated.

Details for the working groups will be discussed at the next Reference Group meeting, including the topics and scheduling.

As working groups will comprise 'subject matter experts', members will be selected on merit. It will not be possible to accommodate everyone that expresses an interest to be a part of these groups. If you formally express an interest and are not selected, we encourage you to participate in the reform process through other means (see next section of the newsletter).



Copies of our newsletters and other ESRO information can be found on the SAFECOM website. Just click the link on the home page: www.safecom.sa.gov.au

We need your advice

We want to ensure people from all over the State are included in shaping the new organisation and understand that there may be challenges that make it difficult for some people to be part of this process. We want to implement strategies to promote the number of people involved in the working groups and have other avenues for people to support the reform process.

Working groups will be encouraged to:

- Utilise technology eg. Email, video and teleconferencing
- Hold meetings during times that accommodate regional people as well as metropolitan people. This is particularly important for volunteers and retained MFS staff.
- Allow time for people to consider issues

Other ways that you can be involved is by:




- Completing surveys
- Providing feedback to the ESRO team
- Meeting with ESRO team members eg. when we attend sites.

Do you have any other ideas about how we can be more inclusive of people. Please let us know your thoughts.

Is email the best way for you to receive this newsletter?

We understand that not everyone uses email. Whilst it is our preferred method of communication we would like to know if it is meeting your needs. Are there members that you know of that are not receiving this information? Would it be beneficial to mail out a hardcopy to each brigade, unit and station for your notice boards?

Please keep your feedback, comments and questions coming in. We will do our best to include your suggestions for content in future editions. We are contactable at:

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