



## NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE



The Secretary  
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney NSW 2001

Your reference: 09\_0013  
Our reference: D19/2592  
DA19073119829 BB

**Attention:** Jack Murphy

9 August 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Russell Vale Colliery - Revised Underground Expansion Project (09\_0013)**

Reference is made to correspondence dated 30 July 2019 seeking comments in relation to bush fire protection for the above proposal in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has reviewed the information provided and notes that the proposed development has the potential to increase the level of bush fire risk within the landscape and, the development may be impacted upon during a bush fire event. As such, a Fire Management Plan (FMP) shall be prepared for the site by a suitably qualified consultant in consultation with the local NSW RFS District Office. As a minimum, the FMP shall include:

- 24 hour emergency contact details including alternative telephone contact;
- Site infrastructure plan;
- Fire fighting water supply plan that provides suitable fittings and identifies operational access for fire fighting appliances to connection points;
- Site access and internal road plan that has been designed and constructed in accordance with the fire trail specifications defined in section 4.1.3(3) of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006';
- Construction of asset protection zones around all critical assets and infrastructure and their continued maintenance;
- Location of hazards (physical, chemical, and electrical) that will impact on the fire fighting operations and procedures to manage identified hazards during the fire fighting operations;
- Mitigation measures designed to prevent fire occurring within the site, and prevent fire escaping the site and developing into a bush/grass fire risk to the surrounding area; and
- Such additional matters as required by the NSW RFS District Office.

If you have any queries regarding this advice, please contact Bradley Bourke on 1300 NSW RFS.

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Yours sincerely,



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