### **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979**

## **SECTION 9.1 DIRECTION**

I, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, give the direction at Schedule 1 under section 9.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The Hon. Paul Scully MP Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

#### Schedule 1

# 4.3 Planning for Bushfire Protection

## **Objectives**

The objectives of this direction are to:

- a. Reduce exposure and vulnerability from bush fire hazard, to protect life and safety and to enhance bush fire resilience of existing and future communities when considering future growth and development.
- b. ensure that development on or where in proximity to bush fire prone land is consistent with the NSW Bush Fire Policy for Land-use Planning and Chapter 4 'Strategic Planning' of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection, 2019.*

## **Application**

This direction applies to any planning proposal on, or where in proximity to land mapped as bush fire prone land as certified by the Commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) under section 10.3 of the EP&A Act.

#### Direction 4.3

- 1. The planning proposal authority must:
  - a. consult with the Commissioner of the RFS
  - b. consider and apply (as relevant) any feedback provided by the RFS and include a copy of that feedback with the submission for a gateway determination.
- 2. The planning proposal must:
  - a. consider and apply the policy objectives and strategic planning principles of the NSW Bush Fire Policy for Land Use Planning.
  - b. consider and apply (as relevant) Chapter 4 'Strategic Planning' of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019.*

### Consistency

The planning proposal must be substantially consistent with the terms of this direction.

**Note**: In this direction 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection' means the document of that name prepared by the RFS and prescribed by section 271 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 2021.

Proximity is defined as, to or within 700m to land mapped as bush fire prone land as taken from the boundary of the proposal.

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