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2 Minute Briefings September 2026

The 2 Minute Briefings are a quick snapshot of the priority issues and actions from recent Joint Committee discussions between CFA and VFBV.

They are intended to update members on key issues that have recently been discussed. Effort is made to include any related items that may have been progressed out of session or through other avenues that are related to each committee's subject matter. Priority is given to topics where recent progress has been made. Topics where no progress has been made or where there are differences of opinion are sometimes included to ensure members are aware of VFBV efforts in continuing to advocate for progress or outcomes.

Joint Committees are formal committees between CFA and VFBV made up of VFBV delegates appointed by VFBV State Council, and CFA management representatives appointed by CFA. They are a critical loop in our consultative structures. They endeavour to work collaboratively and cooperatively on issues but may also be required to escalate issues where resolution or common ground cannot be found - requiring executive attention.

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ASSET PROTECTION UNIT

Delegates discussed updates to the new Asset Protection Unit (APU), and reviewed the results from its first operational deployment during February's Gaffneys Creek-A1 Mine Fire. The APU was deployed in February to help protect the small township of Woods Point in District 23. Originally developed to support planned burning operations, the APU was successfully adapted for bushfire response, providing an additional layer of protection for critical community infrastructure.

The Asset Protection Unit uses portable sprinkler systems, hoses and pumps that can be rapidly deployed around key buildings and infrastructure. During the Woods Point deployment, approximately 30 sprinklers and several kilometres of hose were installed to protect essential community assets, with the system capable of expanding to around 70 sprinklers if required. A key feature of the deployment was that water was pumped directly from the Goulburn River, allowing the system to operate independently of the town's hydrant network and leaving local water supplies available for firefighting appliances.

The APU was mobilised overnight after forecasts indicated the fire could threaten Woods Point. Working alongside the Incident Management Team and local crews, the five-person deployment established sprinkler protection around the town's water pumping station, Telstra tower, CFA station, police station, general store, museum and hotel. The system was designed to complement, rather than replace, traditional firefighting by allowing crews to focus on defending homes and responding to incidents while the sprinkler network protected critical infrastructure.

The deployment demonstrated several operational advantages. By providing continuous protection around key assets, fewer fire appliances were required to remain positioned throughout the township, allowing resources to be redeployed where they were needed most. It was noted that only around half of the available equipment was used at Woods Point, highlighting the potential for the system to be deployed in larger communities with an independent water source or in remote locations where additional firefighting resources may take time to arrive.

The Committee welcomed the initiative and noted that the Asset Protection Unit is managed as part of the Planned Burn Taskforce, with any Taskforce member able to participate. Equipment is available through Members Online, with future expansion of the capability still under consideration. Delegates also discussed opportunities for interested brigades to undertake cleaning and testing of APU hoses and equipment to increase the units future sustainability. The Committee agreed the successful deployment at Woods Point demonstrated the value of adding this specialist capability to support volunteers in protecting communities during major bushfires and will continue to advocate for the units expansion.

JOINT FUEL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Joint Fuel Management Plan is jointly managed by CFA and FFMV and is intended to reduce bushfire risk through activities such as planned burning and mechanical fuel treatments to lower fuel loads. It translates long-term Bushfire Management Strategies into practical works programs delivered over one to three years. Detailed planning determines how each individual treatment will be carried out. The program supports a range of objectives beyond fuel reduction, including protecting communities, critical infrastructure and assets. The plan is developed through brigade and council nominations. Performance during the current program has been encouraging. At the time of reporting, 158 planned burns had been completed, treating more than 3,100 hectares, exceeding the Year 1 target of 138 burns covering 2,777 hectares. Brigades are encouraged to engage with their Regional Vegetation Management Officer (VMO) or Catchment Commander and use the new nomination process to help identify local fuel management priorities for future years.

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NEW BIG FILL DESIGN COMPLETED

The volunteer working party involved in the newly designed Big Fill have worked hard to complete the final design with manufacturing now commencing. The required chassis and pumps for the project have been received, and construction of the prototype body has commenced. The program is expected to progress to mass production once the prototype has been reviewed and endorsed by the working group. This build will assist in addressing the backlog of long-awaited units associated with VESEP grants, with the remainder of the outstanding units to be built in 2027 once final production scheduling is in place. This represents an important advancement in strengthening water supply capability and supporting improved tanker turnaround during major incidents. Rather than relying solely on fire hydrants or reticulated mains water, these units are designed to draw from static water sources, including dams, rivers, tanks and other available supplies. They are then able to boost and distribute water to refill multiple fire appliances simultaneously, helping to maintain a consistent and reliable flow of water to the fireground. This capability is particularly important in regional and rural areas, where access to mains water may be limited, inconsistent or unavailable during large-scale or prolonged incidents.

FUEL CARDS

Over the past fire season many brigades have raised concerns about the difficulty in accessing fuel out of hours. The issue particularly relates to fuel card PIN requirements at unstaffed afterhours facilities, which in many cases has prevented brigades from completing transactions late at night. The inability of brigades to create, access or modify the PIN's has been a significant barrier at unstaffed fuel locations.

If brigades are having difficulty accessing fuel out of hours, please contact your district office for assistance in registering the supplier and arranging a PIN. CFA has advised that, for all providers except Shell, PINs are generally established when a card is ordered.

In related news, delegates on the committee acknowledge the last summers Elevated Seasonal Response Initiative (ESRI) that provided CFA with bulk diesel tankers was highly successful. Delegates are continuing to seek an across-the-board solution to the broader issue of out-of-hours fuel payments for all brigades and CFA appliances, recognising the operational impact this can have when crews require reliable access to fuel to meet operational requirements outside normal business hours.

WORKWEAR

Discussions continue with CFA to address the various issues raised by volunteers with workwear, including but not limited to fit, fabric quality, durability, functionality, design and overall comfort. The CFA workwear upgrade project is intended to review the existing garments and explore design updates to better support the diverse needs and roles of members.

A recent workwear survey invited feedback from members and received 2,456 responses, validating the interest volunteers have in workwear. Feedback has provided a clear picture of members' priorities and areas where the current workwear garments could be improved. 50 volunteers have participated in a series of interactive workshops to share their experiences and ideas in greater depth, helping better understand the areas of concern with the current design and identify additional opportunities for improvement. The common themes across the survey and workshops were, breathability, comfort, colour-fastness, durability of fabric, the need to improve flexibility in workwear items to accommodate body changes and physical needs, consistent sizing, considerations of female cut options for certain items, improvement of buttons and fastenings, and a desire for an additional warm layer option (e.g. jumper).

Delegates continue to impress on CFA the importance of robust consultation with volunteers as the review progresses, and VFBV State Council has recently approved the reestablishment of the VFBV Dress Uniform and Workwear working party to facilitate VFBV discussions and endorsements.

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BRIGADE FINANCE UPDATES

Delegates have discussed the continued expansion of CFA's brigade finance projects, with a strong focus on advocating for practical support for brigade treasurers and simplifying financial administration across CFA. Following the 2025 updates to the CFA Regulations, which require every brigade and group to appoint a Treasurer from 1 July 2026, a new Treasurer induction and training module has been developed and is available on Members Online through the Learning Management System (LMS). This module aims to better support volunteers taking on these important financial responsibilities. Progress also continues on the Xero bookkeeping trial, with more than 150 brigades and groups signing up and over 70 brigades already onboarded or well advanced through the onboarding process. The Committee will continue to monitor and is keen to receive feedback from members undertaking these new initiatives.

RECRUITMENT PROGRESSION

Delegates continue to monitor CFA membership and retention data for insights into the success of recruitment activities following the 2025-2026 fire season. As previously noted, between 1 January and 28 February 2026, CFA received 3,250 membership applications, reflecting a strong community response and increased willingness to support emergency services. By mid June 2026, 1,094 of those applicants had successfully become CFA members, achieving a 36.3 per cent conversion rate for applicants. The Committee is continuing to monitor the progression of these new members through General Firefighter (GFF) training and into active service to assess retention trends and inform future recruitment approaches. The 2026 Give Us A Hand campaign, held between 16 March to 24 May 2026, generated an additional 1,205 applications across the state, with 215 applicants already progressing through the recruitment process. Ongoing brigade engagement remains essential to progressing outstanding applications and successfully integrating new volunteers into brigades.

UNDER 18 OPERATIONAL MEMBERS

Brigades in District 24 have requested CFA look at a way to visually identify members under 18 years of age when attending incidents and training activities. The proposal recognised that while CFA has policies and procedures governing the participation of junior and cadet members, there is currently no visual way for members from neighbouring or visiting brigades or incident management personnel to identify volunteers who are under 18 years of age and therefore assign them with roles that are safe, meaningful and appropriate.

It was suggested that a readily identifiable marker, such as a decal or epaulette, be considered to allow under-18 members to be easily recognised while wearing wildfire or structural personal protective clothing. The north east brigades have advised the intent of their proposal is to assist brigade leaders and incident controllers in ensuring young members are only allocated duties that align with CFA policy and age-related restrictions, particularly when working alongside members from other brigades who may not know them personally.

On considering the proposal, State Council noted the existing obligations on crew leaders of younger members and noted visual identification markers might create issues around privacy or discrimination of younger persons. State Council referred the matter to the Member Services Joint Committee to discuss further with CFA and seek subject matter expertise regarding pros and cons before progressing with broader consultation.

Having now progressed, the Committee acknowledged the importance of protecting young volunteers while supporting their participation in CFA activities. Members recognised that any identification system would need to balance operational practicality with privacy considerations and avoid unintentionally singling out junior members. The committee will now explore potential options and determine whether a consistent statewide approach would improve member safety, supervision and operational awareness across CFA as well as considering other approaches or solutions to address the concerns raised by the north east brigades. We will keep members apprised of progress.

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FMR TARGET ACHIEVED

In positive news, the collaboration between CFA and Ambulance Victoria to build the Fire Medical Response (FMR) program has reached a major milestone. All 50 brigades outlined in the original project brief are now online assisting AV to provide FMR response to communities across the state. AV and CFA have worked collaboratively to ensure that the 700 plus volunteers trained in FMR, are working towards ensuring that at every call the 10 min chain of survival principles are actively worked towards and the FMR operators are able to provide the best patient care to critically unwell patients while waiting for an ambulance to arrive. Victoria is reported to have one of the best cardiac arrest survival rates in the world, partially due to the fantastic work being undertaken by first responders assisting AV. Member welfare is also being closely monitored to ensure that FMR responders exposure to potentially traumatic events is carefully considered. It was noted that should additional funding from Government become available at a future date for FMR expansion, there could be an additional 20 – 30 brigades enrolled into the program based on the current AV data. Congratulations to all the brigades involved in this great program.

SPECIALIST CAPABILITY PLANS

Delegates have participated in a special workshop to explore CFA's Specialist Capability and ensure long-term strategic planning well into the future. The resulting Specialist Capability 10-year plan outlines the organisations strategic intent for the development and delivery in 7 key areas. It was noted that while there are 7 categories many are well entrenched into the CFA and some will require further investment for them to become reality. The Specialist Capability plans cover Respiratory Protection, Hazmat, Alpine, Specialist rescue, Marine, Fire Investigation and Incident Management.

One example is CFA's Respiratory Protection. The Respiratory Protection Capability plan is aimed at increasing the protections available to ensure that members health and safety is vastly improved. These protections range from maintaining P2 masks, developing a P3 mask with respirators for all operational members as well as continuing the support for Fire Investigators, continuing to build the organisations Breathing Apparatus (BA) capability and investigating and improving atmospheric monitoring capability through the use of CO monitors, gas detectors and members on-site health monitoring and rehabilitation.

While difficult to outline the full plans in such a brief article the plans will continue to evolve while CFA continues embedding processes and develop plans to feed into the CFA business planning and budgeting cycle including seeking additional government funding. We will keep members apprised as this work continues.

NEXT GEN PPC PROGRESS

The PPE&C working party is established under this Joint Committee and is made up of volunteer subject matter experts from across a variety of brigades and includes CFA staff with subject matter expertise. This working party has been recently discussing several important initiatives that will deliver outcomes over the next 12-18 months.

We wrote in the last edition of 2 min briefings about the new BR9 Chainsaw helmets which are now in stock at the State Logistics centre. Volunteers will now also have the option of new structural firefighting gloves with improved dexterity, and an improved range of sizes in firefighting boots, including the introduction of women's sizing.

The working party is finalising arrangements to greatly improve firefighter respiratory protection following the field trials of P3 respirators over the last couple of fire seasons.

Discussions for the next generation of structural PPC are also commencing which many volunteers will have a keen interest in. We will make members aware of field trial opportunities as the next round of projects begin and would value member feedback.

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INCIDENT REPORTING BACKLOGS

Information gleaned from brigade fire reports is critical to reporting on the outcomes of CFA's community response to incidents. Consistent with increases over the past few quarters there has been a continued marked increase in operational response across the State. Quarter 3 has seen a 12% increase in incidents from the same period last year. Work continues to follow up with brigades with outstanding fire reports, including with those brigades who placed themselves offline during the passage of the new emergency services tax replacing the Fire Services Property Levy. Delays associated with larger incidents has also added to the backlog where operational demands can affect reporting being completed on time.

Delegates are continuing to advocate for better reporting on private firefighting units and acknowledge better reporting will require better data capture within fire reports. Discussions continue. Brigades are encouraged to submit any overdue fire reports at their earliest convenience to assist with post fire season data capture.

AFTER ACTION REVIEWS

While this past season saw a great response from volunteers involved in After Action Reviews (AAR) through a variety of face to face meetings, Strike Team Leader and Sector Commander surveys as well as general member input there has also been an increase in the co-ordination and co-operation from other emergency response agencies. There has been a sector wide review of the Incident Management Teams involved in the multitude of major incidents across the past summer and some areas of interest were highlighted including resource management and emergency management incident plans to name just two.

Members who attended fireground AARs should have received a copy of the final observation and insight documents for their incident. Delegates discussed the importance of districts progressing local actions arising from the findings and ensuring that as members experience more and more incidents the lessons learned from those incidents are considered and actions arising are dealt with in a timely manner in the interest of improving volunteer safety and experience. The full 2025-26 Post Season Debrief Report is available via the Members Online portal if members are interested in understanding the full suite of outcomes however members are encouraged to continue to critically and responsibly improve their evidence-based reviews of all activities from an operational performance viewpoint. Attention is now firmly focused on looking forward and ensuring that anything experienced from the past season is progressed and implemented as soon as possible.

INTER AGENCY RELATIONSHIPS

Delegates have noted that across various forums the question of Inter Agency Relationships and their effectiveness have been highlighted. Volunteers continue to express concerns with the lack of local knowledge being integrated into incident management teams, and the disconnect between centrally managed incidents and on the ground field intelligence.

While the local relationships and arrangements are best managed effectively at the district level there is the need to ensure all members of an IMT have equal access to software and systems that may be hosted by other agencies. Delegates also noted that when allocated an IMT shift in an area that is unfamiliar it would be beneficial to have a documented process to ensure local intel is available, and links to local sources of local knowledge and networks to assist visitors undertaking these roles.

On the technology side, while most agencies use common programs there is the occasion when access to specialist programs or software on another agencies platform can cause issues with IMT personnel who do have access to those agencies systems. The committee discussed the challenges of shared technology access in an Incident Control Centre and highlighted there was a need for better structure in the management of inter-agency relationships and familiarisation and the reluctance of some to use a common operating platform.

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RESPIRATORY PROTECTION PROJECT

Following long delays, delegates have welcomed recent progress and confirmation of Government investment for additional respiratory protection options for members.

Members would recall that following volunteer advocacy, CFA committed to a review of wildfire respiratory protective devices resulting in a field trial in 2023 and 2024 of alternative respiratory protection methods to that of the current P2 disposable respirators. During the field trails, eight alternative masks were evaluated comprising half and full face configurations. 285 volunteers took part in the field trials, with 243 completing the post use questionnaire. 18% of respondents preferred the existing P2 disposable respirator, 39% preferred the full mask respirator, and 43% preferred the half mask. A further assessment of respiratory device compatibility with other CFA issued PPE was conducted in May 2026.

The committee discussed the importance of training to ensure that members understand no respirator will protect them from carbon monoxide and hydrogen cyanide and that prevention and caution will always be the best protection. Delegates also discussed the need for training on use, care and maintenance as well as education to support members understand the increased cardiovascular impacts that respirators place on the body, its cooling systems and fatigue as well as mask fitting requirements.

The project is now entering the procurement stages, and we will keep members updated as the project progresses to the next stages.

ALLEN AND CLARKE CULTURE REVIEW

Allen and Clarke completed an independent evaluation in December 2025 examining CFA's progress against the 10 recommendations arising from their original 2022 Culture Review. The evaluation acknowledged significant effort undertaken across CFA since 2022 and identified progress in a number of areas. The evaluation also identifies concerns with strengthening accountability, visibility and oversight of culture initiatives and highlighted the need for a more structured approach to monitoring, evaluating and reporting. The CFA Board is yet to consider the evaluation findings, and no decisions have been made regarding future implementation or broader communication of the findings. Delegates requested, once the report is released to volunteers, to be engaged, along with their volunteer networks, in consultation to offer feedback to inform future culture and inclusion planning. Some of the questions to consider, will be:-

What are the cultural strengths CFA should continue to build on? What cultural challenges have the greatest impact on volunteers? If CFA could focus on three culture and inclusion priorities over the next three years, what should they be and why? What initiatives or approaches are most likely to create meaningful and sustainable change across CFA? What would success look like from the perspective of volunteers? How should CFA measure and monitor progress over time?

COMPLAINTS PROCESS UPDATE

The committee was informed there are 82 resolution support and child safety matters under active case management as of May 2026. The People Experience team, which includes Resolution Support Team and Child Safety Adviser, have been out in the regions to spotlight their work addressing BMTs, CFA Cadet camp and Captain Peer Mentoring Group among others. Recruitment has commenced for five additional Resolution Support roles. These new roles will be based in the Regions and assist District Offices dealing with complaints/issues locally. CFA have also engaged an external provider to develop a restorative justice plan for a volunteer reintegration, post the discipline process which VFBV has been calling for - for some time. The reintegration of volunteers continues to be a contentious issue for those returning to brigades after the discipline process. VFBV hope that once a plan has been established it can be adjusted, modified etc. and utilised to better support all volunteers affected by the return of members to their brigades and districts.

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RECOGNITION OF PRIOR OR EXTERNAL LEARNING

Members have continued to report of issues they encounter with having skills and qualifications they have gained externally being recognised by CFA. Delegates have been working with CFA on improvements over recent times to address some of these issues. There are now 3 basic pathways for members to have their externally gained skills recognised:

- **Direct recognition of National Competencies obtained from other Registered Training Organisations:** Where members have obtained national competencies (that CFA deliver) from another RTO, CFA are obligated to recognise these. However, a member may still have to undergo some extra training or a challenge test before they are allowed to fulfill an activity that the competency relates to. Eg, a member who has obtained Operate BA Open Circuit from another RTO may be required to demonstrate that they know CFA procedures and can don CFA's BA sets from their appliance in the required time before they will be endorsed to wear BA in an operational setting.

- **Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL):** Members can have competencies issued based on their experience and the roles that they have carried out both inside and outside of CFA. This involves completing the RPL documentation for a particular competency showing evidence of skills that you have demonstrated in the past and any learning you may have completed. Once the RPL paperwork has been completed members may still be required to undertake practical or theory assessments to complete any elements of the Competency not covered by their documented experience. This is called gap training.

- **Matching other Qualifications to Competencies**: Members who have qualifications from organisations outside of the RTO system such as University Degrees, PhDs, etc or have completed Cert IVs, Diplomas, etc containing competencies that have elements in common with CFA delivered competencies can have the knowledge covered in these credited towards complete competencies or elements of competencies for courses they want to complete within CFA. Members who believe that elements of qualifications they currently hold may overlap with CFA courses need to compile their qualification records and identify which CFA Competencies they are looking for credit towards.

District Training is responsible for assisting members through these processes. If members are experiencing problems please contact the Training Complaints system on Members Online or by e-mailing training@cfa.vic.gov.au

DRIVING SIMULATOR

Delegates discussed and workshopped plans to introduce five mobile driving simulators to support volunteers gain driving skills maintenance across the state. The driver simulator trailers will be based within Regions and are able to be transported to enable easy local volunteer access.

The simulators are intended to provide members with a safe environment to practise and maintain driving skills, particularly high-risk activities such as Code 1 or off-road driving. Sessions will be facilitated by volunteer members trained in operating the simulator, rather than requiring driver instructors. CFA's long-term vision is to have a minimum of two volunteer driver facilitators in every Group.

Members who tried out the simulators at this year's State Championships provided very positive feedback. CFA is planning to commence a pilot program later in the year, with a statewide rollout currently targeted for early 2027.

Feedback on the simulators can be provided to Committee delegates to help inform future discussions on how this capability is further developed into the future.

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OUTSTANDING PAGERS

The pager replacement project has concluded its engagement with Districts. CFA are now working with EMV in relation to how to locate and process the outstanding pagers yet to be returned as part of the project. As of end of March 2026 – 13,805 (61.6%) pagers have been replaced, some as part of business as usual. The question remains - where are the missing 38.4% of pagers? As the pagers are 'owned' by EMV, CFA may have to compensate EMV for the missing pagers, a cost of approx. $500.00 to CFA for each missing pager – this adds up to a debt that CFA hasn't budgeted for. This means less money for trucks, stations and PPC. Members, Comms Officers and BMT's have been requested to check in your bags, draws at home/office and car. If you have an old pager, please hand in for replacement to your brigade management team or District staff as soon as possible. Look on the back of your pager, and if your serial number starts with ASNPN, ASNPP or ASNPS it needs to be handed back and upgraded with a new pager. You can also enter your pager serial number in Members Online to check if it needs to be replaced. Search for "pager replacement" on Members Online.

SAS UPDATES

SAS Version 12.0.1 is now available for members to use. For Version 13 and beyond – CFA, SES and AV are working with EMV to confirm development priorities and requirements for the next SAS contract update.

Have you ever sat back and wondered how many members use SAS, which device is used the most to access SAS, the busiest month for members to sign up to SAS, how many messages are sent a month? If you have had these thoughts, here are some interesting stats.

143 new users signed up to SAS in March 2026. There are 24,953 active users at the end of March 2026. Peak day for SAS usage was 10 March 2026, with 11,148 users. Top mobile device being used by members is the iPhone. Coming in at number 1 is iPhone 13 with 1,104 users, with iPhone 14 coming in 2nd with 916 users and coming in last place is the iPhone SE (3rd generation) at 491 users. Coming in at number 1 for android users is the Samsung Galaxy S25 Ultra with 381 users, coming in a close 2nd is Samsung Galaxy A35 5G with 351 users and coming in last place is Samsung Galaxy S23 with 219 users. Messages sent via SAS: December 2025 130,886: January 2026 156,858: February 2026 123,467 and March 2026 119,953.

FIELD SATELLITE TECHNOLOGY

With telecommunication issues over the past fire season publicly highlighted during the 2026 Inquiry into the summer fires across Victoria, Telstra and mobile phone coverage are high on the list of concerns. Work is currently being undertaken by CFA on how to improve connectivity to members on the fireground in the most difficult of circumstances. Currently Starlink is the only product on the shelf that is easily accessible, with other products expected to be developed and available over the next 12 to 18 months. Tests have been underway in 4 districts – this included the safety and most convenient way to mount Starlink to the vehicles. Tests were carried out in areas with black spots, terrain and smoke. This was to assist with the testing. All of CFA's FOV/MCV's now have access to Starlink. Stay tuned for our next update on what is next for Starlink.

NEXT GEN CAD

The NextGen CAD is in the early stages of design discussion and build with an internal working group within CFA and will extend out to Districts and volunteers as required. Whilst design and discussion are in the early stages, the project completion is not expected until June/July 2028. CFA will continue to keep working with a selection of volunteer SME's and internal CFA staff on this project and we will continue to inform members as more comes to light.