

## **Region 13 RPC meeting 1/4/2010. Held at Lilydale Fire Station**

### **Royal Commission update from DCO Greg Enouf & Maddocks Ross Hocking**

Some of the key points, recently completed & scheduled to be covered, by the Royal Commission.

- Electricity
- IMT's
- Road Blocks
- Planning
- Roadside Clearance / complexities of obtaining permits
- Fuel Reduction
- Firefighter Safety & Welfare
- Mapping
- Communications
- Resource Management & Tracking
- Aerial Firefighting
- Safety Issues
- Municipal Fire Prevention
- Stay or Go Policy
- Neighborhood Safer Places
- Organisational Structure – how would volunteers fit into an integrated service
- Volunteerism
- Volunteers are there enough
- Reference to experience
- Training Issues
- Payment/Reimbursement to Volunteers
- Under Utilisation of Volunteers
- Alternative Interstate Models
- Volunteers on Black Saturday

### **Area Manager Input into VFBV in relation to Royal Commission**

- Understanding Volunteerism
- Surge Capacity
- Integration as Opposed to Total Career
- Welfare – causes of deaths
- Volunteers within the MFB
- Volunteers and Insurance (Discounts)

### **Community Safety**

- Minutes of meeting tabled
- Special thanks to Russell Stork for completing Wildfire Management Overlay in very short time

### **Strategic Planning**

- No report

### **HR & Welfare**

- Minutes of meeting tabled

### **Ops Sub Committee**

- CSEP vehicle & equipment priorities

## **Region New Business Plan**

- Welfare
- Boundary alignments
- Business as usual
- Royal Commission

### **General Business**

- Lower Yarra Group, 9 brigades departing region 13
- Brigades working through boundary alignment issues
- Mooroolbark offices delays due to slow phone system installation
- Summary of recent storm damage
- Transition process from RPC to Yarra Area Board
- Summary of "Help Projects"
- Region 13 HQ brigade funding
- Standard structural crew leaders course
- Delivery of first aid into region suggest employment of first aid trainer

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