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Hello Nicole,

Based on discussions with Development Planning and Policy (DPAP), PES Managers and Supervisors, a bush fire safety authority from the Rural Fire Service (RFS) is not required if the proposal is for minor works as listed in section 6.5 of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection (PBP) 2019*.

If there are triggers identified in the Review of Environmental Factors (REF)/State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) process that require consultation with the RFS, the application can be followed up in Guardian as a referral independent of the development assessment process ie S100B application without payment. The response will be in accordance with DPAP Practice Note detailing application of Addendum to *PBP 2019* for Class 9 buildings determined as bush fire attack level (BAL) Low.

It is up to the certifying authority to decide the suitability of the response from RFS to be considered for the exemption of the requirements of Specification 43 of the National Construction Code (NCC) at the construction certificate stage.

Hope this provides a pathway forward.

Please contact me if you have any concerns.



Regards,

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