1. On 31 July 2010 the Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission (VBRC) handed down its Final Report (Final Report). The Report makes 67 recommendations in the areas of Bushfire Safety Policy; Emergency and Incident Management; Fireground Response; Electricity caused fires; Deliberately lit fires; Planning and Building; Land and fuel management; Organisational Structure; Research and evaluation, monitoring implementation of recommendations and reflections.
2. The bushfire threat in Queensland is not at the same level as southern states. In Queensland the priority of risks to the State are flood, storm surges, cyclones and then bushfire. As a consequence, the recommendations do not necessarily carry the same weight of relevance in Queensland.
3. The Queensland Black Saturday Victorian Bushfires Royal CommissionInterdepartmental Committee (IDC) has been closely monitoring the outcomes from the Commission to assess the applicability of any recommendations to Queensland. The IDC will oversee the work of the responsible agencies to implement relevant recommendations.
4. Cabinet noted progress made to implement the recommendations of the 2009 VBRC Interim Reports relevant to Queensland.
5. Cabinet noted the draft Queensland Government preliminary response to the 2009 VBRC Final Report.
6. Cabinet endorsed the proposed policy position on Community Fire Refuges (CFRs) which does not support the implementation of CFRs in Queensland.
7. *Attachments*
* [Queensland Government Response to the 2009 Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission](Attachments/Qld-Gov-response-23-12-102%5B1%5D.pdf)