1. The State Natural Hazard Risk Assessment recognises bushfire as one of the natural hazard risk priorities for 2017, with bushfire a frequently occurring event in Queensland.
2. The 2017-18 bushfire season in Queensland is expected to be challenging, with seasonal weather conditions being much drier and warmer than average.
3. To prepare for the bushfire season, Operation Cool Burn focusses on mitigation activities to reduce bushfire risks and their potential impact, enhances engagement with government agencies and local councils and other stakeholders across the state, and promotes community education to ensure Queenslanders plan for hazard mitigation.
4. Queenslanders are encouraged to prepare themselves and their property for the bushfire season by tuning into warnings, viewing the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services Bushfire Safety website (www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au) and preparing a Bushfire Survival Plan.
5. Cabinet noted the current seasonal outlook and operational response to the 2017 bushfire season.
6. *Attachments*
* Nil.