

# BUSHFIRE HAZARD OVERLAY

MAJOR AMENDMENT 2025 - TOWNSVILLE CITY PLAN



## What is the Bushfire Hazard Overlay Code?

The Bushfire Hazard Overlay Code is an overlay code in the City Plan that seeks to ensure development does not increase the extent or severity of bushfire hazard or increase the risk to life, property, community, and the environment.

## Key Changes

Major Amendment 2025 includes changes to the Bushfire Hazard Overlay Code. These changes were imposed as a condition by the Minister during the amendment process and ensures the City Plan aligns with State Planning Policy, State Interest: Natural Hazards, risk, and resilience (bushfire).

The amendments to the Bushfire Hazard Overlay Code include:

- Development constraints Bushfire Hazard Overlay Map 02.0 is to be replaced with the State Planning Policy 2017 Interactive Mapping System Bushfire Prone Area Layers;
- The Table of Assessment will be amended so that all four new Bushfire prone area layers trigger the assessment currently triggered by the High Bushfire Hazard area; and
- The performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes within the Bushfire Hazard Overlay Code will be amended to reflect the terminology of the State Planning Policy Interactive Mapping System Bushfire Prone Area Layers.