



QUEENSLAND FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

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As Deputy Commissioner for Emergency Management, Volunteerism and Community Resilience (EMVCR) within Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES), Mike is committed to enhancing volunteerism, strengthening QFES capabilities and promoting an inclusive and supportive culture that enriches our ability to support our local communities.

He is responsible for the accountabilities for the State Emergency Service (SES), Rural Fire Service (RFS), Community Resilience and Risk Mitigation, and Volunteer Capability and Coordination within the Department, including support to approximately 42,000 volunteers.

With a shared vision for the cornerstone role volunteers from all organisations play in creating healthy, safe and resilient communities, Mike is leading the development of the QFES Volunteerism Strategy which is premised on the crucial partnerships with volunteer services, not-for-profit organisations, business and the Whole of Government.

With several years serving as a volunteer in Country Fire Authority (CFA) in Victoria and over 25 years' in fire and emergency management, Mike has extensive experience leading the management and coordination of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery for all hazards as well as strategic control and coordination for major emergencies.

Mike holds a Bachelor of Applied Science in Environmental Management and Land Use Policy, a Diploma in Firefighting Operations and Fire Management, and a Graduate Diploma of Business (Strategic Management) and awarded the National Emergency Medal – Vic Fires 2009.

