Date : 22/11/2020 11:50:53 AM
From : "HEAD Damien"
To : "Tony Johnstone"
Cc : "CAMBOURN Neil" , "CUBIS Mick" , "KLAASSEN Ben"
Subject : Re: Cost of Air Craft and Use on K'GARI (FRASER)
Attachment : image001.jpg;

Tony

Thanks for you time this morning. To confirm the QPWS will cover the costs of any requested aerial support. The nature of the aerial support needed will be confirmed through the onground IMT.

Appreciate outlining the costs.

QPWS will continue to evaluate the tactics and monitor their effectiveness to inform the ongoing requirement for aerial support each day.

Regards
dAmien

Sent from my iPhone

On 22 Nov 2020, at 11:41 am, Tony Johnstone <Tony.Johnstone@qfes.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Damien,

Thanks for your time this morning.

For transparency, below is an extract from an email in regards to using air assets on K'GARI (FRASER)

- For the purposes of being able to apply timely application of resources QPWS are happy to allow engagement of high-level air resources if an effective strategy can be determined.
- The area of highest priority/concern is the area south of the Moon Point Track and west of the Northern Road. My understanding is that an ***effective strategy for managing this area is as follows***:
    - Use of LAT + 802 waterbombers/gel to be used where environmental concerns can be addressed.
    - Specific tactics:
        - Squeeze flank northwards from south.
        - Black-out backing fire (to west).
    - Back-up Fireline control work by ground crews.
- ***This is not confirmation that QPWS will pay for the above air resourcing. Payment to be sorted out at a high level between DES and QFES.***

Other areas of concern which are currently a lesser priority than the above are also being adequately managed by the IMT and are listed below:

- Moon Point Road east of the Northern road.
- The area around Cathedrals on Fraser.
- Sandy Cape lighthouse.

As discussed on the phone:

- The Large Air Tanker (LAT) is worth $10,000 per hour plus product . ($700 for Gel)
- 802 Air Tractor (wheels) $3000 per hour
- 802 Fire Boss (803 with floats) $5,500 per hour.

A Fire Boss is more effective if water is close by, they can also pick upsalt water if authorised. 802 will have to be resupplied throuhg an air base, so there can be some delays.
As indicated this morning you are happy for the cost of the aircraft as discribed in the streatgy above to be costed to QPWS.
I have also attcahed acopy of a map that shows the fire which I believ the above stratgy is to be used on.
Any concern splease let me know.

Regards

Tony Johnstone

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