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Fire Incident Mapping System launched

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Territorians now have access to live streaming data that can inform users of fire incidents that may be occurring across the Territory with the launch of the Fire Incident Mapping System.

Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services Peter Chandler said the effectiveness of the live incident mapping system was such that all jurisdictions have now implemented the same or similar systems to provide advice on incidents or ‘fires near me’.

“The system displays a range of incident types that informs of fires either nearby the individual or provides instant knowledge of those fires near their home or that of relatives,” Mr Chandler said.

This involves extracting data from the Computer Aided Dispatch system regarding select incidents that the NT Fire and Rescue Service respond to, such as bushfires, alarms, vehicle crashes and advice on strategic burns etcetera and displaying them on an online Google map.

“What it means for us is that anywhere in the Territory, if you have access to the internet you will be able to see these events on the Northern Territory Fire Incident Mapping System,” Mr Chandler said.

“You can be sitting in your office in town and see a huge black pall of smoke on the horizon near your home and will be able to check the Fire Incident Mapping System and see where it is actually located, when it started, if it is active or completed.

“It will also tell you if it is a permit burn, a strategic burn or a reported grassfire.”

The system goes live today and can be accessed from your mobile at www.pfes.nt.gov.au/incidentmap

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