1. In June 2008, the *Queensland Fire and Rescue Service Efficiency Review* was developed in conjunction with Queensland Treasury. The scope of the Review encompassed an analysis of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS) business model, a workforce analysis, and a financial analysis.
2. Six efficiencies for redirection to frontline services were proposed, including:

* *Efficiency one*: Road Crash Rescue response protocols to be revised to minimise the non-essential attendance of the QFRS.
* *Efficiency two*: undertake rationalisation of stations where duplications occur in response catchments.
* *Efficiency three*: QFRS to continue to actively address unwanted alarms.
* *Efficiency four*: minimise the extent of community risk mitigation (education programs) for frontline firefighters.
* *Efficiency five*: implement flexible employment strategies to offset overtime; and QFRS state office overheads are reduced.
* *Efficiency six*: corporate overheads to be reduced.

1. Cabinet noted the *Queensland Fire and Rescue Service Efficiency Review* (June 2008): Proposed Efficiencies.
2. Cabinet endorsed the following four efficiencies of the Review:

* *Efficiency one*: Road Crash Rescue response protocols to be revised to minimise the non-essential attendance of QFRS;
* *Efficiency three*: QFRS to continue to actively address unwanted alarms;
* *Efficiency five(i)*: flexible employment strategies to be implemented to offset overtime;
* *Efficiency five(ii)*: reduction to be achieved in QFRS state office overheads; and
* *Efficiency six*: corporate overheads be reduced as part of the whole-of-department savings identified as part of the Queensland Ambulance Service Audit.

1. Cabinet endorsed that *Efficiency two*: station rationalisations not proceed.
2. Cabinet endorsed that QFRS continue to deliver risk mitigation programs such as the ‘Road Accident Awareness’ and ‘Fight Fascination with Fire’, i.e. that  *Efficiency four:* not proceed.
3. Cabinet noted that savings identified in the efficiency review will be redirected towards the recruitment of up to an additional forty-five Fire and Rescue Service Officers.
4. *Attachments*

* [Queensland Fire and Rescue Service Efficiency Review (June 2008): *Proposed efficiencies*](attachments/QFRSEfficencyReviewReport.pdf)