

28 April 2006

## **BUSHFIRE CRC CEO NEWSLETTER – 28 April 2006**

Dear Bushfire CRC Colleagues,

Bushfire CRC Chairman, Ian MacDougall, has asked me to advise you that he is pleased to announce that Professor John Baird, Rector of the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA), Canberra, has agreed to serve on the Governing Board of the Bushfire CRC Ltd. He fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gary Morgan from the Board when he joined the CRC staff on a part-time basis.

As Rector, Prof Baird is the Chief Executive of UNSW@ADFA, which is the academic component of the ADFA and a campus of UNSW, our newest core partner. The Rector reports to the Vice Chancellor of UNSW. ADFA researchers have made a substantial contribution to bushfire research over a long period of time, and continue to play a strong role in CRC research.

A profile on Prof Baird can be found at: http://www.unsw.adfa.edu.au/about/rectors\_office/john\_baird.html

In passing on the Chairman's message on this new appointment to the Board, I take the opportunity to welcome Professor Baird on behalf of the Bushfire CRC Management Team and Research Program Leaders, and I look forward to working with him as a Board member on the exciting challenges ahead for the CRC.

Kevin O'Loughlin Chief Executive Officer Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre 61-3-9412 9600 email: kevin.oloughlin@bushfirecrc.com