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Bloomfield fire management improved

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Fire safety has improved in Bloomfield following the completion of nearly 1km of fire break earlier this month.

The 900m long, 7m wide fire management line will reduce the risk of fire to local residences and important assets including the Bloomfield Hall, Ergon Energy substation, Bloomfield Rural Fire Brigade shed and cricket ground and amenities. The fire break was an initiative of the Cook Shire Fire Management Group which comprises stakeholders from across the shire, including Cook Shire Council, government departments, Aboriginal corporations, ranger groups, land trusts and property owners.

The work was completed by Fire Management Group members and local contractors, including Bloomfield Rural Fire Brigade first officer Mal Diprose and Jeff Arneth and Will Smith from Jabalbina Aboriginal Corporation, who were instrumental in the planning of the works.

For more information contact Council's Disaster Management Officer via email at mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4082 0500, or visit Council's Emergency Management Dashboard at disaster.cook.qld.gov.au for information on fire preparation and your local fire warden contact details.

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