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Sandigo Rural Fire Brigade celebrate new station

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The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Sandigo Brigade is welcoming the investment of \$109,000 in the MIA area with the official opening of the new station renovations.

Member for Cootamundra Steph Cooked joined NSW Assistant Commissioner Peter McKechnie at the official opening where they inspected the new facility and thanked volunteers for their ongoing commitment to the MIA area and the Service.

Ms Cooke said the new \$109,000 station would provide enhanced support to volunteers as well as the communities they protect.

"This new station will further help members of the Sandigo Brigade assist with vehicle movements, brigade station maintenance and the fighting of fires locally," Ms Cooke said.

"We continually see how hard our skilled firefighters and support crews work to keep us safe when bush fires and emergency situations threaten and I offer my sincere thanks and gratitude to all the NSW RFS members for their outstanding efforts."

Assistant Commissioner Peter McKechnie said the NSW RFS, working cooperatively with the state and local governments, is committed to providing volunteer firefighters with the equipment, infrastructure and resources they need to carry out the important work of protecting their local communities from fire and a diverse array of incidents.

"This facility provides our volunteers with the space to perform vital activities away from the fireground and features a number of truck bays, storeroom and bathroom amenities," Assistant Commissioner Peter McKechnie said.

"Today, members of this Brigade continue to protect their community from bush fires as well as a diverse array of incidents including structure and vehicle fires, motor vehicle accidents and assisting in search and rescue.

"I would like to take this time to praise all our volunteers for their ongoing efforts each and every day, particularly when dealing with emergencies here in the MIA Zone."

"We also thank the family, friends, employers and colleagues of these and all volunteers. We know it takes their support and patience to help Rural Fire Service volunteers do what they do."

