RANGE FIRE – TOWNSVILLE FIELD TRAINING AREA / FANNING RIVER STATION

NATURE OF THE INCIDENT:
- A fire began in Townsville Field Training Area, from high-explosive bombing during Exercise Black Dagger. Despite considerable efforts to contain it, the fire spread south and is currently burning in Fanning River Station, which is within the training area.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE INCIDENT:
- The fire started on Wed 25 Sep 2013 and, as at 1415h on 27 Sep 2013, the fire was still burning but contained.

ACTIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY:
- The contracted fire management company (Centrogen) is attempting to place containment lines and back burn to prevent the fire spreading beyond the training area.
- There is currently no risk to infrastructure within the training area.
- The Regional Fire and Communications Centre of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service has been advised of the fire and remains available to support if required.

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