Progress since last All SAP

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What the NSW Government committed to:

1. A more transparent and consultative way of working with SAPs, both over the next 12–18 months and in the longer term.

2. Releasing a detailed response to all the recent reviews and SAPs will be consulted by the Department on how the NSW Government response will be implemented.

3. All NSW Government agencies working collaboratively with SAPs to develop compliant WRPs.
4. DoI Water and the MDBA will continue working together to enable NSW to deliver compliant WRPs

5. Support the SAPs by sorting out the unknowns, such as policy positions and modelling outputs.

6. Provide SAPs with more education, information and resources on issues for Traditional Owners and their Nations, including on how Aboriginal water values can be incorporated into WRPs.
1. Transparent and consultative way of working with SAPs

- We have continued to work openly with the SAPs
- Where appropriate we have held additional meetings and targeted consultation:
  - Barwon Darling modelling workshop
  - Belubula and Cudgegong targeted consultation
  - Lower Lachlan Alluvium targeted consultation
  - Upcoming Namoi targeted consultation

- Additional consultation on Floodplain Harvesting

- Water Reform Task Force
2. A detailed response to all the recent reviews

Natural Resource Assets Regulator

Water Reform Task Force

Task force consultation on:
• Environmental water management
• Transparency
• Metering
• Floodplain harvesting

Further information this afternoon
3. All NSW Government agencies working collaboratively with SAPs to develop compliant WRPs

Ongoing work within SAPs discussing rule changes for water sharing plans

Participation in targeted consultation by agencies

Clear agreement between agencies on boundaries for change

Alignment of WSP and long term water plan objectives
4. DoI Water and the MDBA will continue working together to enable NSW to deliver compliant WRPs

Many examples of this:

- Participation in targeted consultation
- Planning assumption/cap factor development
- Workshops
- Regular executive meetings (monthly)
- Regular catch up at officer level (fortnightly)
5. Support the SAPs by sorting out the unknowns, such as policy positions and modelling outputs

Ongoing in all SAP:

- Latest groundwater SAP covered multiple policy positions
- Barwon Darling modelling workshop
- Explanations within SAP meetings to provide clarity
- Development of protection of planned environmental water policy (in draft)
6. Education, information and resources on issues for Traditional Owners and their Nations

- Commenced nation by nation consultation

- Consultation reports will be provided as part of WRPs

- Tomorrow’s All SAP session

- Traditional owner participation in All SAP and regular SAP meetings
WRP Timing

NSW is seeking to revise public exhibition dates for WRPs

• Lachlan Alluvium – August 2018
• Gwydir surface water – September 2018

The schedule for the other plans will be revised.