

# Water engagement

## Stakeholder and community engagement activities 2022

### Stakeholder engagement

Water is one of our most valuable natural assets. We have a responsibility to the people of NSW to ensure we manage water equitably and transparently now and into the future. Our stakeholders are those groups and individuals who could be affected by our activities.

We recognise that the most effective way to successfully manage water is by collaborating with our stakeholders and the greater community. Our [Community Engagement Policy](#) describes how we will complete this engagement.

We regularly meet with our stakeholders on key projects and provide opportunities for stakeholders and the broader public to provide input on policies, plans, and other relevant documents.

An overview of our past meetings, exhibitions, and other public engagement activities is provided below. This is a snapshot of our activities at a point in time and is updated quarterly. Please refer to the website for an up-to-date version.

Website: <https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/water/what-we-do/stakeholder-engagement>

### Past engagement activities 2022

From January to June 2022

Key dates	Description	Location
30 June 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition Engagement with Port Macquarie Local Aboriginal Lands Council	Port Macquarie
30 June 2022	Public exhibition of the remake of the Greater Metropolitan Region Unregulated and Groundwater Sources water sharing plans	Sydney
1 - 30 June 2022	Reconnecting River to Country Project - Case Studies Meeting	Various
30 June 2022	Western Regional Water Strategy, Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan amendments & Healthy Floodplains access licences in Barwon-Darling water sharing plan – public meeting	Bourke
29 June 2022	Western Regional Water Strategy, Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan & Healthy Floodplains First Nations workshop	Brewarrina
29 June 2022	Update on the remake of the Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources water sharing plan	Online

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28 June 2022	Western Regional Water Strategy, Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan amendments & Healthy Floodplains access licences in Barwon-Darling water sharing plan – public meeting	Walgett
28 June 2022	Update on the remake of the Greater Metropolitan Region Unregulated River Water Sources water sharing plan	Online
28 June 2022	Water treatment during heavy rain events webinar	Online
27 June 2022	Reconnecting River Country Modelling Webinar	Online
27 June – 7 August 2022	Public exhibition of the remake of the Greater Metropolitan Region Unregulated River water sharing plan	Online Public meetings
27 June – 7 August 2022	Public exhibition of the remake of the Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources water sharing plan	Online Public meetings
27 June 2022	Update on Greater Metropolitan Region Unregulated water sharing plan remake	Penrith Lakes
24 June 2022	Meeting with NSW Farmers Association and Natural Resources Commission – discuss water sharing plan audit process	Sydney
22 June 2022	DPE Water Engagement Round up webinar	Online
22 June 2022	Town Water Risk Reduction Program Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting #17	Online
21 June 2022	Arrawatta Landholder Meeting	Arrawatta
21 June 2022	Safe and Secure Water Program - Meeting with Warrumbungle council	Online
21 June 2022	Update on the Border Rivers Regional Water Strategy	Online
20 June 2022	Gundagurra Landholder Meeting	Gundagurra
20 June 2022	Mundiwa Landholder Meeting	Mundiwa
20 June 2022	Tuppall Station Landholder Meeting	Pine Lodge
16 June 2022	Meeting with Port Stephens Council - drainage board	Online
16 June 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition engagement session with Aboriginal communities in Coffs Harbour	Coffs Harbour
16 June 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition workshop	Coffs Harbour
16 June 2022	Western Regional Water Strategy, Barwon Darling Water Sharing Plan amendments & Healthy Floodplains First Nations workshop	Wilcannia

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15 June 2022	Western Regional Water Strategy, Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan amendments & Healthy Floodplains access licences in Barwon-Darling water sharing plan – public meeting	Menindee
15 June 2022	DPIE Water Engagement Roundup	Online
15 June 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition Workshop	Port Macquarie
9 - 14 June 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition engagement with Aboriginal Communities	Port Macquarie, Corindi Beach, Coffs Harbour
7 - 10 June 2022	Border Rivers Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition engagement sessions	Tenterfield, Goondiwindi, Inverell
8 - 9 June 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition Workshops	Armidale, Grafton
7 - 8 June 2022	Border Rivers Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition Aboriginal engagement sessions	Boggabilla, Ashford
8 June 2022	Meeting with Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly	Online
8 June 2022	Gwydir Regional Water Strategies Public Exhibition engagement session	Moree
7 June 2022	Gwydir Regional Water Strategies Public Exhibition Aboriginal discussion	Tingha
6 June 2022	Update on the proposed Barwon-Darling amendments, Floodplain Harvesting legislation and Western Regional Water Strategy	Online
1 June – 13 July 2022	Public exhibition of proposed critical dry conditions triggers to reduce risk to environmental and human water needs	Online Public meetings
1 June – 13 July 2022	Public exhibition of the draft Western Regional Water Strategy	Online Public meetings
1 June – 8 July 2022	Public exhibition of the proposed rules for floodplain harvesting access licences to be included in the Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan	Online Public meetings
1 June – 8 July 2022	Public exhibition of draft amendments for the Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan	Online Public meetings
1 – 29 June 2022	Public exhibition of Gwydir Regional Water Strategy (Stage 2)	Online Public meetings
1 – 29 June 2022	Public exhibition of Border Rivers Regional Water Strategy (stage 2)	Online Public meetings

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1 June 2022	Basin Officials Committee meeting	Online
1 June 2022	Yanga Stakeholder Advisory Group	Online
1 - 31 May 2022	Reconnecting River to Country Project - Case Studies Meeting	Various
30 May 2022	Update on Greater Metropolitan Region Unregulated water sharing plan remake to NSW Farmers Assoc, Dairy Industry, NSW Irrigators	Online
26 May 2022	Hartwood Weir - Land Management (Qiamong)	Online
26 May 2022	Towamba water sharing plan - public information session	Towamba
25 May 2022	Town Water Risk Reduction Program Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting #16	Online
24 May 2022	Meeting with Muswellbrook Shire Council	Muswellbrook
24 - 26 May 2022	Lostock to Glennies Project - Community Engagement Roadshow	various
23 May – 19 June 2022	Public exhibition for North Coast Regional Water Strategy (stage 2)	Online Public meetings
22 - 23 May 2022	Nyngan Agricultural Show	Nyngan
20 May 2022	Upper Yanco Wetlands - Land Management	Narimba
20 May 2022	Gulaga/Biamanga Aboriginal face-to-face engagement session Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition	Narooma
20 - 21 May 2022	Cobar Agricultural Show	Cobar
19 May 2022	Hartwood Weir - Land Management	Billyanco
19 May 2022	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy - Oberon update meeting	Online
19 May 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project - Land Management - Edward River Council	Edward River
19 May 2022	Towamba Water Sharing Plan - public information webinar	Online
19 May 2022	Bodalla targeted session Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition	Bodalla
18 May 2022	DPE Water Engagement Roundup	Online
18 May 2022	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy - Bathurst update meeting	Online
18 May 2022	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy - Orange update meeting	Online
18 May 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project - Australian Food and Agriculture	Online

Key dates	Description	Location
18 May 2022	Murray and Murrumbidgee Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition workshop	Queanbeyan
17 - 18 May 2022	Non-Urban Metering Southern Inland Roadshow	Dareton, Broken Hill
17 - 18 May 2022	Engagement sessions Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition	Moruya, Bega
17 - 19 May 2022	MDBA / Sir Angus Houston listening tour - Lower Darling, Menindee and Wilcannia	Various
17 May 2022	Wallaga lake Aboriginal engagement session Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition	Akolele
16 May 2022	Aboriginal engagement session Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition	Eden
10 - 13 May 2022	Murray and Murrumbidgee Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition Round 1 Face to Face Workshops	Tumut, Balranald, Wentworth
11 May 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project - SAG meeting #18	Online
6 May 2022	Water Efficiency Framework codesign workshop	Online
5 May 2022	Non-urban Metering Southern Inland Roadshow - Webinar	Online
4 May – 1 June 2022	Public Exhibition for South Coast Regional Water Strategy (Stage 2)	Online Public meetings
2 May 2022	Meeting with Nyngan LALC	Nyngan
29 April 2022	Meeting with Upper Hunter Shire Council	Hunter
26 - 29 April 2022	Murray and Murrumbidgee Regional Water Strategy Public Exhibition	Wagga Wagga, Griffith, Deniliquin, Albury
4 - 29 April 2022	Reconnecting River to Country Project - Case Studies Meeting	Various
28 April 2022	Meeting with Goldenfields and Riverina Water	Riverina
26 - 28 April 2022	Non-urban Metering Southern Inland Roadshow	Griffith, Deniliquin, Albury
27 April 2022	Town Water Risk Reduction Program Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting #15	Online
21 April 2022	Discussion with Border Rivers and Gwydir water user groups	Online
20 April 2022	DPIE Water Engagement Roundup	Online
20 April 2022	North Coast Regional Water Strategy Council Briefing	Online

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13 April 2022	Yanco Stakeholder Advisory Group Meeting #17	Online
12 April 2022	Regional Water Strategies Peak Stakeholder Engagement Session 3 - Environmental Groups	Online
12 April 2022	Meeting with Singleton Shire Council	Singleton
12 April 2022	Meeting with BMEET - Barkandji Maraura Elders and Environmental Team	Coomealla
11 April 2022	Regional Water Strategies Peak Stakeholder Engagement Session 2 - Industry Groups	Online
11 April 2022	Water Engagement Roundup Webinar and North Coast RWS Council Briefing	Online
8 April 2022	Regional Water Strategies - Peak Stakeholder Engagement Session 1- Water Groups	Online
7 April 2022	Upper Yanco Wetlands Project	Urolely Park
7 April 2022	Consultation session for Irrigation Infrastructure Operators (IIOs)	Online
6 April 2022	Basin Officials Committee meeting	Online
6 April 2022	Border Rivers CAG	Online
28 March 2022	Discussion on Private Water Scheme governance issues - Bungle Gully Pty Ltd	Online
23 March 2022	Discussion on Private Water Scheme governance issues - Anabranh Water	Online
22 March 2022	Discussion on Private Water Scheme governance issues - Boobera Water Board Trust	Online
22 March 2022	Murrumbidgee and Murray Regional Water Strategies briefing 2 - RAMJO and RIVJO	Online
21 March 2022	Belubula Landholders Association meeting	Online
21 March 2022	Discussion on Private Water Scheme governance issues - Nidgery Weir Trust	Online
21 March 2022	Murrumbidgee and Murray Regional Water Strategies briefing 1 - RAMJO and RIVJO	Online
18 March 2022	Regional Water Strategy briefing - Gwydir and Border Rivers	Online
18 March 2022	Regional Water Strategies Update to NSW Aboriginal Land Council	Online
16 March 2022	DPIE Water Engagement Roundup	Online

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16 March 2022	Hartwood Weir engagement	Quiamong
16 March 2022	South Coast RWS - briefing for Bega Valley Shire Council	Online
15 - 17 March 2022	At risk Groundwater sources stakeholder Meetings- Gunnedah; Quirindi; Wee Waa; Moree; Upper Lachlan, Management Zone 2	Various
15 March 2022	Upper Yanco Wetlands engagement	Cuddell
15 March 2022	Meeting with Bourke Council	Bourke
15 March 2022	Meet with Cobar Shire Council	Cobar
15 March 2022	Meeting to discuss Aboriginal Ranger proposal from Tamworth LALC	Tamworth
14 March 2022	Hartwood Weir engagement (Billyanco)	Hartwood
14 March 2022	Border Rivers draft Regional Water Strategy Brief	Online
14 March 2022	Discuss Menindee flooding issue with stakeholders	Menindee
14 March 2022	Quarterly Meeting Nature Conservation Council & NSW Water Sector CEO	Online
10 March 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project Wanganella Community Information sessions	Wanganella
10 March 2022	Border Rivers draft Regional Water Strategy Brief (Tenterfield)	Tenterfield
10 March 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project Moulamein Community Information sessions	Moulamein
9-10 March 2022	Agsmart Expo - Dungowan Dam team	Tamworth
9 March 2022	Locks 8 and 9 - Community drop-in/ information session	Lower Murray
9 March 2022	Meeting with Landholder	Online
9 March 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project RAP Cultural Heritage Process	Deniliquin
8-9 March 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project Community Information sessions: Conargo; Morundah; Jerilderie;	Various
8 March 2022	Dungowan Dam Community information Sessions	Tamworth
8 March 2022	Lachlan Field Day - Non-Urban Metering Team	Cowra
7 March 2022	Yanco Creek Modernisation Project RAP workshop Narrandera & Introduction to Better Bidgee Program	Narrandera
2-3 March 2022	NSW Irrigators Council March General Meeting	Online

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1 – 31 March 2022	Reconnecting River Country Program community engagement sessions	Various
1 March 2022	Nyngan to Cobar pipeline meeting with Cobar Council	Cobar
1 March 2022	Nyngan to Cobar Drop-in Sessions Cobar	Cobar
25 February 2022	RWS Meeting with the Nature Conservation Council	Online
22 February 2022	NSW Irrigators Council – brief to interested members and representatives on managing groundwater extraction to limits	Online
21 February 2022	Community meeting - Draft Hunter Unregulated and Alluvial WSP	Online
21 February 2022	Quarterly Meeting Nature Conservation Council & NSW Water Sector CEO	Online
15 February 2022	Community meeting on water access proposals for the Hunter Tidal Pools for the Hunter Unregulated WSP remake	Online
14 February 2022	Briefing with Dungong Shire Council	Dungong
10 February 2022	Public webinar to provide an update on the draft replacement plan for the Coffs Harbour Area Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2022	Online
9 February 2022	Meeting with Namoi Water	Online
9 February 2022	Public webinar to provide an update on the draft replacement plan for the Lower North Coast Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2022	Online
9 February 2022	RAMJO Engineering Meeting February 2022	Online
8 February 2022	Meeting with Macquarie Wambuul AWG members	Bathurst
8 February 2022	Public webinar to provide an update on the draft replacement plan for the Hunter Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2022	Online
8 February 2022	Targeted meeting with Macquarie Marshes Landholders	Macquarie Marshes
7 February 2022	Introductory meeting with Orange LALC	Orange
4 February 2022	Meeting with Lithgow Council IWCM	Online
3 February 2022	Public webinar to provide an update on the draft replacement plan for the Coffs Harbour Area Unregulated Water Sharing Plan	Online
3 February 2022	YACTAC Catch Up - Yanco Creek Modernisation Project	Online



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2 February 2022	Public webinar to provide an update on the draft replacement plan for the Lower North Coast Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2022	Online
1 February 2022	Update to Coffs Harbour City Council on the draft replacement plan for the Coffs Harbour Area Unregulated Water Sharing Plan	Online
1 February 2022	Public webinar to provide an update on the draft replacement plan for the Hunter Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2022	Online
1 – 28 February 2022	Reconnecting River Country Program community engagement sessions	Various
31 January 2022	Update on Hunter Tidal Pools with the Hunter Regulated water sharing plan remake	Online
19 – 27 January 2022	Reconnecting River Country Program community engagement sessions	Various
17 January – 25 February 2022	Public exhibition for Coffs Harbour Area Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources Water Sharing Plan remake	Online Public meetings
17 January – 25 February 2022	Public exhibition for Hunter Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources Water Sharing Plan remake	Online Public meetings
17 January – 25 February 2022	Public exhibition for Lower North Coast Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources Water Sharing Plan remake	Online Public meetings
15 January 2022	Information sessions at Grabine Lakeside Holiday Park for van owners	Wyangala Dam
14 January 2022	Water Infrastructure NSW Project Updates with Cummeragunja LALC	Cummeragunja
13 January 2022	YACTAC Catch Up - Yanco Creek Modernisation Project	Online
12 January 2022	Yass Meeting: Safe and Secure Opt In	Online
12 January 2022	Water Infrastructure NSW Project Updates with Deniliquin LALC	Deniliquin

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