

Water User Reference Group (WURG) Communiqué 5

Meeting 5 – Wednesday 1 July 2020

Members in attendance included:

- Emma Carmody, Environmental Defenders Office representative
- Jim Cush, Irrigation Industry representative for Northern NSW tributaries
- Joe Robinson, Irrigation Industry representative for Barwon-Darling
- Darren Raeck, Local Government representative for Northern NSW tributaries
- Malcolm Talbot, Northern Basin Aboriginal Nations representative

All other members were apologies. Rachel Strachan, irrigation industry representative for the Lower-Darling, provided the Panel with written feedback on the agenda prior to the meeting.

Purpose of meeting

The key focus of this meeting was to discuss the Panel's proposal regarding the appropriate regulatory management framework for future first flush events.

Key item of discussion

The Panel shared their proposed regulatory management framework for future first flush events in order to get feedback from the group members prior to the draft report going on public exhibition on 13 July 2020.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 20 July 2020 and will focus on the group's feedback on the Independent Panel's draft report.

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