

MEETING	Interagency Working Group Meeting for Better Managing Environmental Water		
MEETING NO.	17	DATE	6 June 2019
LOCATION	Videoconference	TIME	10:30am – 12:30pm
ATTENDEES	DoI Water, Water NSW, OEH, MDBA, CEWO, DPI Fisheries, NRC DoI Water Renewal Taskforce		
APOLOGIES	DPI Agriculture, NRAR		

Agenda Item	Notes
Minutes and Actions	The Taskforce sought feedback from the group on the meeting summary document circulated for meeting #16; the group supported the level of content and format of the summary.
Governance Advice	The draft governance advice for management for environmental water across the northern Basin was circulated to the group, along with a summary of governance arrangements. The IWG provided verbal commentary and feedback on the draft enduring governance advice and discussed the appropriate channel through which to share the advice. Additional feedback was requested to be provided by IWG members by 14 June 2019.
Progress Report	<p>The draft progress report was circulated to the group prior to the meeting. The IWG provided verbal commentary and feedback at the meeting. Additional feedback was requested to be provided by IWG members by 7 June 2019.</p> <p>Key points discussed were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The WRP package is scheduled for Q4 2019.</li> <li>• Consultation for draft WSP and policy positions for active management across the Barwon-Darling and lower Gwydir and lower Macquarie will occur during the Barwon-Darling WRP public exhibition period, and the group noted the misalignment with the WRP process for the Gwydir and Macquarie plans.</li> <li>• The approval of the WSP amendments is through the NSW Government approval process and WRP dependent on the MDBA accreditation process and subject to Commonwealth approvals.</li> <li>• The northern connectivity work was discussed and the Taskforce clarified that there have been additional reviews come out since this Roadmap deliverable was developed, and the northern basin work may assist informing responds to those reviews.</li> </ul>
Updates on other work streams	<p>The Taskforce gave a brief update on progress of other work, including northern connectivity stocktake, active management, resumption of flow rule and Individual Daily Extraction Limits (IDELs)</p> <p>Key points were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Outcomes of the northern connectivity work will be shared with the IWG shortly and presented at the next meeting.</li> <li>▪ The draft ecological and economic analysis on IDELs and resumption of flow are well progressed and the outcomes of this work will be shared the IWG when available and presented at the next meeting.</li> <li>▪ Targeted consultation on active management for the Barwon – Darling will occur at the Barwon – Darling Stakeholder Advisory Panel on 13 June and then in lower Gwydir and lower Macquarie on 26 and 27 June - this follows on from the targeted consultation workshop with agency representatives on 2</li> </ul>

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	<p data-bbox="459 248 592 277">May 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="424 282 1414 376">▪ The Barwon Darling SAP will also be updated on the preferred option for the resumption of flow rule. This paper will also be provided to the IWG. The Taskforce noted there will be no discussion on IDELs at this SAP.</li> <li data-bbox="424 380 1378 443">▪ The Taskforce noted that the decision on a final option to progress for the IDELs distribution is now being considered market sensitive information.</li> <li data-bbox="424 448 1326 542">▪ The scope of the modelling and analysis on the package of rules was clarified that active management can't be modelled, so it's just the resumption of flow rules and IDELs.</li> </ul>
Next meeting	28 June 2019.