

Meeting 13 Record of Decisions & Actions
Joint Queensland / Australian Government NRM Steering Committee
Held at Brisbane on 30 March 2004

Meeting No.	Agenda Item No.	Issue	Decision	Action	By Whom	By When
M 13	1.1	Agenda for JSC M13				
M 13	1.2	Record of Decisions M12	Agreed			
M 13	1.3	Matters Arising	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Out of Session list of papers signed between JSC meetings to be submitted to each meeting. 2. Copies of correspondence In and Out to be presented to each meeting. 3. Out of Session 48 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Overall outcome sought by JSC is a single fully functional regional body for SE Qld by September 2005. The process milestones to achieve this being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee for determining process in place by June 2004 and to bring together both regional bodies, the regional coordinating committee, Moreton Bay Partnerships and the State Govt. ▪ This committee to have a clear strategy to secure the future regional arrangements by September 2004. ▪ Strategy fully implemented and regional body in place by September 2005. ▪ The second broad milestone to be achieved is the delivery of 	<p>JSC Secretariat to submit OoS Register to each meeting</p> <p>JSC Secretariat to submit Correspondence Register to each meeting</p> <p>Letter to SEQWCG requesting revised Schedule 2. OoS paper to be re-submitted for approval regarding revised schedule 2 for CEO.</p>	<p>JSC Secretariat</p> <p>JSC Secretariat</p> <p>D Wildermuth</p> <p>D Wildermuth</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>On-going</p> <p>2 Apr 04</p> <p>ASAP</p>

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			<p>high quality CEO services for the implementation of the Western Catchments NRM Plan till September 2005.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The JSC recommends to Ministers a total of \$200,000 for appointment of a CEO to achieve the above milestones. ▪ WCG to provide a revised Schedule 2 to facilitate Ministerial approval. <p>4. An agenda item for M14 – John Keating to report on seeking QAO sufficiency.</p> <p>5. Urgent resolution of schedule 2's for regional competitive funds round 1 to be completed by 8 April.</p> <p>6. Agenda Item for M14 - Sunrise Projects</p>		<p>J Keating</p> <p>J Keating</p> <p>A Roberts M Lee</p>	<p>M 14</p> <p>8 Apr 04</p> <p>M 14</p>
M 13	2.0	Workplan Update		For submission at M14	JSC Secretariat	M 14
	3.0	Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ John Keating and Gary Kelly to submit for out of session consideration a set of strategies to improve financial reporting from the State, Regional Bodies and Regional Coordination Groups. ▪ Gary Kelly and John Keating to submit finalised out of session for the March quarter by 8 April. 	<p>Out of Session paper to be submitted with a set of strategies to improve financial reporting from the State, Regional Bodies and Regional Coordination Groups</p> <p>Out of Session paper to be submitted for March Quarter finances</p>	<p>J Keating G Kelly</p> <p>J Keating G Kelly</p>	<p>16 Apr 04</p> <p>8 Apr 04</p>

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M 13	3.1 (a)	Single Holding Account Report – NAP	AG and State members to confirm by email Friday, 2 April. The Co-chairs to write to all Regional Bodies re financial reporting, performance reporting and project variation.	All JSC members to confirm to JSC Secretariat approval of NAP Single Holding Account Report to 31 January 2004 (OoS No 54) and NAP Single Holding Account Report to 29 February 2004 as presented at M13	JSC members	2 Apr 04
M 13	3.1 (b)	Single Holding Account Report – NHT2	AG and State members to confirm by email Friday, 2 April.	All JSC members to confirm to JSC Secretariat approval of NHT2 Single Holding Account Report to 31 January 2004 (OoS No 58) and NHT2 Single Holding Account Report to 29 February 2004 as presented at M13	JSC members	2 Apr 04
M 13	3.2	Regional Bodies Financial Reports – NAP	AG and State members to confirm by email Friday, 2 April.	All JSC members to confirm to JSC Secretariat approval of NAP Community Based Planning and Actions Status Report to 31 January 2004 (OoS No 55)	JSC members	2 Apr 04
M 13	3.3	Statewide Projects Financial Reports – NAP	AG and State members to confirm by email Friday, 2 April.	All JSC members to confirm to JSC Secretariat approval of Statewide Projects financial Reports - NAP to 31 January 2004 (OoS No 56)	JSC members	2 Apr 04
M 13	3.4	Projected Cashflow Report – NAP			J Keating G Kelly	M 14
M 13	3.5	Indicative Funding Allocations	The JSC agrees that the Co-chairs be brought up to speed with Indicative Funding Allocation and meet with Gary Kelly, Paul McDonald, Brian Venz and Stefan Hajkowicz re current status of	Co-chairs, G Kelly, B Venz and S Hajkowicz to meet re current status of Working Group deliberations.	H Abrahams / A Dale G Kelly P McDonald B Venz S Hajkowicz	

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			Working Group deliberations. The Co-chairs to prepare a proposal for the Indicative Allocations for Out of Session agreement by 16 April. The JSC notes that the “ring fencing” of NHT and NAP investments needs clarification in the RIS.	Co-chairs to prepare a proposal for Indicative Allocations for Out of Session agreement	H Abrahams A Dale	16 Apr 04
M 13	4.0	Forward Strategy	-			
M 13	5.1	Engaging Regional Facilitators in AG Media Activities <i>Recommendation:</i> 1. Note the proposed engagement of the strategic regional facilitators in Ag media activities.	Noted			
M 13	5.2	Wetlands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The JSC Co-chairs to write to the Wetlands and Reef Taskforce seeking joint meetings between the committees. 	The JSC Co-chairs to write to the Wetlands and Reef Taskforce seeking joint meetings between the committees	H Abrahams A Dale	M 14
M 13	5.3	Partnership Approach with Collective & Local Government Association of Qld <i>Recommendation:</i> 1. Agree to meet with LGAQ and RGC twice per year at alternative times to the JSC and RGC full meetings,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The JSC agrees that as a minimum, the Co-chairs meet with the LGAQ and the Executive of the RGC as a Partnership Panel at alternative times to the JSC / RCG meetings. A full agenda should be negotiated prior to these meetings. The JSC agrees with 	The JSC agrees that as a minimum, the Co-chairs meet with the LGAQ and the Executive of the RGC as a Partnership Panel at alternative times to the JSC / RCG meetings. A full agenda should be negotiated prior to these meetings.	H Abrahams A Dale	M 14

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		<p>realigning its agenda to include a "partnership" discussion section. The agenda for these meetings is to be set by the agreement of the "partners" and the meetings should last half a day in the first instance.</p> <p>2. Agrees that discussion issues for these partnership meetings will include: the roles and responsibilities of the entities involved in the regional arrangements' the Red Tape reduction Taskforce actions and strategies; the Collective's Mackay Workshop outcomes (October 2003 meeting); and the monitoring of the Regional Arrangements.</p> <p>3. Agrees to meet costs of LGAQ and Collective executive for meetings scheduled outside of Brisbane.</p>	<p>Recommendation 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The JSC does not agree with Recommendation 3. 	<p>Formal letter to be drafted to notify parties of JSC agreement, following pre-confirmation of outcomes from previous meeting (re: focus on Co-chairs).</p> <p>First meeting date proposed and draft principles and strategies document to be prepared.</p>	<p>P McDonald</p> <p>P McDonald</p>	<p>8 Apr 04</p> <p>30 Apr 04</p>
M 13	5.4	<p>Queensland M&E Implementation Plan for National Programs <i>Recommendation:</i></p>	<p>The JSC endorses the Qld M&E Implementation Plan for National Programs and particularly thanks those who have contributed to the</p>			

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		1. Endorse the Queensland Monitoring and Evaluation Implementation Plan for National Programs	plan.			
M 13	5.5	<p>Combining Water Quality and Salinity Implementation Boards</p> <p><i>Recommendation:</i></p> <p>1. Direct the JSC Secretariat to seek a formal request from the Water Quality and Salinity Implementation Boards that the two Boards be4 combined, including clear statements on proposed, combined membership, Terms of Reference and core undertakings, authorities and other key issues.</p>	<p>The JSC agrees to the amalgamation of the Water Quality and Salinity Implementation Boards and seeks a submission from the existing Boards outlining the proposed combined membership, terms of reference and core undertakings, authorities, and other key issues.</p>	<p>The co-chairs to write to Water Quality and Salinity Implementation Boards seeking submissions from the existing Boards outlining the proposed combined membership, Terms of Reference and core undertakings, authorities, and other key issues.</p>	D Guzek	16 Apr 04
M 13	6.1	<p>Regional Investment Strategies Guidelines</p> <p><i>Recommendation:</i></p> <p>1. Provide guidance on the level of detail required from regional bodies to enable JSC to recommend investment levels to Ministers.</p> <p>2. Regional Investment Strategy (RIS) guidelines can be released for regional</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The AG will have tracked comments back to Qld on this document prior to Easter. ▪ Example to be provided to AG before negotiations commence. ▪ Mike Lee and Allan Dale to negotiate out of session. ▪ AG will provide to Qld by this Friday the current RIS example. 	<p>AG will track changes on RIS Guidelines document and send back to Qld.</p> <p>AG to provide example before commencing negotiations on RIS</p> <p>Negotiations on RIS by Mike Lee and Allan Dale.</p> <p>Current RIS example to be</p>	<p>AG member</p> <p>AG Secretariat</p> <p>M Lee A Dale</p> <p>AG</p>	<p>Before 8 April 04</p> <p>Before 8 April 04</p> <p>Before 8 April 04</p> <p>2 April 04</p>

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M 13	6.2	body input. Designation of Regional Bodies <i>Recommendation:</i> 1. Agree to sign and send designation letters seeking further information to thirteen regional bodies in Queensland	The JSC notes the letters and that Qld Co-chair will forward a letter of this nature to the Groups. 1. Generic letter would benefit by inclusion of a statement encouraging bodies to keep the focus on their cost effectiveness. 2. The letters should also note that before finalizing their response close contact with the SCO for guidance and support should be maintained. 3. The letters will also be cc'd to SCO's and RLO's and AG JSC Co-chair.	provided by AG to Qld. Qld Co-chair to forward letter to Regional Bodies: 1. Generic letter would benefit by inclusion of a statement encouraging bodies to keep the focus on their cost effectiveness. 2. The letters should also note that before finalizing their response close contact with the SCO for guidance and support should be maintained. 3. The letters will also be cc'd to SCO's and RLO's and AG JSC Co-chair.	Secretariat R Crisp	2 April 04
M 13	6.3	Guidelines for Regional Natural Resource Management Planning in Queensland <i>Recommendation:</i> 1. Approve the finalisation and public release of the Guidelines for Regional Natural Resource Management Planning in Queensland (Planning Queensland Guidelines).	The JSC approves the document subject to receipt of comments in tracked changes by Friday after Easter. Any outstanding issues, the Co-chairs to agree out of session.	The JSC approves the Guidelines for Regional Natural Resource Management Planning in Queensland subject to receipt of comments in tracked changes. Any outstanding issues, the Co-chairs to agree out of session.	AG Secretariat	16 April 04
M 13	6.4	NHT2 IFA Extension (separate decisions)	The JSC Co-chairs to write to the Regional Bodies advising them of	Chairs to write letters to RBs. RLO's discuss with RBs	H Abrahams / A Dale	2 April 04

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			<p>the necessity to provide a revised schedule 2 consistent with the regional liaison officers consultation. Schedule 2 to be provided within 2 weeks of receipt of this letter. (Reference should be made to the fact that JSC could not recommend any projects due to the fact that inkind had not been agreed and schedule 2's were not of a standard that could be approved.) State and Liaison officers to inform regional bodies of recommendations in the summary spreadsheet of the proposals.</p> <p>AG officers to provide comments to State officers by end of week. Recognise that the JSC will need to agree out of session matching inkind before approval by AG. This is to be provided to AG by Thursday (8 April). The AG agrees to consider state matching in a timely fashion.</p> <p>The JSC seeks a paper for the next JSC meeting regarding the roles and interactions of the RLO's the RCGs the RBs and the JSC by M14. (Mike Lee and Allan Dale)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AG provide comments to State RLO's by Friday 2 April. ▪ RLO's recommend to JSC final schedule 2's by (Fri after Easter) (16/04/04) ▪ JSC co-chairs to approve Schedule 2's out of session. ▪ State and AG Regional Liaison officers to inform regional bodies of recommendations in the summary spreadsheet of the proposals. 		
M 13	6.5	NHT2 IFA Statewide Funding Recommendation:	The JSC does not agree to recommend the World Heritage	The JSC does not agree to recommend the World Heritage		

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve \$890,000 for the five priority projects recommended by SCG for statewide NHT2 funding 2003-04 as per Table 1 and Attachment 1(a) to 1(e); 2. Note that Statewide Project Proponents have agreed to the proposed State Matching Inkind Contribution as per Table 2; 3. Note the Regional Groups' Collective comment as per Attachment 2 	<p>Sites project. Agrees to recommend the Reef Catchments project subject to the Reef Operations Committee acknowledging the value of the proposal. The JSC agrees to recommend all the other projects as outlined in Table 1 and to recommend CB01 extension to the value of \$86,450.</p> <p>The JSC notes the indigenous network project is for 12 months with an expectation of "self funding" for the out years. The JSC acknowledges the notional out year commitments and that they will be reconsidered in future years.</p> <p>The "hot spot project" is recommended to a value of \$254,000.</p>	<p>Sites project.</p> <p>The JSC agrees to recommend the Reef Catchments project subject to the Reef Operations Committee acknowledging the value of the proposal.</p> <p>The JSC agrees to recommend all the other projects as outlined in Table 1 and to recommend CB01 extension to the value of \$86,450.</p> <p>The JSC notes the indigenous network project is for 12 months with an expectation of "self funding" for the out years. The JSC acknowledges the notional out year commitments and that they will be reconsidered in future years.</p> <p>The "hot spot project" is recommended to a value of \$254,000.</p> <p>The JSC Secretariat to write to proponents advising them of the recommendations and that they will be contacted regarding finalisation of schedule 2's.</p>	<p>A Roberts</p> <p>D Guzek</p>	<p>16 April 04</p>

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M13	6.6	<p>Partnership Agreements <i>Recommended:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Note that the Australian Government is still investigating the issues and options in this context; Invite the Queensland Government to provide any views it may have on this matter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The JSC notes that there have been discussions in the Bilateral Agreement negotiations regarding Partnership Agreements. The JSC also notes that “Partnerships Project Group” is investigating the need for or nature of the Partnership Agreement(s) in Queensland. 			
M13	6.7	<p>Progress with QMDC/SW NRM Regional NRM Planning & related RIS development <i>Recommendation:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Note the detail of the latest Plan and RIS program that QMDC and SW NRM Group are working to; Note in particular that with regard to the RIS these two regional bodies are now running to different development timelines; Provide a response to both regional bodies acknowledging their latest Plan and RIS development programs including an indication of comfort with the lodgement of the Plan and RIS documents at 	<p>The JSC notes the recommendations.</p>			

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		<p>different times;</p> <p>4. Note that SWRCG interests have very much written themselves into the QMDC RIS development process over the next few weeks in an effort to assist with the creation of a no surprises, useful document that Government can use to inform investment decision making.</p>				

JSC Members (Australian Government)	JSC Members (Queensland)
Harry Abrahams (Acting Co-chair)	Allan Dale (Co-chair)
Mike Lee	Tony Pressland (NRM&E)
NRM Manager - Qld	Olwyn Crimp (EPA) + Steve Macdonald
Gary Kelly	Tony Roberts (DPI) + John Daniels
Ken Morgan	JSC Secretariat
	Debbie Guzek
	Maxine Wharton