

Taskforce Weekly Bugle



KEY MESSAGES

[Reminder - National Conference on Climate Impacts on Australia's Natural Resources: Current and Future Challenges](#)

[First plan released for public display](#)

[New Condamine Alliance Chair](#)

[Regional Competitive Funds](#)

[Can Queensland Beef be Bush-friendly?](#)

[New Policy Sheet - Biodiversity Conservation in Regional NRM Planning](#)

Reminder - National Conference on Climate Impacts on Australia's Natural Resources: Current and Future Challenges

It is not too late to register to attend the National Conference on Climate Impacts on Australia's Natural Resources: Current and Future Challenges – running this Tuesday 25 November until Thursday 27 at the Crowne Plaza, Surfers Paradise, Queensland. This conference will provide natural resource managers from across the country with the most up-to-date scientific knowledge regarding climate change and climate variability impacts of natural and managed systems. In addition, the conference will provide delegates, from across Australia, with an opportunity to identify practical steps towards more adaptive natural resource management, building resilience to future climate variability and change. For further information please contact the Conference Secretariat on (07) 3846 5858 or Email climateimpacts@eventcorp.com.au or visit www.climateimpacts.com.au

[Back to top](#)

First plan released for public display

Congratulations are in order for QMDC, releasing their draft NRM Plan for public consultation; a credit to the significant work of the Regional Body and the support of its Regional Coordination Groups. Dave Wildermuth (07 3224 2475) is the Taskforce contact in relation to southwest Queensland issues.

[Back to top](#)

New Condamine Alliance Chair

Still west of the Divide, Dick Brown has been appointed as the independent chair of the Condamine Alliance. Dick was previously a producer from northern NSW and once chaired the CRC Cotton. The Alliance is now advancing its regional NRM Plan and implementing its PAPs.

[Back to top](#)

Regional Competitive Funds

JSC has forwarded a set of recommendations to the Australian Government regarding the NHT2 Regionally Competitive Project proposal. Congratulations to those regions that were able to get projects on the table.

[Back to top](#)

Can Queensland Beef be Bush-friendly?

Queensland Conservation Council, Capricorn Conservation Council & Australian Conservation Foundation present "Can Queensland Beef be Bush-friendly?" - a forum looking at questions such as:

- Are there economic constraints to bush-friendly beef?
- Are there benefits to marketing beef products as eco-friendly?
- Are there environmental constraints to bush-friendly beef?

Join cattle producers, conservationists and scientists from around Australia for open and frank workshop discussions.

WHEN - Tuesday 2 December, 2003; 9.00am to 12.00pm

WHERE - Capricorn Conservation Council, Hague Park, Livermore Street Rockhampton

There is no cost and refreshments will be provided. For more information please contact Nicky Hungerford (QCC) on 0419 768 676 or (07) 4032 1586.

[Back to top](#)

New Policy Sheet - Biodiversity Conservation in Regional NRM Planning

This research project set out to identify mechanisms to enhance the adoption of biodiversity conservation within regional NRM planning processes. Practical guidelines produced by this research project will be of interest to policy makers and resource managers. The guidelines identify key success factors for integrating biodiversity conservation into regional planning processes and their limitations, make practical recommendations for action, and includes 16 case studies. The policy sheet, which includes an overview of the project,

guidelines and key findings can be downloaded at:

http://www.lwa.gov.au/downloads/publications_pdf/PP030624.pdf

If you are interested in a more detailed policy briefing, please contact Alice Roughley, SIRP Coordinator at alice.roughley@lwa.gov.au. Details about how to access the full project report can be found on the policy sheet. This project was funded through the Natural Heritage Trust and managed by Land & Water Australia through the Social and Institutional Research Program (SIRP).

[Back to top](#)