

Appendix 1 The Strategic Perspectives Analysis interview questions

A. For member stakeholders

Background.

(Interviewer will ask for background information on the organisation and the nature of its involvement in natural resource management. Some of this information may be available in literature).

Issues and Objectives

What do you consider to be the most important issues for the [name] subcatchment [or area] in terms of management and use of the land, water and vegetation resources?

(If appropriate, extend this to the whole Burnett-Mary region or to the whole of either Mary or Burnett catchment i.e. What about for the whole catchment?)

What then do you think should be the main aims in planning for natural resource management in the region?

How do your organisation's aims relate to those we have just described for the catchment?

Constraints

What constraints do you see to achieving these aims for the catchment?

Why do these constraints exist?

Opportunities

What opportunities do you see for achieving these aims for the catchment?

Why do these opportunities exist?

Do you see other opportunities for better natural resource management in this catchment?

Strategies

In a broad sense, what part would you like(name of relevant sector e.g. beef producers) to play in achieving these aims? How?

OR

What would you like your organisation to do to help to achieve these aims? How?

Would ... be interested in committing effort/time, resources towards this?

What initiatives or activities can you see your organisation/enterprise developing in partnership with BMRG or with other organisations in the catchment?

[Or, can you see opportunities to work in partnership with BMRG or other organisations in this?]

To which of these initiatives do you think the (name of sector) would be interested in committing time or money? How?

Vision [optional]

Do you have an overall sense of what you would like the [name] subcatchment [or area] or the whole Burnett or Mary region to be like for the next generation?

[in terms of the use of the land, water and vegetation resources?]

Winding up

(Thank for interview, explain procedure for verifying notes and agreeing on a written record).

B. For non-members

1. Have you heard of the Burnett Mary Regional Group and/or the regional arrangements in Queensland for natural resource management (NRM)?
2. How aware are you of the natural resource management plan developed by the Burnett Mary Regional Group? (If not, explain). (If some, take questions from knowledge level).
3. What do you see as trends in use of the natural resources that need some action to avoid long-term problems.
4. Can you suggest what needs to be done?
5. What constraints would you see to achieving better management of natural resources?
6. What, if any, natural resource management issues could affect your business in some way?
7. Have you considered how your organisation might support natural resource management activities? (Does your corporate/business plan make any reference to environmental matters?).
8. BMRG is open to membership in several categories. These include local government, community organisations of various kinds, and primary, secondary and tertiary industry. Would you be interested in membership in the secondary/tertiary sector to obtain regular information on what is happening in natural resource management action programs in the region?

Optional questions

9. Do you have any affiliation with NRM organisations, or are you aware of any specific NRM activities by organisations in your area; ... the region??
10. Have any of your employees assisted in these activities, as part of your business activity or as members of other organisations?
11. Do you receive any newsletters or information materials from NRM organisations
12. Do you think the community is doing enough to look after natural resources?

Appendix 2 Overview of Regional Partnership Agreements project proposal

