

## MINUTES

<b>Meeting No.</b>	33
<b>Meeting</b>	Natural Asset Management Advisory Committee
<b>Date</b>	22 February 2018
<b>Time</b>	9:00am – 1:30 pm
<b>Venue</b>	TYTO centre – Mcilwraith Street, Ingham

Welcome from Cr Kate Milton Hinchinbrook Shire Council.

Introductions - welcome to Scott Morrison, TRC

- 1. Attendance:** Scott Morrison TRC, Dave Green BQ, Damon Sydes CCRC, Kelly Ashwood CCRC, Dave Vettoretto HSC, Matt Buckman HSC, Cathy Johnson CSC, Cr Kate Milton HSC, Steve Bailey CRC, Peter Logan DSC, Travis Sydes FNQROC.
- 2. Apologies:** Amy Yates MSC, Cr Jeff Baines CCRC, Cr Rick Taylor CCRC, Evizel Seymour Terrain NRM, Ken Golbey TRC, Dave Lloyd CRC, Michael Graham BQ, Darlene Irvine FNQROC
- 3. Guests:** Troy McGrath, City Smart (by phone). Annie James and Todd Greenwood, Queensland Agricultural Training Colleges (QTAC).

#### 4. Acceptance of previous meeting minutes

**Mover:** Cathy Johnson CSC

**Seconder:** Damon Sydes CCRC

#### 5. Actions from Previous Meeting

No.	ACTION	OWNER	COMPLETED?
32.1	Compile operational plan for AMWS policy implementation and circulate.	FNQROC	Yes (appendix to meeting)
32.2	Include development of MOU/MOA between DEHP and LG in the operational plan.	FNQROC	Yes
32.3	Compile recommended edits and additions to strategic framework and circulate for comment.	NAMAC, FNQROC	Yes
32.4	Individual councils provide examples of project plan templates to guide development of templates for operational plan component of regional strategy.	All councils	Yes/no
32.5	Approach NRM groups to promote inclusion of Weed Spread Prevention network elements into upcoming funding submissions.	FNQROC	Yes
32.6	Finalise revision of (Weed Spread) CoP and circulate for comment.	FNQROC	No
32.7	Liaise with NRM groups to promote regional partnership approach into upcoming funding submissions for Landcare Phase II.	FNQROC	Yes (item 12)

#### 6. Correspondence

- 7. National pest fish fishing competition proposal** – Troy McGrath from CitySmart joined by phone to promote local/regional participation in a National Pest Fishing Competition which is in development for inaugural event this year. The key elements on offer from CitySmart are a

broader communication and promotion network as well potential opportunities to attract higher level sponsorship. The proposed fee for service approach would be scaled to rate payer population and would see the components of organisation, social media, sponsorship and promotion delivered by CitySmart. Local councils, community groups and sponsors as well as pre-existing arrangements for events would be taken into full consideration. Following broad discussion several key questions were directed to Troy following the meeting, principally;

- Can/does a local club receive any monetary or other support to deliver the event?
- What is the proposed advertising model and how would its reach be above and beyond what is currently achievable through local networks?
- What is the opportunity to learn from new techniques in community engagement and education through the proposed model- i.e. what is the key points of difference to how we currently conduct events?

The importance of the inclusion of a prevention and awareness component was also discussed at length which lends itself to a region-wide approach to maintain and promote the pest-fish-free status of several catchments in the ROC area.

#### **Action/s:**

1. Travis to circulate dates as included in powerpoint.
2. Dave Green to provide contact with BQ pest fish team (in case this contact has not already been established).
3. Request more information regarding the support/incentives for local clubs and more detail on advertising/promotion/prizes and marketing key points of difference.
4. Individual councils consider their participation and communicate intentions to CitySmart. If there is a clear scope and benefit for a regional approach then this will need to be determined out-of-session in order to meet the proposed project timelines

## **8. Co-investment model**

### **8.1. Update from State Oversight Group (SOG) provided by Kristy Gooding, LGAQ)**

The following are key dot points to note from the State-wide Oversight Group held on the 30<sup>th</sup> November last year:

- The EOI projects submitted to the State-wide Oversight Group are to be funded in the 2018/19 financial year. A decision will be made regarding these projects late this financial year, when it is clear the exact amount of funds that are tied up in existing/ongoing research projects.
- BQ are preparing a brief to the new Minister regarding the Land Protection Fund calculation methodology review.
- A communication strategy is being developed by the State-wide Oversight Group to ensure Mayors, CEOs, councillors and technical officers are aware of what the Land Protection Fund is delivering for each region. A draft strategy will be presented to the SOG at the next meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> March. Key to this is ensuring that the messaging for each of the above stakeholders is tailored to their needs.
- The SOG workshopped some ideas for the development of a biosecurity monitoring, reporting and evaluation project. Subsequently, the SOG provided comment to a draft brief. CSIRO have now been engaged to deliver this project and will present their progress at the next SOG meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> March.
- An economic value of invasive plant and animal control project is underway and being delivered by AEC Group. This is an update of a previous project completed in 2006. The project will look at the overall levels of expenditure for local government, state government and NRM groups. Additionally, the project will identify the overall economic impact of expenditure on invasive plants and animals in Qld. This will be used to leverage investment from other stakeholders such as the federal government and industry.

**Action:** Travis table Cr Kate Milton's question regarding whether the economic impacts on industry is included in the AEC delivered report?

## **9. Board directed projects - Regional Animal Management & Wildlife Stewardship policy**

- 9.1. Draft M+E framework (overview of the proposed M+E framework was held over to follow council consultations)
- 9.2. Draft workplan (overview of proposed workplan and format presented for discussion)
- 9.3. Consultation activities (overview of recently conducted and upcoming consultation activities were presented for discussion)
- 9.4. NAMAC recommendation for Local Laws workshop (there was concern that relevant staff were unlikely to engage effectively in a centrally located regional consultation; it was determined the most productive approach will be to conduct council specific consultations with relevant staff from across departments. These discussions will be facilitated by NAMAC reps. Predetermined 'survey' questions will be used to establish a baseline of current situation as part of this process. It was identified as important that a broad range of staff were offered the opportunity to table their ideas, concerns, observations and proposed solutions.
- 9.5. Crocodile management (on behalf of Cook Shire Council) - Cathy provide an overview of developments in Cooktown regarding several animals of concern to the community. Approaches and success in working with DES in other councils was discussed.

### **Action/s:**

1. NAMAC reps and FNQROC to arrange for targeted consultation with relevant staff (customer service, local laws, others) from individual councils regarding policy development rollout
2. Establish some early baseline indicators ASAP as some elements of policy are already being enacted. Use these to frame operational consultation with individual councils.
3. FNQROC share DES crocodile management contacts with CSC (and any others where communication channels are not well established).
4. Share link to FNQROC Strategic Operational Plan 2018
5. Share AMWS powerpoint with minutes

## **10. Board directed projects - Far North Queensland weed spread prevention network**

- 10.1. Included in update on 'Our natural assets' strategic framework (discussion around the importance of this project in particular the delivery of real outcomes on ground. It was established the key first stage of progressing the network concept is to bed down the natural assets strategic framework first as a platform on which to build and promote weed spread prevention.)

## **11. Our natural assets –strategic framework development**

- 11.1. Draft theme outlines ( revised format and theme content were circulated prior to meeting and discussed in context of strategy)
- 11.2. Draft M+E plan (detailed discussion held over until feedback on other elements received and incorporated)
- 11.3. Draft key strategies ( revised format and theme content were circulated prior to meeting and discussed in context of strategy)
- 11.4. Draft program logic (will be finalised when themes and key strategies are established)

**Action:** NAMAC reps to review and provide comment or amendments to draft framework with particular emphasis on executive summary, themes and key strategies.

**12. Landcare investment program** – discussion around partnership with NRM collective bid provided an overview and discussion of content and process/events in the development of NRM groups tender for Landcare Program Phase II. Key concerns raised included request for letter of support from individual councils without supporting or background material provided (short notice), limited or no consultation. Given the timeframes and the eventual development of a state-wide bid it was generally accepted that little else could be done in timeframe and context. FNQROC did work as closely as possible with Terrain throughout the process and was in support of the proposal that was submitted which aligned very well to LG biosecurity and natural asset management interests.

**Action:** Request Terrain NRM to forward relevant details of Landcare Program II tender submission to councils

**13. Pests and weeds roadshow Aboriginal Ranger Groups** – tabled on behalf of Rowan Shee Terrain NRM

**Action:** Include itinerary for roadshow with minutes

**14. Biosecurity plan development and review scheduling for 2018**

Dave Green tabled the status of key elements of bioplan roll out within individual councils regarding authorisations and survey/control programs. Travis shared the biosecurity plan review and development timelines for 2018, most existing gaps were scheduled with the exception of MSC.

**Action/s:**

1. FNQROC schedule review/maintenance process with MSC and confirm timelines with YASC and WWASC as well as BQ for the development of their plans.
2. BQ and FNQROC schedule proposed compliance workshop for 2018

**15. Task force scheduling for 2018**

- 15.1. YCA taskforce –proposed dates tabled on behalf of WTMA
- 15.2. Regional taskforce proposal for 2018 (carried forward)

**16. General Business**

**Bulk purchase proposal for bonus adjunct**

**Action:** individual councils compile volumes of adjunct they would like to secure and then we will go back Nufarm to negotiate arrangements.

**17. Points for noting to the FNQROC Board**

**18. Next meeting**

**Actions**

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	clear scope and benefit for a regional approach then this will need to be determined out-of-session in order to meet the proposed project timelines	
<b>33.2</b>	Table Cr Kate Milton's question regarding whether the economic impacts on industry is included in the AEC delivered report?	FNQROC (upcoming SOG meeting)
<b>33.3</b>	<p><b>AMWS policy development</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NAMAC reps and FNQROC to arrange for targeted consultation with relevant staff (customer service, local laws, others) from individual councils regarding policy development rollout</li> <li>2. Establish some early baseline indicators ASAP as some elements of policy are already being enacted. Use these to frame operational consultation with individual councils.</li> <li>3. FNQROC share DES crocodile management contacts with CSC (and any others where communication channels are not well established).</li> <li>4. Share link to FNQROC Strategic Operational Plan 2018</li> <li>5. Share AMWS powerpoint with minutes</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NAMAC, FNQROC</li> <li>2. FNQROC</li> <li>2. FNQROC (CSC)</li> <li>3. FNQROC</li> <li>4. FNQROC</li> </ol>
<b>33.4</b>	<p><b>Our natural assets – strategic framework</b></p> <p>NAMAC reps to review and provide comment or amendments to draft framework with particular emphasis on executive summary, themes and key strategies.</p>	NAMAC
<b>33.5</b>	<p><b>Landcare Program II tender feedback</b></p> <p>Request Terrain NRM to forward relevant details of Landcare Program II tender submission to councils</p>	FNQROC (Terrain NRM)
<b>33.6</b>	<p><b>Pests and weeds roadshow Aboriginal Ranger Groups</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Include itinerary for roadshow with minutes</p>	FNQROC (Terrain NRM)
<b>33.7</b>	<p><b>Biosecurity plan development and review scheduling for 2018</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FNQROC schedule review/maintenance process with MSC and confirm timelines with YASC and WWASC as well as BQ for the development of their plans.</li> <li>2. BQ and FNQROC schedule proposed compliance workshop for 2018</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FNQROC (MSC)</li> <li>2. FNQROC/BQ</li> </ol>
<b>33.8</b>	<p><b>Bulk purchase proposal for bonus adjunct</b></p> <p>Individual councils compile volumes of adjunct they would like to secure and then we will go back Nufarm to negotiate arrangements.</p>	NAMAC/FNQROC

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