

MINUTES

Meeting No.	35
Meeting	Natural Asset Management Advisory Committee
Date	13 June 2018
Time	9:00am – 1:30 pm
Venue	BQ seminar room, Redden St, Portsmith (thanks Michael!)

Introductions: Welcome to Ken Veness from HSC

1. Attendance: Damon Sydes CCRC, Matt Buckman HSC, Cr Kate Milton HSC, Ken Veness HSC, Steve Bailey CRC, Brett Kilpatrick, Travis Sydes FNQROC, Ken Golbey TRC, Evizel Seymour Terrain NRM, Michael Graham BQ, Dave Lloyd CRC, Darryn Higgins CSC, Bart Dryden Terrain NRM,

2. Apologies: Amy Yates MSC, Cr Jeff Baines CCRC, Cr Rick Taylor CCRC, Darlene Irvine FNQROC, Scott Morrison TRC, Kelly Ashwood CCRC, Dave Vetoretto HSC, Peter Logan DSC, Jade Monda CRC

3. Guests:

4. Acceptance of previous meeting minutes

Mover: Cr Kate Milton HSC

Secunder: Matt Buckman HSC

5. Actions from Previous Meeting

No.	ACTION	OWNER	COMPLETED
33.1	<p>Proposed National pest fish fishing competition</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 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 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.FNQROC 2. BQ 3. FNQROC 4. NAMAC 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.yes 2. 3. yes 4. yes
33.2	Table Cr Kate Milton's question regarding whether the economic impacts on industry is included in the AEC delivered report?	FNQROC (upcoming SOG meeting)	Complete
33.3	<p>AMWS policy development</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NAMAC reps and FNQROC to arrange for targeted consultation with relevant staff (customer service, 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.NAMAC, FNQROC 2.FNQROC 2.FNQROC 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. complete/underway 2. underway 3.complete

	<p>local laws, others) from individual councils regarding policy development rollout</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<p>(CSC) 3.FNQROC 4.FNQROC</p>	<p>4. complete 5.complete</p>
33.4	<p>Our natural assets – strategic framework NAMAC reps to review and provide comment or amendments to draft framework with particular emphasis on executive summary, themes and key strategies.</p>	NAMAC	This meeting
33.5	<p>Landcare Program II tender feedback Request Terrain NRM to forward relevant details of Landcare Program II tender submission to councils</p>	FNQROC (Terrain NRM)	This meeting
33.6	<p>Pests and weeds roadshow Aboriginal Ranger Groups Action: Include itinerary for roadshow with minutes</p>	FNQROC (Terrain NRM)	Yes
33.7	<p>Biosecurity plan development and review scheduling for 2018</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<p>1.FNQROC (MSC) 1.FNQROC/ BQ</p>	<p>1.Yes 2.This meeting</p>
33.8	<p>Bulk purchase proposal for bonus adjunct Individual councils compile volumes of adjunct they would like to secure and then we will go back Nufarm to negotiate arrangements.</p>	NAMAC/ FNQROC	Complete – finalise details this meeting

6. Correspondence

7. NLP II tender process overview – Bart Dryden, Terrain NRM (item 33.5)

Bart provided an overview of the tender development and submission process. The key points addressed included;

- The tender was a commercial style tender process (no upper limits or budget recommendations were provided)
- NRM regions have been addressed as management units rather than the NRM throughout the process
- The tender included a core services component as well as a program based component

- The state wide bid submitted by QLD was determined as a non-conforming tender and has been subsequently re-submitted as a collaborative bid across Terrain, Northern Gulf and Cape York regions
- No announcements have been made. If the bid is successful then projects will be directed to on ground works i.e. there are no plans to expand Terrain's operational capacity

Action: Bart will inform councils/NAMAC of the outcome when they are advised of funding outcomes

8. QGOV regional investment program (NRIP)- continued from item 33.5

Bart provided an overview of the submission made to the State RM funding program.

- Key reef focus is sediment- submission will focus on the upper Johnstone
- Emerging weeds program reformed to meet the funding targets (improving condition of native vegetation)
- Incorporates a 3 month lead in planning phase
- Will build on existing LG bioplan priorities
- Year by year workplan
- Terrain and FNQROC have built a preliminary prioritisation process to guide the project, this will be progressed if the funding is secured

Action: Travis attach supporting maps from NRIP funding submission to minutes

Action: FNQROC, Terrain NRM investigate how weed management might be built in an annual report card

9. Biosecurity planning and Programs - Continued from item 33.7

Michael provided an overview of current progress of Bio Act compliance tools

- PINS have been signed off under the regulation (only several LG's are using at this stage)
- Surveillance programs are on track in most councils but need to ensure they are adopted by council and up-to-date
- Biosecurity Plans in train are CCRC- July, CRC in train, MSC completed. TRC will require to have updated action plans with GBO/BO statements in place. This was planned for November but could begin sooner
- The proposed compliance workshop will proceed when councils have the required precedents in place – Surveillance and control program, updated Biosecurity Plan with GBO/BO identified and Prevention and Control Programs in place if required.
- Councils will also need to make sure any new staff on board are up to date and trained in the implementation of the Biosecurity Act
- Aiming for October/November to hold the workshop. Workshop would contain elements of compliance process and investigations training as well a session dedicated to regional approaches and communication tools to support councils.

Action: Michael circulate *Prevention & Control Program* template

Action: Individual LG's ensure they have Surveillance Programs up-to-date and adopted by Councils

Action: Travis provide details of the Biosecurity Act Reference Group

10. State Oversight Group - LPF projects and outcomes of EOI

Travis provided an update on the outcomes of the SOG meeting the week previous. Of the three EOI the NAMAC submitted one will be funded 2018/19 f.y. , one is pending further funding being available and one we will wait for feedback.

Meeting outcomes from Kristy Gooding, LGAQ

- A decision was made about which projects would be funded through the Land Protection Fund in 2018/2019. It was decided that a letter would be sent to both successful and unsuccessful project applicants. Successful applicants will be asked to complete a brief project plan. Unsuccessful applicants will be provided feedback regarding their application.
- The timelines and process for the 19/20 EOI process were refined. Regional Pest Management Sub-committees are encouraged to meet in September/October to discuss project ideas for the next round of EOIs.
- The CSIRO presented their draft biosecurity monitoring, reporting and evaluation work and the SOG provided feedback and comments. The revised draft report and case studies will be circulated to the SOG for final comment/endorsement.
- The Land Protection Fund communication plan was endorsed.
- The SOG's annual work plan for the 18/19 financial year was developed.

Action: follow up on question from CCRC regarding the contribution of fisheries and prawn farms to the calculation method as per initial request

11. Board Directed Projects - AMWS and Weed Spread Prevention network update

Travis provided an overview of the progress of the AMWS policy framework

- Council workshops largely complete (Cook and follow up with CRC customer service and TRC local laws and elected reps would be useful)
- Results of workshop sessions and baseline survey compiled
- Immediate recommendations are for regional workshops/technical meetings with customer service and local laws
- Developing longer term proposal for behaviour change communication program design which will be presented to FNQROC Board for consideration

12. Our natural assets strategic framework - next steps (item 33.4)

The group discussed the action item 33.5 and noted minor amendments from feedback. The next stage of the rollout of the plan could involve workshops with councils to inform them of the direction of the strategy and how it applies to their operations

Action: The committee elected to adopt the draft framework and progress the development of the M&E plan and program logic

Action: A workshop process and supporting materials be developed for deputations to individual councils to inform them of the goals of the strategy and application to council

13. Navua sedge discussion paper

The Navua sedge briefing to the Board was discussed at length. The recommendations compiled are:

Recommendations relating to declaration under state legislation

1. Recommendation that the FNQROC not actively seek declaration of Navua sedge under the Biosecurity Act; but rather focus on the instruments delivered through Local Laws; local/regional biosecurity plans and strategies; and partnerships with key sectors.

Recommendations relating to research and development

1. FNQROC/NAMAC continues to support R&D applications and proposals into the control and management of Navua sedge.
2. The FNQROC commission an appropriately qualified consultancy to collate a benefit/cost analysis to better understand the resource and economic implications of managing Navua sedge within council controlled lands prior to determining a long-term regional course of action.

Recommendations to delivery of a staged and regional approach to management include;

1. FNQROC in collaboration with NAMAC and Biosecurity Queensland facilitate a regional local government select committee comprised of representatives including Councillors, executive and technical officers to receive deputations from relevant expertise from research, industry/sector, agency, legislative/legal, service providers and operational entities.
2. That the outcomes of the regional select committee of enquiry be collated as an R&D prospectus; and agreed regional priorities.
3. TRC and FNQROC collate comparative data across the period of management investment within TRC to ascertain its suitability for use in other studies

Action: Key recommendations be compiled immediately and tabled to the FNQROC Board on Monday following this meeting

14. YCA Taskforce scheduling and skills - regional taskforce submissions

2108 YCA Taskforce is scheduled for 20-24 August

- Target is to delimit downstream from all know infestations to Trinity Inlet (Wrights Creek, Mackies Creek, Blackfellows Creek and Stoney Creek)
- Will include some marine and estuarine work in crocodile habitat
- Usual format of Monday training and briefing day and Friday Wrap up day
- Food and accommodation provided

Action: Confirm attendee names and dates to Travis

Action: Identify any appropriate vessels/operators or equipment

Action: Provide any safe work or SOP for working in estuarine environment and crocodile safety procedures to Travis

Time did not permit to discuss other taskforce proposals; we will need to consider these out of session

Action: Travis circulate out-of-session EOI for any other regional task force operations under consideration for this year

15. Reef business - RUSMIG and LG MIP updates

Travis and Damon provided a brief update of the current works in the RUSMIG and the development the LG Major Integrated Project (LG MIP) application in development by LGAQ and Councils.

16. NESP - HBG project outline

Travis provided a brief overview of the upcoming investment into high biomass grass research under the NESP (National Environmental Science Program) and how that integrates with the funding the NAMAC has secured through the Land Protection Fund EOI process.

17. Innovation project applications (Michael Graham BQ)

Michael provided a brief overview of two applications submitted to an internal funding opportunity; one for high resolution and transferrable aerial imaging camera; and one for software, design and training to streamline the production of biosecurity plans

18. General Business

19. Points for noting to the FNQROC Board

Action: Compile and table the Navua sedge recommendations from NAMAC to upcoming Board meeting.

20. Next meeting

August 30

Actions

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35.1	<p>National Landcare Program Phase II</p> <p>NLPPII funding submissions - Inform councils/NAMAC of the outcome when they are advised of funding for NRM groups</p>	Terrain NRM
35.2	<p>Queensland NRM funding</p> <p>1. Q – NRIP funding submission - Attach supporting maps from NRIP funding submission to minutes</p> <p>2. Investigate how weed management might be built in an annual report card</p>	<p>1. FNQROC</p> <p>2. FNQROC, Terrain NRM</p>
35.3	<p>Biosecurity planning and programs</p> <p>1. circulate <i>Prevention & Control Program</i> template</p> <p>2. Individual LG's ensure they have Surveillance Programs up-to-date and adopted by Councils</p> <p>3. Travis provide details of the Biosecurity Act Reference Group</p>	<p>1. BQ</p> <p>2. All councils</p> <p>3. FNQROC</p>
35.4	<p>State Oversight Group and Land Protection Fund</p> <p>Follow up on question from CCRC regarding the contribution of fisheries and prawn farms to the calculation method as per initial request</p>	BQ
35.5	<p>Our natural assets strategic framework</p> <p>1. The committee elected to adopt the draft framework and progress the development of the M&E plan and program logic</p> <p>2. A workshop process and supporting materials be developed for deputations to individual councils to inform them of the goals of the strategy and application to council</p>	<p>1. FNQROC</p> <p>2. FNQROC/ NAMAC</p>

35.6	Navua sedge discussion paper Key recommendations be compiled immediately and tabled to the FNQROC Board on Monday following this meeting	FNQROC
35.7	2108 YCA Taskforce and other taskforce proposals <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirm attendee names and dates to Travis 2. Identify any appropriate vessels/operators or equipment 3. Provide any safe work or SOP for working in estuarine environment and crocodile safety procedures to Travis 4. Travis circulate out-of-session EOI for any other regional task force operations under consideration for this year 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All 2. All 3. All 4. FNQROC

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