

# FNQ Regional Water Alliance

## Minutes

<b>Meeting No</b>	31
<b>Meeting Name</b>	FNQ Regional Water Alliance
<b>Date</b>	13 September 2022
<b>Time</b>	10:00am
<b>Venue</b>	Committee Room, Level 3, Cairns Regional Council, Spence Street, Cairns

### 1. ATTENDANCE

Name	Organisation
Toni Veronese	Cairns Regional Council
Andrew Healey	Croydon Shire Council
Manu Gravatt	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
Simon Page	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
Robyn Maddalena	Cook Shire Council
Jonathan Ward	Douglas Shire Council
David Fletcher	Etheridge Shire Council
Peter Martin <i>via teleconference</i>	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
Morris Hamill	Mareeba Shire Council
Bruce Gardiner	Tablelands Regional Council
Michael Leslie <i>via teleconference</i>	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
Victor Mills <i>via teleconference</i>	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
Rudolph Pretzler	LGAQ
Jess Dean <i>via teleconference</i>	Queensland Water
Linda Roberts <i>via teleconference</i>	Queensland Water
Dinesha Emmery <i>via teleconference</i>	DRDMW
Raquel Esteban <i>via teleconference</i>	DRDMW
Christopher Land	Queensland Health
Anthony Ottaway <i>via teleconference</i>	QTC
Therese Sullivan <i>via teleconference</i>	QTC
Amanda Hancock	FNQROC
Darlene Irvine	FNQROC

### 2. APOLOGIES

Name	Organisation
Rebecca Fitzgerald	Croydon Shire Council

Anna Mehonoshen	Queensland Water
Ingrid Fomiatti Minnesma	DRDMW

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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Minutes noted and accepted.

### 4. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

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Action Item	Action	Responsible Person(s)	Status
30.1	W Hughes to circulate DRDMW Cairns presentation on Cairns Water Security – Stage 1, Cairns Water Supply Regulation, Tablelands Regional Water Assessments, and Building our Regions Round 6 with the minutes	W Hughes	Complete
30.2	W Hughes to circulate the DRDBW Brisbane presentation on QWRAP with the minutes.	W Hughes	Complete
30.3	To assist councils to prepare for health-based targets review, W Hughes to circulate <i>Manual for the application of Health-Based Targets for Drinking Water Safety, September 2015</i> with the minutes.	W Hughes	Complete
30.4	W Hughes to update the Concept for water sector workforce plan discussion paper to capture the revised research question, desired outcomes and workforce of interest definitions then circulate with the minutes	W Hughes	Complete
30.5	R Cosgrove to investigate opportunities for a Cert III training hub in FNQ to run alongside the existing Mackay training hub and report back to the Alliance at the meeting in May.	R Cosgrove	Held – pending capability workshop

### 5. CAPABILITY WORKSHOP – QUEENSLAND TREASURE CORPORATION, ANTHONY OTTAWAY & THERESE SULLIVAN

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Anthony Ottaway from the Queensland Treasure Corporation led a session to discuss and agree on an approach to understanding the various capability issues across our region.

This session resulted in the development of an agreed problem statement, governance and reporting framework and key milestones for the project. This will be presented to the FNQROC Board by Anthony Ottaway on 6 October 2022 for endorsement.

Subject to endorsement, a Regional Water Capability Sub-Committee (RWCS) will be established to oversee the project. The RWCS membership includes:

Toni Veronese (proxy Erin Burns) – Cairns Regional Council  
Simon Page (proxy Manu Gravatt) – Cassowary Coast Regional Council  
Robyn Maddalena (proxy Wes Welsh) – Cook Shire Council  
Jonathan Ward (proxy Peter White) – Douglas Shire Council  
Michael Leslie (proxy Vic Mills) – Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council  
Anthony Ottaway – Queensland Treasure Corporation

*Agreed Draft Problem Statement, Governance Framework & Key Milestones circulated with the Minutes.*

## 6. GENERAL BUSINESS

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6.1 Darlene Irvine advised:

- Development Manual Review – submissions required before the closing date of Friday 16 September 2022
- Regional Plan now underway

6.2 Rudolph Pretzler advised:

- LGAQ are waiting on final report for 21/22 Regional Sewer Relining arrangement and project commencement for the 22/23 Regional Sewer Relining arrangement.
- Amanda confirmed that the report for 21/22 would follow shortly and the work on the AI trial for the 22/23 had not yet commenced.

6.3 Bruce Gardiner advised:

- He is aware of similar work on capability that has been conducted both in Victoria and Tasmania so it may be worth looking to see if there are any available resources.

6.4 Linda Roberts advised she could see plenty of value in the project.

6.5 Dinesha Emmery advised:

- Keen to be involved. Would like input into the survey too if possible. Funding for collaborative projects such as this would likely be available.

6.6 Jess Dean advised that the QWRAP final report will be available soon.

**The meeting closed at 12:10pm.**

**Minutes prepared by Amanda Hancock, Regional Strategic Infrastructure Coordinator**

### AGREED ACTION ITEMS

Action Item	Action	Responsible Person(s)
<b>31.1</b>	Regional Water Capability Problem Statement, governance and reporting framework and key milestones to be presented to the FNQROC Board	Anthony Ottaway, QTC
<b>31.2</b>	Subject to endorsement by the FNQROC Board, Regional Water Sub-Committee to be established to oversee the project and first meeting to be scheduled	Amanda Hancock, FNQROC