

# Regional NRM Showcase

Celebrating five years of regional natural resource management in Queensland

Townsville, 20 – 21 May



## Program Outline

Wednesday 20 May

0830 – 0900	Regional body arrival and registration.	
0900 – 1030	<p><b>Secret Regional Business</b></p> <p>A very special and very secret session for all staff of Queensland regional bodies attending the show and tell. Do you want to find out who once stuffed pistachio nut shells in another staff member's shoes? Who said 'what do you do' to Mr Dilmah the tea man (dressed in his kaftan)? Who once reversed a Queensland Government vehicle into the only pole in a deserted carpark? You will find out this and so much more about your fellow regional body colleagues.</p>	Facilitated by Geoff Penton, Suzie Christensen and Phil McCullough (TBC), the session will leave you refreshed, invigorated, tingly and possibly a little confused.
10.00 – 1100	Delegate arrival and registration.	
1020 – 1100	Morning tea	
1100 – 1105	<b>Welcome</b>	Mike Berwick, Chair Queensland Regional NRM Group's Collective
1105 - 1120	Ministerial Welcome   Stephen Roberston MP (invited speaker TBC)	
1120 – 1155	<b>The Long and Windy Road to Sustainability</b>	
1120 – 1140	What we've gained from growing pains. (20 minutes)	Suzie Christensen, CEO Fitzroy Basin Association
1145 – 1155	Forming, norming and storming   the Cape York Reality. (TBC) (10 minutes)	Trish Butler, CEO Cape York Peninsula Development Association
1200 - 1320	<b>Managing Queensland's Biodiversity</b>	
1200 – 1210	Gulf fish on the move	Kate Masters, Southern Gulf Catchments
1215 – 1225	Land for Wildlife Plus: the Brigalow Belt reptile Recovery Plan and Granite Flora Recovery Plan.	Holly Hanlon, Queensland Murray Darling Committee
1230 – 1240	In-land conservation of biodiversity assets and associated ecosystems in the Reef Catchments region.	Derek Ball, Reef Catchments
1245 – 12.55	Enhancing biodiversity hotspots along Western Queensland stock routes.	Presenter TBC, South West NRM
1300 – 1310	Partnerships for biodiversity outcomes – D'Aguilar Range Biodiversity Corridors Connection.	Bruce Lord, SEQ Catchments
1310 – 1320	Paying landholders to conserve biodiversity – two delivery mechanisms in the Fitzroy Basin.	Graham Lightbody, Fitzroy Basin Association
1320 – 1400	Lunch	

Registration information is available online at [www.rgc.org.au/news](http://www.rgc.org.au/news) or by contacting [lanepilon@regionalgrouppcollective.com.au](mailto:lanepilon@regionalgrouppcollective.com.au).

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<b>1410 – 1430</b>	<b>Monitoring Outcomes and Performance</b>	
1410 – 1425	Can \$11 million have an impact? A candid look at the impact of NAP / NHT2 investments in the Condamine catchment (15 minutes)	Phil McCullough, Condamine Alliance
1425 – 1435	Performance story report: the Australian Government pilot in the Queensland Murray Darling Basin.	Jamie Gorry, Queensland Murray Darling Committee
<b>1440 – 1510</b>	<b>Sustainable Agriculture in Regional Queensland</b>	
1445 – 1455	Nitrogen management in dairy pasture.	Bob Stewart, Terrain NRM
1500 – 1510	Fighting ferals for production and biodiversity outcomes.	Darren Marshall, Queensland Murray Darling Committee
1510 – 1530	Afternoon Tea	
<b>1530 – 1715</b>	<b>Engaging People in Natural Resource Management</b>	
1535 – 1540	FBA Priority Neighbourhood catchments water quality monitoring.	TBC, Fitzroy Basin Association
1545 – 1555	Better Water for the Burdekin: Community engagement delivers sustainable land management practices.	Dr Ian Dight, NQ Dry Tropics
1600 – 1610	PMP Water: linking landholders, regional bodies, government and industry through action (10 minutes)	Greg Leach, SEQ Catchments
1610 – 1620	Piastre Fish Trap Project: enabling protection of a significant site through a milestone cultural heritage agreement.	TBC, South West NRM
1625 – 1635	Champions and Sustainability Scholars in far north Queensland.	Moni Carlisle, Terrain NRM
1640 – 1650	Carpentaria Ghost Nets Programme.	Lisa Hamilton, Northern Gulf Resource Management Group
1655 – 1705	Engaging land managers through a pasture recovery initiative program – a first for Australia's rangelands.	TBC, South West NRM
1705 – 1715	Closing remarks.	Mike Berwick, Chair Queensland Regional NRM Group's Collective
1830 – 2300	Poolside twist contest and dinner   come prepared for the inaugural regional NRM Jack Bilby Slim Twist Contest. You're welcome to bring your own favourite 'twisting' tunes – give them to the friendly staff at the registration desk when you register in the morning.	Hosted and judged by the RGC team

Thursday 21 May

0900 – 0915	Welcome	
0915 – 0930	Beating the tyrant: meeting the communication challenges of the tyranny of distance with the use of new media (15 minutes)	Leanne Kohler, Desert Channels Queensland
<b>0935 – 1110</b>	<b>Indigenous Engagement in Natural Resource Management</b>	
0935 – 0950	Good Country, Poor Country: developing Indigenous indicators to measure natural resource health (15 minutes)	Jayne Thorpe, Condamine Alliance
0955 – 1010	Back on Country (15 minutes)	Ron Archer and Ricky Archer, Northern Gulf indigenous Savannah Group

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1015 – 1035	Working with traditional custodians of Country – past, present and future (20 minutes)	Phil Rist, Director Burdekin Solutions; Leah Saltner, NQ Dry Tropics and Ed Wensing, SGS Canberra
1040 – 1055	Three ways in the wet tropics   an overview of three innovative Indigenous projects (10 minutes)	Lyle Johnson, Steve McDermott, Terrain NRM
1100 – 1110	TSRA presentation TBC	
1110 – 1125	Morning tea	
<b>1130 – 1250</b>	<b>New and Emerging Issues in NRM</b>	
1135 - 1150	Making the best available science even better (15 minutes)	Claire Rodgers, Fitzroy Basin Association
1155 – 1205	Mining and energy industry impacts on natural resources in the Queensland Murray Darling Basin (10 minutes)	Geoff Penton and Liz Todd, Queensland Murray Darling Committee
1210 – 1220	Climate Change & Variability in the Reef Catchments region (10 minutes)	Will Higham, Reef Catchments
1225 – 1235	Supporting Landcare into the next decade (10 minutes)	Jamie Gorry, Queensland Murray Darling Committee
1240 – 1250	Managing Southeast Queensland's ecosystem services (10 minutes)	Simone Maynard, SEQ Catchments
1250 - 1330	Lunch	
<b>1330 – 1345</b>	<b>GIS and Mapping to Support Sustainability</b>	
1330 – 1345	Mapping of real world remote country by real world people (15 minutes)	Michael Digby, Northern Gulf Resource Management Group
1350 – 1400	BMRG presentation   topic to be confirmed	TBC
<b>1400 – 1410</b>	<b>Housekeeping Announcements and Set-up for Panel Discussion</b>	
<b>1410 – 1530</b>	<b>Panel Discussion</b> A panel comprising a mix of JSC members, regional body chairs and CEOs discussing their vision for the future of regional natural resource management and sustainability more broadly, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• reflections on the two day's presentations;</li> <li>• what future policy directions to we need to be conscious of?;</li> <li>• what is our vision for the future?; and</li> <li>• Q + A from the floor.</li> </ul>	Chaired by Mike Berwick, Chair Queensland Regional NRM Group's Collective
<b>1530</b>	<b>Evaluation and Close</b>	Mike Berwick, Chair Queensland Regional NRM Group's Collective

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