



WSP and WRP progress

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WRP progress

- Border Rivers Alluvium plan submitted
- Lachlan WRP will be the first SW plan resubmitted
- The rest of the WRPs will be re-submitted over the next 4 months as agreed between Minister Pavey and Minister Pitt
- Outstanding issues:
 - Aboriginal engagement
 - Minor linkage issues e.g. Risk assessment outcomes to monitoring of risk

Planned Environmental Water

- Groundwater
 - Border Rivers Alluvium submitted
- Surface water
 - Finalising issues for Lachlan
- Comparison with other states
 - PEW defined by NSW in WMA 2000
 - PEW not defined by Victoria and Queensland
- This is the root cause of the differences between NSW and the other states

Floodplain Harvesting disallowance

Border Rivers and Gwydir

- Border Rivers and Gwydir licences have been determined and licence holders have been informed.
- Proposing to continue inclusion of FPH rules in WSPs – there is a concurrence risk
- Measurement of FPH is being investigated

Macquarie, Barwon Darling and Namoi

- Cannot be moved forward at this time
- Work being progressed by Department



Inland Water sharing plans

- WSPs remain the instruments that manage water in NSW
- Intent to amend the regulated WSPs by 30 June 2022 for Basin Plan outcomes:
 - SDL compliance
 - PPMs (Murray and Murrumbidgee)
- Inland Unreg WSPs are being reviewed
 - Murray and Murray Lower Darling reviews will be released shortly
 - Other to follow

Coastal WSPs

- Public exhibition of three WSPs completed:
 - Hunter Unreg and Alluvial
 - Coffs Harbour Unreg and Alluvial
 - Lower North Coast Unreg and Alluvial (Manning and Karuah Rivers)
- Plans expected to be remade by 30 June



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