

MINUTES

Executive Meeting 1/2009 Thursday 5th June 2009



Time/Venue: 10.00am – 1.00pm
Board Room – WGCMA
16 Hotham St. Traralgon

Present:

Keith Hamilton (Chair), Chris Barry (Executive Officer), Duncan Malcolm (Gippsland Coastal Board), Adam Miller (WGCMA), Mike Timpano (DSE), Wayne Bath (EPA), Chris Rose (Parks Victoria), Geoff Hocking (WGCMA), Steve Shinnars (GW), Clinton Rodda (SRW)

Apologies:

Kate Morton (AAV), Graeme Dear (EGCMA), Debbie Saliba (Baw Baw Shire Council), Steve Kozlowski (East Gippsland Shire Council), Carol Jeffs (Latrobe City) Paul Smith (Bass Coast Shire Council), Steve Dickson (Wellington Shire Council), Sam Adeloju (GRCG, Monash University), Angus Hume (DPI),

1. Welcome and Introductions

Keith Hamilton opened the meeting welcomed all attendees.

2. Actions from last meeting

The meeting discussed the Action items and noted their progress or completion.

Keith Hamilton advised that the Regional Managers Forum (RMF) had been approached to provide Executive support for the Greenhouse Network.

3. Presentations

3.1 GINRF Report Card Workshop –Ethos NRM Pty Ltd

The meeting discussed the GINRF Report Card Review and resolved issues relating including:

- Definition of assets
- Rating systems

Outstanding matters were referred to a subcommittee comprising representatives from DES, WGCMA, and Parks Victoria.

3.2 Integrating Sustainability in Gippsland - Claire Cowdry Project Manager (DSE)

Claire presented the key outcomes from the Regional Development Victoria Strategic Planning Process.

4. Key Strategic Issues/Events

4.1 Climate Change Green House Paper

It was noted that the Climate Change Green House Paper had been released for comment.

DPDC were the leading party in regard to this issue.

A stakeholder workshop would be scheduled for Traralgon (details to be confirmed).

Distribution of key documents would be distributed through Local Government.

4.2 Gippsland Sustainable Water (SWS) Strategy

Key issues to note were the ground water/surface water linkages and the inclusion of realistic measures/predictions for climate change impacts

4.3 Duncan Malcolm's departure

It was noted that Duncan Malcolm would be retiring as Chair of the Gippsland Coastal Board and the Forum thanked Duncan for his contributions and support.

5. Next Meeting

The next Meeting was scheduled for 3rd September 2009.