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Wetland Management

Murray-Darling Basin Plan Guide released for public discussion

The Murray-Darling Basin Authority today released for public consultation and discussion the landmark first-stage document in the process of establishing a plan to secure the long term health of Australia's food and fibre bowl.

[Read the full article 'Basin Plan Guide released for public discussion](#)

Macquarie Marshes wetlands benefit from best conditions after a decade of drought

Narromine News

Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Frank Sartor, announced earlier this week over 100,000 megalitres of environmental water will be delivered to the internationally significant Macquarie Marshes wetlands this spring. "This delivery of environmental water will support wildlife breeding and vegetation recovery in the Macquarie Marshes," Mr Sartor said.

[Read the full article 'Macquarie Marshes wetlands benefit from best conditions after a decade of drought'](#)

Tide turns toward a solution for Noosa Spit estuary erosion and dog beach (Qld)

At a stakeholder presentation this week, a plan to halt the 10 metre per year rate of erosion at the Spit and minimise the risk of river breakthrough to Noosa Sound was outlined by a team of expert coastal management consultants.

[Read the full article 'Tide turns toward a solution for Noosa Spit estuary erosion and dog beach'](#)

Wetlands would be a win-win for Goulburn (NSW)

Louise Thrower, Goulburn Post

The Goulburn Wetlands working party has, for the past three months members been working on a project brief for Goulburn Mulwaree Council, outlining a plan for a large wetland and recreational area on the Mulwaree chain of ponds which will encompass the site of the old 'Melbourne Place' brickworks.

[Read the full article 'Wetlands would be a win-win for Goulburn'](#)

Wetland Restoration

Victoria's biggest salt lake not too salty anymore (Vic)

By Margaret Burin, ABC SW Victoria

It's salty and choppy like the sea and locals still remember hundreds of people flocking to it in summer. Lake Corangamite may not be a swimming hotspot yet, but as its shoreline expands its salinity levels return to normal, making it an inviting stop again for migrating birds.

[Read the full article 'Victoria's biggest salt lake not too salty anymore'](#)

From farmland to Cattai Wetlands (NSW)

Kim Honan

The former farmland north of Taree has been rehabilitated from the damaging affects of land clearing, weeds and exposure to acid sulfate soils. Now the wetlands is one of many projects across the state that has been assessed for the Keep Australia Beautiful NSW Tidy Towns program. The Cattai Wetlands is nominated in the Wildlife Corridors and Habitats Conservation Award.

[Read the full article 'From farmland to Cattai Wetlands'](#)

"Caring for Our Coasts" - an amazing 300 trees planted for Ocean Shores School wetland (NSW)

30 enthusiastic tree planters came along to Ocean Shores Public School to get their hands dirty improving the school's wetland.

[Read the full article "'Caring for Our Coasts" - an amazing 300 trees planted for Ocean Shores School wetland'](#)

Cup and Saucer Wetlands, Canterbury, opens (NSW)

Joanne Vella

Residents are relishing a restored part of the natural landscape after the opening of the \$90,000 Cup and Saucer wetlands at Canterbury on Sunday. The area was created to boost the river's health, and provide a habitat for native flora and fauna.

[Read more about the 'Cup and Saucer Wetlands, Canterbury, opens'](#)

Wetland Events

Managing Constructed Wetlands and Aquatic plants

Sydney Olympic Park Authority (SOPA) is inviting you to attend a two day workshop on Managing Constructed Wetlands and Aquatic plants on the 17-18 November 2010. This two-day program takes a hands-on, experiential learning approach. The workshop focuses on case studies of wetland construction and management. You will learn techniques of rapid identification of aquatic plants which are

integral components of constructed wetlands. You will learn best-practice approaches to wetland design and construction. Other key learning areas include: hydrology, pollution, safety, access and maintenance.

[For more information and to register go to the SOPA website](#)

Explore forested wetlands: their importance and wise use

The WetlandCare Australia National Art and Photography Competition is currently open for entries. We are seeking art and photography that explores the theme of ***Forested wetlands: their importance and wise use***.

The competition, which attracts entries from across Australia, aims to raise awareness about wetlands and their role in our lives through the dynamic mediums of art and photography. With categories for children, adolescents and adults, there is an opportunity for everyone to submit an entry. Entry forms and information is available on the WetlandCare Australia website www.wetlandcare.com.au

Wetland Resources

Freshwater Research News

Freshwater Research News (FRN) is a free newsletter designed to increase understanding of aquatic issues by bringing recently-published research findings to a general audience.

[Read more and download 'Freshwater Research News'](#)

WetlandCare Australia News

Clarence River estuary saltmarsh & sea level rise project

This project involved the assessment of 277ha of coastal saltmarsh in the field and the sites compared with previous (2006) saltmarsh mapping which identified only 148ha at these & nearby locations. As a result the total area of Clarence estuary saltmarsh is estimated to be closer to 540ha, rather than the 290ha previously identified.

[Read the full article 'Clarence River estuary saltmarsh & sea level rise project'](#)

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