



# Native Vegetation Council COMMUNIQUE

## Meeting 257: 11 June 2025

Welcome to the Native Vegetation Council (Council) Communique for meeting 257 held on 11 June 2025. The purpose of this Communique is to provide the general public with an insight into the issues being considered by Council.

### Decisions

#### ***Tasmanian Blue Gum Wildlings Management Plan***

The Council approved the first stage of the Management Plan. The first stage outlines the clearance of 17.3 hectares of native vegetation for the purpose of ecological restoration work.

#### ***SA Water Fire Management Plan***

The Council approved three (3) Regional Fire Management Plans for Water Reserves located in the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges, Kangaroo Island, and Lower Eyre Peninsula. These Plans detailed risk assessment and modelling, planning, and Prescribed burning environmental assessment and operations. The Plans are governed by the SA Water Prescribed Burning Procedure.

#### ***SA Water and SA Power Networks Standard Operating Procedures***

The Council approved the updated versions of the SA Water and SA Power Networks Standard Operating Procedures, subject to confirmation of the proposed timeline for review.

#### ***Accredited Consultants Policy and Procedure***

The Council approved updates to Accredited Consultant Policy and Procedure, completed by the Department's Native Vegetation Branch after consulting with Accredited Consultants.

#### ***Submissions on Murray Mallee and Limestone Coast Regional Plans***

The Council approved the submission regarding the Department for Housing and Urban Development's Murray Mallee and Limestone Coast Regional Plans. Submissions discussed regional objectives related to Natural Resources, Environment and Landscapes.

### Discussions

#### ***Native vegetation and impact of renewable energy***

The Native Vegetation Branch discussed the impact of clearance applications related to renewable energy projects and identified potential strategies to mitigate adverse outcomes.

#### ***SEB Policy and Program review and update***

An update was provided by the Native Vegetation Branch, noting the work undertaken on the SEB Policy and Program and a future Special Meeting regarding a proposed revision of the SEB payment formula.

## Activity Reports

Between 15 March 2025 and 31 May 2025, 49 new compliance reports were received, taking the total active reports at end of this period to 236. Fourteen reports were closed during the period.

During this period, 28 applications for clearance were approved, one of which was withdrawn. One application was invalid.

The applications resulted in 40.053 hectares and 61 trees approved for clearance, with a value of \$369,921.18 of financial Significant Environmental Benefit (SEB).

## Contact Information

For further information, please feel free to contact the Native Vegetation Council:

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