



Native Vegetation Council COMMUNIQUE

Meeting 255: 12 February 2025

Welcome to the Native Vegetation Council (Council) Communique for meeting 255 held on 12 February 2025. The purpose of this Communique is to provide the general public with an insight into the issues being considered by Council.

Presentations

Mining and assessment under the Native Vegetation Act 1991

The Department of Energy and Mining (DEM) presented on the mining and assessment process relative to native vegetation and how the delegation is applied under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*.

Draft Biodiversity Bill

The Department of Environment and Water's Biodiversity Coordination Unit provided an update on the Draft Biodiversity Bill. Public consultation on the Bill closed on 18 February 2025.

Decisions

Accredited Consultants Policy and Procedure

The Council approved the Accredited Consultant Policy and Procedure for consultation with Accredited Consultants.

Pastoral Board draft guideline on Permanent Stock Maximum Increases

The Council noted the Pastoral Board's Draft Guideline and associated documents on a Permanent Increase to Pastoral Lease Stocking Maximum.

Activity Reports

Between 19 November 2024 and 31 January 2025, 34 new compliance reports were received, taking the total active reports at end of this period to 209. Twenty-two reports were closed during the period.

During this period, 35 applications were approved, one of which was withdrawn.



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The applications resulted in 125 hectares and 33 trees approved for clearance, with a value of \$1,206,002.60 of financial Significant Environmental Benefit (SEB) and a total on-ground SEB of 301.8 hectares.

Contact Information

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

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More information about native vegetation in South Australia is available from <https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/native-vegetation>