

Business Plan Achievement Report

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Whole of Region





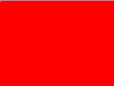
About

The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board's [Business Plan for 2021-22](#) sets out the focus areas and priority programs for 2021-2022, which are funded and delivered by the Board to achieve the goals and vision of the [2021-2026 Eyre Peninsula Regional Landscape Plan](#).

This *Business Plan Achievement Report* gives an update on broader program management and planning across the Eyre Peninsula region in regards to our core programs; as well as providing information about implementing the Water Allocation Plan, managing Water Affecting Activities and the delivery of our regional Federally-funded projects. It also includes updates on our planning processes and general business support functions. For each sub-program the report covers:

- Program highlights;
- Local government engagement;
- Communications and community engagement undertaken; and
- Upcoming priorities for the next quarter.

Each sub-program is assigned a status, based on its current progress.

	On track to deliver key programs.		On track to deliver most programs. May be some delays.		Unlikely to some program elements.
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Further details of each of these programs can be found on the [Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board website](#) or by contacting **Susan Stovell** (*Manager, Planning and Engagement*) on 08 8688 3201.

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Water

Focus areas and priority programs	Status
<i>Effective water allocation planning in prescribed water areas</i>	
Implementation of the Water Allocation Plan (WAP) , including mid-term (5 year) review	
Groundwater Dependent Ecosystem (GDE) monitoring	
<i>Managing Water Affecting Activities (WAAs)</i>	
Managing Water Affecting Activities (WAAs) , including providing support for WAA enquiries, processing WAA permit applications and ensuring compliance with WAA policies and permits	

Implementation of the Water Allocation Plan (WAP)

The Water Allocation Plan (WAP) for the Southern Basins and the Musgrave Prescribed Wells Areas, Eyre Peninsula, was endorsed by the State Government on 28 June 2016. The WAP guides the management the extraction of groundwater from wells within two Prescribed Wells Areas (PWAs). The Southern Basins PWA is located between Coffin Bay and Port Lincoln on southern Eyre Peninsula, and the Musgrave PWA is located between Lock and Elliston on western Eyre Peninsula.

If you would like more information on the WAP, you can download a copy of the Water Allocation Plan for the Southern Basins and the Musgrave Prescribed Wells Areas by clicking [here](#).

Program highlights this period

- The Board commenced a mid-term evaluation of the WAP. This will provide the Board with sufficient information to enable them to determine how effective the WAP implementation has been to date, and whether there are amendments or improvements that need to be made to the WAP either immediately or in line with the ten-year comprehensive review.
- The mid-term evaluation included targeted engagement with current water licensees, ground water users within the prescribed water areas and key stakeholders, such as the Regional Development Board Eyre Peninsula (RDAEP) and Local Government. It also included engagement with all parties that have implementation responsibilities, specifically various units within the Department for Environment and Water (DEW), as well as key Landscape Board staff.
- As this was not a legislated review, the process did not include any broader community consultation, however it did include capturing feedback from the targeted engagement as outlined above.
- The targeted engagement concluded in late Novembers with 21 responses being received.

Local government engagement for this period

- Local government within the two prescribed water areas were included in the consultation process.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- The mid-term evaluation included targeted engagement with current water licensees, ground water users within the prescribed water areas and key stakeholders.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Comments collected through the targeted engagement process are currently being collated and analysed. Once the Board has had the opportunity to review these, a synopsis of the recommendations that come out of the review will be published on the Board website.

- Water Allocation Plan Implementation meeting number 12 will be held during the next quarter.

Groundwater Dependent Ecosystem (GDE) monitoring

One of the objectives of the Water Allocation Plan (WAP) for the Southern Basins and Musgrave Prescribed Wells Areas (2016) is to minimise the impact of licenced taking of groundwater on ecosystems that depend on the prescribed groundwater resources. The WAP aims to maintain these ecosystems, collectively known as Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDEs), at a low level of risk, and in the condition, and at the locations and extents they occurred at in 2016. Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board has therefore developed a program to establish a baseline and monitor changes in flora condition, groundwater level and salinity, at a group of GDEs (Red Gums and wetlands) within the Southern Basins and Musgrave Prescribed Wells Areas. More information about GDE monitoring, including report cards can be obtained [here](#).

Program highlights this period

- Staff have undertaken monitoring involving the use of a drone equipped with a multispectral camera and real-time kinematic positioning system at three GDE wetland sites (Lake Pillie, Sleaford Mere and Lake Hamp). This technology enables us to accurately map the location of different vegetation types in the wetland, and hence determine any movement of vegetation types down slopes, which may indicate impacts of lowering groundwater levels.
- Staff re-monitored the five GDE Red Gum sites in October. This is done annually.
- Staff collected rainfall and groundwater level data at GDE sites. This will be used in the annual report cards.

Local government engagement for this period

- We engaged with the Elliston District Council about undertaking monitoring activities at Lake Hamp.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- Two social media stories (3rd - [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), and 8th - [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), of November) about GDE monitoring.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- We will commence writing the 2021 annual report cards for the eight GDE sites to make the findings of the monitoring available to the community.



Photo 1: Landscape officer undertaking Wetland monitoring at Sleaford Mere (left) and Lake Pillie (right) using a drone

Managing Water Affecting Activities (WAA)

Water Affecting Activities (WAA) are activities and works that can impact on the health and condition of water resources, water dependent ecosystems and other water users. Under the Landscape South Australia Act 2019, an approved permit is required to undertake a Water Affecting Activity.

Information for those planning to undertake a Water Affecting Activity is available in the factsheet [Permits - Water Affecting Activities](#). Our Water Resources Assessment Officer and other staff are always available to advise and help with WAA enquires. They also administer and process WAA permit applications and ensure compliance with WAA policies and permits.

Program highlights this period

- Across the region the following work related to Water Affecting Activities (WAA) has been undertaken by Board staff:
 - No new WAA permit applications were received, however three permit variation requests were received. Assessments of the three permit variations were completed and these were approved.
 - One inspection of WAA completed works was undertaken.
 - One active compliance issue is being addressed. A structure is blocking a watercourse and voluntary compliance is being negotiated with the landowner.
 - Fourteen water salinity/pH tests were completed for landholders.
 - Sixteen WAA enquiries were received and addressed.
 - One *Best Practice Operating Procedure* (BPOP) was received from the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT).
- Water Management System (WMS) is a new online application and management system for all water related permits and licences, the development of which is nearing completion. Our Senior Water Resources Assessment Officer spent a week in Adelaide with the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) team managing the project to provide assistance testing the system. The new system is due to 'go live' in May 2022.
- Construction of the ElectraNet Transmission line from Whyalla to Port Lincoln is progressing. We have had ongoing communications with the principle Contractor (Downer) as works in watercourses continue where are being built access tracks for the construction of the new power line .

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- We will continue to provide support related to Water Affecting Activities, including:
 - assisting with WAA enquiries received, undertaking site visits where required and providing responses,
 - processing WAA permit applications,
 - investigating and addressing WAA compliance cases,
 - inspecting WAA works,
 - providing water testing (pH and salinity) at our regional offices for landholders, and
 - working with local government on any WAA / field based water resource issues.

Sustainable agriculture

Focus areas and priority programs	Status
<i>Facilitating regenerative land management to improve soil health and vitality</i>	
Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator (RALF) services	
Regenerative Agriculture Program (RAP)	

Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator services

The Australian Government, through the National Landcare Program (NLP2), have funded the [Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator \(RALF\)](#) with core funding for five years to June 2023. The delivery of the RALF services is contracted to Agricultural Innovation and Research Eyre Peninsula (AIR EP).

Program highlights this period

- The RALF provided support for and participated in AIR EP's "Adapting for Climate Change" workshop. This was delivered under the NLP2-funded [Resilient EP](#) project and supported by the SA Drought Hub and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) and the South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI) project on mapping and climate change (Revisiting the Goyder Line).

Nineteen people attended the workshop. Outcomes included the development of a list of possible changes that could be made in farming systems on upper Eyre Peninsula to ensure resilience in the face of a warming and drying climate. The workshop also identified what research, development and extension activities would be required to be able to implement such changes.

- The RALF also participated in the Soil CRC's (Cooperative Research Centre) [Knowledge-sharing for good soil stewardship](#) project plan for the Eyre Peninsula. This project aims to address challenges and opportunities associated with knowledge-sharing efforts directed at improving the uptake of new innovations and best-practice soil management. Supporting extension efforts for grower groups across four case-study regions, including the Eyre Peninsula, this project is co-developing and testing a range of knowledge-sharing modes and processes across farming systems groups, to assess their relevance and efficacy locally. As part of the project the RALF has established and is maintaining event diaries to capture audience information, with the ultimate aim of better designing engagement processes and making them locally relevant. This diary will be kept with a focus on, but not limited to, the activities in the Regenerative Agriculture Program.

Photo 2:
Peter Hayman, SARDI
Climate Applications,
presenting at AIR EP's
"Adapting for Climate
Change" workshop held in
Wudinna on
13 December 2021



- The RALF has provided continued support for the *Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board Mallee Seeps* project (see our *Business Plan Achievement Report, Eastern District*) by assisting Chris McDonough with filming at the trial sites and monitoring of the four sites. This filming will go towards producing an interactive decision tree to help landholders identify and manage Mallee seep sites.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- The RALF has worked on the promotion of a number of federal grant opportunities including the Future Drought Fund, [SA Drought Hub](#) and the [National Landcare Program: Smart Farms Small Grants: Soil Extension Activities Grant](#).
- The RALF also assisted in establishing the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board sponsorship opportunity to attend the WoTL (Women Together Learning) [Thriving Women Conference 2022](#) to be held in Hahndorf in August, as well as promotion of this opportunity to Ag Bureau Groups, Eyre Peninsula WoTL groups and other interested parties. This sponsorship was announced on [Facebook](#) (over 1,800 views) and [Twitter](#). The two Eyre Peninsula farming women who were selected and will be attending the conference were advised in December.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- The RALF will focus on promoting the Regenerative Agriculture Program Small Grants opportunities for '*Demonstrating the use of mixed species to increase soil health*', as well as supporting the Sustainable Agriculture Officer with promotion and coordination of upcoming events in the first quarter of 2022.
- The RALF will promote and facilitate the Mallee Seeps workshop to be held in Rudall on 9 March 2022. The workshop will provide in depth information for mitigation and management of Mallee seeps to affected landholders in the central and eastern EP regions.

Regenerative Agriculture Program

The [Regenerative Agriculture Program \(RAP\)](#) on Eyre Peninsula, funded through the Australian Government's National Landcare Program, is a five-year (2018-2023) program that is now in its fourth year of delivery. The project aims to increase awareness, knowledge and the adoption of land management practices to restore soil pH levels, increase soil organic carbon levels and reduce the risk of nutrient loss from wind and water erosion by increasing soli cover. Through engaging farming systems groups and individual farmers to develop paddock based demonstrations sites, it supports them to implement best practice management and practice change; and showcase the results to the broader farming community. There are currently eighteen demonstration sites established across the Eyre Peninsula.

Mallee seeps are an increasing issue in eastern Eyre Peninsula. This project also aims to increase the understanding of the extent and impact of these seeps in the environment. Farmers and farming communities are supported through web-based mapping programs, forums, workshops and one-on-one support.

Project delivery is contracted to Agricultural Innovation and Research Eyre Peninsula (AIR EP), Rural Solutions SA, and other service providers as required.

Program highlights this period

- There has been some recent uptake in the small grant program, with five different landholders signing up to a combination of two multi-species grants and three soil carbon/soil modification demonstration grants. These range from Mangalo to Louth Bay.
- Following a one-on-one site visit in the Kimba/Pinkawillinie area by Brett Masters that highlighted a developing Mallee seep area, a further investigation using satellite imagery was undertaken and a

report produced with recommendations on management actions for the landholder. The report also compared the use of two different types of satellite imagery (NDVI 'greenness' (Normalised Difference Vegetation Index) vs NDMI 'moisture' (Normalised Difference Moisture Index)) to see which was best to more confidently identify Mallee seeps. The NDMI or moisture index provided a clearer visual, but both methods still require ground-truthing for accuracy.

- Planning is underway for a workshop for farmers about multi-species crop and pastures at Streaky Bay in February/March, and a regenerative agriculture forum targeted at advisors and key influencers in Port Lincoln at the end of March 2022.

Mixed species crops and pastures for soil management program

- Promotion of the opportunities for engaging with the mixed species demonstration site program was ongoing.
- On the back of previous demonstrations through the program, the high amount of rainfall in November 2021 stimulated interest in summer species in the northern areas of EP, but it is unknown how much land was actually sown.

Soil carbon demonstration sites

- All small grants for soil carbon have now been allocated. There will be ongoing monitoring of the demonstration sites for the remainder of the program (to June 2023).

Mallee seeps project

- Monitoring undertaken on a previously identified Mallee seep area at Midgee, north of Cowell, showed that the water table has receded over summer.
- Monitoring of sites of interest in north-eastern EP has been ongoing with specialist Dr Chris McDonough, the RALF and Sustainable Agriculture Officer.

Restoring soil pH project

- Preparatory work is underway for the two workshop series on soil pH to be held in an area with developing soil acidity issues (Kimba) in February and June 2022.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- The [Farmers Connect EP issue number 14](#) published and distributed to over 550 recipients in December 2021, as well as promoted on social media.
- We shared the outcomes of two of our trials on social media, including the results of a ripping trial ([Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#)), and a mixed species pasture case study ([Facebook](#)).

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Soil Acidity workshop at Kimba (22 February 2022).
- Multi-species cropping 'How to' workshop at Streaky Bay.
- Regenerative Agriculture forum at Port Lincoln on 31 March 2022 with Dr Mark Farrell from CSIRO, and Dr Amanda Schapel from PIRSA confirmed as speakers.
- The promotion and engagement of five new landholders for multi-species grants available for the 2022-2023 season.

Delivering the Eastern Eyre Soil project

Funded by the EP Landscape Board, the short term, opportunistic project aims to increase soil cover of bare soils of Eastern EP over the 2020/21 summer, either by providing support to sow cover, undertake soil amelioration activities, or monitor existing cover crops to determine suitable species and understand the impact on the following winter crop.

Program highlights this period

- All paddock activities for this project have now been completed.
- Several sites were visited as part of Ag Bureau Sticky Beak days (crop walks) held in September and October 2022. Of particular interest was Greg Williams' site on the Cowell flats. Greg sowed different multi-species pastures in autumn 2021 in four paddocks. He has rotationally grazed these, with excellent results and high levels of remaining soil cover. Tillage radish has been especially effective in this challenging environment.
- There were nine landholders directly involved in the project and three Ag Bureau groups.
- Monitoring and sampling has been completed by Davenport Soil Consulting. We are awaiting threshing of samples to determine the grain yield of different treatments and finalise the results for the final report.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Final report preparation and distribution.



Photo 3: Greg Williams' multi-species winter pasture being visited by the Franklin Harbour Ag Bureau on 17 September 2021

Pest plants and animals, and impact-causing native species

Focus areas and priority programs	Status
<i>Supporting landowners to control prioritised pest plants and animals</i>	
Development and review of regional pest management plans for priority pest plants and animals	
Delivering high-level, regional and state-wide pest management activities and programs	
<i>Collaborating to reduce threats from impact-causing native species</i>	
Cataloguing current and emerging impact-causing native species, their impacts and extent in the region	
Collaborating with other regions and agencies to develop policy frameworks, strategies or programs, with the aim of reducing threats from impact-causing native species	

Pest plants and animals

The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board works closely with land managers to find ways of reducing the number of pests, help restore native biodiversity and reduce losses in the agricultural industry. As part of the pest management program, the Board has developed twenty-one pest management plans for the management of priority pest plants and animals across the region. Here we report on region-wide and high level activities contributing to the achievement of the objectives of the pest management plans including, but not limited to:

Higher level progress towards pest management plan implementation and review.

Delivery of regional and state-wide control programs.

New incursions or potential threats to the region at a high level.

New trials or research, and information from external organisations such as PIRSA.

Attendance at state-wide pest animal and plant network meetings, as well as South Australian Wild Dog Advisory Group (SAWDAG) meetings.

*Implementation of actions identified in the current twenty one pest management plans is ongoing. Please refer to the **Pest plants and animals sections, and impact-causing natives** in the three **district [Business Plan Achievement Reports](#)** for key progress, operational activities and achievements in each district.*

More information about pest plants and animals on the Eyre Peninsula, and links to the EP landscape board pest management plans can be found [here](#).

Program highlights this period

- Funding has been secured to commence a feral deer satellite population eradication project. This project will see a collaboration between the Eyre Peninsula, South Australian Arid Lands and Limestone Coast Landscape Boards in conjunction with the Department of Primary Industries and Regions SA (PIRSA), the Centre for Invasive Species Solutions and local landholders.
- We have updated many of our pest plant fact sheets. For the most up to date information about priority weeds on the Eyre Peninsula, including management options, these fact sheets can be found on our website [here](#).

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- We will continue to progress updating pest management plans and writing annual action plans tailored for each district.
- We will commence delivery of the feral deer satellite population eradication project.

Impact-causing native species

Under the [Landscape South Australia Act 2019](#), regional landscape boards have a role in helping to manage native species that are causing adverse impacts on the natural or built environments, people or primary production or other industries, with boards' main role to be promoting collaborative management and providing information. The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board is therefore working in collaboration with other regions and agencies to develop policy frameworks, strategies or programs, with the aim of reducing threats from impact-causing native species.

Program highlights this period

- Work has commenced on a draft operational protocol for the management of impact causing native species.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- The draft operational protocol for the management of impact causing native species will be finalised.
- Heat maps of impact causing native species on the Eyre Peninsula will also be finalised.

Biodiversity

Focus areas and priority programs	Status
<i>Protecting and restoring prioritised coastal habitats</i>	
Delivering the National Landcare Program's Saltmarsh Threat Abatement and Recovery (STAR) Project	
Supporting partners to progress Eyes on Eyre activities, protecting priority coastal habitats and encouraging sustainable use	
Partnering with other agencies to advance blue carbon initiatives particularly focused on temperate saltmarsh restoration	
<i>Maintain and enhance biodiversity in prioritised ecosystems</i>	
Support the implementation of the Cummins Wanilla Streamcare Group Drainage Management Plan and associated PIRSA Regional Growth Fund infrastructure upgrade project	
Continued implementation, review and improvement of the biodiversity monitoring program	
Collaboration with partners to source funding for landscape-scale projects in priority ecosystems. Specific projects underway include:	
The RLP Fire Recovery Program	
Carbon + Biodiversity Pilot	
Enhancing Remnant Vegetation (ERV) Pilot	
Nomination of 'Sheoak Woodlands over calcrete' to be listed under the EPBC Act	

Saltmarsh Threat Abatement and Recovery (STAR) Project

The [Saltmarsh Threat Abatement and Recovery \(STAR\) Project](#) is being delivered thanks to funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program (NLP). The project focuses on temperate saltmarshes, part of a nationally Threatened Ecological Community, and the Hooded Plover, one of Australia's top 20 threatened fauna species. The project will be delivered until 2023. Priority works include access management, threat abatement, revegetation, weed management, improving hydrological flows, and removing marine debris. More information about the project can be found [here](#).

Program highlights this period

Eastern District

Beach nesting birds

- We were lucky enough to gain another registered (and trained) BirdLife Australia volunteer to assist in monitoring the breeding pair of Hooded Plovers at Redbanks/Turnbolls beach. It has been fantastic to have them on board, the extra eyes being a real benefit and providing us with more insight into what is happening with the breeding pair at this beach. We will continue to provide support these volunteers as the breeding season continues.

Saltmarshes

- **Samphire Identification Workshop**

held at Cowell Area School Science Lab, Thursday 5th November, 1pm-3.30pm

- Samphires, otherwise known as glassworts, are succulent herbs and small shrubs belonging to the plant group *Salicornieae* within the family *Chenopodiaceae*. The remarkable water-holding capacity and salinity tolerance of samphires results in them being the dominant plant species in temperate coastal saltmarshes. Samphires are cryptic, with species looking very similar to each other, and are a notoriously hard group of plants to identify to species level and even confound experts sometimes.
- Saltmarsh expert Peri Coleman, Delta Environmental Consulting, delivered a workshop to 15 participants including landscape officers, ecologists from National Parks and Wildlife Services South Australia (NPWSSA), science teachers, a member of our Board, and other interested persons. Our landscape officers from all three districts (Eastern, Western and Southern) attended the workshop.
- The workshop aimed to increase participants' knowledge of Eyre Peninsula samphires and improve their ability to identify this group of plants to species level. This is important for correctly mapping, monitoring and protecting saltmarsh vegetation.
- The workshop commenced with an introduction to the different samphire species that grow on Eyre Peninsula, including threatened species, where they are found and the important characteristics to look for when identifying them. Threats to samphire and corrective land management actions that can be taken to help to mitigate threats were also discussed.

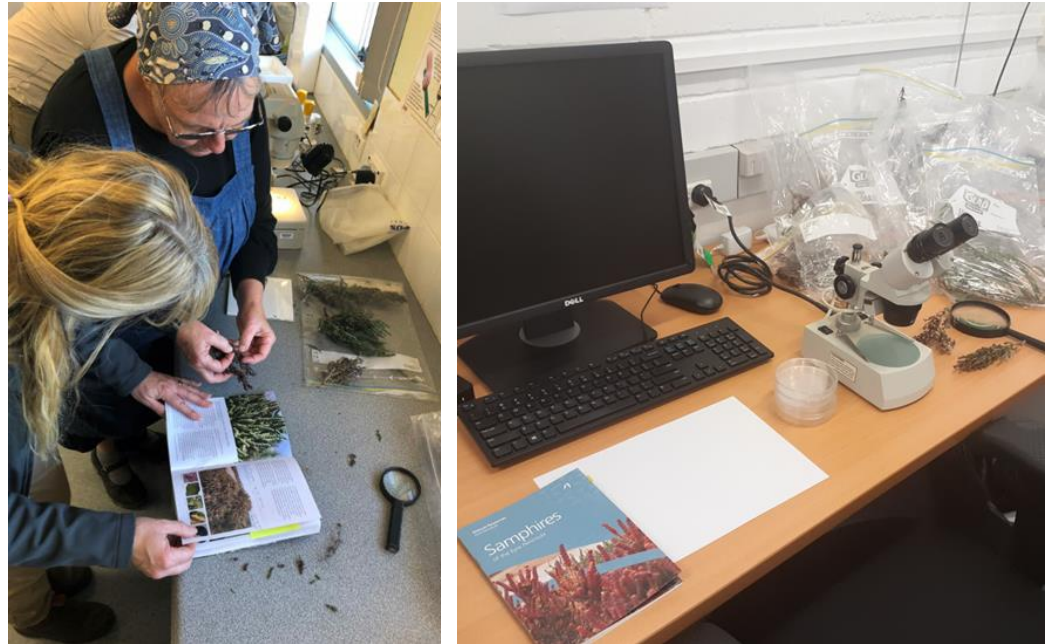


Photo 4: Saltmarsh Ecologists Peri Coleman delivers a presentation on Eyre Peninsula samphires to the STAR delivery team and other interested persons



Photo 5: Samphires are a notoriously hard group of plants to identify to species level and even confound experts sometimes

Photo 6:
Positive identification requires close examination of all parts of the plant – flowers, fruits, seeds, habit, and anatomy. Often this requires the use of a dissection microscope.



- Following the introduction and discussion, participants undertook a hands-on practical exercise looking at different samphire plant samples, including looking closely at all plant parts under a microscope, and using the '[Samphires of the Eyre Peninsula Guide](#)' and taxonomic key to determine the species of each of the samphire samples.

Western District

Beach nesting birds

- Fortnightly monitoring of Hooded Plover nesting territories continues over the breeding season at six sites across the Western District. To date, two fledglings have been recorded at Hally's Beach, three chicks have hatched at Dumper's Beach, and one chick has been observed at Entrance Beach in Venus Bay Conservation Park This is a very positive start to the breeding season.
- Monitoring will continue until April 2022, and monitoring throughout the summer holidays will provide critical information on pressure experienced by the birds through increased visitation numbers and four wheel driving on popular beaches.

Southern District

Beach nesting birds

• **Feral cat control**

- A cold snap in the weather provided an opportunity to undertake a four-day cat trapping program from south of Tumby Bay to Bolingbroke. The timing of this intervention (management activity aimed at increasing the success of Hooded Plover breeding) work coincided with the Hooded Plover nesting season and eggs ready to hatch at nesting territories along this stretch of coastline.
- Seven landholders were engaged, covering approximately eight kilometres of coastline. A contractor was engaged, who set 30 traps simultaneously to maximize chances of successful capture. One private landholder was also keen to assist with the trapping program and a cat trap was provided for their private use.

- Two tabby cats were caught on the second and third nights of the program, one at each end of Redcliffs Beach. A white cat was successfully trapped at the end of October, adjacent to the Cape Euler Hooded Plover nesting territory.
- The importance of this feral cat control program was highlighted by the hatching of three Hooded Plover chicks the day before the first cat was caught. The chicks hatched on Redcliffs Beach, which is monitored under the Federally-funded National Landcare Program (NLP) project *Protect the Hooded Plover*.



Photo 7: Feral cat caught during trapping program along coast south of Tumby Bay

Saltmarshes

- Site visits were completed at potential saltmarsh rehabilitation project sites where work is to be undertaken in May/June 2022. Approval and planning has commenced for revegetation works at Salt Creek (Farm Beach) and Kellidie Bay to support saltmarsh communities in these locations.

Local government engagement for this period

Eastern District

• Blue Carbon Insights for the Eyre Peninsula Presentation to Local Government

Whyalla Council Chambers and via MS Teams, Wednesday 4 November, 12noon-1pm

Link to presentation recording <https://youtu.be/f5lQXY6Y OE>

- Eyre Peninsula's blue carbon ecosystems of saltmarsh, mangrove and seagrass play a key role in drawing carbon out of the atmosphere and storing it. How we manage these habitats contributes to the global task of driving down emissions.
- Funding and investment towards managing blue carbon ecosystems is fast becoming a focal point of federal and state government. It is important for local governments in valuable coastal saltmarsh areas, to be aware of what blue carbon is, how it operates, and the emerging economic opportunities.
- We first became aware of the general lack of knowledge and understanding around blue carbon after a meeting with Council when a Council staff member asked "where is this blue carbon and how do we get it out of the ground?", thinking it was a resource to be mined for profit opposed to being protected for profit. The aim of this presentation was to give stakeholders a clear understanding of what blue carbon is, and how it functions in the environment, so they could be better positioned to leverage the investment opportunities in this space.
- This presentation, hosted by the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board and Whyalla City Council with funding from the National Landcare Program (STAR Project), gave local Council and community members the opportunity to hear from saltmarsh expert Peri Coleman.
- Peri, from Delta Environmental Consulting, is a leading consultant and expert on the ecology and botany of estuarine wetlands and saltmarshes. In her presentation, she unpacked the science of blue carbon and how it operates; as well as the value of saltmarsh.



Photo 8:
Coastal mangrove
and saltmarsh
ecosystem with 'blue
carbon' potential on
the outskirts of
Whyalla

- Neil McFarlane, the Director Climate Change, Coast and Marine from the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) then talked about the [Blue Carbon Strategy for South Australia](#) and its implementation.
- The presentation was followed by a brief discussion and question time.
- Participants included CEOs, Business Development Managers, and staff from Whyalla City Council, District Council of Franklin Harbour, District Council of Cleve, and interested members of the public, who had the option of attending the presentation in person at the Whyalla City Council chambers or virtually via MS Teams.
- Twenty seven people registered to attend the presentation via Eventbrite and more people joined the audience for the brain feed session in the Council chambers. The presentation was recorded and a link circulated to everyone who registered to attend the presentation so it could be shared with colleagues.
- Attendees left with a clear understanding of what blue carbon is and how it is stored in saline saltmarsh, mangrove and seagrass sediments. Stakeholders are now aware of the potential of Eyre Peninsula's blue carbon habitats and investments being made towards protecting and enhancing these habitats, including the [Emissions Reduction Fund](#).
- Topics participants learned about included:
 - the value of saltmarshes as foundation of fisheries, biodiversity hotspots, agricultural support, and coastal defence;
 - saltmarshes as blue carbon sinks -what blue carbon is, the processes that bury carbon in coastal sediments, why these saline systems are more efficient than land based systems at storing atmospheric carbon and their importance for helping to mitigate climate change;
 - how the blue carbon efficiency of saltmarshes is measured, where Eyre Peninsula's most productive saltmarshes are located, emerging economic opportunities for local governments and other stakeholders; and.
 - how restoring tidal flows to stranded saltmarshes can increase blue carbon potential.

Southern District

- Works approvals forms were submitted to the District Council of Tumby Bay to enable temporary nest site management at high threat nesting territories.

Communications and community engagement for this period

Western District

- Beach Nesting Bird Signage has been installed at Perlubie Beach and Sheringa Beach in response to increased visitation numbers, beach camping and off road vehicle use. To date the signage at Perlubie has had a positive impact on visitors with campers choosing not to camp beyond the signs.
- Interpretive saltmarsh and shorebird signage for the Lake Newland and Fowlers Bay Conservation Parks has been developed in conjunction with staff from the National Parks and Wildlife Service SA (NPWSSA). The signage aims to educate visitors to the areas about threats to saltmarsh and shorebirds, vulnerable species in the area and what steps can be taken to help protect them.

Southern District

- A one day workshop for Navigator College Year 3 students was delivered in collaboration with NPWSSA Marine Parks Officer and local Barngarla descendent, Emmalene Richards. The workshop was held at Trinity Haven Camp south of Tumby Bay. A landscape officer delivered a session focused on the coast as habitat and the many species that rely on a healthy coastal environment for their survival. Knowledge of beach-nesting birds and migratory shorebirds was shared with the group to highlight the threats they face including natural and introduced predators, tidal inundation and

human pressure including four wheel drives on beaches, dogs off leash, recreation and the impacts these can have on nesting shorebirds. The Hooded Plover was a species also focussed on, being a threatened species that nests along the coastline of southern Eyre Peninsula.



Photo 9: Beach Nesting Bird Signage installed at Sheringa Beach as an educational tool to inform beach users of the impact off road vehicle use and beach visitors can have on shorebirds



Photo 10: Life of a Hooded Plover role play at workshop with Navigator College



Photo 11: Navigator student Evie with Emmalene Richards (Barngarla descendent), creating a shared coast and sea art piece at the Trinity Haven workshop

Upcoming priorities for the next period

Region

- In February staff will participate in and help coordinate the annual *BirdLife Australia's National Shorebird Monitoring* (former Shorebird 2020 project) surveys at priority sites across the region, including Whyalla salt pans.

Eastern District

- Contractors will be engaged and materials ordered for Eight-Mile Creek and Murripi Beach way-finding signage, beach access, and saltmarsh vegetation protection and interpretive signs projects.
- Continued Sediment Elevation Table (SET) monitoring will be conducted at Eight-Mile Creek for a blue carbon project.

Western District

- We will continue to observe and record the impact beach Nesting Bird signage has on the behaviours of campers over the busy January holidays.
- Saltmarsh and shorebird signage will be installed at Lake Newland Conservation Park and Fowlers Bay Conservation Park.

Southern District

- Access Management work is planned for Bolingbroke north in consultation with landholders.
- We will continue to coordinate monitoring and priority intervention work (to improve nesting outcomes) at Hooded Plover nesting sites for the remainder of the nesting season.

Eyes on Eyre

The 'Eyes on Eyre' concept was formulated in 2016 with a collective involving three organisations: the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board and Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula (RDAEP), coming together to form a working group to face the challenge of improving outcomes for the environment and visitors. The Department for Environment and Water have joined this collective as well. The aim of Eyes on Eyre is to enable more people to enjoy and appreciate the spectacular coastline and avoid impacts on the natural environment. This is being done by implementing a cohesive, region wide strategy for the sustainable management of visitor access. Eyes on Eyre will be delivered in a staged approach on an ongoing basis to see incremental positive change over time.

Program highlights this period

- The Eyes on Eyre (EonE) Working Group has been successful at acquiring \$500,000 of funding from the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) "[Parks 2025](#)" initiative. The funding needs to be spent in such a way that it improves the management of crown land. This includes crown land sites that are under the care, control and management of local councils. RDAEP will be managing the expenditure of the funds on behalf of the Eyes on Eyre Steering Committee. Funding applications have been received from local councils and these are being assessed.
- **Online booking of council campgrounds**
 - EonE have identified that an online booking system has the greatest opportunity to address the identified visitor management issues at scale and have started to work with local government around this opportunity.
 - The District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula are trialling the use of an online booking system based on a platform from Yorke Peninsula.



Photo 12:
Example of new
signage for
campground online
booking system erected
by the District Council
of Elliston

- The Eyes on Eyre Working Group is currently supporting The District Council of Elliston trial an online booking system that is based on the Parks SA system which uses BookEasy. Signage was designed and erected in early December and online bookings went live in the middle of December. The trial will be evaluated in late January but as at the end of December the District Council of Elliston are happy with how the online booking system is working.
- Board staff submitted an expression of interest to the Landscape SA *Landscape Priorities Fund* for funding to support work on EonE. The application was titled "*Eyes on Eyre – restoring the health of Eyre Peninsula's coastal environment*" and requested \$710,000 over three years. This application has progressed to the second stage of application assessment, and a more detailed application for final review by DEW was submitted by Board staff. It is expected successful applicants will be announced in January/February 2022.

Local government engagement for this period

- There is ongoing engagement with all local councils on Eyre Peninsula about this project.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- The EonE online campsite booking system was promoted through a DEW [media release](#) and promoted on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#). The Port Lincoln Times also published an [article](#) about the booking system and local parks campground upgrades.
- A [video](#) was produced and released on the 13th December outlining the damage that our coastline suffered during the last (2020-2021) summer and ways we can improve sustainability and tourism experiences. This was shared on [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#).
- A number of social media posts were developed to remind people visiting our coastal areas to look after the areas, and respect our environment when camping (e.g. [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#)).

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- We will continue to liaise with coastal councils to help them deliver camping node infrastructure upgrades and the online booking system at a couple of pilot sites this summer.

Blue Carbon

The EP Landscape Board is working to support the implementation of the [Blue Carbon Strategy for South Australia \(2020-25\)](#), partnering with other agencies to advance blue carbon initiatives, particularly focusing on temperate saltmarsh restoration.

Program highlights this period

- The Australian Government's [Blue carbon method: Proposed new method under the Emissions Reduction Fund](#) went out for public consultation in October. This new carbon credits methodology (Carbon Farming Initiative – [Tidal restoration of blue carbon ecosystems](#)) is expected to come into effect in January 2022, opening the door for project that remove or modify tidal restriction mechanisms and allow tidal flow to be introduced to an area of land to earn carbon credits.
- Federal Government has committed to providing \$30-million of funding for blue carbon work through the [Ocean Leadership Package](#). A grants program titled [Blue Carbon Ecosystem Restoration Grants](#) will aim to fund four on-ground demonstration sites across Australia.
- Board staff have been working to identify potential opportunities for the Eyre Peninsula region.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Identify potential project sites and develop an application in collaboration with other key stakeholders for the [Blue Carbon Ecosystem Restoration Grants](#).
- Discuss the *Blue Carbon Ecosystem Restoration Grants* with local government.

Cummins Wanilla Streamcare Group infrastructure upgrade project

The Cummins Wanilla Basin contains a vast network of surface water and groundwater drainage channel systems that have been developed over many decades to support agricultural production and address issues such as dryland salinity, waterlogging, erosion and sedimentation. Up to 85,000 hectares of Eyre Peninsula farming land in the basin is increasingly being affected by poor drainage. To address these and other issues in the catchment, the Cummins Wanilla Basin Streamcare Group commissioned the development of a [basin management plan](#). They have also secured \$250,000 in funding from the State Government's [Regional Growth Fund](#) to support the implementation of the plan, through the maintenance and development of priority drainage infrastructure required to maintain the function of the catchment, improve hydrology for the purpose of supporting agricultural production and address issues such as dryland salinity, waterlogging, erosion and sedimentation.

This funding is being made available to landholders in the affected area through a grants program administered by the EP Landscape Board on behalf of the volunteer Streamcare Group. Landholders, land managers and councils within the basin are eligible to apply for grants of between \$2,000 and \$30,000 to complete work that upgrades and maintains existing drainage infrastructure. Grant recipients need to commit at least a 50% matching contribution which can include in-kind contribution through their labour and use of machinery costs.

Program highlights this period

- Cummins Wanilla Basin Drainage Grants Round 2 closed and were awarded, with one successful application successful. The majority of works for this project will be to clean out existing drains that have silted up and become overgrown.
- Cummins Wanilla Basin Drainage Grants Round 3 opened and applications will be open until 17 February 2023, unless funding is exhausted prior to this.



Photo 13:
Round 2 applications:
example of a blocked drain
that will be cleaned out

- Round 3 is a non-competitive round due to the lack of interest in the first two rounds. If an application is received that meets the guiding principles of the grant program then it will be considered for approval. Received and compliant applications will be accepted and awarded in order of when they are received. Assessment of applications will follow the order in which complying applications have been received. To date, under round 3:
 - eleven enquiries have been received;
 - five site visits have been undertaken; and
 - one application has been received.

Local government engagement for this period

- The District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula (DCLEP) were notified of Round 3 of the grants opening.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- The opening of Round 3 of the Cummins Wanilla Basin Grants was promoted through a [Media release](#) (leading to [Port Lincoln Times article](#) and [Spencer Gulf Nightly News story](#)) and on social media ([Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#)).

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- We will continue to work on Round 3 enquiries, site visits and assessments.

Biodiversity Monitoring Program

As part of our Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement (MERI) plan, the Board established the Biodiversity Monitoring Program, in 2015-2016. This Biodiversity Monitoring Program will result in 355 sites across the region being monitored (using the Bushland Condition Monitoring methodology) on a ten year rotational basis. To supplement this important monitoring a Citizen Scientist network has been established to undertake annual bird surveys at some of these sites.

Program highlights this period

- Plant samples from the Bushland Condition Monitoring completed during the first quarter were sent to the herbarium for identification.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- Staff have supported members of the Citizen Scientist network to undertake bird surveys and enter data into the various portals (including the Iconic Bird sighting portal).

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Staff will finalise the data collected through Bushland Condition Monitoring, ready for it to be entered into the state-wide database.
- Staff will continue to support the Citizen Scientist network and get the information they collect publically available on the Biological Database of SA (BDBSA).
- We will complete the internal review of the Biodiversity Monitoring Program.

Collaboration on landscape-scale projects

The EP Landscape Board collaborates with multiple organisations, from federal through to local level, to source funding to deliver landscape scale projects which contribute to the conservation and enhancement of prioritised ecosystems.

RLP Fire Recovery Program

Funded under the Australian Government's National Landcare Program, fire recovery works are being undertaken in the Middleback and Secret Rocks fire grounds which were impacted by the 2019 bushfires. Works include priority pest plant, pest animal, and overabundant native herbivore control, as well as controlling access and undertaking erosion management. The fire recovery program will assist the recovery of threatened species including Malleefowl, Sandhill Dunnarts, Chalky Wattle and Yellow Swainson Pea.

Program highlights this period

- Overabundant herbivore (kangaroo), rabbit, fox and cat control is being undertaken on a monthly basis by two qualified contractors across the fire ground. This is difficult to implement across a fire ground, but is essential to allow vegetation to recover post fire, particularly for more palatable species. Monthly control will continue until May 2022.
- Staff have been assisting landholders to obtain funds from the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) to replace heritage agreement fencing burnt in the fires.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- Ongoing communication is occurring with four land managers affected by the fires.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Overabundant herbivore (kangaroo), rabbit, fox and cat control will be ongoing.
- We will continue to support landholders to replace heritage agreement fencing burnt in the fires.

Carbon + Biodiversity Pilot

The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board region has been chosen as one of six pilot regions across Australia for the program which is part of the [Agriculture Stewardship Package](#) being delivered by the Australian Government Department for Agriculture, Water and Environment (DAWE). [This pilot](#) will develop arrangements to reward farmers for increasing biodiversity and storing carbon by undertaking revegetation. The Board will assist the Department for Agriculture, Water and Environment with pilot design and promote the opportunity to farmers on Eyre Peninsula.

Program highlights this period

- In June, Board staff assisted ten farmers to submit applications to the Australian Government for the Carbon + Biodiversity Pilot. Nine of these farmers made it through to the second stage of the pilot and received offers to undertake their proposed works. After considering the offers only four farmers are likely to take up their offers. The main reason for this was the large upfront investment that many of the farmers would have needed to make. Board staff are still assisting the four farmers through the process including registration with the Emissions Reduction Fund.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- Staff have been assisting farmers in relation to this project.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- The four farmers will continue to be supported through the pilot process.

Enhancing Remnant Vegetation (ERV) Pilot

This is the [second pilot](#) which is part of the [Agriculture Stewardship Package](#) being delivered by the Australian Government Department for Agriculture, Water and Environment (DAWE). It aims to improve existing native vegetation on farms and is trialling mechanisms to pay participating farmers to manage and enhance significant remnant native vegetation on-farm, through activities such as installing fencing to exclude grazing, carrying out weeding, pest control and replanting.

Program highlights this period

- On the 15th September the Australian Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) announced this pilot and confirmed that Eyre Peninsula would be one of the six pilot regions from across Australia for this project.
- Applications were open from 29th September until 27th October for landholders who wanted to apply to be part of the pilot. In each of our districts landscape officers helped to spread awareness about the pilot. Staff had direct conversations with over 60 farmers and supported landholders with applications as requested.
- In December staff undertook on-site assessments of proposed projects short-listed by the Australian Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. Assessments included verification of the vegetation type and assessment of vegetation condition.



Photo 14:
Remnant vegetation site
being assessed on Lower
Eyre Peninsula

Communications and community engagement for this period

- [Media releases](#), radio interviews and social media posts ([Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) initial posts, followed by a number of additional posts) were produced to publicise this opportunity.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Staff will assist any farmers who are made offers from the Australian Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment.

Nomination of 'Sheoak Woodlands over calcrete' to be listed under the EPBC Act

Sheoak Woodlands over calcrete are an ecosystem that has degraded significantly since European settlement. After many years of conservation works by farmers and the gathering of data by WildEyre enough evidence was available for a threatened ecological community nomination to be submitted (by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board) to the Australian Government in January 2018. The Australian Government started the assessment of this nomination in 2020.

Program highlights this period

- Staff have continued to respond to further information requests from the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment concerning the listing.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- We will respond to any further queries from Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment staff concerning the application.

Community

Focus areas and priority programs	Status
<i>Community at the centre and actively engaged in landscape management</i>	
Review and improvement of the citizen science program ; providing meaningful opportunities for volunteers and groups to get involved and value the natural environment	
Supporting Aboriginal and community groups, Local Government, farming groups and schools to progress natural resource activities through the provision of the Grassroots Grants program	
<i>Effective decision-making and Local Government engagement</i>	
Effective leadership and governance of the Board and its business, to meet legislative requirements, including:	
Board meeting highlights	
Referrals (including Stormwater management) received and responded to	

Partnering for the community

Program highlights this period

EP Landscape Board staff have continued to support the DEW fire program, including at prescribed burns and with wild fire response. Most recently, several of our staff assisted in the wild fires that occurred in late December at Hincks Wilderness Protection Area, Bascombe Well Conservation Park, Gawler Ranges National Park, Calpatanna Waterhole Conservation Park and Edillilie (South Block).

Citizen science program

The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board supports [citizen science](#) as an innovative and exciting way of engaging the community, while increasing our knowledge of Eyre Peninsula's natural environments. We support a number of projects that community members can get involved in.

Program highlights this period

- With the summer holidays and increased visitation to the Eyre Peninsula, we have had increasing numbers of wildlife sightings reported through our Citizen Science online portals. This included twenty three goanna sightings, three koala sightings, and five Malleefowl sightings. This is the highest number of Malleefowl sightings we have ever



Photo 15: Rosenberg's Goanna (*Varanus rosenbergi*) sited at Morgans Landing campsite, Coffin Bay National Park. Photo submitted to our [EP Goannas citizen science portal](#) by Richard Blacker.

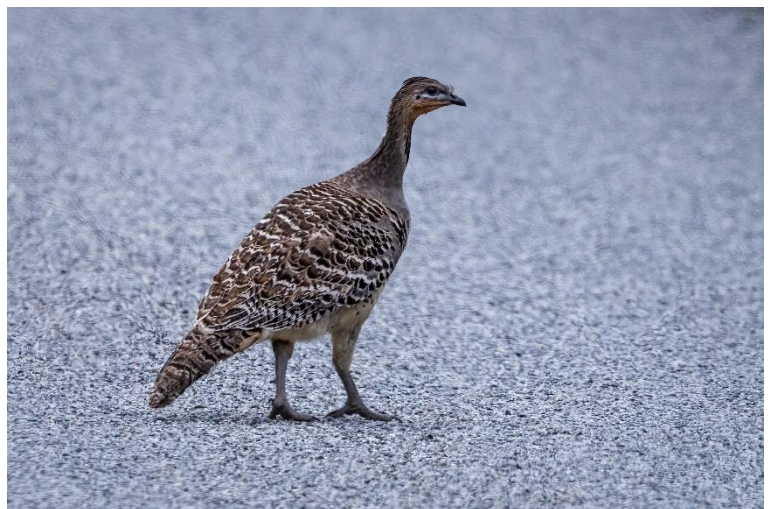


Photo 16: Malleefowl seen crossing Donnington Road in Lincoln National Park. This beautiful photograph was submitted by to our [EP Malleefowl citizen science portal](#) by Fran Solly.

received in a single quarter, and provides us with very useful information about this endangered species.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- During Australian Wildlife Week (1 to 8 October 2021) we promoted our citizen science projects as well as the use of the iNaturalist app on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). The [iNaturalist App](#) is a free platform which allows anybody to contribute to citizen science projects and national datasets.
- We also promoted our PixStix citizen science project, which is aimed at collecting long term visual datasets of key sites, on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Grassroots Grants program

*The Grassroots Grants program supports individuals, volunteers, community groups and other organisations working on a not-for-profit basis, with local landscape management projects. Grants are awarded annually. Reporting on support provided by Board staff to grant applicants, as well as monitoring of grants awarded and acquitted is included in the **Grassroots Grants program** sections in the district [Quarterly Business Plan Achievement Reports](#).*

Program highlights this period

- The Grassroots Grants for the 2021-22 period have all been awarded to community and are all at various stages of delivery. For progress on the project being delivered at a regional level see below. For progress on all other individual projects refer to our 2021-2022 Second Quarter [Business Plan Achievement Reports](#) for the Eastern, Southern and Western districts.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- The next round of Grassroots Grants (2022-2023) will open in the upcoming period.

2021-2022 Grassroots Grants

Entering the significant environmental benefit offsets market - A case study

There are numerous unrealised opportunities for Eyre Peninsula land managers to enter the Significant Environmental Benefit (SEB) Offset market and gain improved natural resource management outcomes and diversified income streams. Through this project, the Nature Foundation will develop and publicise a case study explaining the practical details of establishing a SEB offset site including financial implications which have, to date, proven to be a significant barrier to entry into this market. This information will provide impetus for Eyre Peninsula land managers to investigate these opportunities on their land.

Program highlights this period

- Site assessments were undertaken to gauge the environmental value of the site in terms of a native vegetation clearance offset.

Leadership and governance

Board meeting highlights

Program highlights this period

The Board met on 7 December 2021, in Cowell. Highlights from the meetings included:

- The General Manager from the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board provided an overview of their region's Aboriginal engagement strategy, and the approach they are using to engage with First Nations communities, which includes a collaborative approach with the regional local government association and their regional development board.

- The Board approved a Communications Plan for the region, a summary of the [Communication Plan](#) is now available on our website.
- The Board reviewed its strategic risk register, noted a range of actions from the boards Risk, Audit and Finance Committee meeting and discussed some of the preliminary outcomes from the Work, Health and Safety review which is currently underway.
- A briefing paper regarding the feral deer satellite population eradication project was provided to the Board. This is proposed to be a collaborative project with various agencies and landscape boards. The Board committed funding that will be combined with funding from other regions and used to leverage state and national funds.
- The Board discussed the desalination plant which is currently being considered for Eyre Peninsula and moved recommendations:

That the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board:

- *Supports the construction of a desalination plant on Eyre Peninsula to improve water security and take pressure off the underground water*
- *Supports the Minister's 'pause' on the EP Desalination plant while the State Government and SA Water collect more data and conduct further consultation with the community and key stakeholders on a range of potential sites.*

Local government engagement for this period

- Individual Board members are responsible for engaging with their respective councils on an ongoing basis, and matters are raised in the Board reports.
- Members of the District Council of Franklin Harbour joined the Board for lunch, and a presentation of the Board's activities within the Council area was provided by our Team Leader Landscape Operations, Eastern District.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- A summary of the Board's [Communication Plan](#) has been loaded on website.
- Minutes of the meeting, once endorsed by the Board will be loaded on the Board [website](#).
- The Board's Annual Report for 2020-21, which includes audited financial statements, was approved and submitted to the Minister. Once this has been tabled in Cabinet, the report will be loaded on the Board [website](#) as well.

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- The Board's next meeting is scheduled for 22 February in Port Lincoln.

Planning

Program highlights this period

- Our [Eyre Peninsula Regional Landscape Plan 2021-2026](#) was approved by the Minister and is now available on our website.

Communications and community engagement for this period

- The official release of our Regional Landscape Plan was promoted through a [media release](#), and promoted on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). We had follow-up interviews with Spencer Gulf Nightly news

(story at 14:38 mark on [this recording](#)) and the *Port Lincoln Times*, and it was also featured on [5cc news site](#) / radio bulletins.

- With the finalisation of our Regional Landscape Plan, we promoted the work we do in relation to our five regional priorities; water, sustainable agriculture, controlling pest plants and animals, biodiversity and community on social media.

Referrals (including stormwater management)

The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board has formal referral responsibilities (such as commenting on development applications or stormwater management plans) and informal responsibilities (such as providing feedback on associated legislative changes, significant discussion papers or plans). These matters need to be responded to in a timely manner and often require the consolidation of feedback from across the organisation.

Program highlights this period

There were a total of five referrals commented on (including no comment) in this period, which included:

- three native vegetation clearance applications;
- the Valuer-General's Discussion Paper outlining the process for determining annual rents for pastoral leases; and
- the Siviour Graphite Project, Program for Environment Protection and Rehabilitation (PEPR).

Upcoming priorities for the next period

- Board staff will continue to provide feedback in a timely manner relating to the Board's formal and informal referral responsibilities.

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