

2019

Stakeholder engagement

Water is one of our most valuable natural assets. We have a responsibility to the people of NSW to ensure we manage water equitably and transparently now and into the future. Our stakeholders are those groups and individuals who could be affected by our activities.

We recognise that the most effective way to successfully manage water is by collaborating with our stakeholders and the greater community. Our [Community Engagement Policy](#) describes how we will complete this engagement.

We will regularly meet with our stakeholders on key projects and provide opportunities for stakeholders and the broader public to provide input on policies, plans, and other relevant documents.

An overview of our past meetings, exhibitions, and other public engagement activities is provided below.

Past engagement activities 2019

Key dates	Description	Location
19 December	Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Mechanism (SDLAM) Options Evaluation Framework – meeting with Aboriginal stakeholders	Menindee
18 December	SDLAM Options Evaluation Framework – meeting with Aboriginal stakeholders	Dareton
12 December	Menindee Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting	Menindee
12 December	Yanco SDLAM Community Advisory Group meeting	Jerilderie
6 December	Lachlan Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Forbes
6 December	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Dubbo
5 December	Lachlan Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Cowra

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5 December	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Coonamble
5 December	Gwydir Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Tamworth
4 December	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Warren
4 December	Gwydir Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Tingha
3 December	Drought information session – webinar	Online
3 December	Lachlan Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Lake Cargelligo
3 December	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Bathurst
3 December	Gwydir Regional Water Strategy – Aboriginal engagement	Moree
28 November	Drought information session – Murrumbidgee	Griffith
27 November	Drought information session – Murray-Lower Darling	Deniliquin
21 November	Drought information session – Namoi-Peel	Narrabri
20 November	Drought information session – Border Rivers	Goondiwindi
19 November	Drought information session – Gwydir	Moree
15 November	Namoi Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Wee Waa

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14 November	Yanco Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Mechanism (SDLAM) – Community Advisory Group meeting	Deniliquin
13 November	South Coast Regional Water Strategy – Stakeholder Reference Group meeting	Moruya
5 November	Namoi/Peel Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Gunnedah
4 November	First Nations consultation water resource plan workshop with Euahlayi Nation	Walgett
4 November	Namoi/Peel Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Narrabri
4 November	Namoi/Peel Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Online
31 October	First Nations consultation water resource plan workshop with Ngarabal Nation	Glen Innes
30 October	Drought information session – Macquarie	Dubbo
30 October	First Nations consultation water resource plan workshop with Yorta Yorta Nation	Shepparton
29 October	Drought information session – Lachlan	Condobolin
28 October	First Nations consultation water resource plan workshop with Ngunnawal Nation	Yass
25 October	Lachlan Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting	Forbes
24–26 October	Water metering – public information session	Field Days – Borenore, Orange
23 October	Namoi/Peel Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Tamworth

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23 October	Regional water strategies – Aboriginal water advisory workshop	Redfern
20 October	Water Resource Plans workshop – First Nations consultation with Wemba Wemba Nation	Deniliquin
19–20 October	Water metering – public information session	Field Days – Murrumbateman
18 October	Barwon Darling and Murray-Lower Darling Water Resource Plans – public exhibition information session	Menindee
18 October	Drought information session – Lower Darling	Menindee
17 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Wilcannia
17 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Broken Hill
17 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – consultation workshop with Barkandji Native Title Group	Broken Hill
17 October	Drought information session – Barwon Darling	Wilcannia
17 October	Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Mechanism (SDLAM) Options Evaluation Framework – stakeholder workshop	Albury
16 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Bourke
15 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session	Walgett

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Key dates	Description	Location
10 October	Proposed amendments to Macquarie-Bogan Unregulated Water Sharing Plan – public exhibition information session	Warren
9 October	Proposed amendments to Gwydir Unregulated Water Sharing Plan – public exhibition information session	Moree
3 October	Gwydir Regional Water Strategy – stakeholder engagement meetings	Moree, Uralla, Bingara
2 October	Namoi Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting – workshop on Supplementary Flow Options Paper	Gunnedah
2 October	Macquarie Regional Water Strategy – stakeholder engagement meetings	Coonamble, Brewarrina, Wellington, Mudgee
1 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – public exhibition information session webinar	Online
26 September	Menindee Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting	Menindee
26 September –31 October	First Nations consultation water resource plan workshops with Barkandji Nation	Bourke, Broken Hill, Menindee, Wilcannia, Wentworth
26 September –15 November	Namoi/Peel Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition period	Online
26 September –29 October	Barwon Darling Water Resource Plan – public exhibition period	Online
26 September–29 October	Proposed amendments to Gwydir Unregulated Water Sharing Plan – public exhibition period	Online
26 September–29 October	Proposed aments to Macquarie-Bogan Unregulated Water Sharing Plan – public exhibition period	Online

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21 September	Wolgalu Traditional Owner interviews	Tumut
20 September	Macquarie Stakeholder Advisory Panel post-public exhibition submission presentation	Dubbo
19 September	Town Water Steering Committee meeting	Tamworth
17–19 September	Murray and Lower Darling Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	Corowa, Deniliquin, Barham and Dareton
17–19 September	Henty Field Days – Water metering staff available at event	Henty
18 September	Town Water Steering Committee meetings	Dubbo, Narromine, Warren, Bogan, Cobar
16 September	Northern Critical Water Advisory Panel meeting	Video conference
9–18 September	Floodplain Harvesting Policy Implementation – public information sessions	Narrabri, Dubbo, Deniliquin, Dareton, Sydney and Webinar
9–12 September	Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Mechanism (SDLAM) projects in the Murrumbidgee River	Moulamein, Deniliquin, Conargo, Wanganella, Morundah, Narrandera, Urana and Jerilderie
7–8 September	Water metering – public information	Small Farm Field Days – Berry
5 September	Upper Hunter Water Users meeting	Moonan Flat
4 September	Town Water Steering Committee meetings	Bathurst and Orange
3–4 September	Lower Hunter drought response meeting	Newcastle
2–4 September	2019 Water Management Conference	Albury
22 July–30 August	NSW Murray Darling Basin Fractured Rock Water Resource Plan – public exhibition and public information sessions	Online plus Gunnedah, Orange, Yass
22 July–30 August	NSW Murray Darling Basin Porous Rock Water Resource Plan – public exhibition and public information sessions	Online plus Gunnedah, Orange, Yass
22 July–31 August	Intersecting Streams Water Resource Plan – public exhibition and public information sessions	Online plus Bourke, Lightning Ridge, Goodooga
28 August	Menindee Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting	Menindee

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27 August	Water Resource Plan – First Nations consultation Budjiti workshop	Cunnumulla
15 July–23 August	Darling Alluvium Water Resource Plan – public exhibition and public information sessions	Online, Pooncarie and Bourke
15 July–23 August	NSW Great Artesian Basin Shallow Water Resource Plan – public exhibition and public information sessions	Online, Bourke and Lightning Ridge
15 July–23 August	NSW Border Rivers Alluvium Water Resource Plan – public exhibition and public information session	Online and Texas (Qld)
15 July–12 August	Water Metering public information sessions and public exhibition of water metering regulations amendments	Moree, Narrabri, Dubbo, Bourke, Lismore, Menindee, Wilcannia, Albury, Deniliquin, Wentworth, Online webinar, Tamworth, Condobolin
11 June–20 July	Murray Alluvium Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	Online
11 June–20 July	NSW Namoi Alluvium Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	Online
5 June–14 July	Murrumbidgee Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	Online
4–6 July	Snowy Advisory Committee Meeting	Marlo (Vic)
3–4 July	Murray Alluvium Water Resource Plan public information sessions	Culcairn, Howlong, Deniliquin
25–26 June	Lower Hunter Water Plan Community Forums	Maitland and Newcastle
24–27 June	Namoi Alluvium Water Resource Plan – public information sessions	Narrabri, Gunnedah, Wee Waa, Werris Creek, Tamworth
17–19 June	Murrumbidgee Surface Water Resource Plan – public information sessions	Wagga Wagga, Jerilderie, Griffith, Hay
13 June	Barwon Darling Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting	Bourke
22 May–7 June	Drought information sessions	Tamworth, Goondiwindi, Moree, Wentworth/Dareton, Pooncarie, Bourke, Warren, Forbes, Finley, Deniliquin, Hay, Coleambally, Griffith, Gunnedah, and Walgett
5 June	Safe and Secure Water Program Regional Roadshow	Parramatta

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8–27 May	Draft Paterson Regulated River Water Sharing Plan – public exhibition	Gresford
16 May	Paterson Water Sharing Plan – information session	Gresford
14 May	Murray and Lower Darling stakeholder advisory panel meeting	Deniliquin
7–17 May	Safe and Secure Water Program Regional Roadshow	Griffith, Queanbeyan, Dubbo, Orange, and Tamworth
1–3 May	Duly Qualified Persons Workshops (metering)	Wagga Wagga, Dubbo and Moree
1 May	Interagency Working Group for better management of e-water meeting	Sydney
1 May	NSW Murray-Lower Darling and Murrumbidgee available water determination	Online
1 May	Australian Floodplain Association AGM	Brewarrina
23 April	Peel Valley water users information session on metering	Tamworth
15 April	NSW Murray Lower Darling and Murrumbidgee available water determination	Online
12 April	Safe and Secure Water Program – regional roadshow	Coffs Harbour
11–12 April	Great Artesian Basin Coordinating Committee	Adelaide
10–11 April	Murrumbidgee Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting	Griffith
10 April	Native Fish Management and Recovery Strategy workshop	Sydney
10 April	Geology of Cobar information evening	Cobar
9–10 April	Lake Eyre Basin Aboriginal Forum	Queensland
3 April	Dairy NSW meeting water availability	Singleton
3 April	National Water Quality Management Strategy workshop	Sydney

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1 April	Murray Irrigation Ltd and Murray Darling Basin Authority meeting	Deniliquin
30 March	Water Resource Plan – First nations consultation, Wiradjuri workshops	Moree
29 March	Coleambally Irrigation Co-operative Limited meeting – water availability	Coleambally
16 November–29 March	Greater Hunter Regional Water Strategy – public exhibition	State-wide
20 March	Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Mechanism (SDLAM) Implementation Committee Meeting	Sydney
19 March	Water law and the establishment of the Natural Resource Access Regulator (NRAR) – Environmental Defenders Office professional development workshop	Sydney
6–7 March	Water Resource Plans – First Nations consultation, Wailwan nation workshop	Gilgandra
19 February	Water Resource Plans – First Nations consultation, Bangerang nation workshop	Shepparton
29 November–15 February	Floodplain Harvesting Monitoring and Auditing Strategy – public exhibition	Moree, Narrabri, Tamworth, Dubbo
19 December–15 February	Wilcannia Weir upgrade consultation	Wilcannia
14 February	Drought outlook and water availability public drop-in session	Pooncarie
13 February	Namoi/Peel Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting	Gunnedah
12 February	Water Resource Plans – First Nations consultation, Mutthi Mutthi nation workshop	
11 February	Drought outlook and water availability – public drop-in session	Dubbo
8 February	Drought outlook and water availability – public drop-in session	Walgett
5–7 February	Wilcannia Weir upgrade – consultation	Wilcannia

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7 February	Drought outlook and water availability – public drop-in session	Narrabri
6 February	Drought outlook and water availability – public drop-in session	Moree
6 December– 1 February	NSW Border Rivers Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	State-wide
29 November– 1 February	Lachlan Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	State-wide
23 November –1 February	Macquarie-Castlereagh Surface Water Resource Plan – public exhibition	State-wide
25 January	Groundwater Stakeholder Advisory Panel meeting	Sydney
15–17 January	Wilcannia Weir upgrade – consultation	Wilcannia

Note: The department seeks to update this table regularly. Changes to events or public exhibitions can take place and some of the details in the table may be out of date.

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