

Burdekin Dry Tropics Regional Local Government Network (NRM)

Results - Network Meeting Held Monday 6 December 2004, Townsville



The Burdekin Dry Tropics Regional Local Government Network (NRM) met on Monday December 6th in Townsville to discuss the recently released draft Regional Natural Resource Management Plan for the Burdekin Dry Tropics. Understandably some network members were unable to attend due to the distances involved.

Belinda Zunker from the Burdekin Dry Tropics Board attended the meeting and gave a brief update on the planning process and how it works. The majority of the meeting time was used to discuss the management actions from the draft plan and record the comments of network members. The management actions (10 pages) are the main area of interest as the remainder of the draft plan (190 pages) is mostly background information and is heavy going for the uninitiated.

This document will provide you with the opportunity to have input on behalf of your Council into the Regional NRM Plan via the Dry Tropics Regional Local Government Network (NRM). Your network facilitators are collating all local government comments to present to the Burdekin Dry Tropics as a combined regional local government submission.

This in no way prevents you from responding through your sub regional group or individually but rather is an additional avenue to highlight local government NRM issues at the regional level and act as a starting point for combined negotiations for the Regional Investment Strategy.

The attached set of management actions includes a record of the responses from the network meeting on Monday 6 December. Please provide any additional comments which could include:

- ❖ Issues specific to your Council or sub region that you feel could be addressed through the management actions;
- ❖ Potential for local government involvement in undertaking the management actions at the region, sub regional or local level whether directly or through partnerships;
- ❖ Work already done that you feel may be duplicated by management actions;
- ❖ Management actions where you can see potential for integration with current projects.

Public consultation will end shortly so this is the last chance to have direct input into the plan via the network. For a combined set of comments to be properly collated and submitted to the Board we will need to receive them by **Thursday 16th December**.

For clarification on any points about the planning process and the local government network please contact:

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