



Healthy Land & Water

SEQ Natural Resource Management Plan Update

The official **Natural Resource Management group** for **South East Queensland**



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Setting the context

Background

The South East Queensland Natural Resource Management Plan (NRM plan) is our community's plan to protect and enhance our region's natural assets. It is non-statutory; however, it is a reference document for the sustainability and liveability of our region. It was developed to drive our actions for the sustainability and liveability of our region. Because the threats, pressures and opportunities are constantly changing in our climate-change-exposed and fast-growing region, it is intended to be a living document. Healthy Land & Water, as the South East Queensland NRM group has been charged with coordinating the update of the plan in collaboration with all communities, First Nations partners, industry groups and all levels of government across South East Queensland.

The *SEQ NRM Plan* integrates and balances the array of competing economic, cultural, and environmental factors to guide collaborative strategies and actions which produce benefits for the whole community.

It helps guide us through the intricacies of managing the process of change in a complex environment.

The first iteration of the plan for the region started some 20 years ago, and like our environment and ecosystems, it has been adapted to our dynamic, changing environment ever since.

In 2009 the first region-wide plan, formed collaboratively by communities across South East Queensland, was officially endorsed by government. It set out 41 indicators and a baseline for each target set for the region in 2009, to take us to 2030. A 5-yearly update of the plan was delivered in 2021.

We have now commenced a new 5-year update of the NRM plan. This will not be a comprehensive rewrite of the original plan, rather a targeted review and update to maintain the currency of the plan.

Scope

The purpose of this update is to revise the existing plan to better align with current regional, community priorities and aspirations for NRM management including consideration of impacts from climate change, population growth as well as economic, cultural, and environmental factors that guide management practices. In order to create a plan that is accessible and relevant to the SEQ community. The update also provides the opportunity to align this document with other current region plans.

This update is intended to (i) build off, and not repeat, the work undertaken in the 2021 update; (ii) adapt to learnings since the 2022 update; and (iii) be commensurate with the available resources.

The plan will build on existing community, First Nations partners, local government area, regional or state plans or management programs. It will complement existing work and allows the opportunity for SEQ partners to showcase their programs in this space.

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