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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Mr Dennis Mutton
Chair
Natural Resources Management Council
GPO Box 2834
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South Australia 5000

Dear Mr Mutton

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Management Act 1995 and section 38 of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004, I have pleasure in presenting the annual report of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the year ended 30 June 2009.

The fourth year of the Boards operation has seen a further consolidation of the Boards operations, and the review of the regions organisational structures.

The Board membership during the year consisted of Mrs Evelyn Poole, Mr Tony Irvine, Mrs Sandra McCallum, Mrs Cecilia Woolford, Mr Sean O’Brien, Mr Russell Bambridge, Mrs Karen Burrows and Mr Allan Dodd.

Six agency representatives attended meetings of the Board; Mr Glyn Ashman (SA Water), Mr Ross Belcher (Department of Environment and Heritage), Mr Mark Chesworth (Australian Government), Mr Geoff Dodd (Local Government), Helen Lamont (PIRSA) and Mr Ben Bruce replaced Mr Peter Butler (Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation) in September 2008.

The Board now meets on a bi-monthly basis rotating between Whyalla, Ceduna and Port Lincoln with Board Sub-Committee meetings held on the alternative months. In addition the Board members undertake many community commitments relevant to natural resources management in the region including drought, climate change, mining and water resources management.

The Board was the subject of much review, with reports being handed down by Parliament’s Natural Resources Committee, the Conservation Council of SA and others including a Board generated report on Community Capacity. In response the Board engaged ‘Collins Anderson Management’ to assist it with an internal review process, and at the time of writing, was publicly consulting a proposal for substantial NRM Group and Advisory Committee restructuring, to more realistically match the financial and human resources that the Board has available, to the structure that it must service in the region.
A significant milestone was reached in May 2009 with the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Plan being endorsed.

Staff continue to be the strength of the Board and the senior management structure is continuing to bed down processes, and is bringing finality to the reporting of antecedent Boards and Committees, with this task expected to be complete early in the new financial year.

The Commonwealth Governments ‘Caring for our Country’ initiative has presented some new challenges and opportunities, and emphasised the need to work in partnership and collaboration to best serve this region going forward.

We are mindful of the great challenges ahead particularly those posed by continuing Drought and Climate Change, and the effect they will have on the regions people and communities, but we eagerly seek to do our part in reacting with a positive and sustainable response. The large research collaborations, in areas of sustainable agriculture, water resources, and climate change vulnerability, will initiate future programmes to assist of the Board in meeting these challenges.

Our mission remains to leave this region well served in the area of integrated sustainable Natural Resources Management for the future, and to have an informed sustainable ethos embedded within our community and in our personal decision making processes.

I commend the work of the Board and the Annual Report to you.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Brian Foster
Presiding Member
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board continued to operate at local, regional and strategic levels during the fifth year of operations.

Issues such as implementing recommendations from the review of groups and committees has resulted in the development of a community engagement model that is gradually being initiated. This involves the Board’s operation areas identifying and developing close links with the relevant existing community and industry groups to provide a conduit of information and advice to and from the Board.

This community engagement model continues to reinforce the critical role of regionally located staff and the region wide presence of the Board’s staff. This not only involves the regional staff but the regional profile of the Aboriginal, water resources and volunteer programs.

This annual report highlights the depth and spread of the Board’s activities and I again commend staff for their continued effort in delivery a high standard of projects and programs which support the long term outcomes for the region.

A significant milestone was reached in May 2009 when the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Plan was endorsed by the Minister of Environment and Conservation. The Plan provides the critical direction for the investment into Natural Resources Management for the region and clearly identifies long term outcomes that will guide future investment. The implementation of the Plan will ensure a proactive approach to developing partnerships and collaboration with a range of agencies, organizations, industry and community groups. Examples of these approaches include the joint Woolworths/Landcare Australia project, Wild Eyre, Aboriginal programs and the Eyre Peninsula Hydrogeology Research Collaboration.

I wish to pay tribute to the significant contribution that staff have made to the operations and function of the Board. The skills, knowledge and experience of staff and their application to duties is a critical part of the operations of the Board and staff meet the challenge of service delivery with a high level of commitment. This was evident with staff being successful in delivering a range of projects with extremely short timeframes and being able to successfully implement and complete projects within the financial year.

The ability to align service delivery and on ground work is continually being refined as funding arrangements are determined. The Caring for our Country program (Australian Government) has provided a range of opportunities to target projects and align outcomes to national priorities.

The future project and programs for the Board through the contribution to delivery of the regional plan and developing projects and programs with clear climate change outcomes provide a range of opportunities for the Board to pursue.

In addition to acknowledging the Board staff I wish to acknowledge the continuing commitment of Board members and agency representatives for providing the strategic direction that supports integrated natural resources management.

Kate Clarke
General Manager
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
PLANS AND OBJECTIVES

Natural resources management activities undertaken by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management (NRM) Board are consistent with the strategic directions set out in South Australia’s Strategic Plan – Creating Opportunity and with the State Natural Resources Management Plan.

EYRE PENINSULA NRM BOARD VISION AND VALUES

In summary, the purpose of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board is to work with the community and our partners to manage, protect and restore the region’s precious natural resources for current and future generations. To build support for this purpose the Board has developed the following vision for the region:

*Natural Resources managed to support ecological sustainability, vibrant communities and thriving enterprises in a changing climate*

EYRE PENINSULA NRM BOARD STRATEGIC GOALS

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Plan was endorsed by the Minister of Environment and Conservation on 7 May 2009.

The Natural Resources Management Act 2004 (NRM Act) (Section 81(1)) requires that a Board must undertake an annual review of the business plan component of its regional NRM Plan. The Board proposed amendments to the business plan through this annual review process which incorporated the following actions:

- A review of the various programs that the Board is proposed to implement over the following three (3) years; and
- A review of the implemented program components of the business plan for the next financial year.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREAS

Efficient and targeted delivery of natural resources management in differing parts of the region is coordinated in three strategic priority areas.

**Land and Water**

Integrated management of soils, water resources and native vegetation. The interactions of these resources are often governed by climate, geology and landform, which interact over time to influence the distribution and condition of soils, vegetation and water resources.

The Land and Water Systems strategic priority areas is an integrated whole of landscape approach to managing the resources for agriculture, grazing and other land uses and the benefit of native species and the maintenance of ecological processes.
**Towns and Cities**
Management of resources in the population centres as well as areas of small landholdings where higher population density with associated intensive resource use and higher concentration of pollution risks requires specific attention.

Towns and Cities also provide opportunities to engage more efficiently with the population base of the region. Programs to increase the understanding of the value of the resources of the region can begin, or be based in, these areas.

**Coast and Marine**
The significant coastline of the region and its resources are sensitive to marine activities, coastal hazards and impacts of land management and human impacts in areas that discharge to the coast.

The protection of these Coast and Marine areas must be considered in land use planning and implementation of activities throughout the region.

**GOALS**

1. Healthy and productive natural resources and natural systems
2. Using and managing natural resources within the environmental constraints
3. Progressive and vibrant communities and industries valuing our natural resources and actively participating in management of these
4. Effective partnerships based on sound knowledge driving natural resources management
5. An accountable ethical, progressive and honest organisation

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA’S STRATEGIC PLAN**

*South Australia's Strategic Plan 2007 (SASP)* sets the strategic direction for the State and outlines long term targets to achieve social, economic and environmental outcomes. In doing so, it sets a framework for the future activities of South Australian Government agencies and authorities (which includes the Board), as well as for businesses and outlook for entire community.

SASP sets out six interrelated objectives with associated targets for the measurement of success. The regional NRM plan makes direct contribution to Objective 3: Attaining Sustainability, Objective 5: Building communities and Objective 6: Expanding Opportunity. Figure below shows how the targets of this plan contribute to those relevant of the SASP.

Through development of the Eyre Peninsula Initial Natural Resources Management Plan, the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has been cognisant of aligning the organisation to the strategic directions set out in South Australia’s Strategic Plan – *Creating Opportunity.*
The six strategic objectives from South Australia’s Strategic Plan *Creating Opportunity* are:
- Attaining sustainability
- Growing prosperity
- Improving well-being
- Fostering creativity and innovation
- Building communities
- Expanding opportunity

**Key Objectives from South Australia’s Strategic Plan**
The major focus with relation to the South Australia’s Strategic Plan has been in the area of Attaining Sustainability and Building Communities.

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**STATE NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN**
The *State Natural Resources Management Plan 2006* identifies a 50-year vision for natural resources management in South Australia. The State NRM Plan contains four goals:

1. Landscape scale management that maintains healthy natural systems and is adaptive to climate change.
2. Prosperous communities and industries using and managing natural resources within ecologically sustainable limits.
3. Communities, governments and industries with the capability, commitment and connections to manage natural resources in an integrated way.
4. Integrated management of biological threats to minimise risk to natural systems, communities and industry.
The State NRM Plan has guided the development of this strategic plan. It contains strategic policy at the state-level for managing South Australia’s natural resources. The State NRM Plan provides a broad framework for both regional NRM plans and state agency activities.

There is a strong link between Eyre Peninsula’s NRM goals and the goals of State NRM Plan and the strength of the contribution that achieving the regional goals will make the state goals.

### Alignment of State NRM Plan goals and Eyre Peninsula NRM Plan goals

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OPERATIONS AND INITIATIVES

REGIONAL NRM PLAN

The Board has prepared the first comprehensive and integrated natural resource management plan for Eyre Peninsula. This is a ten year strategic plan to provide leadership, encourage community action and foster partnership between organisations for the wise use and management of natural resources.

This comprehensive NRM plan is a guide for local government and government agencies, industry, non-government organisations and the whole community to work together to protect ecosystems and sustain our economies and lifestyle. It has been developed by extensive consultation with the community, industry, agencies and Aboriginal community members.

The Board undertook a range of communication and engagement strategies to engage with stakeholders During the consultation process, 120 people participated in public meetings, 105 local government staff and elected members were provided with presentations on the plan and 245 members of the public attended information stalls at shopping centres. The Board also received 750 comments in 44 submissions on the Plan.

Our vision for the regional NRM Plan: Natural resources managed to support ecological sustainability, vibrant communities and thriving enterprise in a changing climate

NRM programs will be delivered through three strategic program areas.
- Land and water
- Towns and cities
- Coast and marine

Seven targets and 29 intermediate outcomes have been set to monitor and measure performance towards achieving the regional vision and goals of the Plan.

The Plan is presented in four volumes.

Managing our Resources
This volume provides a 10 year strategic plan for the management of the natural resources of Eyre Peninsula. This will guide the actions of all organisations and individuals to optimise natural resources management outcomes for the region. This includes our vision, goals, three strategic priorities and regional targets and intermediate outcomes.

Caring for our Resources
This volume provides a framework to encourage changes in attitudes and behaviours to improve care of the natural resources of Eyre Peninsula and to value, protect and improve the condition of these resources. This approach favours education, awareness raising, voluntary compliance and incentives to raise the standard of natural resources management, supported by a range of legislatives tools within the Natural Resources Management Act 2004.
Investing in our Resources
This volume presents the investment and business plan for the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board. It outlines how the Board will invest in the management region over the next three years. Investing in our Resources in reviewed annually.

State of our Resources
This volume summarises the state of natural resources of the region and identifies threats to these resources to appropriately guide action for improved management.

For the year 2009-10, the Board is committed to deliver its regional strategic objectives through a range of projects under 10 program areas with an annual budget of $5.5 million. The program areas are:

- Managing biodiversity across landscape
- Biosecurity on Eyre Peninsula
- Managing water resource on Eyre Peninsula
- Sustainable farming on Eyre Peninsula
- Managing our coast and marine environment
- Managing our resources in a changing climate
- Aboriginal community engagement on Eyre Peninsula
- Communication, education and volunteer support
- Plan, manage and monitor outcomes and manage compliance
- Research, development and innovation

From a strategic perspective, the Board has given priority to responding to climate change and its impact on natural resources across the region. It has also strengthened the strategic responsibility of on-ground staff in delivering programs, including greater interaction with the community.

The plan was endorsed under the Natural Resources Management Act 2004 as of 9 May 2009 and was launched by the Minister for Environment and Conservation Jay Weatherill at Whyalla on 2 July 2009.
INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Board developed an Investment Strategy linked to Caring for our Country and State NRM funding. Projects funded for the 2008-09 period included:

Community Support and Capacity
- Engaging with community groups and volunteers on Eyre Peninsula
- Engaging with indigenous communities on Eyre Peninsula
- Delivering NRM education through building the capacity of school communities on Eyre Peninsula
- Engaging the whole NRM community in multifunctional landscape planning
- Supporting monitoring, evaluating and reporting systems for Eyre Peninsula

Biodiversity
- Integrated management of vegetation communities on Eyre Peninsula
- Regional support for NRM initiatives
- Habitat management for species protection
- Working with community to protect and enhance biodiversity
- Landscape management for sustainable agriculture
- Undertaking priority NRM activities with community/land managers
- Wild Eyre - collaborative, landscape-scale, biodiversity conservation

Biosecurity
- Environmental weed control
- Building South Australia’s capacity to detect, manage and prevent weed threats
- Landscape management for sustainable agriculture on EP

Water and Riparian Management
- Groundwater monitoring network upgrade, Southern Eyre Peninsula
- Adoption of sustainable stock water supplies on Eyre Peninsula

Coast and Marine
- Integrated Coast and Marine Management
- Catchment to Coasts – project to manage salinity, water logging and stream bank erosion in the Cummins Wanilla and Salt Creek/Dutton River catchments.
- Increasing knowledge of marine environments with research and development partnerships
- Farm Beach to Gallipoli feral plant control and native vegetation protection
- Scoping the shoreline: monitoring the impact of coastal activities on Eyre Peninsula’s resident shorebirds
- Rehabilitation of the remnant coastal vegetation surrounding the nationally significant Coffin Bay wetlands system
- Eyre Peninsula Coastal Catchments stormwater issues audit and management workshops
- Eyre Peninsula coastal action plan and conservation priority study
Soils (Land Management)
- Future Farming Systems
- Grain and Graze - Flexible systems responding to Climate Change
- Managing risks in farming - shrub-based grazing systems on Eyre Peninsula for climatic risk management
- Profitable and sustainable farming systems on the Eyre Peninsula – jointly funded by the Board and Woolworths

Climate Change
- Eyre Peninsula Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment - Pilot Study
- Practical solutions to supporting adaption to climate change on Eyre Peninsula
- Aboriginal Communities: pilot assessment of likely impacts of Climate Change

SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS AND INITIATIVES

The Board has had a milestone year, with many millions of dollars invested on a range of on ground projects delivering significant benefits to natural resources protection and enhancement, as well as enhancing the science and understanding of the resources being managed. The Board has established links at both national and state levels to progress and promote relevant natural resources management issues and the impacts of climate change. The Board is pursuing a regional model which links regional development boards and local government with natural resources management to address key critical regional issues, with a particular focus on climate change.

A summary of the significant achievements and initiatives made by Board programs between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009 is provided below:

1. **Strategic Integration and Investment in Natural Resources Management**
   
   **Significant achievements include:**
   - The development of the Caring for Our Country Regional Allocation projects (2009-2013) worth $4.5 million over four years.
   - Implementation of the 2008/09 Caring for Our Country Investment Strategy projects worth $1.8m.
   - Development and delivery of eight State complementary projects worth $1.6m
   - Provided a point of contact for coordination of submission of 20 applications for Caring for Our Country Open Grants competitive funding round.
   - Significant progress with the Wild Eyre conservation project, linking with the East Meets West corridors initiative in partnership with Department for Environment and Heritage (DEH), Wilderness Society Council, Greening Australia and local landholders.
   - Climate change related research collaboration with Flinders University, CSIRO, Adelaide University, University of SA, SARDI, Future Farming Cooperative Research Centre, and the NRM Research Alliance.
   - Completing National Heritage Trust project acquittals.
   - The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Regional Plan completed and endorsed by the Minister in April 2009.
2. **Water Resources Management Program 2008/09**

*Key achievements under the goals of the Catchment Management program include:*

**2.1 Protect and Manage Water Resources**

- Continued administration of Water Affecting Activities including undertaking permit application assessments (30 in total for the 2008-09 period), validating breaches of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004* with respect to Water Affecting Activities.
- Rehabilitation of priority groundwater access trenches (GATs), under a project jointly funded by the Australian Government’s National Heritage Trust and the Board. Work included:
  - 20 GATs rehabilitated.
  - Best practice management fact sheet updated.
- The completion of a draft report detailing the assessment of the impact of farm dam development on stream-flow in the Big and Little Swamp catchments including:
  - Reviewing, assessing and updating available hydrological data.
  - Developing a GIS-based annual rainfall-runoff model to assess the impacts of farm dams on stream-flow.
  - Making recommendations on future management measures and monitoring requirements.
- Completion of the Coordinated Approach to Wetland Management Project, funded by the Australian Government (National Heritage Trust) and Board, including the preparation of a wetland inventory for Eyre Peninsula.
- Significant progress toward the delivery of the Groundwater Allocation Planning and Management Project to inform the development of new Water Allocation Plans for the Southern Basins and Musgrave Prescribed Wells Areas. The main objective of the project is to improve the scientific understanding that underpins the sustainable management of the groundwater resources. Key achievements included Flinders University delivered progress report detailing the preliminary findings of investigations into recharge, climate change and seawater intrusion (Dec 2008).
  - Post Graduate (Honours) project considering options for trigger level management of extractions from coastal aquifer, Uley South (June 09).
  - Development of a recharge modelling framework (LEACHM) that incorporates spatial and temporal variability and will be used to test future climatic predictions. (Report due Dec 2009)
  - Conceptual and analytical models for seawater intrusion developed and report on risks and management options for EP aquifers. (Report due Dec 2009)
  - Resource status and conceptual model reports developed for all basins (reports due Dec 09).’
  - Revision and upgrade of numerical modelling of Uley Basins and development of variable density modelling of Uley South area has commenced.
- The Board has collaborated with Flinders University, SA Water and the Department for Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation (DWLBC) to form the Eyre Peninsula Hydrogeology Research Collaboration. The collaboration is aimed at addressing key strategic research and investigation issues related to the Eyre Peninsula’s water resources. Achievements for 2008/09 include completion of reports tabled in December 2008 by Flinders University students in relation to:
  - Investigation into saline water fresh water interface with potential impacts
Investigation into the correlation of soil, vegetation, rainfall and it impacts for recharge of the water basins

The regional downscaling of climate change scenarios over Eyre Peninsula

The successful delivery of the NRM State Complementary funded augmentation of groundwater monitoring within the Southern Basins Prescribed Wells Area project including:

- The successful completion of fourteen new monitoring wells strategically located across the Prescribed Wells Area Southern Basins
- Rehabilitation and upgrade of eleven historic wells for inclusion in monthly monitoring regimes
- Salinity sampling throughout the Southern Basins Prescribed Wells Area
- Damaged wells repaired and surveyed
- Track infrastructure upgraded to improved access for monitoring

Delivery of ‘part one’ of an integrated water affecting activities assessment tool, including:

- Data collection and verification including, producing a digital terrain model from 2008 aerial photography photo for priority surface water catchments on Eyre Peninsula, digitising farm dams and estimating their capacity and compiling relevant data sets for properties.
- Subsequent stages (if funded) to include: (Stage 2) Develop terrain model, incorporating definition of catchments and sub catchments and development of Water Affecting Activity Integrated assessment tool. (Stage 3) Testing and assessment, (Stage 4) – Web application development

Assessment of the status of groundwater resources at the Polda lens (Musgrave Prescribed Wells Area), and recommendation to the Minister that a Notice of Prohibition be applied

Significant contribution towards development of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources management Plan, including the development and refinement of policies for Water Affecting Activities under the plan

### Prescribed Wells Area Southern Basins Drilling Program

- As an outcome of the Groundwater Allocation Monitoring Review Report Volume One, it was identified that there was insufficient monitoring/knowledge of the Lincoln Basins Lenses, primarily located those within the Lincoln National Park. The Lincoln Basins reserves provide approximately one gigalitre of water from several lenses to public reticulated supply on Eyre Peninsula. Due to the nature of these lenses they are particularly susceptible to seasonal variations (reduced recharge due to reduced rainfall) and there is the potential for ongoing commercial extraction to heighten the risk for saline water to penetrate the freshwater aquifer.
- To address this, the board sought funding through the State complementary funding round and was successful in securing funding to better understand this area. The Board commenced a drilling program with contractors at strategic locations near to historical wells so that long term date can be utilized. Fourteen new wells were completed; ten of which are located within Lincoln National Park, two wells are in Uley South and two are in the Coffin Bay area. Results from salinity testing of the new wells were consistent with the historical sample. A comprehensive sweep (salinity sampling) of the prescribed wells areas on Eyre Peninsula was also undertaken to establish if there is any significant variation in salinity, of the wells sampled and the results were encouraging.
In addition to this, ten historical wells were rehabilitated, as another means to provide to enable long term data to be used for water allocation and planning. The project was completed on time, concluding in June 2009 and within budget, thus enabling a better understanding of water quality and quantity in the Prescribed Wells Area Southern Basins.

2.2 Efficient use of Water Resources

- The Board has secured funding under the Australian Government’s National Landcare program to undertake the Sustainable Stock Water Supplies project, which aims to support the move towards increased livestock production on Eyre Peninsula to reduce the climatic, cost and production risks associated with intensive cropping. The project has the following key objectives:
  - Identifying and prioritising issues with existing stock water supply, storage and delivery systems.
  - Developing, testing and showcasing best practice options for stock water supply.
  - Increasing the skills, awareness and capacity of landholders in terms of best practice stock water supplies.
- In 2008/09 significant progress has been made to the delivery of this project, including:
  - 10 demonstration sites established with monitoring programs in place.
  - Best practice management guidelines for springs, soaks and waterholes developed.
  - Priority issues relating to stock water supply identified.
  - Organisation of two forums for landholders, entitled Managing Water on Your Property, to be held in October 2009
  - Best practice management for constructing and silting dams on Eyre Peninsula.
- As part of requirements under the Local Government Act 1999 the Board has partnered with councils on Eyre Peninsula to assist in the development of Stormwater Management Plans, including approving the extent of the catchment area for which the plan is to be prepared and providing advice on opportunities for stormwater use, water quality, and environmental enhancement.

2.3 Additional Water Supplies

- The Board in conjunction with SA Water established the Eyre Peninsula Water Security Reference Group as part of the development of the Draft Long Term Plan for Water Security on Eyre Peninsula. The group is chaired by the Board’s presiding member and has representation from the 11 constituent councils, the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, the Eyre Regional Development Board, the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation, SA Water and the Board.
- The Board assisted SA Water to develop the Draft Long Term Plan for Water Security on Eyre Peninsula, establishing a framework to ensure Eyre Peninsula has a secure water supply to meet increases in demand for the next 25 years. The plan was launched in December 2008 by the Minister for Water Security.
- The Draft Long Term Plan identifies timeframes for augmentation of the region’s water supply which are based on current and future demand projections and the allocations from existing groundwater sources. The plan is underpinned by the sustainable management of the groundwater resources, which will continue to provide the vast majority of the region’s reticulated water supply.
- As part of the development of the Draft Long Term Plan for Water Security on Eyre Peninsula, the Board has committed to an annual review process through the Eyre
Peninsula Water Security Reference Group to assess allocations and demand projections and the implications for the timing proposed for system augmentation.

2.4 Informed and Involved Community
- Held shopping centre stalls during National Water Week in Port Lincoln and Whyalla to promote water conservation
- Water resources staff took part in the Eyre Peninsula NRM stall at the Eyre Peninsula Field Days in Cleve to promote better understanding of the region’s groundwater supplies, water conservation and water affecting activities
- Regular media releases and interviews with newspaper, radio and television reporters to promote understanding of water resources issues
- Financial support for Port Lincoln City Council’s Rainwater Tank Rebate Scheme, to encourage householders to install rainwater tanks and plumb them into their household water supply. The scheme aims to improve water conservation and reduce stormwater run-off

3. Policy Protection for Natural Resources – Animal and Plant Control

3.1 Pest Animal Groups on Eyre Peninsula
- Eyre Peninsula has a unique program of landholder involvement in pest control, which has been running for seven years with support from Australian Government funding.
- The Pest Animals Groups involves 56 groups of landholders with over 700 participants who bait for foxes and rabbits. In the last year some 12,000 foxes will have been removed from Eyre Peninsula of 1,650,000 ha. With rabbit numbers on the increase, this program has delivered baits (in the form of 1080 with suitable training) and expert advice to many community groups resulting in approximately 400,000 rabbits being removed and resultant impact on ecosystems.
- This program has very strong community support and has a footprint which in any one-year covers at least one third of our Board area.

3.2 Boneseed Eradication Program – a Weed of National Significance
- With assistance from the SA Government this eradication program is on track to meeting its 2018 deadline. The extent of this plant is considerable and includes outbreaks from Cowell in the east, Streaky Bay in the west and Coffin Bay in the south. At this point almost all plants have been removed from the 22 known sites across Eyre Peninsula including one new extensive site found this year. In partnership with a local Aboriginal group from Port Lincoln, sites have been mapped, controlled and followed up resulting in a very satisfactory result to date. Each authorised officer of the Board has been involved in this education and control program, increasing community awareness and strengthening the concept of protecting of our valuable native vegetation

3.3 Invasive Grass Program
- Authorised Natural Resources Management Officers (Biosecurity Program) from across Eyre Peninsula contribute to an alert pest program that involves a series of invasive grasses. In the last twelve months, there has been expenditure in excess of $40,000 and while it mainly involves the major transport corridors across Eyre Peninsula, there are many incursions within our urban centres which require
community education and working with the various stakeholders including local councils.

3.4 Silverleaf Nightshade and abundant Native Nightshades
- There is a control program for these plants on Eyre Peninsula, particularly on the eastern side, which has national implications. This is due to the vast infested area and the threat it poses to farming land in the region, as well as interstate properties through the movement of contaminated livestock. This program consumes millions of dollars worth of control activities by Eyre Peninsula farmers. The Board, with its detailed records and extension program ensures that any new spread is minimal. Eyre Peninsula also has a suite of native solanum plants (nightshades) and many of these have flourished in the present farming systems to the point where landholders require advice on identification and control measures.

3.5 Urban Weeds
- The Eyre Peninsula NRM Board has an extensive program covering urban declared pests such as innocent weed, khaki weed, opuntias and caltrop, which can be a significant problem in the city of Whyalla. Cooperating with the various city and district councils is a vital part of this program and considerable staff resources are allocated to liaising with stakeholders, producing and distributing advice documents, landholder site inspections and mapping and recording. This program provides protection for large areas of rural land by curbing the spread of these plants from urban centres.
- An extensive program on prickly weeds is conducted during the summer months in Whyalla, this covers nature strips, median strips and a rear lane network comprising of some 200km.
- Education programs through schools are also a priority area and programs revolving around weeds and rabbit control are delivered regularly.
- Whyalla has unique pest problems relating to its semi-arid climate with many no-care plants presenting as significant threats to the fragile chenopod rangeland. An example is carrion flower, which is now being considered for declaration as a pest plant under the NRM Act. Monitoring this plant and further exploring control techniques is critical as this is the only known area where the plant has reached pest proportions in Australia.

3.6 Biological Control Programs
- The control of pest plants that have already colonised large areas of the landscape is being carried out with the control of biological control agents made available to us through bodies such as the CSIRO. The distribution of these agents involves the education of the public at large and the cooperation of landholders for nursery sites and distribution of these agents. The Board is involved in a number of bio-control programs such as that for Salvation Jane, for which four control agents: bridal creeper (two agents), horehound (one agent) and Rabbit Haemorrhagic Disease, have been released. Involvement of the Board’s authorised officers has moved from distributing these agents to monitoring their spread and effect.

3.7 Overview of Programs
- The Board has 82 pest programs which are active and require differing levels of management. These are overseen by a program manager who carries out all the day-
to-day management of staff, while also providing technical and compliance support. Many of the programs also have a demonstration aspect and engagement with community groups is a vital part of the work we carry out in this vast landscape.

4. Protecting and enhancing natural resources

4.1 Biodiversity Conservation

Significant achievements include:
- In partnership with Greening Australia, the Wilderness Society, Department for Environment and Heritage, The Nature Conservation Society of SA and Eyre Peninsula NRM Board, a collaborative project - Wild Eyre- is now being delivered using conservation action planning principles to identify goals and priorities in a defined area. Funding has been received for this project from the Australian Government via Caring for our Country and this project is currently being delivered.
- The Board has finalised a number of National Heritage Trust (NHT) projects from previous years.
- On ground activities (including coastal works) include:
  - Expressions of interests were sought across the region for on-ground works
  - The call generated 125 project proposals from the community in March 2008, with landholder interest greatly exceeding the funding available. Funding was allocated in the 0809 financial year to activities in priority locations from the following funding.
  - 72 landholders are completing works through NHT (07-08) funding
  - 17 landholders have completed works funded through State Complementary (08-09) funding,
  - 27 landholders are completing works funded through Caring For Our Country Investment Strategy (08-09) funding.

The following table outlines NRM outcomes achieved in the last two financial years.

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4.2 Integrated Coast and Marine Management

Significant achievements include:
- The Board has received funding and has commenced Coastal Action Planning which is an important step and means an in-depth risk assessment will be undertaken for coast and marine assets.
- Community based shorebird monitoring program continued.
- Marine debris surveys have continued with strong involvement from community members.
- Coastal weed control, including succulent and boxthorn removal at Port Neill, polygala removal at Coffin Bay, Acacia cyclops at Frenchman’s Lookout, olives at Farm Beach and fountain grass in Port Lincoln.
- The wetlands inventory was completed by Department of Environment and Heritage, combining information on the Coastal Wetlands Project and Establishing Marine Baselines data.
- The Board has commenced a project to audit stormwater issues.
- A spatial database for past coastal projects starting from 1995 through to the present (e.g. Landcare projects and NHT-funded projects) has been produced and will be useful for representing where projects have been funded and assistance with future funding proposals (see map below). This database will also be useful in assessing successful methods in coastal rehabilitation and protection activities.

![Map of Integrated Coastal Management On-ground Works Jan 09](image)

- To ensure on-going coastal habitat protection, at least 35 site visits were conducted to assess on-ground works proposals with local councils, community groups and individuals. Projects completed include North Shore coastal rehabilitation, Lipson Cove Pest management and revegetation and camping and access management, Cowell samphire access rationalization, Port Gibbon Coastal Rehabilitation, Baird Bay Revegetation, Farm Beach vehicle assess rationalization and revegetation, Coffin Bay weed control and revegetation, Port Neill weed control and revegetation and dune access management and signage, Tumby Bay interpretive signage, Coastal Weed Control –West Coast and Murray’s Point Wetland Management.
- In addition to these projects a call for expressions of interest was mailed to coastal councils and community groups involved in coastal management projects seeking nominations for coastal management projects requiring maintenance.
- Responses were received from five Councils and nine community groups, nominating projects across 25 coastal locations. Nominations received ranged from
revegetation work, boardwalk maintenance and weed control to fixing pedestrian access fencing and fencing to protect remnant coastal vegetation from un-restricted vehicle access.

Other tasks undertaken include:

- Coastal wetland workshop was held on the value and importance of coastal wetlands. This workshop was held in Arno Bay and a tour was conducted through the saltmarsh and mangroves and information and practical sessions on samphire ID were provided.
- Media opportunities have included articles in regional newspapers and the Stock Journal on issues associated with uncontrolled vehicle and pedestrian access to the coast; TV interviews on Reefwatch and Clean up Australia Day; ABC radio interview on marine debris and feral species; and newspaper articles on the shorebird monitoring project.
- Green Corp activities were coordinated to plant 2500 tubestock at a strategic coastal location (North Shields to Port Lincoln). Technical advice on weed control and management was provided on fencing, stock exclusion fencing, career opportunities, interpretive signing workshop.
- Interpretive signage workshop held for coastal community volunteers.
- Held a weed swap day to raise awareness on garden plants that become environmental weeds in the coastal environment. Media articles and newsletters accompanied this initiative.
- Assisted community groups in funding application for Caring For Our Country by providing site visits, technical advice and project support.
- A “Feral or in Peril” workshop was held at Elliston to introduce people to marine invasive species and threatened species.
- Signage for shorebirds in Elliston.
- Interpretive signage for Tumby Bay foreshore.
- Two beach walks with school groups (Port Kenny Primary) and Scouts (Streaky Bay Cub Scouts).
- Two media articles written for the West Coast Sentinel (e.g. Responsible beach use, razor fish bag and catch limits).
- Cowell area school talk on mangroves.
- Coastal media competition initiated to raise awareness on marine debris (Pt Bollingbroke beach article in Advertiser raising awareness of marine debris (8 October 2008).
- Coastal Weed booklet draft completed.
- GreenCorp groups managed for 6 months with accompanying media articles.
- Reefwatch awareness raising with 30 school kids at Trinity Haven (Port Lincoln school kids) and with GreenCorp participants.

In addition the Board supported the following projects to external groups, including:

- Working with communities to protect and enhance biodiversity on Eyre Peninsula through Sandlewood propagation with Greening Australia.
- Bushland condition monitoring with the Nature Conservation Society of SA.
- Catchment to coast on ground works with the Cummins Wanilla Catchment group.
- Increasing productivity and catchment health in the Coomunga and Little Swamp catchments (community group).
- Enhancement of sustainable farming and biological systems in the Charlton Gully sub-catchment (community group)
- Increasing knowledge of marine environments with research and development partnerships with Flinders University
- Grain and graze – flexible farming systems responding to climate change with Minnipa Agricultural Centre
- Managing risk in farming with Australian Wool Innovations
- Environmental weed control with the Lower Eyre Peninsula Pest Management group
- Habitat management for species survival (with DEH)
- Assisting four community groups undertake audits of the past ten years of on-ground works to define future on-ground priorities
- Assisting Lower Eyre Coastcare Group deliver two externally funded coastal management projects
- Helping a volunteer group undertake the Scoping the Shoreline project to monitor coastal bird numbers along various beaches on Eyre Peninsula.

Other organisations assisted by EPNRM included:
- Department for Environment and Heritage - Heritage Agreements.
- Native Vegetation Council, comments on applications.
- Comments on development applications to local councils

5. Sustainable Farming Systems on Eyre Peninsula

5.1 Woolworth’s Eyre Peninsula Sustainable Agriculture Project
- This project has received ongoing funding from Woolworth to continue the initiatives started with the first part of the project which supported 100 farmers directly on the Eyre Peninsula to improve grazing management on fragile soils whilst protecting these soil from erosion. This was part of the Board’s drought response. The project supported the establishment of 20 demonstration site across Eyre Peninsula to demonstrate the application of farm practices that improve feed utilisation and protect fragile soils. It also provided 80 grants of $1000 each given to livestock producers to set up containment feeding lots. These are used to keep livestock off fragile paddocks during dry times and to enable producers to retain core stock when pasture feed is scarce.

6. Raising Community Awareness, Understanding and Involvement

6.1 Field Days and Events

Events attended, organised or staff involved in included:
- Eyre Peninsula Field Days – stall to promote all Board activities
- National Water Week stalls in Whyalla and Port Lincoln
- Public consultation meetings across Eyre Peninsula and shopping centre stalls in Whyalla, Port Lincoln and Ceduna for the development of the Eyre Peninsula NRM Plan
- Horse and Land Management workshops – three days, 45 participants, Whyalla
- National Tree Day, Whyalla
- Climate Change Forum & workshops
- In Safe Hands training workshops – two sessions, Whyalla
- Sustainable Schools teacher training workshop – Whyalla
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6.2 Schools and Education

Education support activities included:

- Four professional development sessions for schools including a permaculture workshop in Port Lincoln, Australian Sustainable Schools Initiative workshops in both Port Lincoln and Whyalla and an Airwatch workshop in Whyalla
- Produced two Education for Sustainability Newsletters for distribution to schools and others across the region
- Established and supported the Sustainable Schools Project grant round process; organising advertising, templates and signs for publicity of projects; visited 15 successful sites and produced a digital story on the grant round.
- Organised recycle bins (with Eyre Peninsula NRM stickers) for all school sites in the region
- Produced Youth Environmental Committee templates for forming groups within school sites
- Added to the teacher resource library and updated the loan library list
- Supported Youth Environmental group and teachers from Stuart High, Whyalla to attend and present at the Firestarter Youth Environmental Conference in Adelaide
- Organised A3 flyer “Looking after Eyre Peninsula” and ‘Supporting Local School’ signs to promote the Board’s involvement with schools

6.3 Communications and Media

Significant achievements include:

- Multiple media releases sent to local media to publicise all aspects of the Board’s activities
- Strong and regular coverage of Board activities in local newspapers and on radio and television
- Major stall held over three days at the Eyre Peninsula Field Days in Cleve to promote all areas of the Board’s activities
- Development of Board promotional merchandise
- Development and implementation of Board branding on all Board vehicles
- Stalls held at shopping centres in Whyalla, Port Lincoln and Ceduna as part of community consultation on the development of the Eyre Peninsula NRM regional plan
- Stalls held at shopping centres in Whyalla and Port Lincoln to promote water conservation during National Water Week
- Staff training in photography and production of digital stories
6.4 Support and Participation with Community Groups

Groups supported include:
- Cummins Wanilla Basin Streamcare Group
- Saltcreek and Brooker Catchment Groups
- Coomunga and Little Swamp Catchment Group
- Charlton Gully Streamcare group
- Driver River, Eastern Cleve Hills and Kimba Steering Committee
- Dutton River Catchment Group
- Arno Bay Progress Association
- Arno Bay Estuary Group
- Southern Eyre Birds Inc.
- Mikkira Landcare Group
- Friends of Parnkalla Walking Trail
- Eyre Bio-Regional Permaculture Group
- Lower Eyre Pest Management Group
- Lower Eyre Coastcare
- Coffin Bay Tourism Association
- Ungarra Township Progress Association
- Louth Bay Landcare Group
- Pt Neill Progress Association
- Tumby Bay Progress Association
- Cuttlefish Coast Coalition
- Whyalla Landcare Group
- Whyalla Revegetation Group
- Friends of Streaky Bay and Districts Parks
- Friends of Whyalla Conservation Park
- Friends of Kimba and District Parks
- Fisherman’s Friends Monument
- Friends of Coffin Bay National Parks
- Tumby Bay and Districts Gardening Club
- Lipson Progress Association
- Moody Tanks
- Scotdesco Community
- Iron Knob Progress Association
- Cummins Gymnastics Club
- Tumby Bay Golf Club

6.5 Aboriginal Engagement and Capacity Building

Significant achievements have included:
- Two Aboriginal NRM Officers have been appointed, located in Ceduna and Port Lincoln
- Informal collaborative agreements made with the following groups:
  - Ceduna Tjutjunaku Worka Tjuta (TWT)
  - Yarilena Inc.
  - Naou/Barngala Association
  - Wirangu Association
  - Indigenous Coordination Centre (ICC)
  - Koonibba Aboriginal Community
An Aboriginal NRM Focus Group has been formed with membership from across the region. Two meetings have been conducted to date.

Education and awareness raising field trips have been undertaken with Whyalla Aboriginal community groups, Ceduna Aboriginal organizations, Indigenous Coordination Centre (ICC), Tjutjunaku Worka Tjuta (TWT) and the Yarilena community.

Workshops conducted, engaging over 50 participants regarding NRM and opportunities for projects.

On-ground works, funded from Aboriginal Landcare Grants commenced in homelands around the Eyre Peninsula, including:
- Koonibba Aboriginal Community Inc.
- Kuranya Inc.
- Port Lincoln Aboriginal Community Inc.
- Lower Eyre Pest Management Group.
- Ikkata Inc.
- The Emu Farm
- Aboriginal Lands Trust.
- Yarilena and Betts Corner communities
- Warevilla Inc.
- Munda Wanna mar Inc
- Scotdesco Inc.

1000 hectares of pest management (rabbits) including mapping and destruction of rabbit warrens in Wanilla Forest, at the Koonibba Community and on all Aboriginal Homelands in the Far West.

Labour hire arrangements for the employment of Aboriginal contract teams have been put in place with Port Lincoln Aboriginal Community Council and Tjutjunaka Worka Tjuta. On ground works projects have been carried out under these arrangements on Lower Eyre Peninsula and around the Ceduna region. This initiative has provided casual employment and training for 8 Aboriginal persons.

State funds project on “Assessing the vulnerability of Aboriginal Communities on the Far West Coast of Eyre Peninsula”. This pilot study has been completed.

### 6.6 Volunteer coordination

*Significant achievements include:*

- A regional volunteer coordinator was appointed in April 2008 to assist regional community groups involved in natural resources management.
- A volunteer group database has been developed.
- Workshops, meetings and surveys of volunteer community groups have been held to discuss funding opportunities, recruitment, volunteer retention, using media, working with youth, training and insurance.
- Policies and procedures have been developed for volunteers in line with national standards with a focus on insurance and risk management.
• Regular mail-out to some 200 volunteer groups that engage in NRM activities, with a focus on sharing information about funding, training, upcoming events and celebrations of current local events.
• Partnership project between Eyre Peninsula NRM and Elliston Local Government, Conservation Volunteers Australia, Korean volunteers, Lower Eyre Coastcare, Arno Bay Progress Association and Iron Knob Progress Association with visiting volunteers completing on-ground projects with local volunteer community groups.
• Creation of new tabs on the Eyre Peninsula NRM website covering: awards, training and grants as well as opportunities for volunteer community groups to have their own Eyre Peninsula NRM web-space.
• Induction of administration volunteers in Port Lincoln and Whyalla who help local volunteer community groups with administration and work with Eyre Peninsula NRM Staff.
• Involvement in the inaugural SA NRM Volunteer Coordinators Network.

Events held for and with volunteers included:
• Training delivered in partnership with Volunteering SA&NT in “Grant writing”
• Training delivered in partnership with Volunteering SA&NT in “Working with the youth”
• Training delivered in partnership with Conservation Volunteers in “In Safe Hands”
• Presentations “What Eyre Peninsula NRM can offer volunteers”: Whyalla, Streaky Bay, Coffin Bay, Wudinna, Cowell, Department for Environment and Heritage Rangers and Friends of Parks groups
• Placestory training delivered to volunteer
• Youth Environment Council meeting – West Coast Youth Services
• Opening of the Arno Bay Boardwalk
• Nature Wise Program Conservation Volunteers (busload of volunteers)

7. Monitoring, evaluating and reporting for continuous improvement

Significant achievements include:
• Interim Management Action Targets (Jan 2008 – June 2009) completed and progress toward Targets documented in Final iMAT Report, available on the Board’s website (see below).
• Eyre Peninsula NRM Plan Regional Targets and Intermediate outcomes developed and presented in the Regional Plan, available on the Boards website.
• Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement Framework to support the Regional Plan for the Board finalised and in use. Available on the Boards website.
• To assist staff with responsive data collection, Personal Digital Assistants with ArcPAD mapping capabilities have been implemented. Data is being collected monthly and stored in seven core databases. On-ground works and opportunistic recordings maps are being produced and circulated to staff.
• Eyre Peninsula NRM Board Spatial Information Strategy and Action Plan complete
• A review of the Eyre Peninsula’s regional fox baiting program undertaken and report with results and recommendations developed.
ROLE, LEGISLATION AND STRUCTURE

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board was established on 9 December 2004 under the auspices of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004*. This report for the 2008-09 financial year fulfils the requirements of Section 38 of the Natural Resources Management Act.

OBJECT OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The objects of the Act include to assist in the achievement of ecologically sustainable development in the State by establishing an integrated scheme to promote the use and management of natural resources in a manner that—

(a) recognises and protects the intrinsic values of natural resources; and
(b) seeks to protect biological diversity and, insofar as is reasonably practicable, to support and encourage the restoration or rehabilitation of ecological systems and processes that have been lost or degraded; and
(c) provides for the protection and management of catchments and the sustainable use of land and water resources and, insofar as is reasonably practicable, seeks to enhance and restore or rehabilitate land and water resources that have been degraded; and
(d) seeks to support sustainable primary and other economic production systems with particular reference to the value of agriculture and mining activities to the economy of the State; and
(e) provides for the prevention or control of impacts caused by pest species of animals and plants that may have an adverse effect on the environment, primary production or the community; and
(f) promotes educational initiatives and provides support mechanisms to increase the capacity of people to be involved in the management of natural resources.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACT

The Minister for Environment and Conservation is responsible for the administration of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004*. Pursuant to section 6 of the *Administrative Arrangements Act 1994*, certain functions and powers of the Minister for Environment and Conservation in relation to the South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board have been conferred on the Minister for the River Murray.

ROLE OF THE BOARD

The Boards’ role is defined in the Natural Resources Management Act and includes:

- Taking an active role in the management of natural resources within the region and providing advice on natural resource issues;
- Preparing a regional natural resources management plan;
- Implementing the Board’s three-year business plan;
- Promoting public awareness and understanding of the importance of integrated and sustainable NRM;
- Providing advice on the assessment of activities or proposals referred under legislation or on any matter relevant to the condition or management of natural resources; and
- Undertaking and supporting educational activities and increasing community capacity to undertake sustainable natural resource management.
FUNCTIONS OF THE EYRE PENINSULA NRM BOARD

Section 29 of the Natural Resources Management Act describes the functions of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board.

(1) The functions of a regional NRM Board are—

(a) to undertake an active role with respect to the management of natural resources within its region; and

(b) —

(i) to prepare a regional NRM plan in accordance with this Act; and

(ii) to implement that plan; and

(iii) to keep the plan under review to ensure that the objects of this Act are being achieved; and

(c) to promote public awareness and understanding of the importance of integrated and sustainable natural resources management within its region, to undertake or support educational initiatives with respect to natural resources management, and to provide mechanisms to increase the capacity of people to implement programs or to take other steps to improve the management of natural resources; and

(d) to provide advice with respect to the assessment of various activities or proposals referred to the Board under this or any other Act; and

(e) to resolve any issues that may arise between any NRM groups that are relevant to the management of natural resources within its region; and

(ea) to undertake an active role in ensuring—

(i) that any Development Plan under the Development Act 1993 that applies within its region promotes the objects of this Act; and

(ii) insofar as is reasonably practicable, that those Development Plans and the Board’s regional NRM plan form a coherent set of policies, and, in so doing, when a Development Plan amendment under the Development Act 1993 that is relevant to the activities of the Board is under consideration under that Act, to work with—

(iii) in the case of a Development Plan amendment proposed by a council—the council; or

(iv) in the case of a Development Plan amendment proposed by a Minister—the Minister’s department; and

(f) at the request of the Minister or the NRM Council, or on its own initiative, to provide advice on any matter relevant to the condition of natural resources within its region, or on the management of those resources, to conduct any inquiry or audit, or to provide any other advice or report that may be appropriate in the circumstances; and

(g) such other functions assigned to the Board by the Minister or by or under this or any other Act.

(2) To avoid doubt, a regional NRM Board may act with respect to a particular matter despite the fact that the matter may not fall within the scope of its regional NRM plan.

(3) However, if a regional NRM Board acts with respect to a particular matter in the circumstances described in subsection (2), the Board must furnish a report on the matter to the Natural Resources Committee of the Parliament (unless the matter is not, in the opinion of the Board, significant).

(4) In performing its functions, a regional NRM Board should (as far as is reasonably practicable) seek to work collaboratively with—

(a) the other regional NRM Boards whose regions adjoin the region of the Board; and
(b) other State agencies, agencies of the Commonwealth, and agencies of the other States and Territories, that have functions that are relevant to those of the Board; and
(c) NRM groups with areas that fall (wholly or partially) within the region of the Board; and
(d) the constituent councils for the region, and other councils as may be relevant; and
(e) relevant industry, environment and community groups and organisations; and
(f) persons who own or occupy land within the region of the Board (insofar as may be relevant).
(5) A regional NRM Board will, with respect to the performance of its functions, report to the Minister.
(6) If the Minister assigns a function to a regional NRM Board under subsection (1)—
(a) the Minister must furnish a report on the matter to the Natural Resources Committee of the Parliament; and
(b) the regional NRM Board must cause a statement of the fact of the assignment to be published in its next annual report.

MEMBERSHIP

Section 25 of the Natural Resources Management Act provides for the appointment of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board.

The Board comprises 9 members, appointed by the Governor on the recommendation of the Minister. Each of the appointed members of the Board is a person who, in the opinion of the Minister, meets the standards stipulated by section 25(4) of the Natural Resources Management Act for the appointment of members:

(4) For the purposes of subsection (1), the Minister must (as far as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances)—
(a) give consideration to nominating persons so as to provide a range of knowledge, skills and experience across the following areas:
   (i) community affairs at the regional level;
   (ii) primary production or pastoral land management;
   (iii) soil conservation and land management;
   (iv) conservation and biodiversity management;
   (v) water resources management;
   (vi) business administration;
   (vii) local government or local government administration;
   (viii) urban or regional planning;
   (ix) Aboriginal interest in the land and water, and Aboriginal heritage;
   (x) pest animal and plant control;
   (xi) natural and social science;
   (xii) if relevant—coast, estuarine and marine management, fisheries or aquaculture; and
(b) nominate persons who are able to demonstrate an interest in ensuring the sustainable use and conservation of natural resources and an awareness of natural resource issues across the relevant region; and

(c) ensure—

(i) that a majority of the members of the Board reside within the relevant region; and

(ii) that a majority of the members of the Board are engaged in an activity related to the management of land.

(5) In addition, the Minister must, before finalising his or her nominations for the purposes of this section, consult with the designated Ministers.

(6) At least 1 member of a regional NRM Board must be a woman and at least 1 member must be a man.

(7) At least 1 member of a regional NRM Board must be a member or officer of a council at the time of his or her appointment, unless—

(a) the Board's region does not include any part of the area of a council; or

(b) the Minister cannot, after taking reasonable steps, find a member or officer of a council who—

(i) in the opinion of the Minister, is suitable to be appointed as a member of the Board; and

(ii) is willing and available to be a member of the Board.

(8) The Governor must appoint a suitable member of a regional NRM Board to be the presiding member of the Board.

(9) The Governor may appoint a suitable person to be the deputy of a member of a regional NRM Board.

(10) A deputy may act as a member of a regional NRM Board during any period of absence of the member in relation to whom the deputy has been appointed.

(11) The Minister may, by instrument in writing, authorise a person or persons to attend any meeting of a regional NRM Board in order to represent the interests of the Commonwealth, the State or local government.

The membership of the Board during 2008-09 was:

**Members**
- Brian Foster (Presiding Member)
- Evelyn Poole
- Sandra McCallum
- Tony Irvine
- Cecilia Woolford
- Sean O’Brien
- Karen Burrows
- Russell Bambridge
- Alan Dod
Government representatives authorised to attend meetings

- Glyn Ashman (SA Water)
- Ross Belcher (Department of Environment and Heritage, DEH)
- Geoff Dodd (Local Government)
- Mark Chesworth (Australian Government)
- Ben Bruce (Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation, DWLBC) – *from 11 September 2008*
- Peter Butler (DWLBC) – *until 11 September 2008*
- Helen Lamont (Department of Primary Industries and Resources of South Australia, PIRSA) – *from 14 August 2008*
- Ben Bruce (PIRSA) – *until 14 August 2008*

**MEETINGS: GENERAL AND SPECIAL**

A total of 8 general Board meetings were held during the 2008-09 financial year.

A total of nine (9) general Board meetings were held during the 2008-09 financial year on:

- 10 July 2008
- 14 August 2008
- 11 September 2008
- 30 October 2008
- 4 December 2008
- 12 February 2009
- 9 April 2009
- 11 June 2009

A total of one special Board meeting was held during the 2008-09 financial year for the purpose of an NRM Planning workshop on 12 March 2009.

Attendance by appointed members at meetings:

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RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER AGENCIES

An integrated whole-of-government approach to natural resources management requires effective partnerships with State Government agencies. The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has established cooperative arrangements with the Department for Environment and Heritage (DEH), Primary Industry and Resources SA (PIRSA), Planning SA, the Environment Protection Authority (EPA), SA Water and the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations. The Board has a strong partnership with the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation (DWLBC) for the development of Regional Plans.

As the State Government’s lead agency for NRM, the Board works closely with DWLBC in the development and implementation of NRM and Water Allocation Plans, and Regional Investment Strategies, which deliver Australian and State Government investments via National Heritage Trust (NHT) and National Landcare Program to the Region. The Board also has strong relationships with the Australian Government to ensure national priorities are address with local planning processes. The Board also has a strong connection with the Australian Government through NHT Investments and the Caring for our Country initiative and support provided by the NRM facilitator network.

In addition the Board is continuing to develop close working relationships with regional bodies including the Eyre Regional Development Board and Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association.

GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has three Sub-Committees which commenced operating in June 2008, these include:

- Governance and Audit Sub-Committee (Chair - Tony Irvine)
- Partnerships and Programs Sub-Committees (Chair - Evelyn Poole)
- Capacity Building and Engagement Sub-Committee (Chair - Cecilia Woolford)

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

PROGRAM AREAS 2008-09
MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

EMPLOYEE NUMBERS, GENDER AND STATUS

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### EXECUTIVE EMPLOYMENT

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### PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTED REVIEW OF INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

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<th>Employees with …</th>
<th>% Total Workforce</th>
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<td>A review within the past 12 months</td>
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<td>A review older than 12 months</td>
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<td>No review</td>
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### LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT TRAINING EXPENDITURE

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<th>Training and Development</th>
<th>Total Cost</th>
<th>% of Total Salary Expenditure</th>
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<td>Total training and development expenditure</td>
<td>$32,304.00</td>
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<td>Total leadership and management development expenditure</td>
<td>$1,160.00</td>
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### ACCREDITED TRAINING PACKAGES ACCREDITED TRAINING PACKAGES BY CLASSIFICATION

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<th>Classification</th>
<th>Number of Accredited Training Packages</th>
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<tr>
<td>OPS3</td>
<td>4</td>
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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS

The gender balance of the Board is always taken into consideration when members are appointed.

The members of the Board are aware of and abide by their obligations under the State *Equal Opportunity Act 1984*.

The Board undertakes merit based recruitment and selection processes and recognises the requirements to address Aboriginal recruitment and provide and support flexible work arrangements.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, SAFETY AND INJURY MANAGEMENT

TABLE 1 OHS NOTICES AND CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of notifiable occurrences pursuant to OHS&amp;W Regulations Division 6.6</th>
<th>Number 2008-09</th>
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<td>Number of notifiable injuries pursuant to OHS&amp;W Regulations Division 6.6</td>
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<td>Number of notices served pursuant to OHS&amp;W Act s35, s39 and s40 (default, improvement and prohibition notices)</td>
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TABLE 2: AGENCY GROSS WORKERS COMPENSATION EXPENDITURE FOR 2008-09 COMPARED WITH 2007-08

<table>
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<tr>
<th>EXPENDITURE</th>
<th>2008-09 ($m)</th>
<th>2007-08 ($m)</th>
<th>Variation ($m) + (-)</th>
<th>% Change + (-)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Income Maintenance</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Nil</td>
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<td>Lump Sum Settlements Redemptions - Sect.42</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Nil</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lump Sum Settlements Permanent Disability – Sect. 43</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Nil</td>
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<td>Medical/Hospital Costs combined</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Nil</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Nil</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Claims Expenditure</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Nil</td>
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TABLE 3 MEETING SAFETY PERFORMANCE TARGETS

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<tr>
<th>Target Description</th>
<th>Base: 2005-06</th>
<th>Performance: 12 months to end of June 2009 *</th>
<th>Final Target</th>
<th>Variation</th>
<th>Numbers or %</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Workplace Fatalities</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>0</td>
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<td>2. New Workplace Injury Claims</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. New Workplace Injury Claims Frequency Rate</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate ***</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. New Psychological Injury Claims</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>6. Rehabilitation and Return to Work:</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>6a. Early Assessment within 2 days</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>80%</td>
<td>80% or more</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>6b. Early Intervention within 5 days</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>80%</td>
<td>80% or more</td>
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<td>6c. RTW within 5 business days</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>75%</td>
<td>75% or more</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>7. Claim Determination:</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td></td>
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<td>7a. Claims determined in 10 business days</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>75%</td>
<td>75% or more</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>7b. Claims still to be determined after 3 months</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3%</td>
<td>3% or less</td>
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<td>8. Income Maintenance Payments for Recent Injuries:</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>2007-08 Injuries (at 24 months development)</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>2008-09 Injuries (at 12 months development)</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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* Except for Target 8, which is YTD. For Targets 5, 6c, 7a and 7b, performance is measured up to the previous quarter to allow reporting lag.

** Based on cumulative reduction from base at a constant quarterly figure.

***Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate Injury frequency rate for new lost-time injury/disease for each one million hours worked. This frequency rate is calculated for benchmarking and is used by the WorkCover Corporation.

**Formula for Lost Time Injury frequency rate (new claims):**

\[
\text{Frequency Rate} = \left( \frac{\text{Number of new cases of lost-time injury/disease for year \times 1,000,000}}{\text{Number of hours worked in the year}} \right) \times 1,000,000
\]
FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Refer to Appendix 7 for the following:

- Audited financial statements prepared in accordance with the Treasurer’s instructions and the report of the Auditor-General on the financial statements; and
- Any other financial information in respect of the agency’s operations required to be reported to Parliament under another Act.

The Board did not enter into any contractual arrangement where the total value of the contract exceeded $4 million (GST exclusive) and extended beyond a single year.

CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Board did not enter into any contractual arrangement where the total value of the contract exceeded $4 million (GST exclusive) and extended beyond a single year.

ACCOUNT PAYMENT PERFORMANCE

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Particulars</th>
<th>Number of accounts paid</th>
<th>Percentage of accounts paid (by number)</th>
<th>Value in $A of accounts paid</th>
<th>Percentage of accounts paid (by value)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Paid by due date*</td>
<td>1940</td>
<td>92.60%</td>
<td>$6,240,283</td>
<td>93.62%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Paid late, within 30 days of due date</td>
<td>155</td>
<td>7.40%</td>
<td>$425,305</td>
<td>6.38%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Paid more than 30 days from due date</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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*Note: The due date is defined under section 11.7 of Treasurer’s Instruction 11 Payment of Creditors’ Accounts. Generally, unless there is a discount or a written agreement between the public authority and the creditor, payment should be within thirty days of the date of the invoice or claim. Some agencies receive invoices significantly later than the invoice date, due to supplier invoicing processes. Agencies may choose to report against the date the invoice is first received rather than the date of invoice.

FRAUD

No instances of fraud were detected by the Board during this reporting period.

CONSULTANTS

The Board engaged external consultants in the 2008-09 year as follows:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Band / Range</th>
<th>Number of consultancies within band</th>
<th>Total Value of Consultancies within band</th>
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<tr>
<td>&lt;$10000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>$7,100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$10,000 - $50,000</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>$55,240</td>
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<tr>
<td>&gt;$50,000</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>$62,340</td>
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The details of the consultancies that were over $10,000 are as follows:
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<th>Name of consultancy provider</th>
<th>Details of service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>Interpart and Associates</td>
<td>Review and evaluation of vertebrate and asparagus weeds management</td>
<td>$26,191</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Urban and Regional Planning Solutions</td>
<td>Development of a Water Affecting Activities Permitting and administration system</td>
<td>$29,049</td>
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**OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

No employees of the Board travelled overseas during the 2008-09 year.

**DISABILITY ACTION PLANS**


There are six outcome areas outlined in Promoting Independence against which the Board reports against:

1. The Board ensures accessibility of their services to people with disabilities, both as customers and employees.
2. The Board ensures information about their services and programs is inclusive of people with disabilities.
3. The Board delivers advice or services to people with disabilities with awareness and understanding of issues affecting people with disabilities. IN doing so, agencies should report on the extent of the delivery of disability awareness training with staff using the SA Disability Awareness and Discrimination Training Framework.
4. The Board provides opportunities for consultation with people with disabilities in decision making processes regarding service delivery and in the implementation of complaints and grievance mechanisms.
5. The General Manager ensures that their Board has met the requirements f the Disability Discrimination Act and Equal Opportunity Act.
6. The Board reports on how they are increasing the rate of employment of people with a disability in order to meet the SASP Target 6.22 – “to double the number of people with disabilities employed in the public sector by 2014”.

**ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT IN GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS**

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board does not own any buildings and therefore does not have an asbestos reduction program.

**URBAN DESIGN CHARTER**

Cabinet adopted the South Australian Urban Design Charter as whole-of-government urban policy. The Charter was publicly released in November 2004. The Urban Design Charter aims to promote the benefits of good urban design, embedded the principles into government processes and records the South Australian Government’s commitment to good urban design.
The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has undertaken no activities relevant to the implementation of the Urban Design Charter.

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION**

**PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION STATEMENT**
The Manager of Corporate Services is the Board’s designated Freedom of Information (FOI) Officer. The Board is committed to undertaking extensive public consultation prior to the formulation of any major policies relating to the Board’s functions. Any Board policy may be viewed by contacting the Board’s offices between 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday. Instructions on how to make an application under the Freedom of Information Act 1991 can also be obtained from the Board’s office.

**STATISTICAL REPORT**
The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1991 and as such uses State Records FOI Management System database to enter relevant data.

One (1) request for information was received in the 2008-09 period under the Freedom of Information Act 1991.

**ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACTION PLAN REPORT**

**PERFORMANCE AGAINST ANNUAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY TARGETS**

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<th>Energy Use (GJ)</th>
<th>GHG Emissions</th>
<th>Business Measures</th>
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<tr>
<td>Base Year 2007-2008</td>
<td>183.4 Tonnes CO2-e</td>
<td>183.4 tonnes CO2-e</td>
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<tr>
<td>Base Year 2007-2008</td>
<td>182.9 Tonnes CO2-e</td>
<td>182.9 Tonnes CO2-e</td>
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<tr>
<td>Year Being Reported (2008-09):</td>
<td>137.6 Tonnes CO2-e</td>
<td>137.6 Tonnes CO2-e</td>
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The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board and the Australian Government, whereby Eyre Peninsula NRM Board undertakes to put in place appropriate, practical and cost-effective actions to reduce its own greenhouse gas emissions and to encourage its staff and other external stakeholders to implement their own actions.

**GREENING OF GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS FRAMEWORK**
The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board is not able to currently report on the Greening of Government Operations Framework.
REGIONAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STATEMENTS

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board did not undertake any regional Impact Assessment Statements during the 2008-09 financial year.

RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board acknowledges that the land on which it meets is the traditional lands for a number of indigenous communities and that the Board respects their traditional relationship with their country.

In fulfilling its functions, the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board is cognisant of the cultural and natural heritage of traditional owners and strives to achieve positive outcomes wherever these matters are concerned.

STATEMENT OF FACT FOR SIGNIFICANT MINISTERIAL DIRECTIVES

There were no directives issued by the Minister for Environment and Conservation that related to the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board during this reporting period.

STATEMENT OF FACT FOR SIGNIFICANT FUNCTIONS ASSIGNED BY MINISTER

There were no additional functions assigned to the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board by the Minister for Environment and Conservation during this reporting period.

STATEMENT OF FACT FOR FUNCTIONS OR POWERS DELEGATED TO THE BOARD

Pursuant to section 34 of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004 (the Act), the Chief Executive of the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation, the employing authority, delegated the powers, functions, duties and responsibilities vested in and imposed on the employing authority under the Act, to the Presiding Member of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ANNUAL REPORT

Section 38 of the Natural Resources Management Act requires that the Board must cause a report to be prepared annually setting out the following information:
(1) A regional NRM Board must, on or before 31 October in every year, provide to the NRM Council a report on its activities for the financial year ending on the preceding 30 June (and need not provide a report under section 6A of the Public Sector Management Act 1995).

(2) The report must—
  (a) include an assessment of the extent to which the regional NRM Board has succeeded in implementing its regional NRM plan; and
  (b) include the audited accounts and financial statements of the regional NRM Board; and
  (c) be accompanied by the annual reports of the NRM groups within its region; and
  (d) include other information required by or under this Act or the regulations.

Section 56 – Accounts and Audit of the Natural Resources Management Act requires that:

(1) An NRM group must cause proper accounts to be kept of its financial affairs and must cause financial statements to be prepared in respect of each financial year.
(2) The Auditor-General may at any time, and must in respect of each financial year, audit the accounts and financial statements required under subsection (1)

Section 57-Annual Reports of the Natural Resources Management Act requires that:

(1) An NRM group must, on or before 31 October in every year, provide to the regional NRM Board or Boards that have responsibility for the NRM group a report on its activities for the financial year ending on the preceding 30 June (and need not provide a report under section 6A of the Public Sector Management Act 1995).
(2) The report must-
  (a) include a copy of the audited accounts and financial statements of the NRM group, and
  (b) include other information required by or under the regulations.

In regards to Section 57(2)(b) there are no regulations applying.

SPECIFIC REPORTS

Section 39 of the Natural Resources Management Act states that:
(1) The Minister or the NRM Council may, by written notice to a regional NRM Board, require the Board to provide to the Minister or the NRM Council, within a period stated in the notice or at stated intervals, any report or reports relating to the performance, exercise or discharge of its functions, powers or responsibilities, as the Minister or the NRM Council (as the case may be) thinks fit.
(2) If a requirement is imposed under subsection (1), the regional NRM Board must cause a statement of the fact of the imposition of the requirement to be published in its next annual report.

It is noted no specific reports were requested by the Minister for Environment and Conservation or the Natural Resources Management Council during the 2008-09 year.
BOARDS AND COMMITTEES LISTING

NRM GROUPS AND COMMITTEES
Under the Natural Resources Management Act 2004, the Board is able to create committees to provide advice in specific areas of expertise or NRM activity. The following committees were operational in the 2008-09 reporting period:

Natural Resources Management Groups
- Central Eyre NRM Group
- Eastern Eyre NRM Group
- Southern Eyre NRM Group
- Western Eyre NRM Group

Advisory Committees
- Coast and Marine Advisory Committee
- Land Management Advisory Committee
- Water Resources Advisory Committee

Board Sub-Committees
- Governance and Audit Sub-Committee
- Partnerships and Programs Sub-Committee
- Capacity Building and Engagement Sub-Committee
- Staff Occupational Health Safety and Welfare Committee

MEMBERSHIP OF NRM GROUPS
The Board supported four community-based NRM Groups in the Central, Eastern, Western and Southern sectors of the region. These Groups support the work of the Board by planning and delivering sustainable water and land management and biodiversity protection at the local level. Upon establishment, the NRM Groups assumed the functions and powers as defined in the Act. No additional functions were delegated in 2008-09. NRM Groups are able to recommend expenditure consistent with Regional NRM Plan goals and strategies and within the budgets approved by the Board. No budgets were devolved to NRM Groups in 2008-09 financial year. Members were appointed to NRM Groups August 2006 and meetings of the NRM Groups commenced.

The role of NRM Groups includes:
- Supporting the Board in the engagement of the community through effective communications and on-ground action;
- Providing assistance to the Board in the development and ongoing review of NRM plans for the region; and
- Having primary responsibility, as directed by the Board, for the identification, management and implementation and review of NRM programs at the local level.
- Provide local intelligence to the Board on NRM issues.
- Administration support of 0.4FTE is provided to each NRM Group.
Membership of the NRM Groups during the 2008-09 period are shown below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Central Eyre NRM Group</th>
<th>Eastern Eyre NRM Group</th>
<th>Southern Eyre NRM Group</th>
<th>Western Eyre NRM Group</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Leighton George (Chair)</td>
<td>Eddie Elleway (Chair)</td>
<td>Freeman Puckridge (Chair)</td>
<td>Andrew Bates</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marion Dudley</td>
<td>Andrea Hanneman</td>
<td>Gaile Bobrige</td>
<td>Karen Cotton</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carly Bennet</td>
<td>Jodie Jones</td>
<td>Brooke Swaffer</td>
<td>Pia Richter</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Christopher Lynn</td>
<td>Tricia Siviour</td>
<td>Andrew Ware</td>
<td>Ricky Miller</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Each of the NRM Groups met once during the 2008-09 financial year and final meetings for each Group were held as follows:
- Central Eyre NRM Group – 6 August 2008
- Eastern Eyre NRM Group – 5 August 2008
- Southern Eyre NRM Group – 4 August 2008
- Western Eyre NRM Group – 12 August 2008

A review of the EPNRM Groups and Advisory Committees was undertaken in 2008 resulting in a revised community engagement model. Group and Advisory Committee membership has lapsed and the Board is implementing a revised community engagement model.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board appreciates the support and encouragement and acknowledges the work of the previous Catchment Water Management Boards, Soil Conservation Boards, Animal and Plant Control Boards and the Eyre Peninsula Interim Integrated NRM Group.

The Board also acknowledges the support and encouragement it has received from the Minister for Environment and Conservation, the Natural Resources Management Council, the Australian Government and the staff of the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation, Department for Environment and Heritage, PIRSA and local Government.
APPENDICES

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Appendix 2: Eastern Eyre NRM Group Annual Report 2008-09
Appendix 3: Southern Eyre NRM Group Annual Report 2008-09
Appendix 4: Western Eyre NRM Group Annual Report 2008-09
Appendix 5: List of Publications Released or Updated during 2008-09
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APPENDIX 1: CENTRAL EYRE NRM GROUP ANNUAL REPORT

CENTRAL EYRE PENINSULA
NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT GROUP

ANNUAL REPORT

1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009
LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Mr Brian Foster  
Presiding Member  
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board  
PO Box 2916  
PORT LINCOLN SA  5606

Dear Brian

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Management Act 1995 and section 59 of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004, on behalf of the previous chairs of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management’s Groups I have pleasure in presenting the annual report for the Central Eyre Natural Resources Management Group for the year ended 30 June 2009.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Clarke  
General Manager  
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
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FOREWORD

The Central Eyre Natural Resources Management Group incorporates the Local Government areas of:

- District Council of Wudinna
- District Council of Elliston

The Central Eyre Natural Resources Management Group has met once during the 2008-09 financial year.

NRM GROUP MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE NRM BOARD’S REPORT

The following annual reporting requirements are not included in this report as they are reported in the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board’s Annual Report:

- Plans and Objectives
- Links between the Board and the SA Strategic Plan
- Links between the Board and the State NRM Plan.
- Object of the Natural Resources Management Act
- Administration of the Act
- Organisational Structure
- Management of Human Resources
- Equal Employment Opportunity Programs
- Occupational, Health, Safety and Injury Management
- Contractual Arrangements
- Account Payment Performance
- Fraud
- Disability Action Plans
- Asbestos Management in Government Buildings
- Urban Design Charter
- Freedom of Information
- Energy Efficiency Action Plan Report
- Greening of Government Operations Framework
- Regional Impact Assessment Statements
- Reconciliation Statement
OPERATIONS AND INITIATIVES

A review of the EPNRM Groups and Advisory Committees was undertaken in 2008 resulting in a revised community engagement model. Group and Advisory Committee membership has now lapsed and the Board is implementing a revised community engagement model.

Each of the four NRM Groups met once during the 2008-09 financial year to provide feedback into the Boards future structure.

The final meeting for the Central Eyre NRM Group was held on 6 August 2008.

ROLE, LEGISLATION AND STRUCTURE

The four Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Groups was established on December 2004 under the auspices of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004. This report for the 2008-09 financial year fulfils the requirements of Section 57 of the Natural Resources Management Act.

ROLE OF THE GROUP

The Groups’ role is defined in the Natural Resources Management Act and includes:

- Taking an active role in the management of natural resources within the region and providing advice on natural resource issues;
- Preparing a regional natural resources management plan;
- Implementing the Board’s three-year business plan;
- Promoting public awareness and understanding of the importance of integrated and sustainable NRM;
- Providing advice on the assessment of activities or proposals referred under legislation or on any matter relevant to the condition or management of natural resources; and
- Undertaking and supporting educational activities and increasing community capacity to undertake sustainable natural resource management.

FUNCTIONS OF THE GROUP

Section 52 of the Natural Resources Management Act describes the functions of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Groups:

(1) The functions of a regional NRM Group are—
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APPENDIX 2: EASTERN EYRE NRM GROUP ANNUAL REPORT

EASTERN EYRE PENINSULA
NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT GROUP

ANNUAL REPORT

1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009
LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Mr Brian Foster
Presiding Member
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
PO Box 2916
PORT LINCOLN SA 5606

Dear Brian

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Management Act 1995 and section 59 of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004, on behalf of the previous chairs of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management’s Groups I have pleasure in presenting the annual report for the Eastern Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Group for the year ended 30 June 2009.

Yours sincerely,

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APPENDIX 3: SOUTHERN EYRE NRM GROUP ANNUAL REPORT

SOUTHERN EYRE PENINSULA NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT GROUP

ANNUAL REPORT

1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009
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(1) The Minister or a regional NRM Board may, by written notice to a regional NRM Group, require the Group to provide to the Minister or the Regional NRM board, within a period stated in the notice or at stated intervals, any report or reports relating to the performance, exercise or discharge of its functions, powers or responsibilities, as the Minister or the regional NRM board (as the case may be) thinks fit.
(2) If a requirement is imposed under subsection (1), the regional NRM Group must cause a statement of the fact of the imposition of the requirement to be published in its next annual report.

There were no specific reports requested and provided to the Minister or the NRM Council under Section 39.

COMMITTEES LISTING

Nil.
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Southern Eyre NRM Group would like to acknowledge the support and encouragement it has received from the Minister for Environment and Conservation, the Natural Resources Management Council, the Australian Government and the staff of the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation, Department of Environment and Heritage, PIRSA and local Government.
LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Mr Brian Foster
Presiding Member
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
PO Box 2916
PORT LINCOLN SA 5606

Dear Brian

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Management Act 1995 and section 59 of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004, on behalf of the previous chairs of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management’s Groups I have pleasure in presenting the annual report for the Western Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Group for the year ended 30 June 2009.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Clarke
General Manager
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
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FOREWORD

The Western Eyre Natural Resources Management Group incorporates the Local Government areas of:

- District Council of Streaky Bay  
- District Council of Ceduna  
- Out of Districts areas

The Western Eyre Natural Resources Management Group has met once during the 2008-09 financial year.

NRM GROUP MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE NRM BOARD’S REPORT

The following annual reporting requirements are not included in this report as they are reported in the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board’s Annual Report:

- Plans and Objectives  
- Links between the Board and the SA Strategic Plan  
- Links between the Board and the State NRM Plan.  
- Object of the Natural Resources Management Act  
- Administration of the Act  
- Organisational Structure  
- Management of Human Resources  
- Equal Employment Opportunity Programs  
- Occupational, Health, Safety and Injury Management  
- Contractual Arrangements  
- Account Payment Performance  
- Fraud  
- Disability Action Plans  
- Asbestos Management in Government Buildings  
- Urban Design Charter  
- Freedom of Information  
- Energy Efficiency Action Plan Report  
- Greening of Government Operations Framework  
- Regional Impact Assessment Statements  
- Reconciliation Statement
OPERATIONS AND INITIATIVES

A review of the EPNRM Groups and Advisory Committees was undertaken in 2008 resulting in a revised community engagement model. Group and Advisory Committee membership has now lapsed and the Board is implementing a revised community engagement model.

Each of the four NRM Groups met once during the 2008-09 financial year to provide feedback into the Boards future structure.

The final meeting for the Western Eyre NRM Group was held on 12 August 2008.

ROLE, LEGISLATION AND STRUCTURE

The four Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Groups was established on December 2004 under the auspices of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004. This report for the 2008-09 financial year fulfils the requirements of Section 57 of the Natural Resources Management Act.

ROLE OF THE GROUP

The Groups’ role is defined in the Natural Resources Management Act and includes:

- Taking an active role in the management of natural resources within the region and providing advice on natural resource issues;
- Preparing a regional natural resources management plan;
- Implementing the Board’s three-year business plan;
- Promoting public awareness and understanding of the importance of integrated and sustainable NRM;
- Providing advice on the assessment of activities or proposals referred under legislation or on any matter relevant to the condition or management of natural resources; and
- Undertaking and supporting educational activities and increasing community capacity to undertake sustainable natural resource management.

FUNCTIONS OF THE GROUP

Section 52 of the Natural Resources Management Act describes the functions of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Groups:

(1) The functions of a regional NRM Group are—
(a) to be actively involved in the development and implementation of any relevant regional NRM plan at the local level (to the extent specified or envisaged by that plan or specified by the relevant board or boards); and
(b) to develop, implement or participate in programs associated with natural resources management at the local level; and
(c) to promote public awareness of the importance of integrated and sustainable natural resources management within its area and to undertake or support educational initiatives with respect to natural resources management; and
(d) to provide advice to regional NRM boards, and other bodies and agencies, with respect to the assessment of various activities, proposals, situations or circumstances within its area; and
(i) Such other functions prescribed by the regulations or assigned to the NRM Group by a regional NRM board, or by or under this or any other Act.

MEMBERSHIP

Section 48 of the Natural Resources Management Act provides for the appointment of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Groups.

Each Group consists of up to 7 members, appointed by the regional NRM board, being persons who collectively have, in the opinion of the board, knowledge, skills and experience determined by the board or boards to enable the NRM Group to carry out its functions effectively.

The membership of the Western Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Group during the 2008-09 period is shown below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Western Eyre NRM Group</th>
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<tr>
<td>Andrew Bates</td>
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<tr>
<td>Karen Cotton</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pia Richter</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ricky Miller</td>
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</table>

MEETINGS: GENERAL AND SPECIAL

The Western Eyre NRM Group met once during the 2008-09 financial year on 12 August 2008.

Attendance by appointed members at Western Eyre NRM Group meetings were as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Member</th>
<th>Meetings attended</th>
<th>Reason for non attendance</th>
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<tr>
<td>Andrew Bates</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Work commitments</td>
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<tr>
<td>Karen Cotton</td>
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<td>Work commitments</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pia Richter</td>
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<td>Work commitments</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ricky Miller</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Work commitments</td>
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RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER AGENCIES

An integrated ‘whole-of-government’ approach to Natural Resources Management requires effective partnerships with State Government agencies. The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has established cooperative arrangements with the Department for Environment and Heritage (DEH), Primary Industry and Resources SA (PIRSA), Planning SA, the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and SA Water. The Board has a strong partnership
with the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation (DWLBC) for the development of Regional Plans, through the National Heritage Trust (NHT) Agreements.

As the State Government’s lead agency for NRM, the Board works closely with DWLBC in the development and implementation of NRM and Water Allocation Plans, and Regional Investment Strategies, which deliver Australian and State Government investments via NHT and NLP to the Region.

The Board also has strong relationships with the Australian Government to ensure national priorities are addressed with local planning processes. The Board also has a strong connection with the Australian Government through NHT Investments and support provided by the Natural Resources Management facilitator network.

GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The financial activities of the Western Eyre NRM Group are conducted using the funds of the Eyre Peninsula NRM Board, otherwise reported in the general-purpose financial report of the Eyre Peninsula NRM Board.

All assets and other facilities made available to the Western Eyre NRM Group are controlled by the Eyre Peninsula NRM Board and are reported in the latter’s financial statements. Costs associated with the use of equipment, facilities and staff are costed in accordance with the accounting policies of the Eyre Peninsula NRM Board.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Financial transactions are completed by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board.

STATEMENT OF FACT FOR SIGNIFICANT BOARD DIRECTIVES

There were no directives issued by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board that related to Western Eyre Natural Resources Management Group for this reporting period.

STATEMENT OF FACT FOR SIGNIFICANT FUNCTIONS ASSIGNED BY THE BOARD

There were no additional functions assigned to Western Eyre Natural Resources Management Group by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board during the reporting period.

STATEMENT OF FACT FOR FUNCTIONS OR POWERS DELEGATED TO THE GROUPS

There were no functions or powers delegated to Western Eyre Natural Resources Management Group by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board during the 2008-09 period.
STATEMENT OF FACT FOR FUNCTIONS OR POWERS DELEGATED BY THE GROUPS

There were no functions or powers delegated by Western Eyre Natural Resources Management Group during the 2008-09 reporting period.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ANNUAL REPORT

Section 56 – Accounts and Audit of the Natural Resources Management Act requires that:
   (9) An NRM Group must cause proper accounts to be kept of its financial affairs and must cause financial statements to be prepared in respect of each financial year.
   (10) The Auditor-General may at any time, and must in respect of each financial year, audit the accounts and financial statements required under subsection (1).

Section 57 – Annual Reports of the Natural Resources Management Act requires that:
   (9) An NRM Group must, on or before 31 October in every year, provide to the regional NRM board or boards that have responsibility for the NRM Group a report on its activities for the financial year ending on the preceding 30 June (and need not provide a report under section 6A of the Public Sector Management Act 1995).
   (10) The report must:
       (a) include a copy of the audited accounts and financial statements of the NRM Group, and
       (b) include other information required by or under the regulations.

In regards to Section 57(2)(b) there are no regulations applying.

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APPENDIX 5: PUBLICATIONS RELEASED OR UPDATED

The following publications were released or updated by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board during the 2008-09 reporting period:

- Eyre Peninsula Regional Natural Resources Management Plan, June 2009
  - Managing Our Resources, June 2009
  - Investing in Our Resources, June 2009
  - Caring Our Resources, June 2009
  - State of Our Resources, June 2009


- Eyre Peninsula NRM Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement Framework, June 2009

- Keeping at It: Biosecurity for Eyre Peninsula – A Review of the Vertebrate Pests and Asparagus Weed Management Programs

- Engaging the NRM Community in the Management of Land, Water and Coasts

- Keeping Domestic Rabbits – Your Legal Obligations

- The Thief that Lurks Beneath – DVD and booklet on planning rabbit control


- Eyre Peninsula Coastal Wetland Inventory, June 2009

- Kielpa to Coast Market Based Initiative project report and evaluation

- Funding models for on ground works in NRM on the Eyre Peninsula, produced by Rural Solutions SA

- Fact sheets updated for Water Affecting Activities and Groundwater Access Trenches

- Controlling Fountain Grass fact sheet

Copies of these publications can be obtained by contacting the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board on (08) 8682 7555.
The following newsletters were developed and released by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board during the 2008-09 reporting period:

- **Education for Sustainability**
  - May 2009 - Term 2
  - March 2009 - Term 1
  - October 2008 - Term 4
  - July 2008 - Term 3

- **Volunteer Newsletters**
  - August 2009
  - July 2009
  - June 2009
  - May 2009
  - March 2009
  - February 2009
  - December 2008
  - November 2008
  - October 2008

- **Eyre Peninsula Footprint, Issue 85 - December 2008**

- **Eyre Peninsula Drought Project Update - September 2008**

- **Sheep Connect**
  - Newsletter 1 - January 2009
  - Newsletter 2 - June 2009

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# APPENDIX 6: LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS / GLOSSARY

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<th>Abbreviation</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>AG</td>
<td>Australian Government</td>
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<tr>
<td>APC</td>
<td>Animal and Plant Control Board</td>
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<td>AuSSI</td>
<td>Australian Sustainable Schools Initiative</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CSIRO</td>
<td>Commonwealth Scientific, Industrial and Research Organisation</td>
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<tr>
<td>CWMB</td>
<td>Catchment Water Management Board</td>
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<tr>
<td>DEH</td>
<td>Department for Environment and Heritage</td>
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<td>DWLBC</td>
<td>Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation</td>
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<td>EP</td>
<td>Eyre Peninsula</td>
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<td>EPA</td>
<td>Environment Protection Authority</td>
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<td>EPLGA</td>
<td>Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association</td>
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<td>GAT</td>
<td>Groundwater access trenches</td>
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<td>ICC</td>
<td>Indigenous Coordination Centre</td>
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<td>IPM</td>
<td>Integrated Pest Management</td>
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<td>NAP</td>
<td>National Action Plan for Salinity and Water Quality</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NHT</td>
<td>Natural Heritage Trust</td>
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<td>NLP</td>
<td>National Landcare Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NRM</td>
<td>Natural Resources Management</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NRM Act</td>
<td><em>Natural Resources Management Act 2004</em></td>
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<td>NWI</td>
<td>National Water Initiative</td>
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<tr>
<td>PIRSA</td>
<td>Primary Industries and Resources South Australia</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SARDI</td>
<td>South Australian Research and Development Institute</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SASP</td>
<td>South Australia’s Strategic Plan</td>
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<td>SCB</td>
<td>Soils Conservation Board</td>
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<tr>
<td>TWT</td>
<td>Tjutjunaku Worka Tjuta</td>
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<td>WAA</td>
<td>Water Affecting Activities</td>
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

To the Members
Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board

As required by section 31 of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987 and section 37(2) of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004, I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the financial year ended 30 June 2009. The financial statements comprise:

- A Statement of Comprehensive Income
- A Statement of Financial Position
- A Statement of Changes in Equity
- A Statement of Cash Flows
- Notes to the Financial Statements, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and
- A Certificate from the Presiding Member and General Manager of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board.

The Responsibility of the Members of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the Financial Statements

The Members of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board are responsible for the preparation and the fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Treasurer’s Instructions promulgated under the provisions of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987 and Australian Accounting Standards. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor’s Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on the audit. The audit was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987 and Australian Auditing Standards. The Auditing Standards require that the auditor complies with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plans and performs the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Members of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board as well as the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my auditor’s opinion.
Auditor's Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board as at 30 June 2009, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Treasurer's Instructions promulgated under the provisions of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987 and Australian Accounting Standards.

S O'Neill
AUDITOR-GENERAL
29 October 2009
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

EYRE PENINSULA
NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT BOARD

For the year ended
30 June 2009
REPORT OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL

Independent Audit Report
To the Chief Executive

(Insert Audit Opinion)

S O'Neill
ACTING AUDITOR-GENERAL
Date: ...........................................
Certification of the Financial Report

We certify that the attached general purpose financial statements for the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board:

- comply with relevant Treasurer's instructions issued under section 41 of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987, and relevant Australian accounting standards;

- are in accordance with the accounts and records of the board; and

- present a true and fair view of the financial position of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board as at 30 June 2009 and the results of its operation and cash flows for the financial year.

We certify that the internal controls employed by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the financial year over its financial reporting and its preparation of the general purpose financial statements have been effective throughout the reporting period.

Brian Foster
Presiding Member
Date: 28/10/09

Kate Clarke
General Manager
Date: 28/11/09
## Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>2008</th>
<th>2009</th>
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<td><strong>Expenses</strong></td>
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<td>Staff benefit expenses</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>2,781</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supplies and services</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5,141</td>
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<td>Depreciation and amortisation expense</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>297</td>
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<td>Grants and subsidies</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>960</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>9,028</td>
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<td><strong>Income</strong></td>
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<td>Levy revenue</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants &amp; subsidies revenue</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>6,076</td>
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<td>Interest revenue</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>117</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net Gain from the Disposal of Non-Current Assets</td>
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<td>5</td>
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<td>Other revenues</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>87</td>
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<td><strong>Total income</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net cost of providing services</strong></td>
<td>(893)</td>
<td>(13)</td>
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<td><strong>Net result</strong></td>
<td>(893)</td>
<td>(13)</td>
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<td><strong>Total comprehensive result</strong></td>
<td>(893)</td>
<td>(13)</td>
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The net result and comprehensive result are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.
# Statement of Financial Position

**As at 30 June 2009**

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<tr>
<th>Note No.</th>
<th>2009 $000</th>
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<td><strong>Current assets</strong></td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
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<td>2,057</td>
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<td>Receivables</td>
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<td>463</td>
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<td><strong>Total current assets</strong></td>
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<td>2,520</td>
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<td><strong>Non-current assets</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Property, plant and equipment</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>483</td>
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<td>Other non-current assets</td>
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<td><strong>Total non-current assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
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<td>3,014</td>
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<td><strong>Current liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>Payables</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>962</td>
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<td>Short-term Staff benefits</td>
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<td>255</td>
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<td>Short-term provisions</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<td><strong>Total current liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>1,225</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Non-current liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>Non-current payables</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>Long-term Staff benefits</td>
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<td>65</td>
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<td>Long-term provisions</td>
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<td>22</td>
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<td><strong>Total non-current liabilities</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>94</td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities</strong></td>
<td></td>
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<td><strong>Net assets</strong></td>
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<td>1,695</td>
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<td><strong>Equity</strong></td>
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<td>Retained earnings</td>
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<td>2,584</td>
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<td><strong>Total Equity</strong></td>
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The total equity is attributable to the SA Government as owner

Commitments | 21 |
Costing assets and liabilities | 22 |

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.
# Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

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<th>Retained earnings $ (aud)</th>
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<td>Balance at 30 June 2007</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net result for 2007-08</td>
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<td>(11)</td>
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<td>Total comprehensive result for 2007-08</td>
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<td>Balance at 30 June 2008</td>
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<td>Net result for 2008-09</td>
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<td>Balance at 30 June 2009</td>
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All changes in equity are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

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## Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

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<td><strong>Cash Outflows</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Staff benefit payments</td>
<td>(2,631)</td>
<td>(2,341)</td>
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<td>Supplies and services</td>
<td>(5,581)</td>
<td>(5,299)</td>
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<td>Grants and subsidies</td>
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<td>(554)</td>
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<td>GST remitted to ATO</td>
<td>(657)</td>
<td>(415)</td>
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<td><strong>Cash used in operations</strong></td>
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<td>(6,222)</td>
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<td>Levy Revenue &amp; Charges</td>
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<td>(167)</td>
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<td><strong>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</strong></td>
<td>(434)</td>
<td>(224)</td>
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<td>2,585</td>
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<td>2,361</td>
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The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.
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Note 1: Objectives of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (the Board) was established on the 9 December, 2004 under Section 23 of the Natural Resources Management Act 2004 (the NRM Act).

The functions of the Board are to:

1. Prepare and implement a Natural Resource Management Plan;

2. Provide advice to the Minister for Environment and Conservation and constituent councils regarding natural resource management in the Board's area;

3. Promote public awareness of the importance of proper management and sustainable use of the natural resources within the Board's area;

4. The protection of agriculture, the environment and public safety from pest plants and animals and the promotion of public awareness in pest plant and animal control.

Note 2: Summary of significant accounting policies

a) Statement of Compliance
The financial statement is a general purpose financial statement. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable Australian accounting standards and Treasurer's instructions and accounting policy statements promulgated under the provision of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987.

Details of the impact on the Board's financial statements from new and amended accounting applicable for the first time in 2008-09 are provided in Note 4.

b) Basis of Preparation
The preparation of the financial statement requires:

- the use of certain accounting estimates and requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Board's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, these are outlined in the applicable notes; and

- compliance with accounting policy statements issued pursuant to section 41 of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987, by authority of Treasurer's Instruction 19 Financial Reporting. In the interest of public accountability and transparency the accounting policy statements require the following note disclosures, that have been included in this financial report:
revenues, expenses, financial assets and liabilities where the counterparty/transaction is
with an entity within the SA Government as at reporting date, classified according to their
nature.

b) expenses incurred as a result of engaging consultants (as reported in the Statement of
Comprehensive Income);

c) Staff whose normal remuneration is $100 000 or more (within $10 000 bandwidth) and the
aggregate of the remuneration paid or payable or otherwise made available, directly or
indirectly by the entity to those Staff, and

d) board/committee member and remuneration information, where a board/committee member
is entitled to receive income from membership other than a direct out-of-pocket
reimbursement.

The Board’s Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position and Statement of
Changes in Equity have been prepared on an accrual basis and are in accordance with historical cost
convention.

The Statement of Cash Flows has been prepared on a cash basis.

The financial statements have been prepared based on a twelve month operating cycle and presented in
Australian currency.

c) Reporting entity
The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board financial statement includes the use of
assets, income, expenses and liabilities, controlled or incurred by the Board in its own right. There are
no administered items affecting the Board’s overall financial performance and position.

NRM Groups
The function of the NRM Groups is defined by the NRM Act, (section 52) and the NRM Group
Charter. The NRM Act provides that the NRM Groups are subject to the direction of the Board
(section 72(3)(b)).

In accordance with a direction issued by the Board under the NRM Groups Charter, the NRM Groups
do not have the power to enter into contracts or procure goods or services in their own right, rather they
make recommendations for projects undertaken by the Board. The Board has ensured NRM Group
projects undertaken by the Board and the related financial information has been incorporated in the
accounts and financial statements of the Board for financial reporting purposes.

d) Comparative information
The presentation and classification of items in the financial statements are consistent with prior periods
except where a specific accounting policy statement or Australian accounting standard has required a
change.

Where presentation or classification of items in the financial statement has been amended comparative
amounts have been reclassified unless reclassification is impracticable.

The restated comparative amounts do not replace the original financial statement for the preceding
period.

e) Rounding
All amounts in the financial statement have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars ($’000).

f) Taxation
The Board is not subject to income tax. The Board is liable for payroll tax, fringe benefits tax, goods
and services tax (GST) and emergency services levy.
Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST except:

- when the GST incurred on a purchase of goods or services is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office, in which case the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item applicable; and
- receivables and payables, which are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is included as part of receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is classified as part of operating cash flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to the Australian Taxation Office. If GST is not payable to, or recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office, the commitments and contingencies are disclosed on a gross basis.

g) Income and expenses
Income and expense are recognised to the extent that it is probable that the flow of economic benefits to or from the Board will occur and can be reliably measured.

Income and expenses have been classified according to their nature and have not been offset unless required or permitted by a specific accounting standard, or where offsetting reflects the substance of the transaction or other event.

The notes accompanying the financial statements disclose income, expenses, financial assets and financial liabilities where the counterparty/transaction is with an entity within the SA Government as at the reporting date, classified according to their nature.

The following are specific recognition criteria:

Grants and Subsidies received/paid

Contributions are recognised as an asset and income when the Board obtains control of the contributions or obtains the right to receive the contributions and the income recognition criteria are met (i.e. the amount can be reliably measured and the flow of resources is probable).

For contributions payable, the contribution will be recognised as a liability and expense when the entity has a present obligation to pay the contribution and the expense recognition criteria are met.

Council and prescribed area levies

Contributions from constituent councils reimbursed from ratepayers are recognised as income following determination of the share of each council by the Minister and publication of those amounts in the Government Gazette. Contributions are required to be paid on a quarterly basis to the Board. Levies are recognised as revenue when the Board obtains the right to receive the contributions.

Net gain on disposal of non-current assets

Contributions received on disposal of non-current assets are recognised as income less the net written down value of the non-current asset disposed.
b) Current and non-current classification
Assets and liabilities are characterised as either current or non-current in nature. The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has a clearly identifiable operating cycle of twelve months. Assets and liabilities expected to be realised within the normal operating cycle are considered to be current and all other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

i) Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents in the Statement of Financial Position includes cash at bank and on hand, which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.
Cash is measured at nominal value.

j) Receivables
Receivables include amounts receivable from trade, prepayments and other accruals.
Trade receivables arise in the normal course of selling goods and services to other agencies and to the public. Trade receivables are generally receivable within 30 days after the issue of an invoice or the goods/services have been provided under a contractual arrangement.
The impairment of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts that are known to be uncollectible are written off when identified. An allowance for doubtful debts is raised when there is objective evidence that the Board will not be able to collect the debt.

k) Depreciation of non-current assets
All non-current assets, having a limited useful life, are systematically depreciated/amortised over their useful lives in a manner that reflects the consumption of their service potential.
Assets' residual values, useful lives and amortisation methods are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate, on an annual basis.
Land is not depreciated.
Depreciation/amortisation is calculated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the following classes of assets as follows:

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<th>Class of asset</th>
<th>Useful Life (years)</th>
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<td>Motor Vehicles</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Plant and equipment</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Furniture and fittings</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Computing equipment</td>
<td>3</td>
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</table>
1) Payables
Payables include creditors, accrued expenses and Staff on-costs.

Creditors represent the amounts owing for goods and services received prior to the end of the reporting period that are unpaid at the end of the reporting period. Creditors include all unpaid invoices received relating to the normal operations of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resource Management Board.

Accrued expenses represent goods and services provided by other parties during the period that are unpaid at the end of the reporting period and where an invoice has not been received.

All payables are measured at their nominal amount, are unsecured and are normally settled within 30 days from the date of the invoice or date the invoice is first received.

Staff on-costs include superannuation contributions and payroll tax with respect to outstanding liabilities for salaries and wages, long service leave and annual leave.

The Board makes contributions to several State Government and externally managed superannuation schemes. These contributions are treated as an expense when they occur. There is no liability for payments to beneficiaries as they have been assumed by the respective superannuation schemes. The only liability outstanding at balance date relates to any contributions due but not yet paid to the South Australian Superannuation Board.

m) Non-current asset acquisition and recognition
Non-current assets are initially recorded at cost or at the value of any liabilities assumed, plus any incidental cost involved with the acquisition. Non-current assets are subsequently measured at fair value less accumulated depreciation.

Where assets are acquired at no value, or minimal value, they are recorded at fair value in the Statement of Financial Position. However, if the assets are acquired at no or nominal value as part of a restructure of administrative arrangements then the assets are recognised at book value i.e. the amount recorded by the transferor public authority immediately prior to the restructure.

All non-current tangible assets with a value of $1,000 or greater are capitalised.

n) Staff Benefits
These benefits accrue for Staff as a result of services provided up to the reporting date that remain unpaid. Long-term Staff benefits are measured at present value and short-term Staff benefits are measured at nominal amounts.

Wages, salaries, annual leave and sick leave

Liability for salary and wages are measured as the amount unpaid at the reporting date at remuneration rates current at reporting date.

The annual leave liability is expected to be payable within twelve months and is measured at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid.

No provision has been made for sick leave as all sick leave is non-vesting and the average sick leave taken in future years by Staff is estimated to be less than the annual entitlement for sick leave.
Long service leave

The liability for long service leave is recognised after staff have completed 6.5 years of service. An actuarial assessment of long service leave undertaken by the Department of Treasury and Finance based on a significant sample of staff throughout the South Australian public sector determined that the liability measured using the short hand method was not materially different from the liability measured using the present value of expected future payments. This calculation is consistent with the Board’s experience of staff retention and leave taken.

The current portion represents the amount expected to be paid in the following 12 months.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Board has a present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

A provision has been raised to reflect the liability for any outstanding (unsettled) workers compensation claims for lump sum payments, adjusted for potential recoveries from negligent third parties. The provision is based on an actuarial assessment performed for the Public Sector Workforce Relations Division of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet.

Leases

The determination of whether an arrangement is or contains a lease is based on the substance of the arrangement. The Board has assessed whether the fulfillment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets and the arrangement conveys a right to use the asset. The Board has entered into operating leases.

Operating leases

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The straight-line basis is representative of the pattern of benefits derived from the leased assets.

Note 3 Financial risk management

The Board has significant non-interest bearing assets (cash on hand and receivables) and liabilities (payables), and interest bearing assets (cash on call). The Board's exposure to market risk and cash flow interest risk is minimal.

The Board has no significant concentration of credit risk. The Board has policies and procedures in place to ensure that transactions occur with customers with appropriate credit history.

In relation to liquidity/funding risk, the continued existence of the Board in its present form, and with its present programs, is dependent on State Government policy and on continuing appropriations for the Board's administration and programs.
Note 4 New and revised accounting standards and policies

Details of the impact, where significant, on the Board's financial statements from new and amended accounting applicable for the first time in 2008-09 are as follows:

- The Board has early adopted the September 2007 version of AASB101 Presentation of Financial Statements including AASB2007-8 and AASB 2007-10 (these standards make consequential amendments to other standards as a result of the revised AASB 101) - this includes the preparation of a single Statement of Comprehensive Income.
- With regard to the new accounting standard AASB1052 Disaggregated Disclosures, the Board has determined that income, expenses, assets and liabilities cannot be reliably attributable to individual activities - refer Note 3.

Other Australian accounting standards and interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet effective have not been adopted by the Board for the reporting period ending 30 June 2009. The Board has assessed the impact of the new and amended standards and interpretations and considers there will be no impact on the accounting policies or the financial statements of the Board.

Note 5 Activities of the Board

The Board operates solely in the portfolio area of natural resource management policy and planning. The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board Plan was endorsed by the Minister for Environment and Conservation on the 9 May 09. The Plan for the Board changed the structure of how the activities are aggregated and as such no separation into these new activities, themes or output classes is available for the year ended 30 June 09.

Note 6 Staff benefit expenses

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<td>(9)</td>
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<td>Annual leave</td>
<td>182</td>
<td>143</td>
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<td>Staff on-costs - superannuation</td>
<td>217</td>
<td>177</td>
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<td>Payroll Tax</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>110</td>
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<td>Fringe Benefits Tax</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>22</td>
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<td>Board member fees</td>
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<td>109</td>
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<td>Other Staff related expenses</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>95</td>
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<td><strong>Total Staff benefit expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,711</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,211</strong></td>
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Remuneration of Staff

The number of Staff whose remuneration received or receivable falls within the following bands:

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<td>$170,000 to $379,999</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total number of Staff</strong></td>
<td><strong>1</strong></td>
<td><strong>1</strong></td>
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The table includes all Staff who received remuneration of $100,000 or more during the year. Total remuneration received or receivable by the staff was $172,138 ($164,185). Remuneration of Staff reflects all costs of employment including salaries and wages, superannuation contributions, fringe benefit (motor vehicle) and any other salary sacrifice benefits.

Of the one Staff who received remuneration over $100,000, the remuneration consisted of salaries and wages including superannuation and fringe benefits (motor vehicle) and also includes an amount for back pay owing for 2007-08.
Note 7. Supplies and Services

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<td>$'000</td>
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<td>Audit Fees paid / payable to the Auditor General</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Building Accommodation and Service Expenses</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Contractors</td>
<td>2,088</td>
<td>1,779</td>
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<td>Insurance</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Motor Vehicle Expenses</td>
<td>118</td>
<td>89</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total supplies and services - SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,260</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,522</strong></td>
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<td>Supplies and services provided by entities external to the SA Government</td>
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<td>Accounting and Legal Fees</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>18</td>
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<td>Building Accommodation and Service Expenses</td>
<td>128</td>
<td>115</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Computing &amp; Communication Expenses</td>
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<td>109</td>
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<tr>
<td>Consultants</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>18</td>
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<td>Contractors</td>
<td>1,777</td>
<td>904</td>
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<td>Insurance</td>
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<td>Minor Plant and Equipment Expenses</td>
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<td>69</td>
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<td>Notice Vehicle Expenses</td>
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<td>101</td>
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<td>Office Commodities</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>72</td>
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<td>Publications, Reports, Advertising &amp; Media</td>
<td>143</td>
<td>126</td>
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<td>Staff Training and Development</td>
<td>112</td>
<td>47</td>
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<tr>
<td>Travel and Meeting Expenses</td>
<td>213</td>
<td>133</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>46</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total supplies and services - Non SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,681</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,867</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total supplies and services</strong></td>
<td>5,141</td>
<td>3,399</td>
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The total supplies and services amount disclosed includes GST amounts not recoverable from the ATO due to the Board not holding a valid tax invoice or payments relating to third-party arrangements.

The number and dollar amount of consultants paid/payable (included in supplies and services expense) that fell within the following bands:

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<th>Band</th>
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<th>2008</th>
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<td>Below $10,000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Between $10,000 and $50,000</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>38</td>
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| Total paid /payable to the consultants engaged | 3    | 45   | 1    | 18
Note 8 Depreciation and amortisation expense

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<th>2008</th>
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<td>Buildings</td>
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<td>1</td>
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Note 9 Grants and subsidies expense

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<td>Non Government recipients</td>
<td>945</td>
<td>513</td>
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<td>Local Government</td>
<td>24</td>
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<td><strong>Total grants and subsidies</strong></td>
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Note 10 Levy revenue

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<td>Levy revenue received/receivable from entities external to the SA Government</td>
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<tr>
<td>NRM Levies - Div 1</td>
<td>1,481</td>
<td>1,296</td>
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<td>NRM Levies - Div 2</td>
<td>369</td>
<td>566</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total levy revenue - Non SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td>1,840</td>
<td>1,862</td>
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The Board received NRM levy funds for the 2008/09 financial year on the following basis:
- NRM Levy Division 1 - Levies in respect of land
- The Board received NRM levies from councils on rateable land of $1,481,506
- NRM Levy Division 2 - Levies in respect of water as per Gazette notice of 26 June 2008

A levy of 3.28 cents per kilolitre of water allocated where the water is allocated for the purpose of providing a reticulated water supply pursuant to the Waterworks Act 1932.

A levy of 2.252 cents per kilolitre of water allocated where the water is not allocated for the purpose of providing a reticulated water supply pursuant to the Waterworks Act 1932.

Water based levies are collected by the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation on behalf of the Board.

The Board received a total of $1,862,562 in Division 2 Levies.
### Note 11 Grants and subsidies revenue

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<td>State Government Support</td>
<td>2,358</td>
<td>424</td>
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<td>Other State Government Grants</td>
<td>353</td>
<td>229</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total Grants and subsidies - SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td>2,711</td>
<td>653</td>
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</table>

| Grants and subsidies received/receivable from entities external to the SA Government | 2009 | 2008 |
| Commonwealth Grants | 3,320 | 3,599 |
| Community Grants | 35   | 120  |
| **Total Grants and subsidies - Non SA Government entities** | 3,655 | 3,719 |
| **Total Grants and subsidies** | 6,366 | 4,372 |

The Board receives grants from the Commonwealth Government through the Caring for our Country, Natural Heritage Trust and National Landcare Program and National Water Commission. All grants with the exception of National Water Commission grants are distributed to the Board through the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation.

The Board received $600,000 of State Government support through the NRM Fund in 2008-09 ($424,006 in 2007-08). The payment was distributed to the Board through the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation. The Board received State Complementary Funding to the value of $1,759,608.

### Note 12 Interest revenue

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<td>Interest from entities within the SA Government</td>
<td>$1,117</td>
<td>$1,471</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>$ -</td>
<td>$ 1</td>
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<td><strong>Total interest revenues</strong></td>
<td>$1,117</td>
<td>$1,471</td>
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### Note 13 Net gain from disposal of Non Current Assets

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<td>Motor Vehicles</td>
<td>$ -</td>
<td>$ -</td>
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<tr>
<td>Proceeds from disposal</td>
<td>$48</td>
<td>$ -</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less net book value of assets disposed</td>
<td>$43</td>
<td>$ -</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net Gain from disposal of Non Current Assets</strong></td>
<td>$5</td>
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<td><strong>Total Net Gain from disposal of Assets</strong></td>
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### Note 14 Other revenues

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<td>Sales of services</td>
<td>$27</td>
<td>$9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>$60</td>
<td>$5</td>
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<td><strong>Total other revenues</strong></td>
<td>$87</td>
<td>$15</td>
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**Note 15: Cash and cash equivalents**

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<td>Deposits with the Treasurer</td>
<td>2,657</td>
<td>2,098</td>
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<td><strong>Total cash and cash equivalents</strong></td>
<td>2,667</td>
<td>2,501</td>
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**Deposits with the Treasurer**

Includes funds held in the Actual Appropriation Excess Funds Account. The balance of these funds is not available for general use, i.e. funds can only be used in accordance with the Treasurer/Under Treasurer's approval.

**Interest rate risk**

Cash on hand is non-interest bearing. Deposits at call and with the Treasurer earn a floating interest rate, based on daily bank deposit rates. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents represents fair value.

**Unexpended Grant Contributions**

The Board received contributions from the Commonwealth and various other funding sources, especially for the purposes of undertaking specific projects. As at 30 June 2008 $1,153,560 ($2,637,000) of contributions, which have been recognised as revenue in the income Statement, are yet to be spent in the manner specified by the contributors.

**Note 16: Receivables**

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<tr>
<td><strong>Current</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Receivables</td>
<td>324</td>
<td>625</td>
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<tr>
<td>GST Receivable</td>
<td>113</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td><strong>Total current receivables</strong></td>
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<td>637</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Government / Non Government Receivables</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Receivables from SA Government entities</td>
<td>253</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>GST Receivable</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total receivables from SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td>253</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Receivables from Non SA Government entities</td>
<td>71</td>
<td>635</td>
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<tr>
<td>GST Receivable</td>
<td>139</td>
<td>12</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total receivables</strong></td>
<td>492</td>
<td>647</td>
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</table>

**Provision for doubtful debts**

The provision for doubtful debts (allowance for impairment losses) is recognised when there is objective evidence that a receivable is impaired. An allowance for impairment losses has not been recognised in 2008/09.

**Interest rate and credit risk**

Receivables are raised for goods and services provided for which payment has not been received. Receivables are normally settled within 30 days. Trade receivables, prepayments and pre-arranged receivables are non-interest bearing. Other than recognised in the provision for doubtful debts, it is not anticipated that counterparties will fail to discharge their obligations. The carrying amount of receivables approximates net fair value due to being receivable on demand. There is no concentration of credit risk.

*Maturity Analysis of receivables - refer to Note 23*

*Classification of financial instruments and risk exposure in formation - refer to Note 25*
### Note 17 Property, plant and equipment

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<td>Buildings at fair value</td>
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<td>Accumulated depreciation at the end of the period</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>Total land and buildings</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Furniture &amp; Fittings</td>
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<td>Leasehold improvements at fair value</td>
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<td>Accumulated depreciation at the end of the period</td>
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<td>Total furniture &amp; fittings</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>18</td>
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<tr>
<td>Computing Equipment</td>
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<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Computing &amp; IT equipment at cost (deemed fair value)</td>
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<td>281</td>
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<td>197</td>
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<td>Total computing equipment</td>
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<td>174</td>
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<td>Plant and equipment</td>
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<td>Plant and equipment at cost (deemed fair value)</td>
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<td>Accumulated depreciation at the end of the period</td>
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<td>63</td>
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<td>Total plant and equipment</td>
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<td>87</td>
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<tr>
<td>Motor Vehicles</td>
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<td>Motor vehicles at cost (deemed fair value)</td>
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<td>329</td>
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<td>Accumulated depreciation at the end of the period</td>
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<td>98</td>
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<td>Total Motor Vehicles</td>
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<td>231</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total property plant and equipment</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>518</td>
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#### Depreciation Revisions
A variance in depreciation expense identified for 2006-07 and 2007-08 has resulted in an increase in depreciation expense of approximately $19,668. This amount was considered immaterial and has been corrected in the 2008-09 year.

#### Impairment
There were no indications of impairment of property, plant and equipment, infrastructure and intangible assets at 30 June 2009.

#### Resources received free of charge
There were no resources received free of charge.
### RECONCILIATION OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS

The following table shows the movement of non-current assets during 2008-09.

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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Buildings $'000</th>
<th>Furniture &amp; Fittings $'000</th>
<th>Computer Equipment $'000</th>
<th>Plant and equipment $'000</th>
<th>Vehicles $'000</th>
<th>Tangible assets total $'000</th>
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<td>18</td>
<td>174</td>
<td>87</td>
<td>213</td>
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<tr>
<td>Additions</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>132</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>41</td>
<td>215</td>
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<tr>
<td>Disposals e.g. sales, write off</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>43</td>
<td>43</td>
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<td>Depreciation and amortisation</td>
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<td>112</td>
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### Note 18 Payables

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<td>Accrued expenses</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>82</td>
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<td>Staff on-costs</td>
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<td><strong>Total current payables</strong></td>
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<th>Government / non-government payables</th>
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<td>254</td>
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<td>Accrued expenses</td>
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<td>20</td>
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<td><strong>Total payables to other SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td><strong>352</strong></td>
<td><strong>274</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Payables to non-SA Government entities</td>
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<td>Creditors</td>
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<td>Staff on-costs</td>
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<td><strong>Total payables to non-SA Government entities</strong></td>
<td><strong>642</strong></td>
<td><strong>486</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total payables</strong></td>
<td><strong>962</strong></td>
<td><strong>769</strong></td>
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</table>

**Non-Current**

| Staff on-costs | 6 | 7 |
| **Total Non-Current payables** | **6** | **7** |

**Interest rate and credit risk**

Creditors and accruals are valued for amounts billed but unpaid. Trade payables are normally settled within 30 days. Staff on-costs are settled when the respective staff benefit they relate to is discharged. All payables are non-interest bearing. The carrying amount of payables represents fair value due to the amounts being payable on demand.

**Maturity Analysis of payables - refer to Note 23**

**Categorisation of financial instruments and risk exposure information - refer to Note 23**

### Note 19 Staff benefits

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<th>Current</th>
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<td>Short-term long service leave</td>
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<td>16</td>
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<tr>
<td>Accrued salaries and wages</td>
<td>46</td>
<td>48</td>
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<td><strong>Total current Staff benefits</strong></td>
<td><strong>251</strong></td>
<td><strong>189</strong></td>
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</table>

**Expected to be settled more than 12 months after reporting date**

| Long service leave | 65 | 78 |
| **Total non-current Staff benefits** | **65** | **78** |
| **Total Staff benefits** | **316** | **267** |

The total current and non-current Staff expense (i.e. aggregate Staff benefits plus related on-costs) for 2009 is $287,800 and $37,000 respectively.

Based on an actuarial assessment performed by the Department of Treasury and Finance, the benchmark for the measurement of long service leave liability has not changed from the 2008 benchmark of 6.5 years.
Note 20 Provisions

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<td>Provision for workers compensation</td>
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<td>Total non-current provisions</td>
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<td>Total provisions</td>
<td>31</td>
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Carrying amount at the beginning of the period 35
Reductions resulting from re-measurement or settlement without cost (0)
Carrying amount at the end of the period 31

A liability has been reported to reflect unsettled workers compensation claims. The workers compensation provision is based on an actuarial assessment performed by the Public Sector Workforce Relations Division of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet.

Note 21 Commitments

Rernuneration Commitments

Commitments for the payment of salaries and other remuneration under fixed-term employment contracts in existence at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows:

- Within one year: 1,306 1,768
- Later than one year but not longer than five years: 1,737 2,191
- Total remuneration commitments: 3,733 3,969

Amounts disclosed include commitments arising from executive and other service contracts. The Board does not offer fixed-term remuneration contracts greater than five years.

Operating lease commitments

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<td>2005</td>
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<td>Commitments in relation to operating leases contract for at the reporting date and not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows:</td>
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<td>98</td>
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<td>Within one year</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>41</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total operating lease commitments</td>
<td>71</td>
<td>142</td>
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</table>

Representing

- Cancellable operating leases: 71 142
- Non-cancellable operating leases: 71 142

The Board also leases office equipment from Toshiba and Ricoh.
### Note 22: Contingent assets and liabilities

The Board is not aware of any contingent assets or liabilities.

### Note 23: Financial Instruments

**Categorisation of financial instruments**

Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised with respect to each class of financial asset, financial liability and equity instrument are disclosed in Note 2 “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies”.

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<th>Statement of Financial Position Item</th>
<th>Category of financial assets and liabilities</th>
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<td>Financial liabilities</td>
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The amount of receivables and payables stated above do not include those arising from statutory obligations, including levies, workers' compensation liability, staff on-costs, and GST. They are carried at cost.

**Credit risk**

Credit risk arises where there is the possibility of the Board’s debtors defaulting on their contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Board. The Board measures credit risk on a fair value basis and monitors risk on a regular basis.

The Board has minimal concentration of credit risk. The Board has policies and procedures in place to ensure that transactions occur with customers with appropriate credit history. The Board does not engage in high risk hedging for its financial assets.

Allowances for impairment of financial assets are calculated on past experience and current and expected changes in credit rating. Currently the Board does not hold any collateral as security for any of its financial assets. At reporting date, there is no evidence to indicate that any of the financial assets are impaired.

**Aging analysis of financial assets**

The following table details the ageing of financial assets and the ageing of impaired assets.

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<td>Overdue &lt;30 days $'000</td>
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<td></td>
<td>2009</td>
<td>2008</td>
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<td>Not impaired Receivables</td>
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<td>Impaired Receivables</td>
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The amount of receivables and payables stated above do not include those arising from statutory obligations, including levies, workers' compensation liability, staff on-cost, and GST. They are carried at cost.
### Maturity analysis of financial assets and liabilities

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Financial statement item</th>
<th>&lt;1 year S'000</th>
<th>1-5 years S'000</th>
<th>&gt;5 years S'000</th>
<th>Carrying amount S'000</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>2009</strong></td>
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<td>Financial assets</td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>2,067</td>
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<td>Receivables</td>
<td>216</td>
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<td>2,283</td>
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<td>Financial liabilities</td>
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<td>Payables</td>
<td>930</td>
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<td><strong>Total financial liabilities</strong></td>
<td>930</td>
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<td><strong>2008</strong></td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>2,501</td>
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The amount of receivables and payables stated above do not include those arising from statutory obligations, including levies, workers compensation liability, Staff costs, and GST. They are carried at cost.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises where the Board is unable to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Board is reliant on funding from the NRMA Secretariat of DLWRC for its ongoing operation. The Board settles undispersed accounts within 30 days from the date of the invoice or date the invoice is first received. In the event of a dispute, payment is made 30 days from resolution. The Board's exposure to liquidity risk is insignificant based on past experience and current assessment of risk.

#### Market risk

The Board has no interest bearing liabilities as at the end of the reporting period. There is no exposure to foreign currency or other price risks.

A sensitivity analysis has not been undertaken for the interest rate risk of the Board as it has been determined that the possible impact on comprehensive income or total equity from fluctuations in interest rates is immaterial.
Note 24 Remuneration of Board and Committee Members

Members that were entitled to receive remuneration for membership during the 2008-09 financial year were:

**EPNRM Board**
- Mr Brian Foster
- Mr Anthony Irvine
- Mr Sean O'Brien
- Ms Sandra McCallum
- Ms Cecilia Woolford
- Ms Evelyn Poole
- Mr Russell Bambridge
- Ms Karen Burrowe
- Mr Alan Dodd
- Ms Bronwyn Slee (resigned)

**Government Appointments**
- Mr Geoffrey Dodd
- Mr Mark Chesworth
- Mr Ben Brain
- Ms Helen Lament
- Mr Ross Delaher
- Mr Glyn Ashman

**Eastern Eyre Peninsula NRM Group**
- Mr Edsel Ellinaway
- Mr John Grund
- Mr Ben Randolf
- Ms Andrea Hannemann
- Mr Judie Jones
- Ms Tricia Sivew

**Central Eyre Peninsula NRM Group**
- Mr Leighton George
- Mr Peter Hinchliff
- Mr Bill Nesworthy
- Mr Peter O'Brien
- Mr Christopher Lyran
- Ms Carly Bentet
- Ms Marion Dudley

**Southern Eyre Peninsula NRM Group**
- Mr Freeman Packenidge
- Mr Merrick Savage
- Mr Andrew Milth
- Ms Gail Bolbridge

**Western Eyre Peninsula NRM Group**
- Mr Ricky Miller
- Mr Alan Stot
- Mr Andrew Bates
- Ms Pia Richter
- Ms Karen Cotton
- Mr Ian Cawood (resigned)
- Mr Trevor Watson (resigned)

**Water Resources Advisory Committee**
- Mr Jeff Pearse
- Mr Robin Dixon Thompson
- Mr Merton Hodge
- Mr Russell Dudley
The number of board members whose remuneration received or receivable falls within the following bands:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Remuneration Range</th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$0 - $9,999</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$10,000 - $19,999</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$20,000 - $69,999</td>
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</table>

Total number of members: 11 (2008: 12)

The remuneration of the board members in the highest bracket consisted of payments totalling $67,269 including superannuation. One member resigned in the 2007-08 financial year and lodged a late claim. This has increased the number of board members paid in the 2009 year above the statutory limit of nine board members. The total remuneration received or receivable by members was $125,134 (2008 was $116,612).

The number of committee members whose remuneration received or receivable falls within the following bands:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Remuneration Range</th>
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<tr>
<td>$0 - $9,999</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>40</td>
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</table>

Total number of members: 28 (2008: 40)

The total remuneration received or receivable by members was $5,781.21 (2008 was $161,024.30). The Board undertook a review of the structure of the groups. This resulted in the groups only meeting once during the year which further resulted in a reduction in the cost of committee fees from last year.

Amounts paid to a superannuation plan for committee members was $9,999 (2008 was $8,116-88; 2007 was $3,782).

Remuneration of members includes all costs of performing board/committee member duties including sitting fees, superannuation contributions, fringe benefits tax and any other salary sacrifice arrangements. Unless otherwise disclosed, transactions between members are on conditions no more favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the entity would have adopted if dealing with the related party at arm’s length in the same circumstances.

### Note 25 Cash flow reconciliation

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
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<tr>
<td>$'000</td>
<td>$'000</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash and cash equivalents disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position</td>
<td>2,067</td>
<td>2,501</td>
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<tr>
<td>Balance as at the Statement of Cash Flows</td>
<td>2,067</td>
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Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to net cash cost of providing services:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<th>2008</th>
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<tr>
<td>Address non-cash items</td>
<td>(267)</td>
<td>(352)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Depreciation and amortisation expense</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gain/loss on sale or disposal of non-current assets</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Changes in Assets / Liabilities</td>
<td>(174)</td>
<td>572</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Increase / (decrease) in receivables</td>
<td>(111)</td>
<td>(350)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Increase) / decrease in payables</td>
<td>(53)</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Increase) / decrease in Staff benefits</td>
<td>(30)</td>
<td>(35)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Increase) / decrease in accruals</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net cost of providing services</td>
<td>(893)</td>
<td>(1)</td>
</tr>
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</table>

### Note 26 Events after balance date

At a Board meeting held on the 8 July 2009, the Board passed a motion to abolish the group. The announcement has yet to be published in the government gazette.
Certification of the Financial Report

We certify that:

1. the financial statements are in accordance with the accounts and records of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board and give an accurate indication of the financial transaction of the Board for the year ended 30 June 2009.

2. the financial statements of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board present fairly, in accordance with the Treasurer's Instructions promulgated under the provisions of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987, applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia, the financial position of the Board as at 30 June 2009 and the result of its operations and its cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2009.

We certify that the internal controls employed by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the financial year over its financial reporting and its preparation of the general purpose financial report have been effective throughout the reporting period.

B Foster
PRESIDING MEMBER
EYRE PENINSULA NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT BOARD

DATE 23/10/09

K Clarke
GENERAL MANAGER
EYRE PENINSULA NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT BOARD

DATE 23/10/09