

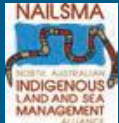


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# Reef 2050 Project



*Traditional artwork by Patricia Gavin.*



## **Day 2 – Session 1**

### **Review of Day One**

*Facilitator*

### **State of the Reef**

*David Wachenfeld*

**Breakaway Groups: What are your  
concerns about the reef?**

*Libby Evans-Illidge*



## Day 2 – Session 2

### Reef 2050 Actions

*Duane Fraser and Liz Wren*



Ecosystem Health

EHA1. Acknowledge Traditional Owners in new and existing policy and plans.

EHA2. Incorporate and prioritise Traditional Owners' planning into existing and future ecosystem policy and programs.

EHA3. Support Traditional Owner stewardship activities that contribute to Reef health and resilience, including removing and, where possible, identifying the sources of marine debris.

EHA4. Development further agreements with Traditional Owners addressing management of ecosystems within their traditional estates.

EHA5. Develop, implement and coordinate a protocol and knowledge management system for: recording, storing, protecting, and where appropriate, sharing of knowledge, innovation and practices; conserving and cultural use of biocultural diversity; and use in decision making.

EHA27. Implement on-ground activities to reduce the volume of debris generated in or entering the World Heritage Area, and undertake education and awareness raising activities to minimise the source and occurrence of marine debris.



## Biodiversity

BA1. Where agreed through Traditional Owner engagement frameworks, apply traditional knowledge and customary use of biological diversity, including the use of community protocols, in managing protected areas.

BA2. Work with Traditional Owner groups to identify biocultural resources within their sea country and develop plans of management for conservation and use of those resources.

BA3. Improve Traditional Owner engagement to strengthen participation in decision making at all levels relating to the conservation and cultural use of biodiversity.

BA4. Work with Traditional Owners to build capacity to record and manage traditional ecological knowledge and



Heritage

HA1. Build capacity for the involvement of Traditional Owners and community members in cooperative management, planning and impact assessment.

HA2. Work with and support Traditional Owners to collect, store and manage their own cultural heritage information.

HA4. Update the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Heritage Strategy 2005 to more comprehensively address Indigenous and non-Indigenous heritage.

HA5. Develop impact assessment guidelines for cultural heritage values in the Great Barrier Reef Region.

HA6. Facilitate robust consideration of heritage values in planning processes, including port development and associated activities.

HA7. Consolidate Reef heritage data and identify priorities for protective action.

HA11. Further identify, map, monitor and report on key Reef heritage values and sites, including comprehensive maritime surveys in priority sections of the Reef.



Water  
quality

WQA24. Identify and action opportunities for Traditional Owners, industry and community engagement in on- ground water quality improvement and monitoring programs.



Community  
benefits

CBA1. Review current mechanisms and processes to improve benefits to Traditional Owners engaged in sea country management.

CBA2. Work with Traditional Owners to identify world's best practice in agreement making, strategic planning, and management and implementation of Indigenous programs in relation to the Great Barrier Reef sea country estate.

CBA3. Develop collaborative working arrangements with Traditional Owners which establish mutual trust and build Indigenous capacity.





Economic  
benefits

EBA1. Develop and implement an Indigenous Business Development Plan including a comprehensive review of baseline data, processes and systems to identify existing and potential economic benefits to Traditional Owners.

EBA2. Assist Traditional Owners to be business-ready and have improved capacity to generate economic benefits from use and management of their traditional estates.



## Governance

GA7. Support cross-cultural training in relation to Traditional Owner culture and perspectives.

GA10. Work with Traditional owners, industry, regional bodies, local governments, research institutions, and the community to inform delivery of local and regional actions.

GA11. Improve Traditional Owner participation in governance arrangements for protection and management of the Reef.

GA12. Priorities and develop specific implementation plans and reporting protocols addressing the Plan's targets and actions in consultation with the community.



## Additional relevant Action

Heritage

HA3. Improve engagement processes for assessment of cultural heritage values to inform decision making.



## DoEE Revision of Actions for Mid-Term Review

Current Action	Revised Status in Mid-Term Review (MTR)
All TO actions except HA2, HA5 and HA7	Ongoing
HA2 Update the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Heritage Strategy 2005 to more comprehensively address Indigenous and non-Indigenous heritage.	<p>Complete. 2 new Actions:</p> <p>MTR HA2 – Implement the <i>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Commonwealth Heritage Listed Places and Properties Heritage Strategy 2018–21</i>.</p> <p><b>MTR HA3 – Finalise and implement the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Strategy for the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.</b></p>
<b>HA5</b> - Develop impact assessment guidelines for cultural heritage values in the Great Barrier Reef Region.	<p>Complete. This action is considered complete through the publication of the guidelines and under other pieces of policy and legislation. Remaining components can be considered under HA6 (ongoing). The <b>Joint Team invites advice on any additional components of work that may be required</b> in the Phase 1 report – following discussions with Traditional Owners.</p>



## DoEE Revision of Actions for Mid-Term Review

Current Action	Revised Status in Mid-Term Review (MTR)
<p><b>HA7 -</b> Consolidate Reef heritage data and identify priorities for protective action</p>	<p>Complete. The Commonwealth Heritage Listed Places and Properties Heritage Strategy 2018-2021 completes this, together with new Actions:</p> <p>MTR HA3 – Finalise and implement the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority’s <i>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Strategy for the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park</i>.</p> <p>MTRGA4, which states: <i>Develop and implement an Integrated Monitoring and Reporting program that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>facilitates adaptive management for the Reef that is effective, efficient and evolving;</i></li> <li>• <i>enables timely and suitable responses by Reef managers and partners to emerging issues and risks; and</i></li> <li>• <i>enables the evaluation of whether the Reef 2050 Plan is on track to meet its outcomes, objectives and targets</i></li> </ul>



## **TO Engagement Pre and Post Plan:**

- Earlier processes like Turtle and Dugong Taskforce.
- Consultation in the development of the Plan's TO actions.
- Some engagement in progress against the actions and Implementation Plan.
- Now an opportunity to influence review through TO Aspirations Project



## **What's Changed Since the Plan:**

- Greater international recognition of Indigenous knowledge and rights
- Increasing Popular Recognition of Traditional Owner Interests
- Growing Indigenous Rights to Land and Sea Country in the GBR
- Traditional Owners Drive and Grow the Business of Sea Country Management



## **Big Implications:**

**Together, these developments suggest that, increasingly, major policy and delivery agendas in catchments and sea country business must recognize the relationship with TOs as significant rights-holders.**





## **Session 2 Breakout Questions:**

**What ongoing actions (including additions or changes) do TOs want to see on the Reef?**

**Which of these actions listed are your priorities (Top 2)?**

A photograph of two belugas swimming in deep blue water. The belugas are positioned diagonally, with one slightly above and to the right of the other. They are surrounded by several small, yellowish fish. The background is a solid, deep blue color.

**Questions and  
discussion**