



National Parks & Wildlife Advisory Council

Meeting summary - 17 February 2021 (online)

The following is a summary of matters considered by the National Parks and Wildlife Advisory Council at its 73rd meeting held on 17 February 2021.

Plans of management

Council provided advice to the Minister for Energy and Environment on the Tollingo and Woggoon Nature Reserves draft plan of management.

Reports

Council discussed the following strategic issues:

- Environmental and cultural assets of intergenerational significance and additional actions to protect these assets from threats
- Proposals to improve customer service related to NSW park entry
- NPWS priorities including work on feral free areas, expanding the national park estate and Aboriginal partnerships
- Property Access Policy (formerly the NPWS Access to Inholdings Policy)
- Design of the new NPWS uniform
- Status of leases and licences including the impacts of COVID19
- NSW Rewilding Program
- Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct
- Council's Statement of Strategic Intent.

About Council

The National Parks and Wildlife Advisory Council provides the Minister for Energy and Environment and the NPWS executive with independent, informed advice on the priorities, design and evaluation of NPWS policies, strategies and programs to help achieve the objects of the National Parks and Wildlife Act. Council also plays a key advocacy role through engagement with stakeholder organisations.

More information www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NPWS/NPWSAdvisoryCouncil.html

Council members

Assoc Prof Rosemary Black: Expertise and experience in environmental education and community involvement in environmental education.

Mr Brian Everingham: Expertise in non-government organisations concerned with the conservation of nature, nominated by NSW National Parks Assoc.

Cr Romola Hollywood: Experience in planning and local government, nominated by Local Government NSW

Cr Phyllis Miller OAM: Experience in planning and local government, nominated by Local Government NSW

Assoc Prof Julie Old: Scientific qualifications in an area associated with the conservation of nature.

Ms Cathy Parsons: Expertise and experience in bush fire management.

Ms Bronwyn Petrie: Expertise and experience in agriculture and rural issues, nominated by the NSW Farmers' Association (apologies)

Mrs Helen Riley: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee member

Mr Ted Rowley: Expertise and experience in rural and regional development and planning issues.

Mr Craig Thomas: Representing peak recreational bodies.

Ms Dianne Thompson OAM: Expertise in non-government organisations concerned with the conservation of nature, nominated by the Nature Conservation Council of New South Wales

Ms Iris White: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee member

