

Briefing on EnQuire Reporting

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Background

RLOSAC has long been concerned at the monitoring and evaluation of outputs and outcomes derived from the various regional planning initiatives and projects. Equally RLOSAC has long been concerned for a “joined up planning” approach to regional landscape planning and management.

There are numerous activities by state, local government and NGOs in pursuit of “better” outcomes but the drivers in many cases are neither landscape nor NRM. For many instances the investment will be for infrastructure, economic development, urban development and as such the investment will be seen as being directly related to NRM or landscaper planning. A major challenge is how the business of so many agencies and organisations can be captured.

One approach is the EnQuire reporting system which is able to collate the activities and projects in terms of the targets of the SEQ NRM Plan which in turn aligns to the SEQ Regional Plan.

The presentation on EnQuire will give RLOSAC some insight to the Enquire approach which is able to capture and report activities and projects and report these actions against the targets in the SEQ NRM Plan and the DROs of the SEQ Regional Plan. EnQuire also has the capacity to enable users to report project outputs against multiple targets of the SEQ NRM Plan. This recognises that individual projects rarely deliver on a single target, and that multiple benefits can be derived from a particular investment. The EnQuire system is an attempt to record and integrate the array of outputs likely to be derived from almost any NRM or regional landscape activity.

The reporting through EnQuire is at a level of activity and perhaps outputs and this complements the State of Region Reporting (more familiar to RLOSAC) which will monitor and report on outcomes.

Recommendations

The Committee recommends:

That RLOSAC endorse the need for regional reporting on outcomes (State of Region Reporting) complemented by activity through a mechanism like EnQuire.