



# AGENDA

## Friday, 12 August 2022

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<b>Venue:</b>	Kullilli Room Echidna Place 37 Dowling Street Thargomindah QLD 4492	<b>Date:</b>	Friday, 12 August 2022
<b>Chair:</b>	Cr Kate Dight - Inverell	<b>Time:</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> (local time) (Tea/Coffee from 8.30 am)
<b>Invitees:</b>			

<b>1.</b>	<b>Meeting Open</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Acknowledgement of Country &amp; Welcome – Cr John (Tractor) Ferguson, Mayor, Bulloo Shire Council</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
	Ann Leahy MP, Member for Warrego & Shadow Minister for Local Government, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers Cr Chris Matthews Gwydir Shire Council Cr Mark Johnson, Moree Plains Shire Council Max Eastcott, Gwydir Shire Council

<b>4.</b>	<b>Minutes of Meeting 6 May 2022 Moree - Moree Plains Shire Council (attached minus presentations)</b>																									
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QLD Cross Border Commissioner</li> <li>• Disaster Management Workshop/Conference</li> <li>• Regional Connectivity</li> <li>• Border Tourism Trail</li> <li>• Cross Border Water Workshop</li> <li>• Road Classification Review and Regional Road Transfer – Bruxner Way</li> </ul>																									
<b>5.</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>																									
5.1	<b>Inwards:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank Statements, Correspondence and Fixed Term Certificates - National Australia Bank &amp; Credit Union</li> <li>• Response from QLD Dept State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government &amp; Planning re: Cross Border Commissioner</li> <li>• Responses from RDA Darling Downs &amp; South West re: Cross Border Water Forum</li> </ul>																									
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6.2	<b>Matters arising from Financial Report</b>								
<b>7.</b>	<b>Updates</b>								
	<p><b>9.15 am</b> James McTavish, Cross Border Commissioner</p> <p><b>9.25 am</b> Jodie Healy, Office of Local Government</p> <p><b>9.30 am</b> Regional Development Australia (Darling Downs &amp; South West / Northern Inland) - Water Forum Update</p> <p><b>9.35 am</b> Angela Doering, Inland Rail (Dept Infrastructure) Jo Tait, ARTC</p> <p><b>9.40 am</b> Bill Lansbury, Regional Director, Dept Transport &amp; Main Roads QLD</p> <p><b>9.45am</b> Katie Williams, Department Premier &amp; Cabinet QLD</p>								
<b>8.</b>	<b>Guest Speakers</b>								
	<b>Bulloo Shire Council</b>								
<b>9.</b>	<b>Items Listed</b>								
9.1	<b>Disaster Management</b> A/Snr Sgt Chris Mitchell, District Disaster Management Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cross Border Disaster Management Conference</li> <li>- Update on Crime</li> </ul>								
9.2	<b>List of Priorities from Individual Councils</b> Discussion item.								
9.3	<b>BROC Constitution / Terms of Reference</b> Discussion and Analysis								
9.4	<b>Carbon Farming (socio economic impacts)</b> Discussion item.								
9.5	<b>Queensland Funding for Preschools and/or Kindergartens</b> Discussion item.								

9.6	<b>Flood Gauges, Access to State Asset Flood Cameras, Standardising Gauges and Reporting</b> Discussion item.
9.7	<b>Exclusion Fencing</b> Discussion item.
<b>10.</b>	<b>Action Log</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Next Meeting – Ordinary Meeting - Friday, 4 November 2022 at St George (Balonne Shire Council)</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>General Business</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Meeting Closed</b>

## **9.1 DISASTER MANAGEMENT**

### **Standing Agenda Item**

Address by A/Snr Sgt Chris Mitchell, District Disaster Management Coordinator. Items include:

- Cross Border Disaster Management Conference
- Update on Crime

## **9.2 BROCC – LIST OF PRIORITIES**

### **Raised by: Inverell Shire Council**

At the February BROCC Meeting Councils were invited to bring to the next meeting a list of dot points/issues of concern for their Council.

The lists provided will be shared and discussion on how the collective can assist through collaboration is envisaged. In preparation for this item, the following priority lists have been provided:

#### Bulloo Shire Council:

- Sealing of Warri Gate Road
- Affordable Housing Supply
- Appointment of a Queensland Cross Border Commissioner
- Improved Telecommunications

#### Inverell Shire Council:

- Water security
- Access to health services
- Cost shifting
- Road funding
- Financial assistance grants
- Energy security and affordability
- Telecommunications Blackspots / Reliable Mobile and Internet Services
- Skills and Education
- Housing
- Disaster preparedness and fair funding

#### Balonne Shire Council (Western QLD Alliance of Councils)

Balonne Shire Council has provided a copy of the 2022 Federal election strategy document which was prepared on behalf of the councils making up western Qld from the top to the bottom. It is noted that these issues are the same for all SWQ councils. The Federal Election Strategy document is attached as separate document.

Other Councils are invited to present their list of priorities at the meeting.

### **9.3 BROCC CONSTITUTION / TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**Raised by: Goondiwindi Regional Council**

Discussion and Analysis (Constitution Attached Separately).

### **9.4 CARBON FARMING**

**Raised by: Balonne Shire Council**

#### **Fun facts and figures about the Emission Reduction Scheme in SW QLD**

In Australia, there is 8 methodologies for carbon capture and storage. Of these 8 methodologies, the vegetation method is the most adopted, accounting for 49.1 % of all projects and 55.6% of all ACCU issued

- Nationally there are 586 projects with 60100400 ACCU issued
- In QLD there is 165 projects with 16192063 ACCU issued
- In SWROC there is 121 projects with 15265828 ACCU issued

Therefore, SWROC has:

- 20.65 % of all vegetation projects in Australia
- 25.4% of all vegetation ACCU issued in Australia
- 73.3 % of all vegetation projects in QLD, and
- 94.28% of all vegetation ACCU issued in QLD

#### **Let's drill a little deeper into SWROC**

Of the 121 projects and 15265828 ACCU issued:

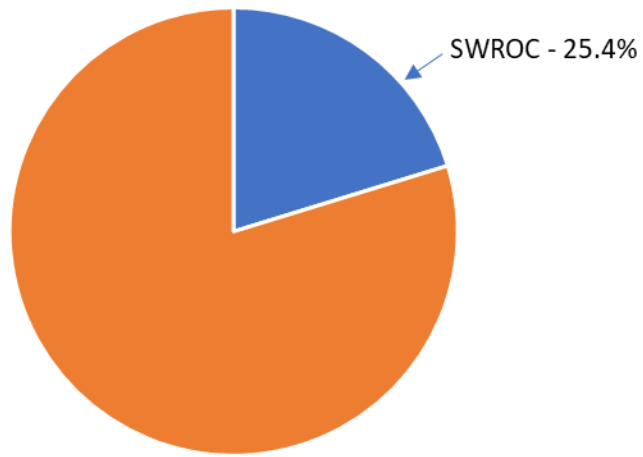
- Maranoa has 6 projects for 315871 ACCU
- Balonne has 8 projects for 1191498 ACCU
- Murweh has 27 projects for 2972656 ACCU
- Paroo has 47 projects for 5402152 ACCU
- Quilpie has 25 projects for 3486845 ACCU
- Bulloo has 8 projects for 1896806 ACCU

#### **Paroo Shire snap shot:**

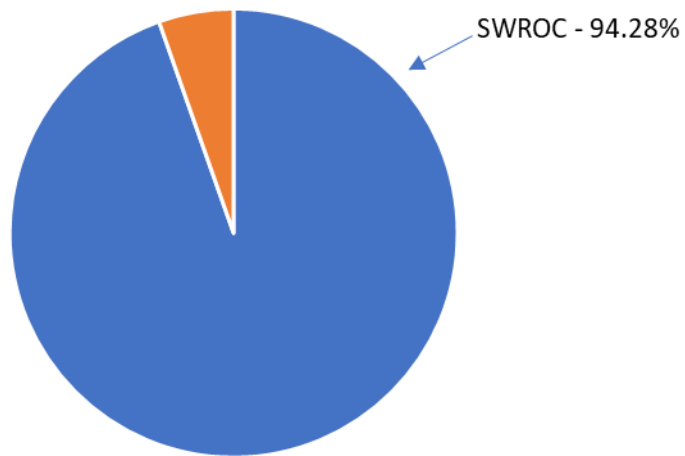
- Paroo has 9% of Australias ACCU
- Paroo has 33.4 % of QLD ACCU
- Paroo has 35.4 % of SWROC ACCU

**NOTE:** all information contained herein was accessed on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022 from the Clean Energy Regulator website , found at: [Interactive Map | Emissions Reduction Fund | Clean Energy Regulator](#)

SWROC ACCU versus Australia ACCU

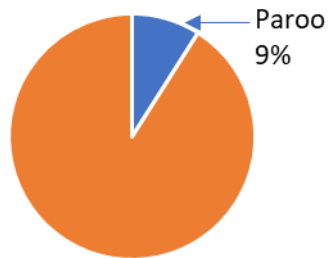


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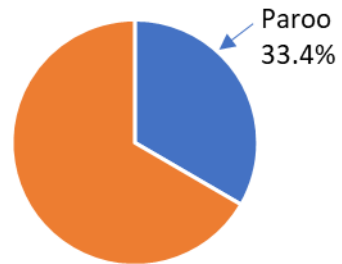


### Paroo Shire Snap Shot

Paroo Shire v Australia



Paroo Shire v QLD



## **9.5 QUEENSLAND FUNDING FOR PRESCHOOLS AND/OR KINDERGARTENS**

**Raised by: Goondiwindi Regional Council**

For discussion.

## **9.6 FLOOD GAUGES, ACCESS TO STATE ASSET FLOOD CAMERAS, STANDARDISING GAUGES AND REPORTING**

**Raised by: Goondiwindi Regional Council**

For discussion.

## **9.7 EXCLUSION FENCING**

**Raised by: Goondiwindi Regional Council**

For discussion.



## 10. ACTION LOG

Updated 3.8.2022

ACTION ITEM LOG			
Officer	Item	Listed	Outcome
Exec/Chair	<p><b>Road Network Strategy – New England Joint Organisation</b>            Chair of BROC and Bruxner Way Joint Committee to seek information from the State Government regarding the extended timeframe as this matter was an election promise.            Joint application submitted mid September 2020 and acknowledged. No further information to date. TSC Director Infrastructure reports we were unsuccessful (report attached - received in late September). Applications have now opened for the full round of the Regional Road Transfer and Road Classification Review and close on the 24th December for which we can submit another application. Note it is not just a process of re-submission, it is an entirely new application with different information requirements.</p>	08/11/19	
Exec	<p><b>NAB Account 69-022-2187</b>            That BROC apply for a Credit Card to be attached to this account in the name of the current Treasurer (Noelene Hyde) with the card to be cancelled and reissued as the Executive Council changes.            Credit Union signatories changed over. NAB change of signatories still being processed.</p>	14/08/20	Currently being actioned.
Balonne	<p><b>Water Forum</b>            Update on the water forum idea mentioned a few meetings ago to be provided by Balonne Shire Council at the next meeting.  <b>Resolved 6/5/2022</b>  <b>Cross Border Water Workshop</b>            That BROC:            a) Encourage Regional Development Australia, Darling Downs and South West to engage and collaborate with relevant water agencies with a view of holding a Cross Border Water Forum;            b) BROC members, agencies and organisations from both QLD and NSW be invited and encouraged to participate;            and</p>	11/2/22	Refer to emails received from RDA in Inwards Correspondence. Update to be provided at August meeting.

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	c) It was noted that Moree Plains Shire Council offered for the Workshop to be held in Moree.		
Chair	<p><b>BROC Strategic Planning Exercise</b> Councils to come back to next meeting with list of issues &amp; priorities. Councils requested to provide list for meeting to be held 6 May 2022. Matter held over to August 2022 meeting.</p>	11/2/22	Item added to Agenda for 12 August 2022.
Exec	<p><b>QLD Cross Border Commissioner</b> Copy of letter from Balonne Shire Council to Damien Walker, Director General, QLD Dept State Development Infrastructure Local Government &amp; Planning requesting reconsideration of decision to not support creation of QLD Cross Border Commissioner role to be tabled at next BROC meeting. Letter tabled for consideration at 6 May 2022 meeting.</p> <p><b>Resolved 6/5/2022</b> That BROC write to Damien Walker, Director General, Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning urging the QLD Department to support the appointment of a Queensland Cross Border Commissioner.</p>	11/2/22	Letter forwarded to Dept. Dept has referred matter on to Dept Premier & Cabinet (refer to response in Inwards Correspondence).
Exec	<p><b>Disaster Management Workshop</b> That BROC support and be represented in the initiative of the District Disaster Management Coordinator to hold a Disaster Management Workshop in which all relevant cross border agencies would be invited to participate. Letter of support sent to QLD Police.</p>	6/5/2022	Disaster Management Cross Border Conference scheduled for 2/3 November 2022.
Exec	<p><b>Neutral Hosting of Communication Infrastructure</b> That BROC make representations to the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, Minister of Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts, in support of neutral hosting of communication infrastructure particularly for rural, regional and remote areas. Letter sent to Shadow Minister for Communications, Senator Sarah Henderson.</p>	6/5/2022	No response to date.

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Exec	<p><b>Tourism Trail Investigation</b>            That BROC encourage Visitor Information Centre Tourism Managers to collaborate and formulate a position on the merits of establishing a focused Tourism Trail (eg geographic features/arts &amp; culture) throughout the BROC local government areas.  <b>Letter sent to C/- Inverell Visitor Information Centre.</b></p>	6/5/2022	Group yet to meet.
Exec	<p><b>Road Classification Review and Regional Road Transfer – Bruxner Way</b>            That BROC provide a letter supporting the application made by Tenterfield, Inverell, Gwydir and Moree Plains Shire Councils to transfer the Bruxner Way to the NSW Government as part of the Road Classification review and Regional Road Transfer.  <b>Letter sent.</b></p>	6/5/2022	No response to date.
Exec	<p><b>Carbon Farming (Balonne Shire Council)</b>            Matter to be held over to August meeting.</p>	6/5/2022	Listed as agenda item for August Meeting.