

North Marine Parks Advisory Committee

Meeting #8 Communique

16th Nov 2022 - Darwin

Attendance

Members

Jacqui Doyle (Chair)
Christine Lamont
Jackie Gould
Jade Ritchie
John Glaister
Peter Cox
Ian Knuckey
Robert Fish

Carol Conacher (apology)
Rachel Baird (apology)
Ricky Archer (apology)
Jason Fowler (apology)
David Ciaravolo (apology)

Observers

Jonathan Veal (NT Government)
Moni Carlisle (TSRA)
Darren Roy (QLD Government)

Guests

David Logan (Parks Australia)
Barbara Musso (Parks Australia)
Mary Williams (Larrakia descendent with Iwaidja heritage)
Barry Hunter (NAILSMA)

Secretariat (Parks Australia)

Frances Verrier
Deklyn Townsend

Meeting #8 provided an update on recent management activities in the North Network and National management activities of interest.

More detailed updates were provided on the integrated management of the Limmen Bight region, the Our Marine Parks Grant Project (OMPG) project: Looking After Sea Country - Understanding and protecting the values of Arnhem Marine Park and Djelk Indigenous Protected Area and the Ghost Nets Initiative.

A key focus of meeting #8 was the science planning session, undertaken to collect feedback on the monitoring and research priorities of the draft interim North Network Science Plan. The draft interim North Network Science Plan will aim to guide network-scale priorities, noting that place-based co-designed, right-way research priorities will be developed through a dedicated program with relevant Traditional Owners and First Nations groups

The Committee was also provided with the draft Consolidation Phase Implementation Plan for feedback following the workshop in meeting #7 that focussed on its development. The draft Implementation Plan outlines the proposed outcomes, actions and outputs for the North Network over the next four years. The Committee indicated that generally feedback from meeting #7 had been incorporated and requested a copy of the draft Plan for further comment.

Next meeting

The next Committee meeting is planned for mid-2023. For more information about the North Marine Parks Network or the Committee:

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About the Committee and Meeting #8

The North Marine Parks Advisory Committee provides advice to the Director of National Parks on the implementation of the [North Marine Parks Network Management Plan](#).

Meeting #8 was held in Darwin on Wednesday 16 December 2022.