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# **Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board 2019-20 Annual Report**

**Eyre Peninsula NRM Board**

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Minister Speirs

Minister for Environment and Water

This annual report will be presented to Parliament to meet the statutory reporting requirements of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004* and the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular *PC013 Annual Reporting*.

This report is verified to be accurate for the purposes of annual reporting to the Parliament of South Australia.

Submitted on behalf of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board  
by:

Mark Whitfield

Sole Member

Date 30/11/2020

Signature



## From the Presiding Member

In 2019/20, the Board continued its work with communities, governments, industry and other stakeholders to deliver the Regional Natural Resources Management Plan. The Board worked closely with the stakeholders in progressing regional integration of natural resource management services. Our aim continued to be achievement of ecological sustainability, vibrant communities and thriving enterprises in a changing climate.

Our Board members brought a broad range of skills, knowledge, backgrounds, and considerable networks to the Board. Like the regional staff who work on behalf of the Board, our members are located across the region and provide strong representation for their communities as well as the wider Eyre Peninsula (EP) on Natural Resources Management issues.

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board formally concluded its service on 30 June 2020. Ongoing existing responsibilities have been transitioned to the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board, which was established under the Landscape SA Act 2019, effective 1 July 2020.



Mark Whitfield

Sole Member - Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management  
Board Presiding Member – Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board

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## Overview: about the agency

### Our strategic focus

<b>Our Purpose</b>	The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (the Board) was established on 2 September 2004 under the provisions of the <i>Natural Resources Management Act 2004</i> . (NRM Act). The Board undertook an active role in managing natural resources through the preparation and implementation of a regional Natural Resources Management plan which was the principal document guiding the management of natural resources in the Eyre Peninsula Region.
<b>Our Vision</b>	The Boards vision is ' <i>Natural Resources managed to support ecological sustainability, vibrant communities and thriving enterprises in a changing climate</i> '
<b>Our Principles</b>	<p>Board investment is targeted at the highest priority outcomes contained within the Strategic Plan. Below are the principles the Board use to support their decision making processes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Core Function – statutory requirement under the NRM Act or other legislative or regulatory requirements.</li> <li>• Strategic – alignment with the Strategic Plan, Landscapes SA reform priorities and other key regional plans.</li> <li>• Outcomes focused – will lead to sustainable use, protection and conservation of the region's natural resources.</li> <li>• Cost/Benefit – in value, outcomes, partnerships and community engagement – delivery of local, catchment or regional outcomes, across one specific industry or multiple industries or communities sectors.</li> <li>• Capacity and capability – resources, knowledge and skills required to undertake the work are available within the Board, community or partner organisations.</li> <li>• Collaborative – forms partnerships with other groups and organisations to share responsibility and deliver the best possible natural resources management outcomes.</li> <li>• Innovative – opportunity to drive innovation, demonstrate best practice and/or increase understanding of natural resources.</li> <li>• Visibility – raising the importance of natural resources and the work being undertaken by the Board, the community and partner organisations.</li> <li>• Fairness – no single person, organisation or group of organisations is treated more or less favourably than others.</li> <li>• Equality – people who are the beneficiaries of natural resources management both indirectly and directly in the region should contribute accordingly.</li> </ul>

	Administrative accountability – public accountability for efficient and effective use of State, Australian Government and levy funds.
<b>Our functions, objectives and deliverables</b>	<p>The objectives of the Board were to help achieve ecologically sustainable development in the State by contributing to the establishment of an integrated scheme to promote the use and management of natural resources in a manner that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• recognises and protects the intrinsic values of natural resources</li> <li>• seeks to protect biological diversity and, insofar as is reasonably practicable, to support and encourage the restoration or rehabilitation of ecological systems and processes that have been lost or degraded</li> <li>• provides for the protection and management of catchments and the sustainable use of land and water resources and, insofar as is reasonably practicable, seeks to enhance and restore or rehabilitate land and water resources that have been degraded</li> <li>• seeks to support sustainable primary and other economic production systems with particular reference to the value of agriculture and mining activities to the economy of the State</li> <li>• provides for the prevention or control of impacts caused by pest species of animals and plants that may have an adverse effect on the environment, primary production or the community</li> <li>• promotes educational initiatives and provides support mechanisms to increase the capacity of all people to be involved in the management of natural resources.</li> </ul>

### **Our organisational structure**

Section 25 of the NRM Act provides for the appointment of the Board. The Board comprised of six members appointed by the Minister for Environment and Water. Each of the appointed members of the board was a person who in the opinion of the Minister met the requirements of section 25(4) of the NRM Act.

### **Sub-committees of the Board**

- Risk and Audit Committee

### Meetings of the Board: general and special

A total of 5 board meetings were held during the 2019–20 financial year and no special board meetings were held during this period. The table below illustrates attendance by appointed board members at meetings.

Board Member	Meetings Attended	Comments
Mark Whitfield	5	Presiding Member
Diana Laube	3	Term ceased 12.2.2020
Simon Clark	3	Term ceased 12.2.2020
Justine Major	3	Term ceased 12.2.2020
Mark Dennis	2	Term ceased 12.2.2020
Meagan Turner	2	Term ceased 12.2.2020

### Changes to the agency

During 2019-20 there was a significant change to the agency's structure and objectives as a result of machinery of government changes. As at 12 February 2020, with the implementation of some elements of the Landscape South Australia Act 2019, the majority of the board was retired and Mark Whitfield remained as the sole member of the board.

### Our Minister

Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board is a portfolio agency of the Minister for Environment and Water, the Hon David Speirs MP.

### Our Executive team

The Board does not employ staff. Those staff who undertake the work of the Board are employed through the Department for Environment and Water in accordance with a service level agreement.

The Office of the Commissioner of Public Sector Employment has a data dashboard for further information on the breakdown of executive gender, salary and tenure by agency.

### Legislation administered by the agency

*Natural Resources Management Act 2004*

### Other related agencies (within the Minister's area/s of responsibility)

- Department for Environment and Water
- Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board
- Kangaroo Island Natural Resources Management Board
- Northern and Yorke Natural Resources Management Board



- South Australian Arid Lands Natural Resources Management Board
- SA Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board
- South East Natural Resources Management Board
- Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board
- Environment Protection Authority
- SA Water.
- Green Industries SA

## **The agency's performance**

### **Performance at a glance**

The Board is confident that our organisation is well placed to contribute to sustainable and resilient EP landscapes into the future. Recent investments in both our Water Allocation Plan and our overarching strategic plan (the NRM Plan) have given us greater clarity, while strong community input has shaped these strategic documents and will encourage ongoing partnerships.

Working with partners is a key part of our operational success and this includes industry groups, relevant government agencies, businesses, local government, Aboriginal groups and individuals.

Sustainable primary production remains a Board priority as well as a regional priority; we will continue to work with land managers and farming groups on soils improvement, pest management and water management efficiencies.

Our strong focus on both biodiversity conservation and biosecurity remains. A suite of Pest Management Plans have been finalised, providing robust guidelines for everyone to use.

The Board was selected as a successful tenderer for the delivery of the Australian Government's Regional Land Partnership program. This has resulted in an additional \$1.3 million per annum coming in to the region over the next three years, to deliver a range of services and projects.

Our Board is strongly committed to working closely with our community such that EP's landscapes are strengthened into the future; regardless of the issues we need to face. Our regional NRM Plan shows a resilience thinking approach, that we believe will allow our communities to be sustained despite the various economic and other challenges that invariably face us.

## Agency contribution to whole of Government objectives

Key objective (Govt)	Agency's contribution
Sustainable Economy	<p>Goal1 - Sustainable management and use of land, sea and water by:</p> <p>Strategy A. Working with landholders and industries to sustainably use and manage natural resources</p> <p>Strategy B. Facilitating sustainable commercial and recreational use of coasts and parks</p>
Vibrant Biodiversity	<p>Goal 2 - Healthy and resilient land, sea and water ecosystems by:</p> <p>Strategy C. Improving understanding and conservation of biodiversity and ecosystems in a changing climate</p> <p>Strategy D. Supporting management of land, sea and water to maintain or improve condition.</p>
Resilient Communities	<p>Goal 3 - Active participation in natural resource management by:</p> <p>Strategy E Supporting communities and individuals to monitor and conserve natural resources in a changing climate</p> <p>Strategy F. Supporting traditional owners and Aboriginal communities to care for country</p>

<b>Agency specific objectives and performance</b>		
<b>Agency objectives</b>	<b>Indicators</b>	<b>Performance</b>
Water	Water Allocation Plan implemented Water Affecting Activities (WAA) permits and refusals managed, breaches of the NRM Act investigated and enquiries relating to WAA responded to in a timely manner	Efficient and effective water management across the region
Soil	Managing support for the region's Sustainable Agricultural program - through Senior NRM Officers  Delivering the region's National Landcare Program activities, including the Regenerative Agriculture program and Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator in partnership with the region two farming systems groups.	Effective and efficient sustainable agriculture project delivery, landholders and farming groups actively engaged
Pest Plants and Animals	Develop management plans for priority pest plants and animals  Monitor and facilitate management of priority pest plants and animals	Pest management plans approved and effective and efficient pest management on ground
Other stewardship priorities	Facilitate activities to protect, restore or improve priority terrestrial ecosystems  Conserving and protecting species and ecosystems  Improve community skills, knowledge and engagement in natural resource management  Delivering the region's National Landcare Program activities, including the Saltmarsh threat abatement and recovery project.  Facilitate activities to protect, restore or improve priority coast and marine ecosystems	Efficient and effective landscape scale management of natural resources in the region and project delivery

Planning and strategy	<p>Finalisation of regional NRM Plan, Policies and Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement (MERI). Annual review of Business Plan, and other strategic planning tools</p> <p>Support Monitoring &amp; Evaluation throughout the region and implement strategies</p>	<p>Relevant and effective regional planning framework in place to guide operations</p> <p>Effective and efficient monitoring and evaluation of works undertaken throughout the region</p>
Education, communications and engagement	<p>Effective community engagement, communications, coordination of volunteer management, citizen science and education programs</p> <p>Undertake strategies to support Aboriginal employment and development of projects with Aboriginal communities</p> <p>Aboriginal capacity building for natural resource management</p>	<p>Effective and efficient community engagement in natural resources management</p> <p>Aboriginal engagement strategy and implementation plan developed</p>
Board administration and operational management	<p>EP NRM Board and Committees supported, Budget finalised and loaded by 30th Sept, EP NRM Board financial reports provided as per SLA</p> <p>WHS incidents managed to reduce risk and injuries managed effectively, HR policies implemented</p> <p>Contracts and landholder agreements administered</p>	<p>Effective and efficient governance, human resources, WHS, financial and contractual management in place</p>

### Corporate performance summary

The Department for Environment and Water provides the corporate, governance and administrative support services to the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board on a fee for service basis in accordance with a Services Level Agreement (SLA).

## Employment opportunity programs

Program name	Performance
Nil	The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board does not employ staff. Those staff who undertake the work of the Board are employed through the Department for Environment and Water in accordance with a Service Level Agreement (SLA).

## Agency performance management and development systems

Performance management and development system	Performance
Service Level Agreement	Not assessed during this reporting period
Australian Government Performance Framework	Not assessed during this reporting period
Board Presiding Member one on one with Board members	The Presiding Member held one on one conversations with all Board members and agency representatives during this reporting period,
Other	

## Work health, safety and return to work programs

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board operates in accordance with the relevant safety policies and procedures that have been adopted by the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) to meet whole of Government and legislative requirements.

Reporting on compliance with the relevant safety policies and procedures forms part of DEW Annual Report 2019-20.

Program name	Performance
The Board operates in accordance with the relevant safety policies and procedures adopted on 26 October 2017.	There has been no incidents recorded.

<b>Workplace injury claims</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>% Change (+ / -)</b>
Total new workplace injury claims	0	0	0
Fatalities	0	0	0
Seriously injured workers*	0	0	0
Significant injuries (where lost time exceeds a working week, expressed as frequency rate per 1000 FTE)	0	0	0

\*number of claimants assessed during the reporting period as having a whole person impairment of 30% or more under the Return to Work Act 2014 (Part 2 Division 5)

<b>Work health and safety regulations</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>% Change (+ / -)</b>
Number of notifiable incidents ( <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2012, Part 3</i> )	0	0	0
Number of provisional improvement, improvement and prohibition notices ( <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2012 Sections 90, 191 and 195</i> )	0	0	0

<b>Return to work costs**</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>% Change (+ / -)</b>
Total gross workers compensation expenditure (\$)	0	0	0
Income support payments – gross (\$)	0	0	0

\*\*before third party recovery

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/eyre-peninsula-nrm-board-annual-report-data>

### **Executive employment in the agency**

<b>Executive classification</b>	<b>Number of executives</b>
SAES	0

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board does not employ staff. Those staff who undertake the work of the Board are employed through the Department for Environment and Water in accordance with a service level agreement (SLA)

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The [Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment](#) has a [workforce information](#) page that provides further information on the breakdown of executive gender, salary and tenure by agency.



## Financial performance

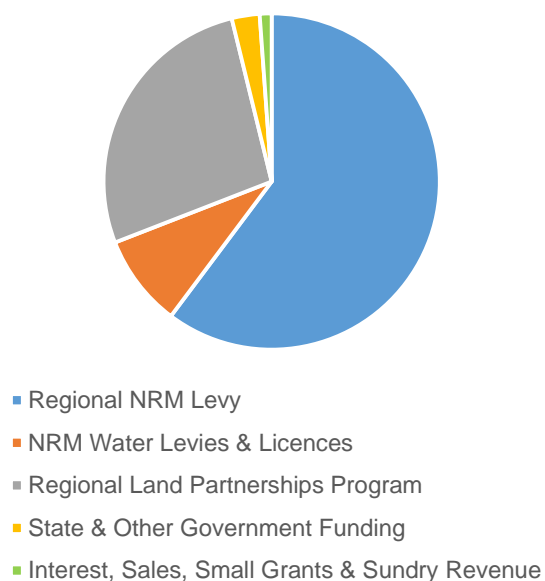
### Financial performance at a glance

The financial performance and position as at 30 June 2020 are contained within the audited financial statements and attached to the Annual Report Appendix.

The following is a brief summary of the overall financial position of the agency. The information is unaudited. Full audited financial statements for 2019-20 are attached to this report.

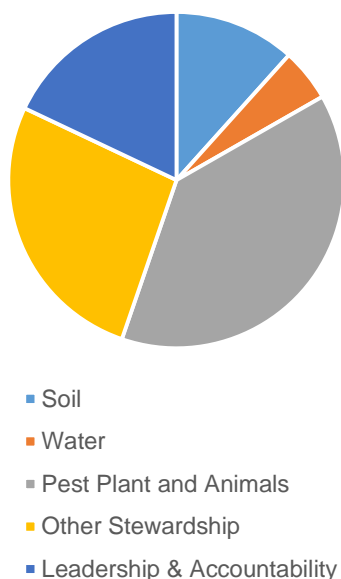
Revenue	Funding Source	\$'000	%
<b>NRM Levies</b>	Regional NRM Levy	2,943	60.2%
	NRM Water Levies & Licences	433	8.9%
<b>Australian Government</b>	Regional Land Partnerships Program	1,323	27.1%
	State & Other Government Funding	131	2.7%
<b>Other</b>	Interest, Sales, Small Grants & Sundry Revenue	56	1.1%
		4,886	

Board Revenue 2019/20



Expenditure	\$'000	%
<b>Soil</b>	551	11.7%
<b>Water</b>	240	5.1%
<b>Pest Plant and Animals</b>	1,821	38.5%
<b>Other Stewardship</b>	1,265	26.8%
<b>Leadership &amp; Accountability</b>	849	17.9%
	4,726	

Board Expenditure 2019/20



## Consultants disclosure

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken, and the actual payments made for the work undertaken during the financial year.

### Consultancies with a contract value below \$10,000 each

Consultancies	Purpose	\$ Actual payment
None		\$0

### Consultancies with a contract value above \$10,000 each

Consultancies	Purpose	\$ Actual payment
None		\$0
	Total	\$0

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See also the [Consolidated Financial Report of the Department of Treasury and Finance](#) for total value of consultancy contracts across the South Australian Public Sector.

## Contractors disclosure

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken, and the actual payments made for work undertaken during the financial year.

### Contractors with a contract value below \$10,000

Contractors	Purpose	\$ Actual payment
All contractors below \$10,000 each - combined	Various	\$66,260

**Contractors with a contract value above \$10,000 each**

<b>Contractors</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
Delta Environmental Consulting	Saltmarsh workshops, mapping and consultancy services for NLP Saltmarsh Threat Abatement and Recovery Project.	\$11,777.50
Kerri Muller NRM Pty Ltd	Assist with Red gum condition analysis gathering and interpreting data relating to large rainfall events. Assist with GDE wetland monitoring data analysis.	\$24,100.00
Lower Eyre Agriculture Development Association	Delivery of the Regional Agricultural Landcare Facilitator for the Eyre Peninsula.	\$50,000.00
Dept. of Primary Industries & Resources	Soil cover analysis & Land Management advice; Support the delivery of the Farming Acid Soils Champions program; Soil sampling to determine soil pH in areas with known acidification; and Dog trapper program	\$55,952.50
Water Technology	Development of a new management plan for the Cummins Wanilla Basin drainage system.	\$58,155.00

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The details of South Australian Government-awarded contracts for goods, services, and works are displayed on the SA Tenders and Contracts website. [View the agency list of contracts](#).

The website also provides details of [across government contracts](#).

**Other financial information**

Under Section 42(5) of the NRM Act, financial assistance can be made to third parties such as community groups, industry, state and local government, land owners and individuals for various projects and programs under the Regional NRM Plan. During 2019-20, the Board provided \$239,859 in grants and other financial assistance to the following:

- \$30,981 to Local Government
- \$198,358 to Private and Not for Profit sectors
- \$4,527 to Other sectors of Government (including State Schools)
- \$5,993 to Non-Government schools

## Risk management

### Fraud detected in the agency

Category/nature of fraud	Number of instances
There were no instances of fraud detected in the activities undertaken by the Board in this reporting period.	0

NB: Fraud reported includes actual and reasonably suspected incidents of fraud.

### Strategies implemented to control and prevent fraud

Financial services are provided to the Board by the Department for Environment and Water (DEW). Strategies to detect instances of fraud are reported in the DEW Annual Report 2019-20.

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/eyre-peninsula-nrm-board-annual-report-data>

### Public interest disclosure

Number of occasions on which public interest information has been disclosed to a responsible officer of the agency under the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018*:

0

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Note: Disclosure of public interest information was previously reported under the *Whistleblowers Protection Act 1993* and repealed by the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018* on 1/7/2019.

## Reporting required under any other act or regulation

Act or Regulation	Requirement
Development Regulations 2008	<p><b>12—Activities that would otherwise require a permit under the <i>Natural Resources Management Act 2004</i></b></p> <p>(1) Development comprising or including an activity for which a permit would be required under section 127(3)(d) or (5)(a) of the <i>Natural Resources Management Act 2004</i> if it were not for the operation of section 129(1)(e) of that Act (on the basis that the referral required by virtue of this item operates in conjunction with section 129(1)(e) of that Act), other than development within a River Murray Protection Area under the <i>River Murray Act 2003</i>.</p> <p>The Board received no mandatory development assessment referrals during this reporting period.</p>

Reporting required under the *Carers' Recognition Act 2005*

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board is not a required 'reporting agency', and all staff who undertake the work of the Board, are employed through a service level agreement with the Department for Environment and Water (DEW).

DEW has a strong commitment and provides support to ensure all employees who provide ongoing care for a person who has a disability or a chronic illness (including mental illness) or who is frail have flexible working arrangements to meet their situation.

Employees are encouraged to speak with their manager to seek support with flexible working arrangements including special leave with pay, compressed weeks, part-time hours or working from home. Employees can also seek support and guidance through the Health and Wellbeing Program, which incorporates the Employee Assistance Program.

## Public complaints

Public Complaints are documented by Dept. for Environment and Water and are not the responsibility of the Board.

### Number of public complaints reported

Complaint categories	Sub-categories	Example	Number of Complaints 2019-20
Professional behaviour	Staff attitude	Failure to demonstrate values such as empathy, respect, fairness, courtesy, extra mile; cultural competency	0
Professional behaviour	Staff competency	Failure to action service request; poorly informed decisions; incorrect or incomplete service provided	0
Professional behaviour	Staff knowledge	Lack of service specific knowledge; incomplete or out-of-date knowledge	0
Communication	Communication quality	Inadequate, delayed or absent communication with customer	0
Communication	Confidentiality	Customer's confidentiality or privacy not respected; information shared incorrectly	0
Service delivery	Systems/technology	System offline; inaccessible to customer; incorrect result/information provided; poor system design	0
Service delivery	Access to services	Service difficult to find; location poor; facilities/ environment poor standard; not accessible to customers with disabilities	0
Service delivery	Process	Processing error; incorrect process used; delay in processing application; process not customer responsive	0
Policy	Policy application	Incorrect policy interpretation; incorrect policy applied; conflicting policy advice given	0

<b>Complaint categories</b>	<b>Sub-categories</b>	<b>Example</b>	<b>Number of Complaints 2019-20</b>
Policy	Policy content	Policy content difficult to understand; policy unreasonable or disadvantages customer	0
Service quality	Information	Incorrect, incomplete, out dated or inadequate information; not fit for purpose	0
Service quality	Access to information	Information difficult to understand, hard to find or difficult to use; not plain English	0
Service quality	Timeliness	Lack of staff punctuality; excessive waiting times (outside of service standard); timelines not met	0
Service quality	Safety	Maintenance; personal or family safety; duty of care not shown; poor security service/ premises; poor cleanliness	0
Service quality	Service responsiveness	Service design doesn't meet customer needs; poor service fit with customer expectations	0
No case to answer	No case to answer	Third party; customer misunderstanding; redirected to another agency; insufficient information to investigate	0
		<b>Total</b>	

Note: the section below is mandated

<b>Additional Metrics</b>	<b>Total</b>
Number of positive feedback comments	0
Number of negative feedback comments	0
Total number of feedback comments	0
% complaints resolved within policy timeframes	0

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/eyre-peninsula-nrm-board-annual-report-data>



<b>Service Improvements resulting from complaints or consumer suggestions over 2019-20</b>
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Not applicable.
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## **Appendix: Audited financial statements 2019-20**



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## To the Presiding Member Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board

### Opinion

I have audited the financial report of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (the Board) for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board as at 30 June 2020, its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial report comprises:

- a Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2020
- a Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2020
- a Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2020
- a Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2020
- notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information
- a Certificate from the Presiding Member and the Chief Financial Officer of the Department for Environment and Water.

### Basis for opinion

I conducted the audit in accordance with the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report' section of my report. I am independent of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board. The *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* establishes the independence of the Auditor-General. In conducting the audit, the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (including Independence Standards) have been met.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. Responsibilities of the Board for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as deemed necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report**

As required by section 31(1)(b) of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and section 37(2) of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004* (repealed 1 July 2020), I have audited the financial report of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board's internal control
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board
- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

My report refers only to the financial report described above and does not provide assurance over the integrity of electronic publication by the entity on any website nor does it provide an opinion on other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the report.

I communicate with the Board about, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during the audit.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richardson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Andrew Richardson

**Auditor-General**

27 November 2020

# **Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**

## **Financial Statements**

For the year ended 30 June 2020

**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
**Certification of the Financial Statements**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

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We certify that the attached general purpose financial statements for the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board:

- comply with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under section 41 of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*, and relevant Australian Accounting Standards
- are in accordance with the accounts and records of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board
- present a true and fair view of the financial position of the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board as at 30 June 2020 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the financial year.

We certify that the internal controls employed by the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board for the financial year over its financial reporting and its preparation of the general purpose financial statements have been effective throughout the reporting period.



Mark Whitfield  
**Presiding Member**  
25 November 2020



Shaun O'Brien  
**Chief Financial Officer**  
Department for Environment and Water  
25 November 2020

**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
**Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

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		<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>Note</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Regional NRM and Water Levies	2.1	3 376	3 240
Commonwealth funding	2.2	1 373	1 386
Grant	2.3	107	208
Interest	2.4	7	22
Other income	2.5	23	15
<b>Total income</b>		<b>4 886</b>	<b>4 871</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Board, group and committee	3.2	49	65
Supplies and services	4.1	4 397	4 802
Grants and subsidies	4.2	240	523
Other expenses	4.3	40	55
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>4 726</b>	<b>5 445</b>
<b>Net result</b>		<b>160</b>	<b>(574)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive result</b>		<b>160</b>	<b>(574)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. The net result and total comprehensive result are attributable to the SA Government as owner.



**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
*as at 30 June 2020*

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	<b>Note</b>	<b>2020 \$'000</b>	<b>2019 \$'000</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	5.1	1 052	1 092
Receivables	5.2	849	838
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1 901</b>	<b>1 930</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>1 901</b>	<b>1 930</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Payables	6.1	226	415
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>226</b>	<b>415</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>226</b>	<b>415</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>1 675</b>	<b>1 515</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Retained earnings		1 675	1 515
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>1 675</b>	<b>1 515</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. The total equity is attributable to the SA Government as owner.

**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
**Statement of Changes in Equity**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

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	Retained earnings \$'000	Total equity \$'000
<b>Balance at 1 July 2018</b>	2 089	2 089
Net result for 2018-19	(574)	(574)
<b>Total comprehensive result for 2018-19</b>	<b>(574)</b>	<b>(574)</b>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2019</b>	<b>1 515</b>	<b>1 515</b>
Net result for 2019-20	160	160
<b>Total comprehensive result for 2019-20</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2020</b>	<b>1 675</b>	<b>1 675</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. All changes in equity are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

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		<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
		<b>Inflows</b>	<b>Inflows</b>
		<b>(Outflows)</b>	<b>(Outflows)</b>
	<b>Note</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
<b>Cash inflows</b>			
Grant and levy receipts		3 235	3 403
Commonwealth funding received		1 609	696
Interest received		8	24
Other receipts		23	15
<b>Cash generated from operating activities</b>		<b>4 875</b>	<b>4 138</b>
<b>Cash outflows</b>			
Payments for supplies and services		(4 505)	(4 850)
Payments of grants and subsidies		(322)	(523)
Board, group and committee member payments		(49)	(65)
Other payments		(39)	(39)
<b>Cash used in operating activities</b>		<b>(4 915)</b>	<b>(5 477)</b>
<b>Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(40)</b>	<b>(1 339)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
<b>Cash outflows</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	(16)
<b>Cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>(16)</b>
<b>Net cash provided / (used in) by investing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>(16)</b>
<b>Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(40)</b>	<b>(1 355)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1 092	2 447
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>1 092</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
**Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**  
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# **Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**

## **Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**

*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

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### **1. About the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (the Board) is a body corporate of the state of South Australia, established pursuant to section 23(1) of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004* (NRM Act).

The Board operates under a Natural Resources Management Plan 2017-27 (NRM Plan) which was adopted by the Minister for Environment and Water in May 2017.

The financial statements include all the controlled activities of the Board.

On 1 July 2020, the NRM Act was repealed, and the Board was abolished. By notice in the Government Gazette on 25 June 2020 the property, assets, rights and liabilities of the Board, with effect from 1 July 2020, are vested or attached to Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board.

#### Direction by the Minister

On 16 April 2012, the Minister for Environment and Water, pursuant to sub-section 24(3) of the NRM Act, directed the Board to:

- use the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) to provide the Board's business support and NRM services to the region
- enter into an agreement for these services
- fund the services and projects set out in the agreement.

The Board entered into a Service Level Agreement (SLA) during 2019-20 which includes the delivery of support services to the Board to ensure it is able to meet its statutory requirements under the NRM Act and an annual work plan for the delivery of the Board's Business Plan. This agreement details the services, projects and funds to deliver the annual work plan. This SLA is reviewed and updated on an annual basis.

In accordance with notice published in the Government Gazette on 21 June 2012, all Board staff were transferred from employment under the NRM Act to the *Public Sector Act 2009*. This was effective from 1 July 2012 at which date staff were brought into the administrative unit of DEW. As a consequence:

- DEW assumed responsibility for the staff previously employed under the NRM Act by the Board
- all staff are now employed by the Chief Executive, DEW under the *Public Sector Act 2009*
- DEW is responsible for the management, supervision, liability, Work Health and Safety and human resources management of the staff that undertake services under the (SLA)
- staff undertaking services on behalf of the Board are assigned to the Board under the NRM Act
- the payment for staff salaries is recharged to the Board under a Fee for Service Arrangement.

# **Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**

## **Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**

*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

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### **1.1. Basis of preparation**

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in compliance with:

- section 23 of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*
- Treasurer's Instructions and Accounting Policy Statements issued by the Treasurer under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*
- relevant Australian Accounting Standards with reduced disclosure requirements.

For the 2019-20 financial statements the Board adopted *AASB 16 - Leases*, *AASB 15 – Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and *AASB 1058 – Income of Not-for-Profit Entities*. Further information is provided in note 7.

The financial statements are prepared based on a 12 month reporting period and presented in Australian currency. The historical cost convention is used unless a different measurement basis is specifically disclosed in the note associated with the item measured.

DEW prepares a Business Activity Statement on behalf of the Board under the grouping provisions of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) legislation. Under these provisions, DEW is liable for the payments and entitled to the receipts associated with GST. Therefore the Board's net GST receivable/payable is recorded in DEW's Statement of Financial Position. GST cash flows applicable to the Board are recorded in DEW's Statement of Cash Flows.

Assets and liabilities that are to be sold, consumed or realised as part of the normal operating cycle have been classified as current assets or current liabilities. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

### **1.2. Objectives and programs**

The Board serves the Government and the people of South Australia by achieving excellence in the provision of Natural Resources Management (NRM).

#### **Board's objectives**

The objectives of the Board as defined in the NRM Act are:

- to undertake an active role with respect to the management of natural resources within its region
- to prepare a regional NRM plan in accordance with the NRM Act, to implement the plan and to keep the plan under review to ensure the objects of the NRM Act are being achieved
- to promote public awareness and understanding of the importance of integrated and sustainable natural resources management within its region, to undertake or support educational activities with respect to natural resources management, and to provide mechanisms to increase the capacity of people to implement programs or to take other steps to improve the management of natural resources
- to provide advice with respect to the assessment of various activities or proposals referred to the Board under this or any other Act
- at the request of the Minister or the NRM Council, or of its own initiative, to provide advice on any matter relevant to the condition of natural resources within its region, or on the management of those resources, to conduct any inquiry or audit, or to provide any other advice or report that may be appropriate in the circumstances
- any other functions assigned to the Board by the Minister under the NRM Act or any other Act.

**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
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**1.2. Objectives and programs (continued)**

**Board programs**

In achieving its objectives the Board provides a range of services classified into the following programs:

***Soil***

Program priorities include:

- Support to land managers and agriculture groups across the region to continuously improve agricultural practices in the face of ongoing and emerging challenges, including soil constraints, pest impacts, vegetation management and climate change.
- Implementation of Regional Land Partnership, Regenerative Agriculture program, with the following outcomes required:
  - Landholders have increased awareness and knowledge of techniques for and benefits of monitoring, maintenance and amelioration of soil surface pH in priority and emerging soil acidification areas, through extension activities, pH mapping, pH testing and monitoring sites (outlying or emerging areas)
  - Demonstration sites established to increase awareness and knowledge of reducing sub soil constraints through management of soil carbon
  - Demonstration sites established to increase awareness and knowledge of reducing erosion by improving groundcover through plant based options, and
  - Forum held to increase awareness of the importance of improving detection and management of mallee seeps.
- Maintain the Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator network to support farmers, agronomists and farming system groups and promote sustainable agricultural practices

***Water***

Program priorities include:

- Continued implementation and monitoring of the Water Allocation Plan for the Southern Basins and Musgrave Prescribed Wells Area
- Provision of advice and support in relation to water affecting activities enquiries
- Administration and prompt processing of water affecting activities throughout the region
- Ensuring compliance with Water Affecting Activities policies and permits.
- Interim Review of the Water Allocation Plan in 2021

***Pest Plant and Animals***

Program priorities include:

- Implementation of regional pest management plans for priority pest plants and animals including:
  - Pest plants - African boxthorn, African lovegrass, Aleppo pines, boneseed, bridal veil, buffel grass, caltrop, carrion flowers, fountain grass, gazania, gorse, Italian buckthorn, khaki weed, prickly pear, polygala, silverleaf nightshade and wild olives.
  - Pest animals – foxes, goats, rabbits, feral deer, dingo/wild dogs, and feral cats
- Ongoing delivery of the fox baiting program, with distribution to landholders across the region
- Collaboration with other regions and agencies to address emerging or potential biosecurity threats to the region

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**1.2. Objectives and programs (continued)**

***Other Stewardship***

Program priorities include:

- Delivery of the Regional Land Partnership Core Services and Environmental projects, including the Saltmarsh Threat Abatement and Recovery project
- Continue to support and source funding for landscape scale programs, such as WildEyre, and implement strategies to protect threatened species and ecological communities
- Support to community groups, volunteers and citizen scientists to undertake natural resource management activities across the region that build community capacity and knowledge, and assist resources condition monitoring
- Maintain the biodiversity monitoring program, which includes 355 bushland condition monitoring sites and bird monitoring sites across the region
- Collaboration with the education sector to implement the NRM Education Strategic Plan to provide nature based education initiatives
- Engage Local Government to assist with the delivery of NRM outcomes including stormwater management, roadside vegetation management and coastal management
- Implementation of the Caretakers of this land: Aboriginal engagement strategy
- Coordination of monitoring, evaluation and reporting activities across the organisation

***Leadership and Accountability***

The Board is the primary entity in the region with responsibilities for management of natural resources. It has a range of statutory requirements with respect to planning, monitoring, evaluation and reporting. The Board is guided by the principles of good governance to ensure it operates with integrity, openness, accountability, consideration of risks, efficiency and considers the views and aspirations of its community.

A proportion of project funds are invested in monitoring, evaluation and reporting. The Board is committed to refining its monitoring and evaluation strategy and reviewing targets to ensure they are measurable and relevant to desired outcomes. The Board is increasingly involving community groups and individuals in development of strategic plans and undertaking surveys to collect monitoring data information under the guidance of field staff.

The disaggregated disclosures schedules present expenses and income information attributable to each of the programs as reflected in the Board's NRM plan for the years ended 30 June 2020 and 30 June 2019.



**Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board**  
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*for the year ended 30 June 2020*

**1.2. Objectives and programs (continued)**

**Disaggregated Disclosures – Expenses and Income**

	Soil		Water		Pest Plant and Animals		Other Stewardship		Leadership & Accountability		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Income</b>												
Regional NRM and Water												
Levies	393	212	171	338	1 302	1 016	903	1 228	607	446	3 376	3 240
Commonwealth funding	50	457	-	-	-	100	1 323	829	-	-	1 373	1 386
Grant	-	-	-	-	-	13	107	195	-	-	107	208
Interest	1	2	-	2	3	7	2	8	1	3	7	22
Other income	2	-	2	-	2	3	17	12	-	-	23	15
<b>Total income</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>1 307</b>	<b>1 139</b>	<b>2 352</b>	<b>2 272</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>4 886</b>	<b>4 871</b>
<b>Expenses</b>												
Supplies and services	430	330	238	483	1 805	1 598	1 131	1 755	793	636	4 397	4 802
Grants and subsidies	116	23	-	81	1	97	123	294	-	28	240	523
Board, group and committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	65	49	65
Other expenses	5	3	2	4	15	12	11	15	7	21	40	55
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>1 821</b>	<b>1 707</b>	<b>1 265</b>	<b>2 064</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>4 726</b>	<b>5 445</b>
<b>Net result</b>	<b>(105)</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>(67)</b>	<b>(228)</b>	<b>(514)</b>	<b>(568)</b>	<b>1 087</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>(241)</b>	<b>(301)</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>(574)</b>

The Board has determined that assets and liabilities cannot be reliably attributed to individual activities.

**1.3. Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the Board**

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted from March 2020. DEW on behalf of the NRM Board managed the move of a significant number of staff to work from home arrangements where feasible. DEW also ensured precautions were taken for staff and the public where sites and facilities remained open, adopting best practice advice to ensure personal safety at those sites

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**Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**  
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**2. Income**

**2.1. Regional NRM and water levies**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Regional NRM Levy collected through Councils and DEW	2 943	2 818
Water Levy collected through DEW	433	422
<b>Total Regional NRM and Water Levies</b>	<b>3 376</b>	<b>3 240</b>

Under the NRM Act the Board receives two forms of levies, being the Regional NRM Levy and the NRM Water Levy.

Regional NRM levy collected through Councils

The Minister declares contributions by councils under section 92 of the NRM Act 2004 for the relevant financial year by notice in the Government Gazette. The Regional NRM levy is then collected by constituent councils from ratepayers and is based on the value of rateable land. The Regional NRM levies are recognised as revenue when the Board obtains control over the assets comprising these receipts which is the beginning of the levy period to which they relate. Councils may also seek to recover any outgoing costs associated with the collection of the levy.

Water Levies collected through DEW

The water-based levy is collected by DEW from licensed water users. This levy is based on water allocated and water used. This income is recorded as revenue when the Board receives the funds from DEW.

**2.2. Commonwealth funding**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Commonwealth funding</b>		
Regional Land Partnerships Program*	1 323	1 386
Other Commonwealth Funding	50	-
<b>Total Commonwealth funding</b>	<b>1 373</b>	<b>1 386</b>

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>* Regional Land Partnerships Program funding consists of the following components</b>		
Protect and Regenerate Endemic Vegetation	-	470
Core services	324	359
Regenerative Agriculture Landcare Facilitator	136	102
Regenerative Agriculture Program	405	355
Whibley Wattle Recovery Project	-	100
Saltmarsh Threat Abatement and Recovery	428	-
Emerging Pest Mitigation & Habitat Protection	30	-
<b>Total Regional Land Partnership funding</b>	<b>1 323</b>	<b>1 386</b>

Assets arising from Commonwealth funding in scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at their fair value when an asset is received. Commonwealth funding is paid in arrears, subject to an approved declaration of claim. The Board has determined that it has an unconditional contractual right to receive a portion of the funding under AASB 9 when a claim is submitted, as it has satisfied the eligibility criteria and expects that the claim will be accepted. Accordingly, revenue and a receivable are recognised when the claim is submitted.

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**2.3. Grant revenues**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Grant revenues from SA Government</b>		
Other State Government funding	81	173
<b>Total grant revenues from SA Government</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>173</b>
<b>Other grant revenues</b>		
Sundry grants	26	35
<b>Total other grant revenues</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Total grant revenues</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>208</b>

Income from grants without sufficiently specific performance obligations is recognised when the entity obtains controls over the assets. This is when the cash is received.

**2.4. Interest revenues**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Interest revenues from entities within the SA Government	7	22
<b>Total interest revenues</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>22</b>

**2.5. Other income**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Sale of goods and services	2	14
Other revenue	9	1
Recoup of expenses	12	-
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>

**3. Board, committees and employees**

**3.1. Key management personnel**

Key management personnel of the Board include the Minister for Environment and Water, the Presiding Member, the other members of the Board, and the Regional Natural Resources Management (NRM) Manager who have responsibility for the strategic direction and management of the Board.

The total compensation for the Board's key management personnel was \$197 000 in 2019-20 and \$141 000 in 2018-19.

The compensation disclosed in this note excludes salaries and other benefits the Minister for Environment and Water receives. The Minister's remuneration and allowances are set by the *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990* and the Remuneration Tribunal of SA respectively and are payable from the Consolidated Account (via the Department of Treasury and Finance) under section 6 the *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990*.

No transactions with key management personnel or related parties occurred during 2019-20.

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**3.2. Board and committee members**

Members during the 2019-2020 financial year were:

**The Board**

M K Whitfield (Presiding Member)  
 S R Clark (Ceased February 2020)  
 M M Dennis (Ceased February 2020)  
 D B Laube (Ceased February 2020)  
 J L S Major (Ceased February 2020)  
 M J Turner (Ceased February 2020)

**Risk and Audit Committee**

G P Dodd (Ceased February 2020)  
 D B Laube (Ceased February 2020)  
 J L S Major (Ceased February 2020)  
 M K Whitfield (Chair)

The number of members whose remuneration received or receivable falls within the following bands:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
\$0 - \$19 999	6	15
\$20 000 - \$39 999	1	1
<b>Total number of members</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>16</b>

Remuneration of members reflects all costs of performing Board, Group and Committee member duties including sitting fees, superannuation contributions, salary sacrifice benefits and fringe benefits, and any FBT paid or payable in respect of those benefits. The total remuneration received or receivable by members was \$32 000 (2019: \$46 000).

For the purposes of this table, travel allowances and other out-of-pocket expenses paid to members have not been included as remuneration as it is considered to be reimbursement of direct out-of-pocket expenses incurred by relevant members. These expenses, in addition to Payroll Tax amount to \$17 000 (2019: \$19 000).

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**4. Expenses**

**4.1. Supplies and services**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Fee for service - Board funded DEW salaries	2 575	2 539
Fee for service	441	734
Fee for service - Corporate fee	570	586
Accommodation	196	190
Motor vehicles	173	162
Fee for service - Shared Services SA	97	95
Minor works, maintenance and equipment	66	74
Travel and accommodation	62	54
General administration	42	47
Information technology and communication charges	34	37
Staff development	16	13
Transport	3	4
Other supplies and services	122	267
<b>Total supplies and services</b>	<b>4 397</b>	<b>4 802</b>

**4.2. Grants and subsidies**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Recurrent grants	240	523
<b>Total grants and subsidies</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>523</b>

The Board provided financial assistance to local government, State Government agencies and private bodies during the year. Funds are paid by way of grants and all recipients are required to comply with conditions relevant to each grant.

**4.3. Other expenses**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Audit fees paid/payable to the Auditor-General's Department	40	39
Donated assets	-	16
<b>Total other expenses</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>55</b>

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**5. Financial assets**

**5.1. Cash and cash equivalents**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Deposits with the Treasurer	1 052	1 092
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>1 092</b>

Cash is measured at nominal value.

Deposits with the Treasurer earn a floating interest rate, based on daily bank deposit rates. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents represents fair value.

**5.2. Receivables**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b><u>Current</u></b>		
Government entities	847	795
Non-government entities	2	42
Accrued interest	-	1
<b>Total current receivables</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>838</b>
<b>Total receivables</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>838</b>

Receivables arise in the normal course of selling goods and services to other government agencies and to the public. Receivables are generally settled within 30 days after the issue of an invoice or the goods/services have been provided under a contractual arrangement. Receivables, prepayments and accrued revenues are non-interest bearing.

Receivables are held with the objective of collecting the contractual cash flows and they are measured at amortised cost.

The expected credit loss on receivables is considered to be nil.

**6. Liabilities**

**6.1. Payables**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b><u>Current</u></b>		
Trade payables	102	272
Accrued expenses	124	143
<b>Total current payables</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>415</b>
<b>Total payables</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>415</b>

Payables and accruals are raised for all amounts owing but unpaid. Sundry payables are normally settled within 30 days from the date the invoice is first received. All payables are non-interest bearing. The carrying amount of payables represents fair value due to their short-term nature.

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**7. Changes in accounting policy**

**7.1. AASB 16 Leases**

Although the Board has adopted *AASB 16 Leases*, there are no lease arrangements that meet the definition of *AASB 16*. Most of the Board's accommodation services are provided by the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) under Memoranda of Administrative Arrangement (MoAA) issued in accordance with Government-wide accommodation policies and are provided to the Board by way of a Service Level Agreement with DEW. These MoAA do not meet the definition of lease set out in *AASB 16*.

**7.2. AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers**

*AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers* establishes a revenue recognition model for revenue arising from contracts with customers. It requires that revenue be recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer.

*AASB 15* supersedes *AASB 111 Construction contracts*, *AASB 118 Revenue and related Interpretations* and applies to all revenue arising from contracts with customers.

***Impact on retained earnings***

The total impact on the Board's retained earnings as at 1 July 2019 was \$ nil.

**7.3. AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities**

*AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities* establishes new income recognition requirements for not-for-profit entities. Its requirements apply where the consideration to acquire an asset, including cash, is significantly less than fair value principally to the entity to further its objectives. *AASB 1058* also contains requirements for the receipt of volunteer services. *AASB 1058* supersedes income recognition requirements in *AASB 1004 Contributions*, *AASB 118 Revenue* and *AASB 111 Construction Contracts*. However, elements of *AASB 1004* remain in place, primarily in relation to restructures of administrative arrangements and other contributions and distributions by owners.

***Impact on retained earnings***

The total impact on the Board's retained earnings as at 1 July 2019 was \$ nil

**7.4. Presentation of Financial Statements**

Treasurer's Instructions (Accounting Policy Statements) issued on 1 June 2020 removed the previous requirement for financial statements to be prepared using the net cost of services format. The net cost of services is the total cost of services less any revenue retained by public authorities involved in the provision of services but does not include items classified as revenues from and payments to the South Australian Government.

Presentation of the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an 'income and expense' basis allows information to be presented in such a way that eliminates potential confusion as to the source of funding for the Board. As well as changes to the format of the Statement of Comprehensive Income, there are presentational changes to remove the net cost of services format from the Statement of Cash Flows. These statements now show income before expenses, and cash receipts before cash payments. Related disclosures also reflect this changed format.

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## **8. Outlook**

### **8.1. Unrecognised contractual commitments**

Commitments include operating arrangements arising from contractual or statutory sources and are disclosed at their nominal value.

#### ***Expenditure commitments***

The Board's expenditure contracted for at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
No later than one year	227	141
Later than one year but not later than five years	256	313
<b>Total other commitments</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>454</b>

The Board's commitments relate to non-cancellable contracts at the reporting date which have not been recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and Statement of Financial Position.

#### **Operating lease commitments**

Commitments in relation to operating leases contracted for at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
No later than one year	-	26
Later than one year but not later than five years	-	3
<b>Total operating lease commitments</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29</b>

Operating lease commitments is provided for the comparative year only as *AASB 16 Leases* does not distinguish between operating and finance leases for the lessee.

### **8.2. Contingent assets and liabilities**

Contingent assets and contingent liabilities are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position but are disclosed by way of a note and, if quantifiable, are measured at nominal value.

The Board is not aware of any contingent assets or liabilities.



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**8.3. COVID-19 pandemic outlook for the Board**

The COVID-19 pandemic will continue to impact on the forward commitments transferred to the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board in 2020-21. The key expected impacts are:

Continuation of arrangements for staff to work from home where feasible;

Precautions for staff and public safety where sites and facilities remain open;

Assisting vulnerable staff whilst adhering to department and government guidelines and protocols;

Potential impacts to on-ground delivery of some programs, through the inability to engage directly with community due to social distancing protocols for workshops and other gatherings; and

Potential impacts to engagement of third party contractors and community grant delivery, dealing with social distancing limitations and COVID-19 protocols.

**8.4. Events after the reporting period**

On 1 July 2020, *Natural Resources Management Act 2004* was repealed, and the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board was abolished.

The Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board has ceased operations, and the management of land, water, pest, plants and animals, and biodiversity across the region is now managed by the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board.

**9. Measurement and risk**

**9.1. Fair value**

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants, in the principal or most advantageous market, at the measurement date.

**9.2. Financial instruments**

***Financial risk management***

Risk management is managed by the Board's corporate services section and Board risk management policies are in accordance with the *Risk Management Policy Statement* issued by the Premier and Treasurer and the principles established in the Australian Standard *Risk Management Principles and Guidelines*.

The Board's exposure to financial risk (liquidity, credit and market) is insignificant based on past experience and current assessment of risk.

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**9.2. Financial instruments (continued)**

***Categorisation of financial instruments***

Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement, and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised with respect to each class of financial asset, financial liability and equity instrument are disclosed in the respective financial asset / financial liability note.

***Classification of financial instruments***

The Board measures all financial instruments at amortised cost.

	<b>2020 Carrying amount</b>	<b>2020 Contractual Maturities</b>	<b>2019 Carrying amount</b>
		<u>Within 1 year</u>	
<b>Category of financial asset and financial liability</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b><u>Financial assets</u></b>			
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	1 052	n/a	1 092
<b>Financial assets at amortised cost</b>			
Receivables	456	n/a	726
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>1 508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 818</b>
<b><u>Financial liabilities</u></b>			
<b>Financial liabilities at amortised cost</b>			
Payables	171	171	364
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>364</b>

***Receivables and payables***

The receivable and payable amounts disclosed here exclude amounts relating to statutory receivables and payables (for example, Commonwealth, State and Local Government taxes, fees and charges; Auditor-General's Department audit fees). In government, certain rights to receive or pay cash may not be contractual and therefore in these situations, the requirements will not apply, where rights or obligations have their source in legislation such as levies, tax and equivalents, they would be excluded from the disclosure. The standard defines contract as enforceable by law. All amounts recorded are carried at amortised cost.