

**GENERAL MEETING
IECA (Australasia)
AGENDA**

**Friday 21st October 2022
Following AGM
Pacific Bay Resort, Coffs Harbour.**

1 - Apologies/Attendance

Present: Michelle Walker, Terry Clark, Paul Brandis, Dallas Frazier, Shonelle Gleeson-Wiley, James Trevillion, Joe Johnson, Andrew Macleod, Rebeca O'Connor, Rebekah Kenna, Col Schiller, Peter Armstrong, Jason Cork, Bill Gardyne

Apologies: Michael Frankcombe, Wayne Walshe, Janine Koppel, Luke Hamilton, Kym Bellenger, Geoff Sharlow, Alison Price

2 - Minutes of the Previous General Meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were circulated.

JJ moved they be accepted as a true and correct record. AM seconded, carried unopposed.

3 - Business arising from previous minutes

3.1 ESC Certification

Planning to have a new ESC certification reflecting Australian and NZ environment launched at the 2023 conference. CS requested that in the development of the certification that it also be applicable to other regions close by. MW noted a useful tool to have would be a good search facility where name, location and contact information can be found.

3.2 Reunification update.

Reunification is progressing well. The Communications Officer is currently working 3 days a week for the Chapter and 2 days a week for IECA HQ. IECA HQ is currently reviewing the membership structure with the ultimate aim to bring all Australasia members into the same system as all other IECA members. A committee has been set up for this task, AM is sitting on this committee.

3.3 Review of IECA Aust constitution and by-laws.

It was noted that we continue to monitor the Constitution to ensure it is most relevant. At this point in time there is no need for any updates.

3.4 APGA Code of Environmental Practice under review

Shaun Smith sent the following update:

The latest revision 5 has now been updated and published (2022), and is available for use and public access. Please see link below.

The changes made relevant to IECA and soil management included input from myself and the remaining APGA environmental committee working group:

- 1.2.2 - the addition of referencing the Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction (Landcom Blue Book), as this standard is applicable in some states (ie NSW);
- 5.6 Soil -
 - inclusion of Progressive ESCPs along with Overarching ESCPs
 - Reference to regulator specific ESC conditions and requirements such as development of ESCPs to IECA BPESC standards or being developed by a suitably qualified or CPESC;
 - addition of the key ESC principles to be adopted;
 - additional content on soil testing including ideal soil tests and analysis/advice

- recommended by a soil scientist or CPESC
- 7.12 Activity description : reinstatement and rehabilitation -
 - inclusion of process and types of ESC measures used as temporary and permanent controls; and
 - addition of ameliorants potentially required for revegetation

The intent of these updates was to provide core content and information of the processes and typical requirements as a framework and initial guidance to the existing referenced standards and content.

Regulators from a number of State and Territory government bodies reviewed the final draft and provided feedback which has been incorporated into the final version.

[APGA Code of Environmental Practice](#)

3.5 Updates to the BPESC document

The BPESC is now freely available online. A committee has been set up to consolidate and update the document. PB is chairing this committee.

4 - Other Business

4.1 Roundup 2022

The following events were held in 2022:

Event title	Date	Location
IECA Conference - Virtual option	2-4 Mar	Online
Women in ERSED - Celebrating International Women's Day 2022	10-Mar	Webinar
Sediment Basin Design Theory and Get Flocced - session 1	20-Apr	Webinar
Sediment Basin Design Theory and Get Flocced - session 2	21-Apr	Webinar
Drone webinar	23 May	Webinar
On Country ESC training	7 June	Townsville
NT Soil Identification and Problematic Soils	20-Jun	Darwin
Environmental Forestry Conference	28&29 Jun	NZ
Turitea Windfarm Project (NZ's largest windfarm project)	20-Jul	Field Trip
RESET Field day - Sunshine Coast. Qld	10&11 Aug	Field day - Qld
Auckland Field Day and IECA mini conference	20&21 Sept	Auckland, NZ
Innovation in ESC	12 Oct	Webinar
Stop the Spread... of Sediment! Protecting Soil and Water Resources	19-21 Oct	Coffs Harbour, NSW
Tasmanian event	Nov TBC	Tas

4.2 Chapter program for 2023

The Events Committee will meet and develop an events schedule for 2023. The aim is to have more in-person events in different states. The annual conference will be in Australia and we will link up with Auckland Council again to develop an IECA day as part of the Auckland Field Days.

5 - Next Meeting

After the AGM in 2023 at the Chapter conference, venue TBA.

