NRM GROUPS
Providing a local voice in natural resource management

If you have an interest in the natural resources in your LOCAL area, becoming an NRM group member may be for you

NRM GROUPS
Our NRM groups are actively engaged with the delivery of projects and identifying issues for the SAAL NRM Board.
There are six NRM groups in the South Australian Arid Lands region:
• North Flinders
• Marree-Innamincka
• Marla-Oodnadatta
• Kingoonya
• Gawler Ranges
• North East Pastoral

OUR NRM GROUP MEMBERS
The majority of group members live in the district or are involved in NRM in the area.
They provide a local perspective on implementing projects and the development of relevant priorities for the region.
Community members involved at this level are a vital, practical link for the communities they represent to ensure projects are relevant to local issues.
Groups are skills-based with members selected on their knowledge of one or more of the following areas:
• Community affairs at a district level
• Primary production or pastoral land management
• Soil conservation and land management
• Water resource management
• Business administration
• Local governance or administration
• Aboriginal interest in the land and water, and Aboriginal heritage
• Pest animal and plant control
• Natural and social science
• Mining and petroleum industries
• Tourism
District-based NRM groups provide an essential link between the community and the SA Arid Lands Natural Resources Management Board.

Recent activities driven by the NRM groups across the South Australian Arid Lands include

- Wild dog trapper training
- Grader workshop
- Implementation of District Weed Strategy
- Development and installation of signage across the region on responsible travel and fragile landscapes
- Partnership with local Traditional Owner groups
- District weed workshops
- Developing and supporting community projects like Landcare Outback in Coober Pedy and local weed management groups
- Maintaining relationships with mining and defence industries, including Arrium Mining, Alinta Energy, Oz Minerals, BHP Billiton, Santos
- Planning and hosting field days and workshops
- Engaging schools to participate in NRM activities
- Connecting the wider community to NRM Board decision making

Identified District Action Plan priorities for the future across South Australian Arid Lands

- Managing pest plants and animals
- Erosion control
- Wild dog management and control
- Tourism impacts
- Access to information
- Water management
- Over abundant native species
- Education and opportunities for development

“I’m part of a NRM group to help get stuff done, it’s not about hoping someone else will do it. I can help direct how our resources are managed so the community get what they need. We need passionate people on these groups to stand up for the natural resources of the Arid Lands.”

Joel Venables, Pernatty Station, Gawler Ranges NRM Group member

GET INVOLVED – BECOME AN NRM GROUP MEMBER

If you are interested in becoming a member of one of our six NRM Groups please call Natural Resources SA Arid Lands 8648 5300.

If you are not sure which NRM district you belong to refer to the map (page 1) or visit www.naturalresources.sa.gov.au/aridlands and download a map of the region and its six districts.

DON’T HAVE TIME TO BE A GROUP MEMBER BUT STILL WANT TO BE HEARD?

If you would like to discuss any NRM activities please contact one of the existing members of your local NRM Group. If you’re not sure who your existing local NRM Group members are contact Natural Resources SA Arid Lands 8648 5300.

Natural Resources SA Arid Lands
8648 5300
SAAridlands@sa.gov.au
www.facebook.com/naturalresourcessaaridlands
February 2017

Government of South Australia
South Australian Arid Lands Natural Resources Management Board