



# **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION STATEMENT**

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## **Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board structure and functions**

A description of the structure and functions of the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board can be found on the [board's web pages](#) and in the current [annual report](#).

## **Ways in which the functions of the board affect members of the public**

The board's purpose is 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:

- recognises and protects the intrinsic values of natural resources
- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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
- promotes educational initiatives and provides support resources mechanisms to increase the capacity of people to be involved in the management of natural resources.

In delivering this work, the board focuses on engaging and involving the community, industry and government, to get the best results through seeking out alternative perspectives, building trust with colleagues and partners and collaborating genuinely.

## **Public participation**

Collaboration between government, industry and the community lies at the heart of effective natural resources management. The board's priorities and its ways of working to promote collaboration help build awareness of the importance of healthy natural resources to our wellbeing and economy.

The board involves the public in the formation of its policies through its community liaison sessions, and consultation and discussion papers on specific issues as appropriate.

## **Documents held by the board**

The documents held by the board broadly include:

- corporate files containing correspondence, memoranda, briefings, reports and technical information on board operations
- accounting and financial reports
- annual reports and strategic planning documents
- administrative records
- minutes of meetings and terms of reference of board and committees.

The listing of these documents by the board does not necessarily mean all documents are accessible under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.

It should be noted that all staff undertaking the work of the board are employed through the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources.

## **Freedom of Information applications**

For more information on how to make a Freedom of Information application and to download the most current application form, please visit the [State Records of South Australia website](#).

Freedom of Information applications and enquiries for access to documents in the possession of the board, and applications for amendment of personal records under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*, should be addressed to:

The Freedom of Information Officer  
Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board  
205 Greenhill Road  
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For more information please phone the Freedom of Information Officer on (08) 8273 9100 or email: [DEWNR.AMLR@sa.gov.au](mailto:DEWNR.AMLR@sa.gov.au).

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