

Maclean Flying-fox Working Group
Minutes and Meeting Outcomes from 9 August 2016

Attendees:

DY	Dimitri Young	Office of Environment & Heritage
LW	Linda White	Valley Watch
IJ	Imelda Jennings	Wildlife SOS
RW	Rod Wright	Clarence Valley Council
CS	Cat Smykowsky	Bush Regenerator
AP	Andrew Petroschevsky	Trade & Investment – Crown Lands
NO	Nicky Owner	Office of Environment & Heritage
GJB	Greg Bell	NSW Health
SW	Samantha Willis	Maclean High School
KT	Kate Thomson	Maclean High School
MC	Megan Clarke	Department of Education & Training

Apologies:

BP	Bob Perl	Maclean High School
DS	Des Schroeder	Clarence Valley Council
TG	Trent Grimston	Essential Energy
GB	Gill Bennett	Bat Historian –Yamba Resident
PM	Paul McWilliams	Essential Energy

General Business and discussion points:

Meeting Start

- DY opened the meeting at 1:00pm.
- Action items from the previous meeting (10 May 2016) were reviewed and accepted by the working group.
- Updates and new actions arising are included in the attached summary table 1 below.
- Detailed discussion points follow.

Department of Environment & Training offset planting

- Follow up with BP regarding offsets.
- Green Army to maintain
- Offset Area 5 (part Council land – Council and school) – RW TAFE doing the weed control.
- LW – Focus on riparian strip, not area
- Working Group agrees and OEH seek compliance for both certificates but prioritise the riparian strip.

Student Representative Council

- Letter to Student Representative Council (SRC) and Parents and Citizens (P&C).
- IJ emailed telemetry project report.

- NO to distribute to SRC.

Progress Report

- DY to re-send progress report to Working Group, Maclean, Woodburn, Casino and Coastal Public Schools.

Education materials

- Email to Working Group and upload to OEH website also send to coastal public schools (Evans Head, Coffs, Mullumbimby, Maclean, Woodburn, and Casino).
- Check census on EPBC website to decide.
- Email or USB stick - First slide – Cover for box – Stickers on CD.

Terms of reference and code of conduct

- Terms of Reference (TOR) and the Code of Conduct (COC) endorsed by the Working Group 9/8/16.
- GJB motioned to endorse the TOR and COC. Seconded by IJ. Unanimously approved.

Education Centre

- Displays could include (waste, riparian & biodiversity).
- Could have facts about bats as display or slides on TV.
- Next meeting of Working Group at Education Centre.

2016 Eco School Grants Program

- RW - School walkways.
- RW - car cover - shade sail, western carpark, houses at Hillcrest, air conditioning, enclose verandahs, small play area.
- RW – Corner block at Jubilee Street – request for Clarence Valley Council to purchase.
- RW – Camphor staged removal in gully traffic control needed \$10K - additional buffer clearing in the gully – consistent with strategy.
- CS also include funding for extra vegetation management in Maclean Rainforest Reserve to augment
- RW to prepare grant application for camphor in gully, buffer at Nungera and residents on West side of gully / augment MRR Restoration – resident on West side of gully / August MPR and circulate and lodge.

Tweed Proposal

- Maclean camp
- Copmanhurst camp
- Iluka
- Yamba
- LGA wide holistic approval for multiple camps in the Shire.

- Discussion about flying fox habitat utilisation and whether LGA context affects impact assessment if LGA wide camp management plan is in place.
- \$20K not available for Clarence Valley Council.

Sonic Nets

Sonic nets pilot program – was one done? Group not aware that it works – noted.

Other Business

- School solar installation - DY to send letter – do it ASAP before end September 2016 - no issue if follow protocols – thanks for opportunity to be consulted.
- Next meeting - RW to confirm Education Centre venue.

Meeting closed at 3:00pm

Next meeting: 8 November 2016

Table 1: Action Items 9 August 2016

Item	Responsibility	Timeframe
Meeting Dates <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meeting reminder to be circulated the week prior all future WG meetings.	OEH	ongoing
Compliance <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Discussion with BP regarding offsets.- Seek compliance for both s95(2) certificates (priority the riparian strip).	OEH	November 2016
Project Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Resend project report to WG	OEH	Completed
Educational Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Email educational materials to WG.- Upload educational materials to OEH website.- Send education materials to Coastal Public Schools (Evens Head, Coffs Harbour, Mullumbimby, Maclean, Woodburn and Casino).- Email first slide, cover for box and stickers on CD.	OEH	November 2016
Grant Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 2016 Eco School Grants Program follow up.	CVC	Completed
Solar Installation at Maclean High School <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Draft letter in regards to solar system installation.	OEH	Completed

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting 8 November 2016 from 1 to 3pm at Education Centre.