

Agenda

Minister Orr: City and Environment Directorate Regular Meeting

BRIEFING DETAILS			
Date:	Monday, 18 August 2025	Time:	1.00pm – 2:00pm
Location:	via Teams	Apologies:	

BRIEFING BUSINESS				
Item	Name	Timing	Requested by	Action Officers
1.	Declaration of Interest*			All
2.	Standing Items 2.1 Weekly Brief, Media Forecast and FOI Report 2.2 Ministerials in Action and Action Items 2.3 Assembly and Cabinet Business			Dave Peffer Sam Engele Fiona Wright Bren Burkevics Alex Magee
3.	Sitting Week preparation	5 min	MO	All
4.	Enterprise Agreement bargaining	5 min	MO	All
5.	Agriculture Ministers Meeting 15 August – Outcomes	5 min	CED	Dave Peffer Sam Engele Bren Burkevics

Climate Change and Energy				
6.	Artificial Grasses update <i>Update provided 4 Aug weekly brief, noting the Minister to be briefed in Sept for government reporting to Assembly by 29 October.</i>	5 min	CED	Dave Peffer Sam Engele Fiona Wright Bethel Sendaba
7.	Climate Change and Energy Division Status Report and Deliverables brief (25/0262884)	5 min	MO	Dave Peffer Sam Engele Fiona Wright
Other Business				
8.	Waste Policy	5mins	MO	Dave Peffer Bruce Fitzgerald
Proposed Forward Agenda				

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City and Environment Directorate

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To: Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water

Tracking No.: 25/0000222

Date: 13 August 2025

From: City and Environment Directorate

Subject: WEEKLY BRIEF - Commencing 18 August 2025

- DDG, 15/08/25

Purpose

To provide you with a summary of the current work from the City and Environment Directorate (CED). The brief also includes matters scheduled to occur from 18 to 22 August 2025.

KEY ISSUES

Climate Change, Energy and Water

Water

Healthy Waterways Plan for Lake Tuggeranong

Internal engagements on the plan to restore Lake Tuggeranong continue in the week commencing 11 August 2025 with senior staff in the Environment Protection Authority, and Policy and Cabinet Division in Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate.

Coombs Peninsula & the Molonglo Special Purpose Reserve

Healthy Waterways Compliance team is contributing to the Parks and Conservation Services' efforts to plan and design two areas in Canberra's Molonglo River Reserve: Coombs Peninsula and the Molonglo Special Purpose Reserve (South), named Wamburang ('Wum-Boo-Ran').

The establishment of Special Purpose Reserves forms part of the ACT Government's commitments under the Molonglo Valley Plan for the Protection of Matters of National Environmental Significance. These commitments are a condition of development and land release, aimed at ensuring that areas with important ecological, cultural, and recreational values are safeguarded for long-term public and environmental benefit.

Special Purpose Reserves are intended to accommodate a mix of uses with a specific focus on conservation outcomes, cultural values, education, community engagement, and appropriate recreation. Healthy Waterways team is providing advice from the standpoint of water sensitive designs.

Community tours of Belconnen Oval wetland

Healthy Waterways staff conducted two tours of the Belconnen Oval Wetland in the week commencing 4 August 2025:

- a. On 5 August 2025 we toured the site with 16 engineering students from Radford College introducing them to Water Sensitive Urban Design concepts.

- b. On 8 August 2025, we hosted 23 attendees to the Environmental Volunteers conference being held on the weekend. The emphasis of this tour was on how volunteers can help monitor, maintain and enhance water quality assets. The conference is being delivered by ACT NRM and Landcare ACT.

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