



**Judy Jackson, MHA**

**Minister for Environment and  
Planning**

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### **New Members For Natural Resource Management Council**

The peak body advising the Government on natural resource management will have six new members from next month.

Minister for Environment and Planning, Judy Jackson, today announced the new Council, which will comprise the six new members along with six previous members who have been reappointed.

“The new members will be a valuable addition to the Natural Resource Management Council which provides advice to Government on a range of issues, including the strategies and investment proposals put forward by the State’s three regional NRM committees,” Ms Jackson said.

“Now that the regional strategies have been accredited, it is a major task for governments (as well as other potential investors) to consider funding that will most effectively deliver on the priorities identified by communities.”

The appointments follow a call for applications in mid-October, which produced a strong field from people representing resource-using industries, Landcare, the conservation sector, the Aboriginal community, and scientific and educational expertise.

Ms Jackson said several members of the Council have decided not to stand again, and she thanked them for their work over the past three years.

“Although we have lost some great contributors, the Council will now comprise an excellent mix of experienced members who have been there since the first meeting back in February 2003, and new members who will bring a wide range of fresh skills and experience to the table,” Ms Jackson said.

“The new members include people with experience in agriculture, fisheries, education and research, and the mining sector, as well as a new representative from the Aboriginal community.

“I am confident the Council will continue to provide high quality advice, over an important period that will see a full review of the Natural Resource Management Act 2002 in 2008, and decisions in the next 18 months about the next round of national natural resource management funding programs.”

The appointments of the twelve members will be from 1 February 2006 to 31 January 2009. Three further appointments (one member nominated by each of the regional committees to represent it on Council) will be made in March.

The following people have been elected to the NRM Council:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Sector Represented</b>
Alan Davenport	Industry (Agriculture)
Chris Davey	Industry (Forestry)
Andrew Febey	Industry (Fishing/Aquaculture)
Allan Garcia	Local Government
Helen Geard	Community/Landcare
Ted Lefroy	Education
Terry Long	Industry (Mining)
Michael Lynch	Conservation
Catherine Nicholson	Community/Planning
Theresa Sainty	Aboriginal Community
Jamie Bayly-Stark	Government (Dept. Premier and Cabinet)
John Whittington	Government (Dept. Primary Industries, Water and Environment)

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