
Identification of PVS Issues

The following issues were identified during the afternoon session on Wednesday 12th November 2003. The number in brackets indicates the number of “votes” the issue received by workshop participants. The higher the number of votes, the more important or relevant the issue was deemed to be. The nine highest-ranking issues were subsequently “workshopped” by groups of participants, and their recommendations/outcomes were presented during the afternoon of Thursday 13th November. A brief summary of the presentations follows.

All of the issues listed below were identified and later “workshopped” by groups of participants.

Number	Issue	Number of votes
1.	The role of the PVS Output versus the role of the Strategic Development and Corporate Affairs Directorate. Who should drive the development and dissemination of public information and publications? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SDCA has publications that it produces, but they don't necessarily produce what is required in terms of management of PVS. There is also little coordination between the Outputs and SDCA's publication projects. 	29
2.	Visitor Information dissemination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Since the closure of WA Naturally, there isn't a focal point/place where public can go to obtain up to date information. What strategies can we come up with to improve it? 	27
3.	Issues relating to Aboriginal involvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Payment of Elders during the consultation process: method of payment and how much? 	9
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alternative forms of employment for Aboriginal people, other than traineeships 	6
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Involving Aboriginal Elders in CALM's activities. What are the barriers to employment and where can we get guidance within CALM on cultural issues with respect to employees/trainees 	11
4.	Rangelands and PVS	14
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NRM: incorporating PVS priorities into NRM strategies 	8
5.	What forum/methods can we develop to assist in the exchange of new ideas/technologies/practices/knowledge in our field	14
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The small structures album – can a database be set up? 	4
6.	We need an objective system for assessing and quantifying environmental impacts of visitors	16
7.	Can opportunities be developed for PVS staff to visit other regions to gain additional understanding/exposure to other practices etc?	12
	Future PVS Workshops: what format?	4
8.	Decentralisation of specialist staff (Las, Interps, Planners etc): having the positions in Regions and Districts instead of Kensington, to enable better efficiency and understanding of issues	13
9.	Badging our facilities: should we badge them to let people know who is providing them?	11

Other issues which were raised, but not discussed or “workshopped” are listed below:

Number	Issue	Number of votes
1.	Fire commitment of PVS staff and the resulting impact on PVS works program delivery	10
2.	Develop community consultation teams in CALM, building on existing expertise	9
3.	Disparity between different areas within CALM, relating to wildlife tourism: we need a consistent approach	8
4.	Australian walk trail standards: implementation and interpretation for the Department	8
5.	Recreation assets and wildfire: can we develop a set of protocols to ensure replacement of assets is considered following a wildfire event?	8
6.	Coastal risks: we need a Departmental approach	7
7.	Developing revenue and funding strategies as a means to replace reduced capital, NP, MRWA funding etc	6
8.	Accommodation for research students and volunteers: can existing ex-GEHA houses be purchased by the Department, rather than being removed in the southwest?	7
9.	On-going projects: can we get long-term funding commitment to ensure projects get completed rather than just started?	2
10.	Adequate resourcing for PVS – human and financial	2
11.	PVS staff are being increasingly pulled into broader planning issues around the state	2
12.	Develop guidelines for community groups seeking sponsorship on behalf of CALM	1
13.	Merchandising and competition: can CALM compete with the private sector regarding saleable items?	1