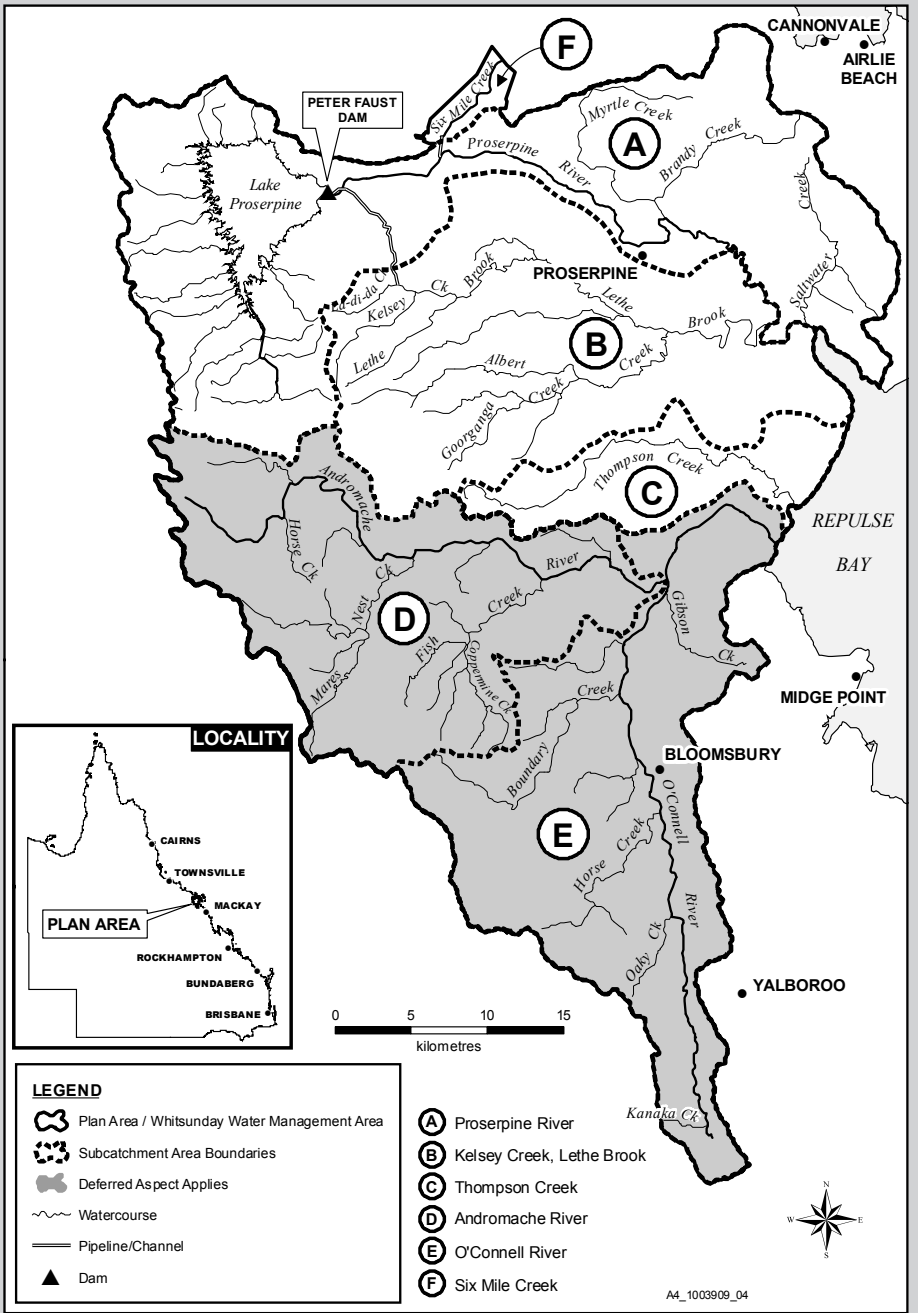


Public Notice

Deferred Aspect of Whitsunday Draft Resource Operations Plan

Water Act 2000 section 103

- Notice is given under section 103(5)(b)(i) of the *Water Act 2000* that the Chief Executive for the Department of Environment and Resource Management (the department) has decided to defer making any provisions about a particular aspect provided for under the Whitsunday Draft Resource Operations Plan (the deferred aspect) and has prepared the final draft without provisions about the deferred aspect.
- The deferred aspect comprises the following provisions for unsupplemented water located within subcatchments D (Andromache River subcatchment) and E (O'Connell River subcatchment) of the Whitsunday Water Management Area, as identified in the map below:
 - the conversion of existing water authorisations to unsupplemented water allocations and the granting of unsupplemented water allocations in accordance with Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 2 of the Whitsunday Draft Resource Operations Plan (the notified draft)
 - for water allocations to take unsupplemented water: the application of water sharing rules; the provisions for dealings with water allocations; and the application of seasonal water assignment rules, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the notified draft
 - the amending or granting of a water licence for taking unsupplemented water in accordance with Chapter 3, Part 4 of the notified draft
 - for water licences to take unsupplemented water, the application of water sharing rules in accordance with Chapter 6 of the notified draft.
- To remove any doubt, the deferred aspect also comprises any consequential or incidental provisions, attachments or schedules that must necessarily be deferred to give effect to the deferral of the provisions listed in clause 2.
- A final draft resource operations plan is subject to Governor in Council approval under section 103(5) of the *Water Act 2000*.



Whitsunday Water Management Area showing subcatchments

[Note: The map shown in this notice is indicative only. Detailed information about the exact locations of the boundaries of subcatchments D and E of the Whitsunday Water Management Area is held in electronic form by the department and may be inspected at the department's offices.]

5. Enquiries relating to this notice should be directed in the first instance to Stephenie Hogan on (07) 3225 1586.

Dated this 17th day of November 2011

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