

OFFICER'S MEETING MINUTES



Date 13 September 2023

Start 1pm

Finish 3 pm

Location Online

Executive Officer, Carole Hammond

Invited		
Kylie Russell, Maya Balvonova, Akhil Joseph		Mansfield SC
Bronwyn Chapman		Murrindindi SC [GMCA auspice]
Bronwyn Westbrook		Alpine SC
Courtney Noughton, Nathan Gasperoni		Benalla SC
James Marsh		Campaspe SC
Amy Northwood, Louisa Marston		DEECA Hume [Associate]
Sam Niedra, Flo Meredith, Maureen Rogers		Indigo SC
Elyse Kelly, Brendan Garrett, Narelle Liepa		Mitchell SC
		Moira SC
Lachlan Campbell		North East CMA
Allison McCallum		GB CMA
Marisa O'Halloran, Paul Dainton, Manika		Greater Shepparton
Molly Odgers, Bow Souter		Strathbogie SC
Rachel Gadd		Towong SC
Evelina Dudzinski, Zaylee SJT		Rural City of Wangaratta
Robyn Nicholas		City of Wodonga
		Sustainability Vic (guest)
Louise Perrin		Alpine Resorts Victoria

Apologies (known) Sam Niedra,

Acknowledgement of country	We wish to acknowledge the traditional, unceded, lands of the Taungurung, Yorta Yorta and Wurrundjeri upon where we collectively meet today, and pay our respects to their Elder's past & present.
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Meeting to be recorded.

AGENDA

1.00	1. WELCOME	EO	
1.05	2. PREVIOUS MINUTES	EO	The previous minutes of 14 June 2023 are here
1.10	3. AROUND THE REGIONS	All	Take as read. Please link directly to the Around the Regions Update and tell us what you feel has been your biggest achievement/project to date this year. 3mins each.
13.10	4. GMCA REGIONAL PROJECTS & FUNDING	EO	<p>GMCA Targets & Action Plan 22-23 Current and Upcoming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed Aquifer Recharge Workshop • NBI and battery opportunities generally • Electrification advocacy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Household Energy Upgrades Fund - survey (Fed) - Vic Inquiry into Residential Electrification - CASBEs August letter to the Minister on planning reform and electrification • AusNet Vulnerability Research Grant • Emerging LG working group or seminar series re offsets better practice <p>See a list of all GMCA projects in process of being assessed for impact here.</p>
2:00	5. PRESENTATIONS	Alex Houlston Rob Law	<p>Boompower www.boompower.com.au demonstration – a new electrification platform CoGG using it for SMEs. First council for residential using from 1/11/23. Will be branded as council. Subscription for first 12 months. Market based fees exceed subscription then no subscription. Can plug in own providers.</p> <p>The NAGA 'Rethinking Carbon Offsets' Report: and next steps for collaboration Offsets shakeup – additionality dubious Andrew McIntosh highlighting projects not additional Chubb Review now working through recommendations of voluntary carbon market Taskforce on Related Carbon Financial Disclosures Tightening up scope 3 targets = more carbon credit demand Nature Positive, nature repair market = more demand for nature credits? So – rising demand and low supply. Human induced regeneration is expiring this month as a method. Regs are changing, and uncertainty over Climate Active scheme and councils are questioning whether they want to go down that path. Buyers want more confidence. Local.</p>

			<p>Councils=certified and verified, BAU, ACCUs, VERs, Climate Active</p> <p>Uncertified, but verified – supports local projects, more flexible, needs bespoke validation/verification</p> <p>Uncertified and unverified – supports local projects, not quantifying claims, supports idea of local funds, climate contributions.</p> <p>Local offsetting and insetting, Community Carbon NCCMA, Flintpro, SECCCA – a number exploring.</p> <p>Do farmers keep their credits to offset their own emissions?</p> <p>Might not be aware there are other ways of doing things.</p> <p>Percentage of sharing available.</p> <p>Shared group CMA.</p>
2.30	BREAK	ALL	5 mins
2.35	6. GMCA CAPACITY BUILDING	EO	<p>Managed Aquifer Recharge 101 Seminar 28 September</p> <p>Don't forget GMCA's YouTube channel containing past training</p> <p>Any requests for officer capacity building (or other CB)?</p>
2.50	7. OTHER	EO	Nil.

Close 2.42pm