

Vic Catchments Forum Newsletter | Issue 33 | October 2025



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COMMUNIQUÉ

Message from the Chair

Welcome to my first communicate for a couple of years. I have stepped up from deputy chair to interim chair for Vic Catchments, until we meet in November for our first meeting with the new Vic Catchments Forum.

Welcome to our newest CMA chairs – Michael Watson, Corangamite CMA; Stephen Angus, East Gippsland CMA; Kate Redwood, Glenelg Hopkins CMA; Narelle Heard, Mallee CMA; Luke Wilson North East CMA; and Belinda Nave, West Gippsland CMA.

Along with Sarah Parker, Goulburn Broken CMA; Sally Mitchell, North Central CMA; and Greg Wilson from Melbourne Water, the Vic Catchments Forum has a wealth of experience and knowledge, and I am looking forward to working with everyone.

Welcome to all the new CMA Board appointments, good luck with your new roles.

I would like to acknowledge the outgoing Chairs (Cath Jenkins, Tony Ford, Graeme Dear, Mikaela Power, Alison McTaggart and Ewan Waller) for their valuable contributions and support over the past two years and wishing them good luck in future endeavours.

Special thanks to Tony Ford for his role as Victoria's Director on the NRM Regions Australia Board, this connection with NRM regions across Australia has proven valuable over recent years.



A special thank you and congratulations to Cath Jenkins.

Cath was chair of Vic Catchments for the last 2 years and she is an amazing advocate for CMAs, Vic Catchments and all our partnerships. Thank you for all your efforts.

Cath has been appointed to the Southern Rural Water Board, congratulations.

Our first Vic Catchments meeting with the new team will be on 12th November 2025.

Peter Hilbig



Welcome

Communique

With the appointment of new CMA chairs and Board members, we have taken the opportunity to update our communique list, so welcome to everyone who is receiving this for the first time.

The Vic Catchments communique is produced quarterly following our Vic Catchments Meeting, it aims to keep you up to date with what is happening with Vic Catchments, priority projects, partnership projects and links to keep updates.

If there are other people who would like to receive the communique, please direct them to the communique page on our website [Vic Catchments | Communiqués](#), for past issues and to sign up.

Or send Belinda an email: belinda.brennan@viccatchments.com.au and she will be happy to add you to the list.

Vic Catchments Website

If you are wanting to know more about Vic Catchments, our people, our projects, our partners and our achievement, please check out our website [Vic Catchments | Home](#)



Upcoming Events

12th November 2025: 1:00 pm Vic Catchments Chairs Meeting
3:00 pm Vic Catchments Forum
6:00 pm Vic Catchments Dinner

13th November 2025: CMA Strategic Directions Session

19th Nov 2025: Director Development Program webinar. This will a joint VicWater and Vic Catchments webinar for new directors.

18th March 2026: Director development session hosted by DEECA and VicWater In person event

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*We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the country we work on and pay our respects to their elders
past, present and emerging*