

Peel-Harvey ESTUARY *Forum*

Come along and hear from DWER, PHCC and Murdoch Uni who are protecting the estuary and its ecological, cultural and economic values

Wednesday,
26 October 2022

4.30pm – 7.00pm

Acacia Room, **The Sebel**
1 Marco Polo Drive, Mandurah



Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

Bindjareb | Peel-Harvey
Djilba | estuary
Protection Plan

Registration essential:
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Light supper provided and cash bar available



4.30	REGISTRATIONS	
4.45	Welcome and Introductions	Jane O'Malley PHCC
4.50	Welcome to Country	Franklyn Nannup
5.00	PRESENTATIONS	
5.00	Healthy Estuaries WA overview	Malcolm Robb DWER
5.10	Bindjareb Djilba Protection Plan update	Trudy Evans DWER
5.20	Sustainable agriculture and riparian restoration	Megan LeRoy / Rebecca MacKenzie PHCC
5.40	Peel-Harvey water quality update	Georgina Evans / Michael Kenrick DWER
6.05	Peel Fish Community Index and Black Bream and Pygmy Mussel projects	Alan Cottingham / James Tweedley Murdoch University
6.20	Closing	Jane O'Malley PHCC
6.20	NETWORKING and LIGHT SUPPER	

Our Presenters

Malcolm Robb is the Aquatic Science Branch Manager at the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation. Malcolm has been working to understand, improve and effectively manage the health of estuaries in south-west WA since the mid-nineties and now leads the State Government's Healthy Estuaries WA program.

Trudy Evans coordinates the delivery of the Bindjareb Djilba Protection Plan. Trudy has a wealth of experience delivering large scale programs including Be Groundwater Wise and Waterwise Perth, as well as water allocation planning.

Megan LeRoy is PHCC's Coordinator of Healthy Farms and Habitats. Megan has extensive experience in restoration, conservation, agriculture and natural resource management in the private and public sectors. Megan currently delivers PHCC's Protecting WA Black Cockatoos and Healthy Estuaries WA Sustainable Agriculture programs.

Rebecca MacKenzie is PHCC's Healthy Estuary Officer. Rebecca has been involved in program management, training and community services in the environment and conservation sector for many years, as well as working in local government, carrying out on ground land management and restoration projects. Rebecca's primary role at PHCC is the delivery of the Healthy Estuaries WA Stream Restoration Program.

Georgina Evans is an environmental scientist in the Aquatic Science Branch of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation. Most recently, Georgina has been synthesising and reporting upon the Peel-Harvey estuary water quality monitoring data. She has also worked in estuarine science and water quality remediation in the Swan-Canning estuary.

Michael Kenrick is an environmental scientist and the project leader for the Peel-Harvey estuary water quality monitoring program at DWER. He is passionate about the natural environment, loves spending time on boats, fishing and diving. He enjoys working in the region due to the high diversity of the environment which is challenging and rewarding.

Dr Alan Cottingham is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Centre for Sustainable Aquatic Ecosystems, Harry Butler Institute at Murdoch University. Alan conducts research relating the effects of environmental degradation in estuaries to changes in fish biology and has worked on a number of research projects in Murray River and Peel-Harvey Estuary.

Dr James Tweedley is a Senior Lecturer and the leader of the Fish and Fisheries theme in the Centre for Sustainable Aquatic Ecosystems in the Harry Butler Institute at Murdoch University. Awarded the WA Young Tall Poppy of the Year in 2021, James is recognised for his outstanding and wide-ranging commitment to fighting the ongoing challenges facing our oceans and estuaries.