

MEETING:	RAMJO Board Meeting			
DATE:	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2022			
TIME:	9:30am – 12:30pm			
LOCATION:	Zoom			
CHAIR:	Cr. Patrick Bourke			
ZOOM:	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81230033295?pwd=YkRCUEttRjZtN0ZUci9sU1ZNNi81QT09 Meeting ID: 812 3003 3295 Passcode: 863368			
	Council / Organisation	Voting Member	Non-Voting Member	
	Albury City Council	Cr. Kylie King	Mr. Frank Zaknich	
	Berrigan Shire Council	Cr. Matthew Hannan	Ms. Karina Ewer	
	Carrathool Shire Council	Cr. Darryl Jardine	Mr. Rick Warren	
	Edward River Council	Cr. Peta Betts	Mr. Philip Stone	
	Federation Council	Cr. Pat Bourke	Mr. Adrian Butler	
ATTENDEES:	Griffith City Council	Cr. Doug Curran	Mr. Brett Stonestreet	
ATTENDEES.	Hay Shire Council	Cr. Carol Oataway	Mr. David Webb	
	Leeton Shire Council	Cr. Tony Reneker	Ms. Jackie Kruger	
	Murray River Council	Cr. Chris Bilkey	Mr. Terry Dodds	
	Murrumbidgee Council	Cr. Ruth McRae	Mr. John Scarce	
	Narrandera Shire Council	Cr. Neville Kschenka	Mr. George Cowan	
	Regional NSW		Ms. Margaret O'Dwyer	
	Office of Local Government		Mr. Cameron Templeton	
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	Ms. Narelle Martin – Regional Energy Strategy Project Manager			
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	Name	Organisation	Role
	Mr Mitchell Hume	Transgrid	Stakeholder and Communications Manager, Major Projects
071150	Mr Brogan Finnerty	Charles Sturt University	Development Officer
OTHER ATTENDEES	Ms Joanne Parrott	Transport NSW	Director Regional Community Partner, South Region
	Mr Mark Hannan	Transport NSW	Planning for Places Director, South and West Region
	Ms Wendy Greiner	Murray Regional Tourism	Chair
	Mr Will Flamsteed	Murray Regional Tourism	Interim CEO
	Mr Joe Ruuskanen	National Emergency Management Agency	Director
	Ms Donna Argus	Resilience NSW	Director

























MEETING AGENDA			
Item	Topic	Time	
	OPENING	9:30	
1	Welcome  • Acknowledgement of traditional custodians	9:35	
2	Apologies and Leave of Absence	9:36	
3	Declaration of Items of Pecuniary or Other Interest – Board Members / Designated Persons	9:37	
4	Minutes from previous Board meeting:  • 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2022 – Attachment A  • Extraordinary meeting 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Attachment B	9:38	
5	Matters arising from previous Board meetings	9:39	
6	Correspondence - Attachment C, Attachment D	9.40	
7	Transport NSW – Regional Transport Plan, Riverina Murray Ms Joanne Parrott, Mr Mark Hannan – Transport NSW	9.45	
8	Transgrid Project update  Mr Mitchell Hume – Transgrid, Mr Brogan Finnerty - Charles Sturt University	10:00	
9	Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements  Mr Joe Ruuskanen, National Emergency Management Agency, Ms Donna Argus, Resilience NSW	10:15	
	BREAK		
10	RAMJO Regional Energy Strategy  Ms Narelle Martin, RAMJO Regional Energy Strategy Project Manager – Attachment E, Attachment F	10.40	
11	GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE  11.1 Ms Nicola Gleeson: 2022-2023 Q1 Quarterly Budget Review – Attachment G  11.2 Ms Nicola Gleeson: End of Financial Year 2021-2022  11.3 Ms Nicola Gleeson: Performance Statement 2021-2022– Attachment H  11.4 Ms Nicola Gleeson: Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee	10:50	
12	UPDATE ON STRATEGIC PRIORITIES  12.1 Cr. Chris Bilkey: Water Sub-Committee Update  12.2 Mr Phil Stone: Digital Connectivity Sub-Committee Update  12.3 Mr George Cowan: Energy Security Sub-Committee  12.4 Mr David Webb: Transport Sub-Committee  12.5 Mr John Scarce: Health Sub-Committee Update  12.6 Ms Nicola Gleeson: Revised Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities - Attachment I	11:00	
13	Murray Regional Tourism update  Ms Wendy Greiner, Mr Will Flamsteed, Murray Regional Tourism	11:15	
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Item	Topic	Time
15	Update - Regional NSW  Ms Margaret O'Dwyer: Regional NSW Update	11.40
16	PROJECT UPDATES  16.1 Mr. Matthew Dudley: Contaminated Land Management – Attachment J  16.2 Ms Andrea Baldwin, Mr Christian Malins: Waste Groups – Attachment K  16.3 Mr Christian Malins: RAMJO Regional Waste Strategy Update  16.4 Mr Christian Malins: RAMJO Waste year in review update  16.5 Ms Andrea Baldwin: HalveWaste Education  16.6 Ms Karina Ewer: Shared Services	11:50
17	ADVOCACY  17.1 ePlanning portal  17.2 RFS Assets  17.3 IPART Review of the rate peg methodology	12:30
18	OPERATIONAL MATTERS  18.1 General Managers' meeting 14 October 2022 – Attachment L  18.2 Murray Regional Tourism report – Attachment M  18.3 JO Chairs' Forum - 28 March 2022 - Attachment N  18.4 RAMJO calendar 2023 - Attachment O  18.5 Administration of Councils' September 2024 elections  18.6 RAMJO grant applications  18.6.1 DRRF  18.6.2 Energy JO	12:40
19	GENERAL BUSINESS  • Call for general business	12:50
Meeting Close		1:00pm

























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# RAMJO BOARD MEETING AGENDA

#### AGENDA ITEM 1 -WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Chair to welcome attendees and acknowledgement of country. Welcome meeting guests.

Ms Margaret O'Dwyer, from Regional NSW, who is a proxy for Mr Giles Butler, who is an apology.

#### AGENDA ITEM 2 – APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies: Mayor Matt Hannan, RAMJO Chair, Mr Giles Butler, Mr Terry Dodds

#### Recommendation:

• That apologies be accepted and that leave of absence be granted.

AGENDA ITEM 3 — DECLARATION OF ITEMS OF PECUNIARY OR OTHER INTEREST – BOARD MEMBERS / DESIGNATED PERSONS

# AGENDA ITEM 4 - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- Draft Minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022 Attachment A
- Draft minutes of Extraordinary meeting 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022 <u>– Attachment B</u>

#### Recommendation:

 That the minutes of the RAMJO Board Meetings held 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022 and 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022 be <u>received</u> and the recommendations therein be adopted.

# AGENDA ITEM 5 - MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS RAMJO BOARD MEETINGS

ITEM	STATUS
Executive Officer to consider releasing joint media release with other JOs regarding Best Practice in	IN PROGRESS
Aggregated Procurement	
Invite Water NSW Director Vince Kelly to RAMJO Water Security Sub Committee meeting to seek clarity	IN PROGRESS
on planned infrastructure changes	
RAMJO to host a cross border workshop with the Murray Group of Councils to consider matters in	IN PROGRESS
common and seek opportunities for collaboration	
Board consider coordinating a regional list of events so councils are not competing with each other for	NOT STARTED
attendances.	
EO to see if there's a reference research document behind the Riverina Murray Regional Plan.	COMPLETED

### Recommendation:

That the RAMJO Board note the status of matters arising from previous Board meetings.

























# AGENDA ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER - ATTACHMENT A, ATTACHMENT B

# **CORRESPONDENCE SENT – Attachment C**

Date	То	Subject	Action
Q1 2022-2023			
16 August 2022	Ms Margaret Crawford, Auditor-General NSW Copy to Cr Dallas Tout, Mayor Wagga Wagga City Council.	Letter of support for Wagga Wagga City Council's position in RFS assets.	No action, per Board resolution 12 August 2022
17 August 2022	Mr David Webb, GM Hay	Letter of support for NSW Business Case & Feasibility Fund – For Hay Shire	No action, letter of support
18 August 2022	Mr Frank Zaknich, GM Albury City	Acceptance of Albury City's ARIC proposal	No action, per Board resolution 12 August 2022
18 August 2022	Ms Ally Dench, OLG	Letter seeking representation on the Interagency working group.	No action, per Board resolution 12 August 2022
22 August 2022	Program Manager, Regional NSW – Business Case and Strategy Development Fund	Letter of support for NSW Business Case & Feasibility Fund – For AlburyCity	No action, letter of support
24 August 2022	Mr Adrian Butler, GM Federation	Letter of support for NSW Business Case & Feasibility Fund – For Federation	No action, letter of support
30 August 2022	NSW Water Minister, the Honourable Kevin Anderson Copy to NSW Shadow Minister for Water, the Hon Rose Jackson.	Letter seeking assurance of engagement and water recovery.	No action, per Board resolution 12 August 2022



























Date	То	Subject	Action
30 August 2022	The Hon Tanya Plibersek, Minister for the Environment and Water Hon Kristy McBain MP, Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories, Hon Kevin Anderson, MP, NSW Minister for Lands and Water	Letter re: environmental water / buybacks	No action, per Board resolution 12 August 2022
2 September 2022	Mike Stewardson, CEO One Basin CRC	One Basin CRC Affiliate Partner Agreement	No action, agreement signed and returned
5 September 2022	The Hon. Wendy Tuckerman, NSW Minister for Local Government The Hon. Anthony Roberts, NSW Minister for Planning	Letter updating on the Planning Portal meeting progress	No action, outcome of in region meeting August 2022.
6 September 2022	NSW Office of Energy and Climate Change	Letter in support of development of (free) publicly available Technical Specifications for Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers.	No action, letter of support for EV standards
6 September 2022	Minister of the Environment – The Hon James Griffin, MP Copy to NSW Environment Protection Authority	Letter in support of Contaminated Land extensions	No action, letter supporting CRCB project and seeking further extension of funding
11 October	Simone Thomas Manager, Waste Contestable Grants Environmental Trust NSW	Reply Re: Community Recycling Centres – 2014/CRC/0033 Final Report, Riverina and Murray Regional Organisation of Councils (RAMROC) - Murray Waste Group Berrigan, Conargo, Corowa and Murray Shires Community Recycling Centres	Noted.

























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# **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - Attachment D**

Date	From	Subject	Action
Q1 2022-2023			
16 August 2022	Mike Stewardson, CEO One Basin CRC	One Basin CRC : Riverina & Murray Joint Organisation   Affiliate Partner Letter Agreement Review	No action, agreement signed and returned
25 August 2022	Lou-Anne Lind, Director Education and Programs, NSW Environment Protection Authority	Regional Coordination Support Program five year funding deed	No action, deeds signed, returned to EPA and invoiced for 2022-2023.
13 September 2022	Ms Ally Dench, OLG	Letter explaining the Interagency working group, declining request for representation on the group.	Note
29 August 2022	The Hon. Sam Farraway, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads	RAMJO's Freight Priorities Report	Note
7 October 2022	Ms Tina Bidese, Director Grants, The Environmental Trust (administered by the Department of Planning and Environment)	Community Recycling Centres – 2014/CRC/0033 Final Report Riverina and Murray Regional Organisation of Councils (RAMROC)	Reply in Correspondance outwards.
21 October 2022	Mr Dominic Lane, Deputy State Emergency Recovery Controller, Executive Director, Local Coordination and Service Delivery, Resilience NSW	Pre-Event Recovery Plan	Note the Pre-Event Recovery Plan. Provided as attachment.
24 October 2022	Ms. Lou-Anne Lind Director, Education and Programs EPA	Letter advising extension of agreement to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023.	No action, extension to funding.
14 November 2022	Mr Andrew McConville Chief Executive, MDBA	Stakeholder Letter	Note

























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# Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>note</u> the Correspondence update.

























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# AGENDA ITEM 7 - TRANSPORT NSW - REGIONAL TRANSPORT PLAN, RIVERINA MURRAY

Ms Joanne Parrott, Director Regional Community Partner, South Region, and Mr Mark Hannan, Planning for Places Director, South and West Region will give a presentation on the Regional Transport Plan for Riverina Murray region, and opportunities for consultation and RAMJO input.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board note the presentation by Ms Joanne Parrott and Mr Mark Hannan from Transport NSW.

#### AGENDA ITEM 8 -TRANSGRID PROJECT UPDATE

Mr Mitchell Hume, Stakeholder and Communications Manager - Major Projects from Transgrid, and Mr Brogan Finnerty, Development Officer from Charles Sturt University, will give an update on Transgrid projects in the RAMJO region, and a new civil engineering scholarship initiative recently launched.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>note</u> the presentation by Mr Mitchell Hume from Transgrid, and Mr Brogan Finnerty from Charles Sturt University.

#### AGENDA ITEM 9 – DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS

Mr Joe Ruuskanen, National Emergency Management Agency, and Ms Donna Argus, Resilience NSW will give an overview of Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements, and their two agencies.

#### Recommendation:

 That the Board <u>note</u> the presentation by Mr Joe Ruuskanen, National Emergency Management Agency, and Ms Donna Argus, Resilience NSW.

#### AGENDA ITEM 10 – RAMJO REGIONAL ENERGY STRATEGY

Ms. Narelle Martin, the Regional Energy Strategy Project Manager will give a review of the completed RAMJO Regional Energy Strategy, report attached at **Attachment E**, and draft Strategy is at **Attachment F**. The Energy Subcommittee and the RES Project Manager have done a significant amount of work to finalise this, and we are seeking Board endorsement of the Regional Energy Strategy.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>adopt</u> the Regional Energy Strategy.

# AGENDA ITEM 11 – GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE

#### 11.1 Quarterly Budget vs Spend Review Q4 2021-2022

Please find at Attachment G a spreadsheet documenting Q1 spend to date against budgeted items for FY2022-2023.

Relating to General Fund income:

• RAMJO budgeted to receive \$ 222,467 year to date, and \$226,157 has been received. This predominantly due to the increased interest income after rate increases on the \$1.2million term deposit.

























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• RAMJO has not recognised the \$150k from OLG NSW received in late June 2021 for capacity building funds, it is currently on the balance sheet as unearned income in advance.

Relating to General Fund expenses:

• RAMJO budgeted to spend \$128,793 year to date, and spent \$129,830 at the end of Q1, which is not a material variance.

The Energy Project is grant funded, and expenses relate to the Regional Energy Strategy Project Manager.

#### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board <u>note</u> the 2022-2023 Q1 budget versus spend report.

#### 11.2 End of Year Financial Reporting: GPFS & Audit

The extraordinary meeting of RAMJO's board for signing the audited financial statements was held 13th October 2022. Subsequent to this meeting, the NSWAO advised that contrary to the previous advice, RAMJO would receive a management letter. This forms part of the correspondence register, and the Board is asked to receive and note this management letter.

#### Recommendation:

 That the RAMJO Board <u>receive</u> <u>and note</u> the management letter received subsequent to the extraordinary meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

#### 11.3 Performance statement 2021-2022

The RAMJO Performance Statement for 2021-2022 is at <u>Attachment H</u>, this was endorsed for Board approval at October 2022 General Managers' meeting. This will be published on the website and submitted to the Office of Local Government.

#### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board <u>adopt</u> the 2021-2022 performance statement.

# 11.4 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee ("ARIC")

Executive Officer will give a verbal update on meetings held with Albury City ARIC.

### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board <u>note</u> the progress on the ARIC.

### AGENDA ITEM 12 - STRATEGIC PRIORITIES UPDATE

#### 12.1 Cr. Chris Bilkey: Water

Water subcommittee has not met since the last GMs meeting, work updating the paper has continued. RAMJO Chair, Water subcommittee Chair and EO attended the recent Murray Darling Association conference.

# 12.2 Mr Phil Stone: Digital Connectivity

No further activity in this space.

























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#### 12.3 Mr George Cowan: Energy Security

The RAMJO Regional Energy Strategy has been completed and is on the agenda today for endorsement.

#### 12.4 Mr David Webb: Transport

As noted in the Correspondence Register, responses to advocacy in the updated Regional Priorities have been received, and discussions with NSW Transport has been productive. NSW Transport will attend the November Board meeting to discuss how RAMJO can input into the upcoming Regional Transport plan.

#### 12.5 Mr John Scarce: Health

The Health Sub Committee met since last meeting, work continues on the paper.

#### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board note the strategic priorities updates.

#### 12.6 Revised Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities

The draft Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities is at <u>Attachment I</u> for the Board's review and endorsement. Thanks to the SSRP working group of Mayor Kylie King, Mr George Cowan, Mr Brett Stonestreet, Mr Giles Butler, and the GM group who have reviewed and provided input into the draft.

#### Recommendation:

That the RAMJO Board <u>adopt</u> the Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities for 2022-2026.

#### AGENDA ITEM 13 – MURRAY REGIONAL TOURISM

Ms Wendy Greiner, Chair Murray Regional Tourism, and Mr Will Flamsteed, Interim CEO Murray Regional Tourism will give an overview of Murray Regional Tourism and upcoming strategic projects.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>note</u> the presentation by Ms Wendy Greiner, and Mr Will Flamsteed from Murray Regional Tourism.

### AGENDA ITEM 14 – OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UPDATE

Mr Cameron Templeton will give an update of the work of the OLG, including an update on the progress of the JO Review action group.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>note</u> the briefing from the Office of Local Government, and update on the JO Review.

#### AGENDA ITEM 15 - REGIONAL NSW UPDATE

Ms Margaret O'Dwyer, Deputy Director, Riverina Murray, Regional Development - Regional NSW will give an update on Regional NSW.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board **note** the presentation by Ms Margaret O'Dwyer.

























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# AGENDA ITEM 16 – PROJECT UPDATES

Written updates on each project currently being managed by RAMJO provided as attachments.

#### 16.1 Contaminated Lands Management – Attachment J

Taken as read.

# 11.2 Riverina Waste Group & Murray Waste Group – Attachment K

Taken as read.

# 11.3 Regional Waste Strategy update

Mr Christian Malins will give a presentation updating the Board on the Regional Waste Strategy and pathway for adoption.

# 11.4 Regional Waste Program update

Mr Christian Malins will give a presentation updating the Board on the projects undertaken by the Waste team this year.

#### 11.5 Halve Waste Education program

Ms Andrea Baldwin will give a presentation on plans for the Halve Waste Education program roll out across the RAMJO region.

# 11.6 Karina Ewer: Shared Services

Mapping of demand is in progress, as below:

Council	Contact	Mapping scheduled / completed	Progress
Albury	Kate de Hennin, Service Leader Engagement Tracey Squires, Deputy CEO Business, Growth & Community	Mapping template completed and returned to RAMJO.	
Berrigan	Karina Ewer, GM	Mapping template completed and returned to RAMJO.	
Carrathool	Rick Warren, GM	Mapping template completed and returned to RAMJO.	
Edward River	Belinda Perrett, Executive Assistant	Template sent, initial meeting held, mapping being competed.	
Federation	Robyn Beveridge	Template sent, meeting not booked, staff member has left.	
Griffith	Annie Featherstone, Workforce Planning Administrator	Template returned	
Hay	David Webb, GM.	Mapping template completed and returned to RAMJO.	
Leeton	Gary Taylor, Manager People & Organisation Development	Mapping template completed and returned to RAMJO.	
Murray River	Stephen Fernando, Director Corporate Services Sandy Paterson, Manager of Business Intelligence	Template sent, initial meeting held, mapping being completed.	
Murrumbidgee	Sarah Gurciullo, People and Culture Officer	Template returned	
Narrandera	Michael Pieper, HR Manager	Template sent, initial meeting held, mapping being completed.	

























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Additionally, this has been discussed at the Planning forum and the Engineers forum. A presentation is being prepared by a consultant who worked on the Northern Rivers JO's shared services proposal on how we can use the mapping most effectively.

#### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board <u>receive</u> and <u>note</u> the project updates.

#### AGENDA ITEM 17 – ADVOCACY

#### 17.1 ePlanning Portal

Ms Karina Ewer will give a verbal update on the meetings held with the Planning Department staff, project team, and the project plan going forward.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>note</u> the update on the ePlanning portal project.

#### 17.2 RFS Assets

RAMJO, member councils and other JOs have put out media related to the ongoing RFS assets issue. Board to consider if further advocacy is needed in this issue.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board **consider** if further advocacy is required related to RFS assets.

#### 17.3 IPART Review of the Rate Pegging Methodology

RAMJO has made representation to the IPART review, and urges councils to attend the November workshops with IPART to continue to advocate.

#### Recommendation:

• That the Board <u>note</u> the IPART review process.

# AGENDA ITEM 18- OPERATIONAL MATTERS

#### 18.1 General Managers Group Meeting Minutes

The General Managers met on Friday 14 October 2022, minutes can be found at Attachment L

#### 18.2 Murray Regional Tourism

Attachment M has the report from Ms Karina Ewer on the latest meeting of MRT, to be taken as read.

# **18.3 JO Chairs' Forum** - 4 August 2022

Minutes attached at <u>Attachment N</u>. The most recent meeting (minutes not yet available) was held 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022, the new JO Chairs' convenor elected was Mayor Russell Fitzpatrick of Bega Valley Shire Council, Chair of Canberra Region JO. Deputy Convenor is Mayor Paul Harmon of Inverell Shire Council, Chair of New England JO.

























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#### 18.4 RAMJO Calendar for 2023

Draft calendar for RAMJO's meetings for the Board and the GMs is at <u>Attachment O</u>. RAMJO Councils will approve their calendars for 2023 end of 2022 / start of 2023, and RAMJO will update accordingly and seek adoption for the full meeting schedule at the first meeting in 2023. We are seeking confirmation of the date and location of the first Board meeting of 2023, which is proposed to be <u>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023</u>, in Leeton as the meeting 25<sup>th</sup> December has been moved from Leeton online.

#### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board adopt the date for the next meeting be Friday 24th November 2023, in Leeton.

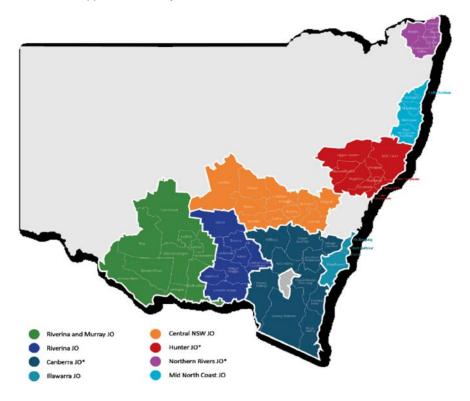
#### 18.5 Administration of Councils' September 2024 Elections

Ms Karina Ewer will speak to the OLG Circular 22-35 "Councils' decisions on the administration of their September 2024 ordinary elections" regarding Administration of Councils' September 2024 Elections.

#### 18.6 RAMJO grant applications

#### 18.6.1 DRRF

RAMJO has one grant application currently open, with Resilience NSW's Disaster Risk Reduction Fund's Local and Regional Risk Reduction stream. The application is for a Regional Capability Officer – similar to the Contaminated Land project – that works across RAMJO councils to do a risk assessment / needs analysis to improve council and community risk preparedness. These priorities would be used to adapt and embed policy, systems and practices that are drawn from the work that have already been done by the Canberra and Hunter JO IP+R Disaster Resilience Projects. There is further opportunity to use the 4 Simtables at Hunter, Canberra and Mid North Coast JOs for modelling and use of the expertise of Simtable officers in these JOs. Lastly, work in strategic regional disaster risk / vulnerability analysis, in conjunction with the other JOs. This was an application in conjunction with the JOs below:



























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#### Recommendation:

• That the RAMJO Board move into confidential

The RAMJO EO will give an update on the DRRF grant application.

# Recommendation:

- That the RAMJO Board **note** the update on the DRRF grant.
- That the RAMJO Board move out of confidential

#### 18.6.2 Joint Organisation Net Zero Acceleration Grant

The Office of Energy and Climate Change is piloting a grant program for JOs and ROCs to apply for \$155k for one year to "support local governments in regional NSW to save energy and money, reduce emissions, and set a path to net zero". The JO network intends to work together as with the DRRF grant process to apply for this grant, and seeks the Board's approval for this application.

#### Recommendation:

- That the RAMJO Board <u>approve</u> the grant application for the Joint Organisation Net Zero Acceleration Grant.
- That the RAMJO Board <u>note</u> the operational updates.

# AGENDA ITEM 19 - GENERAL BUSINESS

A call for General Business items will be made by the Chair.

**MEETING CLOSE** 





















