

3-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

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We frame our work around the following principles and practices:

Skill development

Communities of practice

Applied research

Accessible resources

Efficiency of systems

Environmental, social & economic benefits

Cooperation across jurisdictions

Vision

Water sensitive communities that support cooler, greener, wilder and more climate resilient places to live and work.

Mission

To support government, industry and community to mainstream water sensitive urban design (WSUD) and integrated water management (IWM) practices that enhance wellbeing and ecological health.

Goals

GREY TO GREEN: WSUD is integrated into asset renewal, capital works projects, urban development, and retrofit of existing homes and gardens.

AN INFORMED AND SKILLED COMMUNITY: All relevant government and industry sectors and the community have the knowledge, commitment and skills to deliver cooler, greener, wilder water sensitive communities.

Our strategic shifts

LIVEABLE: Communities connect with and value the role of WSUD and alternative water supplies in supporting healthy landscapes and living systems.

RESILIENT: Urban landscape climate resilience is enhanced through the application of WSUD and IWM.

SUSTAINABLE: Urban watercourses, coastal areas and marine environments exhibit high aquatic and biodiversity values.

PRODUCTIVE: Communities and businesses thrive in green urban spaces. Green infrastructure and food production are sustained by WSUD and alternative water supplies.

Objectives

BENEFITS OF WSUD ARE UNDERSTOOD: Increased awareness and understanding of benefits of WSUD and how it can be implemented.

INFORMED DECISION MAKERS: Organisational culture embraces the inclusion of WSUD in future investments.

WSUD IN POLICY: Performance-based WSUD and green infrastructure (GI) policies are embedded within relevant government policy and regulations.

EFFECTIVE APPLICATION: Practitioners apply best practice WSUD and IWM strategies effectively to achieve desired water quality, flood management, water conservation and urban greening objectives.

Water Sensitive SA contributes to Green Adelaide's Regional Landscape Plan, Local Government climate adaptation and asset management plans, and State Government planning policy.







