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The NSW Wetlands Management Policy

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1. Context of the Policy

Ecologically Sustainable Development has been defined as development that “meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs” (WCED 1987). The United Nations Conference on

The Policy recognises that while the State plays an important role by targeting its resources for wetland management, it is land holders who are primarily responsible

2. Purpose of the Policy

- education;
- foreshore protection;

3. What is a Wetland?

Scientific Research

Wetlands are storehouses of knowledge about past ecological communities and climatic sequences. Analysis of sediments, such as looking at pollen records, make

into account community preferences, current scientific knowledge and broad economic analysis. The Commissioner for Healthy Rivers will then undertake public

have been recognised as being inherently valuable. Accordingly, they should be sustainably managed to conserve all their benefits.

As part of the implementation of this aspect of the policy, the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service will continue to work towards the mapping of all wetlands and

