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Private citizen

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Environmental / NRM

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### A State native vegetation policy

#### 9 Referring to the proposed policy objective statements below, how well do you support each one in guiding our development of a policy?

##### Objective 1 matrix - Objective 1:

Opposed

##### Please explain in the text box below.:

EPA ACT or Conservation Biodiversity Act to override other legislation. Economic drivers should not override fundamental policy objectives of conservation and restoration. Balance not there. Change the business as usual method.

##### Objective 2 matrix - Objective 2:

Opposed

##### Please explain in the text box below.:

more emphasis required for mosaics of biodiversity in every region. I can speak for the Great Southern - the ecological communities change within short distances of each other. Cannot be strategic with funds currently allocated.

##### Objective 3 matrix - Objective 3:

Supported

**Please explain in the text box below.:**

Absolutely but funding and people on the ground with expertise and knowledge is critical.

**10 What opportunities are presented by the development of a State Native Vegetation Policy focused on how government manages vegetation?**

**Please provide your answer in the text box below.:**

Opportunities: to listen, to allocate funding, to train experts.

## **Better information**

**11 How do you use native vegetation data within your sector? (Choose as many options as you require)**

To plan for conservation, To plan for restoration, For baseline information for monitoring

**If you have chosen 'other', please specify:**

**12 Which of the following elements of better information provision would be most relevant to your sector? (Choose as many options as you require)**

Timeliness of assessments, Evidence-base for decisions

**If you have chosen 'other', please specify:**

**13 What other opportunities are presented by improved information and improved access to information?**

**Please provide your answer in the text box below.:**

Provide local government with the tools and resources and staff to do the monitoring.

Develop strategies to map, photograph, record data that is consistent. Information systems must be able to communicate with each other to collate, compare and analyze data.

## **Better regulation**

**14 Which of the following elements of better regulation would be most important to your sector? (Please rank your top three)**

Rank better reg elements - Improved protection for native vegetation:

Rank better reg elements - Ensuring development is sustainable:

Rank better reg elements - Streamlined regulation for cost saving:

1

Rank better reg elements - Clearer requirements for business certainty:

Rank better reg elements - Improved assessment timeframes:

Rank better reg elements - Transparent, evidence-based decisions:

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Rank better reg elements - Improved compliance and enforcement of unauthorised clearing:

Rank better reg elements - Equitable treatment of all proponents:

Rank better reg elements - Confidence in the regulatory system for all stakeholders:

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Rank better reg elements - Other:

**If you selected Other, please provide further information.:**

**15 What other opportunities are presented by better regulation?**

**Please provide your answer in the text box below.:**

There is no consideration in current regulations for disease management (eg: dieback) and weed infestations.

## **A bioregional approach**

**16 Which of the following elements are the most important to you/your sector? (Please rank your top three)**

Rank bioregional elements - 1. Transparent outcomes and objectives:

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Rank bioregional elements - 2. Leveraging local knowledge:

1

Rank bioregional elements - 3. Strategic and innovative approach to conflicting interests:

Rank bioregional elements - 4. Clear targets and thresholds:

Rank bioregional elements - 5. Planned approach to dealing with cumulative impacts:

Rank bioregional elements - 6. Effective monitoring and evaluation framework:

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Rank bioregional elements - 7. Supporting public-private partnerships for conservation:

**Please explain in the text box below.:**

Include strategies and opportunities to develop Aboriginal cultural connections with country.

Develop regional-specific protocols for mapping and increase data information and include local people and local expertise in the process. Remove out of date data.

Evaluation framework : concern that changing climate is not valued in the evaluation process.

**17 What other opportunities are presented by a bioregional approach?**

**Please explain in the text box below.:**

With s specific regions to fit into a bioregional mosaic funds may be available for linking opportunities.

Region specific mapping.

Region specific expertise.

**18 What concerns are presented by a bioregional approach, for your sector?**

**Please explain in the text box below.:**

too general - specific approach for areas within a bioregion

**Other initiatives**

**19 What initiatives do you think would work best to improve native vegetation outcomes in your region?**

Pricing, incentives and markets (e.g. biodiversity banking, offsets, carbon farming etc), Aboriginal land management, Pastoral diversification, Nature-based or cultural tourism, Private land management

**Please explain in the text box below.:**

**20 What else could be done to improve the management of native vegetation to arrest the decline of native vegetation extent and condition?**

**Please provide your answer in the text box below.:**

nature based tourism

engagement with local indigenous

create awareness through promotional strategies

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