

Alert – consultation Draft of the Policy for Biodiversity Offsets – submissions due 13th March 2009

Dear EDO Members and Bulletin Recipients,

The Environmental Protection Agency has released the draft Policy for Biodiversity Offsets for consultation and invites written submissions from individuals and organisations by the final date of 13th March 2009. The draft Policy on Biodiversity Offsets is available for downloading from the [EPA website](#) or request a copy by emailing offsets@epa.qld.gov.au or phoning (07) 3227 7783.

The EPA explains a biodiversity offset as an action undertaken to counterbalance an impact that causes a loss of biodiversity values. The EPA state the proposed Policy on Biodiversity Offsets will be a 'specific-issue offsets policy' under the framework of the Queensland Government Environmental Offset Policy. The [EPA website](#) provides further information and suggested focus questions.

The EPA offer a contact email address, offsets@epa.qld.gov.au and telephone number, (07) 3227 7783 if you require further information on the consultation draft or would like to discuss the biodiversity offsets policy.

EDO-NQ in conjunction with EDO (Qld) made a submission on the Queensland Government Environmental Offsets Policy that came into effect on 1st July 2008 (copy of [Offsets Policy](#)) and will also be making a submission on the Draft of the Policy for Biodiversity Offsets.

EDO-NQ encourages anyone who is interested in having their say on this proposed policy to obtain a copy of the draft Policy and let the EPA know what your views on it are. It is important that those who are interested have provide submissions within the time given.
Have your say by 13 March 2009!

Kind regards,

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