

Tips and Tricks

Best Practice in Environment Effects Statements

Wednesday, 9 November 2011 5:30 - 7:30pm

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Every year, billions of dollars of potential investment in Victorian projects is assessed under the *Environment Effects Act 1978*. While the environmental assessment processes established under this Act have withstood the test of time, if not managed properly they can also be lengthy, complicated, politicised and expensive. This seminar will explore the best practices that can be utilised to simplify and streamline this process.

CHAIR:

Elizabeth Hurst — President, Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand, Victorian Division

SPEAKERS:

Trevor Blake — Chief Environmental Assessment Officer, Department of Planning and Community Development

Trevor Blake has led assessment processes under the Environment Effects Act 1978 for more than a decade. He is an environmental planner with training in earth sciences, physical geography, environmental studies and process improvement, and a long-term interest in environmental assessment. Trevor will offer the perspective of the agency responsible for administering the EES process on best practice approaches for proponents to navigate the Environment Effects Act in order to achieve both an efficiency of effort and good outcomes, while minimising the risk of delays or surprises, as well as on some of the core issues affecting stakeholder expectations and responses.

Tim Power — Partner, Freehills

Tim Power has practised as an environmental lawyer for nearly 20 years, with extensive experience on Victorian EES processes and panel inquiries, and on similar assessment processes interstate. He also has extensive experience in advising on Commonwealth environmental assessment issues for projects throughout Australia. Tim will be offering his perspective on where EES assessments seem to regularly 'trip-up', how to deal with these issues, and on emerging Victorian, national and interstate trends on regional assessments, cumulative impacts, and social impact assessment.

Philip Heath — Principal, Environmental Planning and Assessment, SKM

Philip Heath is a Principal at SKM with 20 years' experience in leading multi-disciplinary EIA study teams. Recent EESs delivered by Philip and the SKM team include the Yallourn CCGT Power Station EES (current) and the Mornington Safe Harbour EES. Philip will be speaking on the topic 'EIA Practitioner Perspective - delivering quality EES's' within tight timelines and constrained budgets'. He will draw on lessons learned from these projects, as well as earlier landmark EESs prepared for the Portland Wind Energy Project, the Scoresby Transport Corridor and the Mt Stirling Alpine Resort development.

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