

Forum Facilitator: Robert Speirs MEIANZ CEnvP (Ecology Specialist) – Director / Principal Ecologist Capital Ecology

9:00 am “Temperate grassland and woodland mapping”

Dr Sam Reid MEIANZ – Consultant Ecologist, Capital Ecology

9:20 am ~~“Socio-ecological systems – the human dimension of ecosystems”~~

~~Mervyn Mason CEnvP (Ecology Specialist) – Associate, Golder & Associates~~

9:40 am “Sampling designs for aquatic ecology in environmental impact assessment: Do we rely too much on rapid assessment methods?”

Dr Marcus P. Lincoln Smith MEIANZ CEnvP (Ecology Specialist) – Senior Principal, Ecology Matters

PANEL DISCUSSION >>> MORNING TEA

11:00 am “eDNA - innovating wildlife detection and monitoring in Australia”

Helen Barclay – Managing Director, EnviroDNA

11:20 am “Benefits of development for a nationally threatened species”

Dr Travis How MEIANZ, CEnvP (Ecology Specialist) – Director, EBS Ecology

11:40 am “Permits, approvals and the complexities of ecological legislation”

William Parker MEIANZ – Environmental Scientist, WSP

PANEL DISCUSSION >>> LUNCH

1:00 pm “Using acoustic technology to survey bats: the advantages, pitfalls and considerations”

Julie Broken-Brow – Bat Research and Product Development Manager, Titley-Scientific

1:20 pm “How can environmental consultants make the most use of and add to the usefulness of the Naturemapr Platforms”

Dr Michael Mulvaney – Canberra Nature Map, ACT Government Representative

1:40 pm “Restoration ecology - from building coastal protection to fauna habitat”

Anne Clements CEnvP (Ecology Specialist) – Environmental and Botanical Consultant

PANEL DISCUSSION >>> AFTERNOON TEA

3:00 pm “Using fire in the restoration of critically endangered natural temperate grasslands”

Dr Brett Howland – Ecologist, ACT Parks and Conservation Service

3:20 pm “Listing nationally threatened ecological communities”

Dr John Vranjic – Assistant Director, Ecological Communities Section, Department of the Environment and Energy

3:40 pm “The NSW Biodiversity Offset Scheme 12 months in – the BAM vs BBAM”

Dr Rhidian Harrington MEIANZ – Director, Niche Environment and Heritage

PANEL DISCUSSION >>> NETWORKING DRINKS