

fitzroy
partnership
for river health

A waterway health collective
**Creating a more
complete picture**

Prospectus



Continuing the Partnership vision

We are entering our sixth year since the Fitzroy Partnership was established in 2012. Our focus is to be recognised as a trustworthy and reliable provider of waterway health assessments for the Fitzroy Basin. Early June 2018 will see the release of our seventh annual ecosystem health report card.

In terms of reputational standing, the Fitzroy Partnership for River Health is recognised as an international template for success in how community, government and industry can work together to manage shared water risks. The International Council on Mining and Metals, an initiative of the World Bank Group, recently identified the Fitzroy Partnership for River Health as an internationally significant example of shared water stewardship in the mining sector.

This critical aspect of Fitzroy Partnership business in empowering partners to collaborate in order to identify and create meaningful solutions is a core strength. This is not always smooth sailing and no small task for a watershed facing some of the most complex water management arrangements in Australia. Regardless, this strategy is resulting in greater capacity to implement proactive measures and maintain social and environmental license to operate in the economic significant Fitzroy Basin.

Thank you for supporting the Fitzroy Partnership as every member contribution helps us deliver trustworthy products and create meaningful solutions in the Fitzroy Basin.



Nathan Johnston
Executive Officer





Our commitment for 2018-19

Our expertise centers around the preparation and release of annual waterway reporting products for the Fitzroy Basin in Central Queensland. Funding through Membership is crucial for the Partnership to achieve its objectives to analyze the data and disseminate the information. Committed financial members are necessary for these information products to be created.

The Fitzroy Partnership has a core function in continuing to facilitate improved monitoring, collation, assessment and distribution of environmental and water quality data for the Fitzroy River. Providing robust information that is accurate in a range of accessible and relevant formats ensures our communities, partners and government are well informed.

Annual Membership funding provides a platform to attract further funding and investment from alternative funding streams. This strategy helps to add value to investments and progress additional opportunities identified by members.

Why Invest?



Nurture Fitzroy's independent and trusted waterway information source. Your membership maintains a high calibre independent Science Panel to ensure results are verified and underpinned by best available science. Your membership enables collation, assessment and reporting of waterway health for the largest catchment draining to the Great Barrier Reef.



Celebrate regional leadership and innovation. Members are promoted as being responsible for maintaining one of the most highly recognised and influential report card initiatives in Australia.



Contribute to your social and environmental licence to operate. As an organisation operating in the Fitzroy, your contribution is recognised and noticed. Membership affirms your commitment to sustainable use of waterways and providing a more complete picture of health.



Grow knowledge and information. The Fitzroy Partnership is amassing a comprehensive environmental and waterway dataset for the Fitzroy. It is being used by all layers of society including setting of water quality guidelines by government, supporting projects for industry and for local material in science assignments.





Keep current with waterway happenings. Our members are kept up-to-date with the latest water policy, planning and management activities relevant to the Fitzroy. The Partners Network meetings and events provide opportunity to discuss topics in depth.



Access individualised site reports. Detailed site reports are available that allow members to explore supplied data for monitoring sites and compare this to ecosystem health thresholds.



Engage and promote your commitment. Report cards, websites and other promotional products proudly display logos of our members in recognition for contributions. A special Fitzroy Partnership 'member seal' can be used by members in promotional materials. We collaborate with members on report card launches and regional promotions.



Influence our future. Members are automatically included in the Partners Network that meets regularly and elects our Management Committee. Together these two governing committees set the strategic direction of the Fitzroy Partnership.



What we do

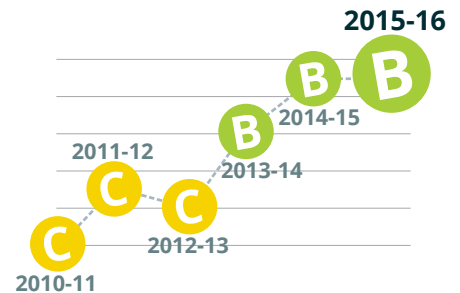
Community

This year the Fitzroy Partnership supported the “Tilapia Terminator” event on the banks of the Yeppon lagoon beside the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens. The event was about raising community awareness to the incursion of Tilapia (Introduced Pest Fish) in the Fitzroy River systems. Community were engaged in water quality and the value of good condition water courses.



Complex science presented simply

Our high level report card engagement products are visually appealing and designed to convey results of complex scientific assessment to the community. Underlying data and results are made available through our online product for those interested in the technical detail.

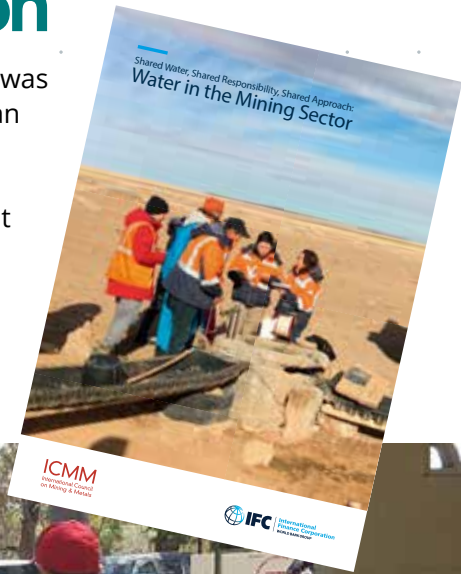


Stunning environmental reports

Enviroscore Online is a social enterprise product offered by the Fitzroy Partnership. Interested groups from outside our Basin can access and use our nationally recognized on line report card assessment and visualization platform. This year the Partnership collaborated to produce GBR online an attractive, user friendly and interactive report card tailored to the clients requirements.

International recognition

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Fitzroy Basin

Australia's economic powerhouse

142,000 km² largest basin to flow into the Great Barrier Reef lagoon



Coal

Australia's second largest export earner

\$42 billion /year

Fitzroy Basin produces

40% of the nation's coal

75% of the high value coking coal



Natural gas

Australia's fifth largest export earner

\$18 billion /year

2/3 of nation's gas produced in Roma gas fields

with half of petroleum leases in this field located in Fitzroy Basin



Tourism



GBR a significant
drawcard for
international
tourists

Australia's
10th
largest
export earner

Beef



1/4 of Queensland's cattle
graze in Fitzroy Basin

Australia's
seventh largest
export earner

\$7 billion
/year

Cotton



Queensland accounts for
30% of annual cotton crop

Australia's tenth
largest agricultural
commodity

Cotton grown in
Fitzroy Basin
valued at
\$150
million/year

\$950
million/year



We recognise our current partners for their significant contribution to a more complete picture of river health in the Fitzroy Basin.



Major Partners



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