PROGRAM

MORNING SESSION

(10:00AM FOR 10.30AM TO 12:45PM)

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WATER FORUM
FROM KNOWLEDGE TO ACTION
12 NOV 2026

10:00AM
Morning Session & Networking
Guest Arrival and Registration
Explore the FPRH and Partner Network community engagement showcase
Tea and coffee served

10:30AM
Welcome to Country
Murri Bunji's Dance Troupe
Aunty Sally Vea Vea, Darumbal Traditional Owner

10:45AM
Introduction & Event Logistics
Julia L Page, MC - Executive Officer, FPRH

10:55AM
Opening Remarks
Vanessa Lyons, Chair, FPRH Management Committee

11:05AM
Keynote Presentation
The changeable face of collaboration in creating a liveable and sustainable Central Queensland
Dr John Anderson (Honoris Causa) Chair, Regional Development Australia – Central and Western Queensland

11:30AM
Official Launch
Fitzroy Basin Report Card 2025–2026
Dr Eva Abal, Chair Independent Science Panel, **Mark Schultz,** Senior Science Officer, FPRH

11:50AM
Panel Discussion
Delving into Report Card Results
Moderator: Dr Eva Abal, ISP Chair
Nicole Flint, Sue Vink, Stephen Lewis, Barb Robson, & Helen Stratton (ISP Members)
Mark Schultz, Senior Science Officer, FPRH

12:15PM
Research Presentation
Drain Buddies
Mark Schultz, Senior Science Officer, FPRH

12:30PM
Partner Network Presentation
Fitzroy River's role in power generation
Angie Zahra, GM Central Generation, Stanwell Corporation Limited

12:45PM
Lunch and Networking
Explore the FPRH and Partner Network community engagement showcase
Luncheon served

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AFTERNOON SESSION

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1:30PM — **Afternoon Session**
Framing the afternoon
Vanessa Lyons, Chair, FPRH Management Committee

1:35PM — **Partner Network Update Presentation**
North Rockhampton STP expansion project: Driven by residential growth and the need to reduce our environmental footprint.
Mike Binns, Fitzroy River Water (Rockhampton Regional Council)

1:50PM — **FPRH Stewardship Program**
Inc Finalists Spotlights
Julia L Page, Executive Officer, FPRH

2:00PM — **Panel Discussion**
From Knowledge to Action: What Are We Doing?
Moderator: Dr Eva Abal, ISP Chair, **Deborah Tull,** Gangalu Traditional Owner, **Sian Breen,** A/Exec. Director, DETSI, **James Purtill,** inaugural Queensland Mine Rehabilitation Commissioner, **Craig Wilson,** Delta Pearl Partners

2:50PM — **Interactive Reflection Activity**
Ashleigh Gonzalez, Management Committee member, **Jack Walden,** Communications, FPRH

3:05PM — **Research Presentation**
HeART of the Basin scholarship recipient
Rafaela Vieira Nunes, 2025 Scholar

3:20PM — **FPRH Community Engagement: Citizen Science, Schools and Community Survey**
Mark Schultz, Senior Science Officer, FPRH

3:30PM — **FPRH Community Engagement Update**
Yadaba Nunthi Junior Rangers Program
Usharne Waller, Eli Bloomfield and teacher, Jeremy Bowen, Yadaba Nunthi Junior Rangers

3:40PM — **Afternoon Tea and Networking**
Explore the FPRH and Partner Network community engagement showcase
Afternoon Tea served

4:00PM — **Celebrating our Catchments**
Jules Holland, Aphrodite Art School

4:55PM — **Our Catchments Wrap Up**
Julia L Page, Executive Officer, FPRH

5:00PM — **Networking Session**
Including Presentations & Awards
Refreshments served

6:30PM — **Forum Close**

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