



NATIVE FISH STRATEGY

NATIONAL NATIVE FISH AWARENESS PROGRAM South Australian Native Fish Forum

Wednesday 17th November 2010
SARDI Aquatic Sciences Theatre
Hamra Ave, West Beach

Registrations 8.30am, start 9am, close 5pm
Lunch and morning/afternoon teas supplied

Places limited to 100

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Key theme: Native Fish Strategy

Building on successful fish management of native fish over the past four years, the end of 2010 will see the MDBA Native Fish Strategy continuing its commitment to communicating the latest results and on-ground outcomes to a broad audience across the Basin, from general public to scientists and managers.

The forum will provide:

- participants with a broad understanding of progress and outcomes of projects funded by the Authority, principally under the banner of the Native Fish Strategy;
- an opportunity for active engagement between researchers, managers and other stakeholder groups; and
- a vehicle for communication of ideas, and discussion of future directions.

Key messages:

- Native fish numbers have declined dramatically across the Basin, but we're working to bring them back
- Bringing back native fish requires tackling many different aspects of river health
- Healthy rivers have healthy populations of fish
- The Native Fish Strategy is a community partnership
- Recovering native fish numbers is long term.

Objectives of forum:

- Increased understanding of the importance of native fish in the SA Murray-Darling Basin
- Increased understanding of the Native Fish Strategy
- Increased understanding that native fish populations and habitats need to be improved and enhanced
- increased awareness of the *Native Fish Strategy* as a primary source of technical and scientific expertise on native fish in the SA Murray-Darling Basin
- Improved engagement and adoption of the Native Fish Strategy

Proposed Forum Schedule

Presenter	Project	Time
Dos O'Sullivan	Welcome & house keeping	9:00 - 9:10
Aboriginal speaker	Welcome to country	9:15 - 9:25
Jonathan McPhail	NFS background, objectives and status	9:30 - 10:00
Stuart Rowland	Murray cod - history, fisheries, biology, and research and management in NSW	10:15 - 10:45
Morning tea		10:45 - 11:20
Brenton Zampatti	Murray Cod ecology in the lower Murray River	11:20 - 11:50
Leigh Thwaites	Integrated Pest Management at Brenda Park	11:55 - 12:25
Dale McNeil	Resilience projects - how fish survive drought	12:30 - 1:00
Lunch		1:00 - 1:50
Mike Harper	Demonstration reach - Katfish Reach, Berri	1:50 - 2:20
Ben Dyer	Hume to Sea fishway project	2:25 - 2:55
Arkellah Hall	Rescue, Recovery and restoration ... A South Australian Fish Tale	3:00 - 3:30
Afternoon tea		3:30 - 4:00
Stuart Rowland	Hatchery production and stocking of native freshwater fish in NSW - history, status, issues and successes	4:00 - 4:45
Jonathan McPhail	Wrap up and thank you	4:35 - 5:00pm



“Bringing back native fish”

