

# IPWEA workshop: Environmental assessment and approvals

Agenda - 29 October 2014

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**1 Session 1: 8:30-9:30am**

Review of environmental factors (REF) – when is a REF required? What should be included in a REF? (including format, content and consultation)

**2 Session 2: 9:30-10:30am**

Environmental impact statement (EIS) – when is an EIS required? What should be included in an EIS? (including format, content and consultation)

*Morning Tea: 10:30-11am*

**3 Session three: 11am-12pm**

Commonwealth environmental approval requirements – when is a referral required under the *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) and what type of assessment will be required for impacts on matters of national environmental significance? The role of bilateral agreements in NSW and what they mean for the assessment and approval of your project.

**4 Session four: 12-1pm**

The magical world of the Infrastructure State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) – what forms of development can be carried out as exempt and complying development? [PART ONE]

*Lunch: 1-2pm*

**5 Session five: 2-3pm**

The magical world of the Infrastructure SEPP – what forms of development can be carried out as exempt and complying development? [PART TWO]

**6 Session six: 3-4:30pm**

Other forms of environmental approvals – what else is required in addition to your planning approval? How do the requirements to obtain these approvals align with planning law? A discussion of how to best plan your projects to obtain all your relevant approvals in the timeframes that you require.