

Environmental Stewardship Policy

Enhancing the natural environment

We will achieve enhanced value from our natural and cultural assets by building the capability of our people, knowledge and business systems, contributing to life, liveability and customer expectations.

We will look for outcome based solutions, and factor financial and non-financial values into our investment, asset management and operational decisions. This includes continual improvement in reducing the environmental risks from our activities, ensuring legal compliance and seeking new opportunities based on our natural and cultural assets.

Melbourne Water's Environmental Stewardship is supported by

- 1 Everyone is an Environmental Steward
- 2 We strive to enhance the services our natural and cultural assets provide
- 3 Customers and stakeholders are advocates for our Stewardship activities
- 4 Using our knowledge to align our systems with environmental stewardship principles to make better decisions



Melbourne Water's progress towards achieving our stewardship outcomes is guided by a set of stewardship principles and an implementation hierarchy.

In pursuing our Policy, we respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land – the people of the Kulin and Gunaikurnai Nations, and their elders past and present. We will take care to preserve and improve cultural heritage values into the future.

The Board endorses this Policy and will oversee its governance. Performance in implementing the Environmental Stewardship Strategy and supporting Plans will be overseen by the Board Customer Service Delivery Committee. Objectives and targets for environmental stewardship are developed through normal business processes and consideration of Melbourne Water's aspects and impacts.