

DRAFT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY: A NEW APPROACH TO ENGAGING ABOUT CROWN LAND

How to make a submission about the draft Community Engagement Strategy

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Community Engagement Strategy offers a new approach to engaging about Crown land in NSW.

It is a requirement of the new *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and acknowledges and responds to feedback from the community for greater involvement in decisions about Crown land.

It is supported by a tailored Community Engagement Guidance and Resources toolkit with practical, step-by-step guidance to support Department of Industry, Crown Lands & Water staff and non-council Crown land managers (current reserve trust managers that are not local councils) as they deliver the engagement requirements of the Community Engagement Strategy.

THE PUBLIC EXHIBITION PERIOD

Both the Community Engagement Strategy and Community Engagement Guidance and Resources document are still in draft form and on public exhibition from **Monday 16 October to Sunday 26 November 2017**.

We encourage everyone with an interest in Crown land to review the documents, come to an information session, visit the [NSW Government Have Your Say](#) website or [Department of Industry, Crown Lands & Water](#) website, and consider making a submission before the documents are finalised and adopted by the Minister at the end of 2017.

FIND OUT MORE

Copies of both documents, together with related fact sheets and an information video, are available on the [NSW Government Have Your Say](#) website and the [Department of Industry, Crown Lands & Water](#) website.

We're also holding a series of community information 'drop-in' sessions across NSW.

These events will be attended by department staff who will be available to provide information, answer any questions you may have, and provide submission forms:

- Dubbo, Tuesday 31 October, 3-6pm, Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre
- Ballina, Wednesday 1 November, 3-6pm, Ballina Surf Club
- Wagga Wagga, Thursday 2 November, 3-6pm, Charles Sturt University
- Newcastle, Monday 6 November, 3-6pm, Newcastle City Hall
- Sydney, Thursday 9 November, 3-6pm, Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts.

WHAT TO CONSIDER WHEN MAKING A SUBMISSION

Submissions can be a short letter or email outlining your views, or a longer document with more detailed feedback. If you plan to make a submission, we encourage you to:

- write clearly and be specific about any areas of concern or support
- specify whether you are referring to the Community Engagement Strategy or Community Engagement Guidance and Resources and note the relevant section of each document
- provide a succinct summary or explanation of your views to help us understand your viewpoint
- tell us about any alternatives, ideas or suggestions you may like to offer.





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MAKE A SUBMISSION

There are four easy ways to make a submission during the public exhibition period:

- 1** Email your submission to ces.submissions@crowland.nsw.gov.au
- 2** Make a submission online via links on the [NSW Government Have Your Say](#) or [Department of Industry, Crown Lands & Water](#) websites
- 3** Post your submission to the Department of Industry, Crown Lands & Water at PO Box 2185, Dangar NSW 2309
- 4** Fill out a submission form at one of our community information drop-in sessions.

HOW YOUR FEEDBACK WILL HELP

Your feedback and submissions are important to help us understand your views. All submissions will be reviewed and considered when we develop the final Community Engagement Strategy and Community Engagement Resources and Guidance documents.

FINALISING THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Community Engagement Strategy must be signed off by the Minister before it can be adopted. It is expected that final versions of both documents will be published on the department website prior to the new *Crown Land Management Act 2016* being adopted in 2018.

MORE INFORMATION

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For more information:



NSW Government Have Your Say
www.nsw.gov.au/improvingnsw

Department of Industry,
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Attend a community information event



Email
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