

**Program for workshop 'Protection of Wetlands Adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef' held in Babinda, Queensland, Australia, 25-26 September 1997**

DAY 1		
8.00	Registration	
8.30	Field trip	Host: Sheriden Morris
2.00	Afternoon tea	
2.45	Welcome – The importance of wetlands to the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area	Dr Ian McPhail
3.00	Wetlands – A national approach	Senator the Hon. Ian Macdonald
3.15	The Department of Natural Resources' approach to wetlands	Hon. Howard Hobbs
3.30	The Department of Environment's approach to wetlands	Lindsay Delzoppo
3.45	Panel discussion – integrating the management of wetlands adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef	Dr Ian McPhail, Senator Ian Macdonald, Hon. Howard Hobbs, Lindsay Delzoppo
5.00	Local knowledge: some anecdotal evidence of change	Blue Bulling
Social function		
DAY 2		
8.30	The ecological benefits of wetland protection and discussion	Eddie Hegerl
9.15	The extent of the loss of wetlands adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef and discussion	Andrew Johnson
10.00	Morning tea	
10.30	Wetland protection – we all have an equal responsibility	Representatives from QCFO, Sunfish, RMRACs, Conservationists, CANEGROWERS, Tourism interests, Indigenous interests, local government
12.30	Lunch	
1.30	Discussion - focusing on cooperation to achieve real and workable solutions	Selena Ham
5.00	Summary of, and commitment to, outcomes	Dr Ian McPhail
5.30	Close	