

Attendees: Cllr David West (GTCC - Chair), Richard Pamplin (GTCC), Tanya Cross (GTCC), Bob McDonnell (GTCC), Stuart Hood (GTCC), Dan Love (GTCC), Paul De Szell (GTCC), Brian Hughes (LLS), Mitch Tulau (OEH), John Hogg, John Harris, Stephen Griffith, Terry Evans

	ITEM	ACTION
1.	Apologies: Graeme Stone, Kirsty Hughes (MCW)	<i>Accepted</i>
2.	Minutes from the previous meeting held 21 May 2014	<i>Accepted</i>
	<i>Status of Actions from Previous Minutes</i>	
1.	Convert Big Swamp prospectus into an educational tool: TC advised not a priority at this stage.	<i>Dec 2015</i>
2.	Investigate funding opportunities for Big Swamp: Funding application submitted under the Estuary Management Program for matching funding of \$200,000 for further acquisition and remediation of ASS (Stage 3).	<i>Ongoing</i>
3.	Prepare Fire Management Plans for Big Swamp/Cattai Wetlands: To be revisited once Clare Manning is back from leave.	<i>TC - Dec 2015</i>
4.	Invite TIDE to next meeting to present Gangga Marrang's proposal to develop Aboriginal cultural heritage interpretive resources for Cattai Wetlands.	<i>TC - Aug 2015</i>
5.	Invite Terry Evans to next meeting to continue his presentation on the geology of Cattai on-site.	<i>Completed</i>
6.	Review option of formalising the Right-of-Way at Big Swamp: to be discussed on site with landowner. SH advised that a number of culverts on the RoW are in disrepair & very dangerous – to be also addressed.	<i>SH - Aug 2015</i>
7.	Continue negotiations with Big Swamp landowners to purchase priority land: TC advised negotiations had commenced with one landholder but proving difficult as they are only interested in selling land as part of a larger land area, which GTCC do not have enough funding at this stage to purchase this land. It was agreed to investigate other land acquisition options & also contact OEH to seek advice as to whether we can wait until next round of funding is announced & then combine the two grants which would provide the necessary funds to purchase this broader land area. The committee also discussed possibility of purchasing private land to the south of Cattai which would create a contiguous land area and aid in management of the area. Landholder is very interested in selling and a land valuation has recently been undertaken. It was agreed to look into what funding programs may be available to assist in purchasing this area.	<i>TC - Sep 2015</i>
8.	Develop revegetation project with the Green Army team to help shade out the Carpet Grass at Big Swamp.	<i>SH – Aug 2015</i>
9.	Discuss proposal to re-introduce Magpie Geese & develop Wetland Centre for Cattai Wetlands: Discussed pros & cons of introducing magpie geese – noted that NPWS unlikely to be supportive. No further action at this time.	<i>Completed</i>

4.	General Business	
	<p>It was noted that Council was still receiving complaints from the Harrington Action Group about the risk of flooding to Harrington as a result of the Big Swamp project. DW said he would follow up.</p> <p>TC also noted that Council had recently received a number of complaints from landowners in the Big Swamp area regarding the excessive inundation of properties which was found to be caused by an unusual phenomenon known as a 'Coastal Trapped Wave' (see attached note from LMCC for more information.)</p> <p>SH advised that the North Coast Local Land Services had recently held a Field Day at Big Swamp to showcase the results of the project to residents of the Clybucca area. Dr Will Glamore from WRL was also in attendance. See attached newspaper article promoting the event.</p>	<i>Noted.</i>
5	Morning Tea with the Green Army team	<i>Noted</i>
6.	Presentation by Terry Evans on the local geomorphology	<i>Noted - Terry's notes attached.</i>
5.	Next Meeting	
	Thursday 9:30am 13 August 2015 in the Manning Room	

	Current Actions	Who	Due
1.	Convert Big Swamp prospectus into an educational tool.	TC	Dec 2015
2.	Investigate funding opportunities for Big Swamp.	TC	Ongoing
3.	Prepare Fire Management Plans for Big Swamp/Cattai Wetlands in consultation with NPWS/RFS.	TC	Dec 2015
4.	Invite TIDE to next meeting to present Gangga Marrang's proposal to develop Aboriginal cultural heritage interpretive resources for Cattai Wetlands.	TC	Aug 2015
5.	Review option of formalising the Right-of-Way at Big Swamp & repair culverts.	SH	Aug 2015
6.	Continue negotiations with Big Swamp landowners to purchase priority land.	TC	Sep 2015
7.	Develop revegetation project with Green Army team to shade out carpet grass at Big Swamp.	SH	Aug 2015