

<b>Northern Australia Irrigation Futures</b>	<b>Charles Darwin University</b>
<b>Tropical Rivers Inventory &amp; Assessment Project</b>	<b>NT Department of Natural Resources, Environment &amp; the Arts</b>

## **Teleconference**

**Thursday 1 February 2007**

**10:30-11:30pm CST**

### **Present:**

Chair: Jeff Camkin, Northern Australia Irrigation Futures (NAIF), Keith Bristow (NAIF), Renee Bartolo, Tropical Rivers Inventory & Assessment Project (TRIAP), Rick van Dam, Tropical Rivers Inventory & Assessment Project (TRIAP)

### **Apologies:**

Michael Douglas, Charles Darwin University (CDU), Ian Lancaster, NT Department of Natural Resources, Environment & the Arts (NRETA)

### **Agenda:**

1. TRIAP Update
2. NRETA Update
3. CDU Update
4. NAIF Update
5. Collaborative arrangements/opportunities
6. Other business
7. Next Meeting

### **Minutes**

#### **1. TRIAP Update (Renee Bartolo)**

- Department of the Environment and Heritage (DEH) has had a name change to Department of The Environment and Water Resources. As a result there are two new divisions within the department: Water Resources Division and Water Assets Division.
- Of interest to this group is one of the roles of the Environmental Water Branch (Water Assets Division) is providing support to the North Australia Land and Water Assessment.

#### **2. NRETA Update (Ian Lancaster)-Via email**

#### **3. CDU Update (Michael Douglas)-Via email**

#### **4. NAIF Update (Keith Bristow and Jeff Camkin)**

- Andrew Kelly is moving from the Ord River to the Lower Burdekin.
- Lower Burdekin Futures meeting.
- Investigating links with the sustainability framework produced by NAIF with the Fisheries ESD which examines wild fisheries and aquaculture.
- NAIF will be holding workshops in each state/territory in north Australia in August 2007 to present project outcomes and future possibilities.
  - Riversymposium abstracts are due by February 14 and the symposium has an environmental flows theme.

## **5. Collaborative arrangements / Opportunities**

- Nil

## **6. Other Business**

- Nil

## **7. Next meeting**

Thursday 01 March 2007