

Introduction to INFFER **(Investment Framework for Environmental Resources)**

A two-day intensive workshop on the application of INFFER

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

To:

- provide participants with a practical introduction to INFFER (Investment Framework for Environmental Resources) including:
 - o Rationale for an Asset based approach to NRM
 - o Components of complete INFFER process – asset/threat identification, filtering and prioritisation and the Project Assessment Form (PAF)
 - o The Public: Private Benefits Framework
 - o Application of the Benefit Cost Index
- Provide a detailed understanding of the use of the PAF through application to a selected asset
- Enable participants to evaluate and reflect on the application of INFFER to their specific context

AGENDA – Day 1	
1. 8.30am (30 min)	Welcome and introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Workshop purpose and overview◆ CMA/regional perspective on why INFFER is being considered for use
2. 9.00am (60 min)	Introduction to INFFER & context <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ What is an asset based approach?◆ Components of INFFER◆ Experiences with implementing INFFER◆ Public Private Benefits Framework
10.30am (20 min)	Morning Tea Break
3. 11.00am (70 min)	Activity - Best Management Practices and the PPBF Q and A - discussion of PPB framework from the participants perspective Activity – Making Investment Decisions
12.30pm	Lunch Break

4. 1.00pm (90 min)	<p>Identifying Assets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Identifying assets from the map – values and record the level of threats to the asset ◆ Developing a long list and refinement to a short list ◆ Pre assessment checklist for a subset of assets <p>Pre Assessment Checklist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Considerations for community/expert workshops – process for ID of assets, ground-truthing, and principles of community consultation (group discussion).
2.45pm	Afternoon tea
5. 3.00pm	<p>Introduction to the Project Assessment Form (PAF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Components of PAF ◆ Introduction to the ePAF (web-based version of Project Assessment Form)
6. 4.00pm	Review of Day 1 – open discussion
4.30pm	Close

AGENDA – Day 2	
7. 8.30am (30 min)	Recap and reflections
8. 9.00am (60 min)	<p>Completing the PAF for a selected asset*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Section 1: Asset and threats ◆ Section 2: Goal and on-ground works
10.30am (15 min)	Feedback session on PAF
10.45am	Morning Tea Break
9. 11.00am (60 min)	<p>Group work on PAF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Section 3: Practice Change ◆ Section 4: Budget and Risks
10. 12 noon	Feedback session on PAF
12.30pm	Lunch Break
11. 1.00pm	PAF Review – suggest this might work well if groups review each others draft PAFs and provide feedback followed by an open discussion.
12. 2.00pm (60 min)	<p>The Benefit Cost Index</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Understanding the BCI ◆ Applying BCI to make investment decisions ◆ Practical Application – Gippsland Lakes case study

3.00pm	Afternoon tea
13. 3.15pm	What is a good PAF and how might you compare projects? Experiences from the Australian context.
14. 3.30pm (30 min)	Open discussion/focus group ◆ Workshop evaluation
4.15pm	Closing remarks and next steps

*This part of the workshop will focus on partial completion of an example PAF (chosen by the participants) with a view to post workshop completion and evaluation/feedback from the INFFER team.

Pre-reading

In addition to completing the on-line training it would be great if participants could visit the INFFER website www.inffer.org and look at the following:

- ◆ Introduction to INFFER and the Summary of INFFER Steps
- ◆ Publications esp. Journal Article and Practical and Theoretical underpinnings
- ◆ The on-line version of the Project Assessment Form (see details under Implementing INFFER Step 3)

We will set up ePAF accounts for all participants so that they have access prior to the workshop – an email will be generated with a user name and password to access the site.