

Glossary and abbreviations

Acronym / Abbreviation	Definition
ABS	Australian Bureau Of Statistics
AES	Areas of Ecological Significance
AGCS	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
AHD	Australian Height Datum
AIMS	Australian Institute Of Marine Science
AIS	Automated Identification System
ALC	Automatic location communicator
ALUM	Australian Land Use and Management
AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority
APSDA	Abbot Point State Development Area
APVMA	Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority
AquaBAMM	Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment and Mapping Methodology
ASS	Acid Sulfate Soils
BAMM	Biodiversity Assessment Mapping Methodology
BMP	Best Management Practice
BoM	Bureau of Meteorology
BPA	Biodiversity Planning Assessments
BREE	Bureau of Resources And Energy Economics
CAMBA	China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement
CBD	Central Business District
CFISH	The Commercial Fisheries Information System
CG	Coordinator-General
CIA	Cumulative Impact Assessment
CISDM	Cumulative Impact and Structured Decision-Making
COAG	Council of Australian Governments
COTS	crown of thorn starfish
CRC	Cooperative Research Centre
CSG	Coal seam gas
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
Cwth	Commonwealth
CY	Cape York

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CYPAL	Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land
DA	Development assessment
DAFF	Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry (Qld)
DBMP	Direct Benefit Management Plans
DEHP	Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (Qld)
DEO	Desired environmental outcomes
DERM	(Former) Department of Environment and Resource Management (Qld)
DEWHA	(Former) Department of Environment Water Heritage and The Arts (Commonwealth)
DNPRSR	Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (Qld)
DNRM	Department of Natural Resources and Mines (Qld)
DPC	Department of Premier and Cabinet (Qld)
DPIF	(Former) Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries
DRO	Desired Regional Outcomes
DSDIP	Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (Qld)
DSITIA	Department of Science, Information Technology, Innovation and The Arts (Qld)
DTMR	Department of Transport and Main Roads (Qld)
ECD	Ecological Character Description
ED Act	<i>Economic Development Act 2012</i> (Qld)
EFAP	Environmental Flows Assessment Program
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EMP	Environmental Management Plan
EP Act	<i>Environment Protection Act 1994</i> (Qld)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPBC Act	<i>Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (Commonwealth)
EPP water	Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009
ERAs	Environmentally relevant activities

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ESD	Ecologically Sustainable Development
EV	Environmental values
FBA	Fitzroy Basin Association
FC	Forward commitment
FFMP	Flora and Fauna Management Plan
FHA	Fish Habitat Areas
FNQ	Far North Queensland
GBR	Great Barrier Reef
GBR Marine Park	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park
GBR Marine Park Act	<i>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975</i> (Cth)
GBRMPA	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
GBRWHA	Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area
GCI	Ground Cover Index
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GES	General Ecological Significance
GHHP	Gladstone Healthy Harbour Partnership
GIS	Geographic Information System
GPC	Gladstone Ports Corporation
GPS	Global positioning system
GSP	Gross State Product
HES	High Ecological Significance
HWMP	Healthy Waters Management Plans
IDAS	Integrated Development Assessment System
IGAE	Intergovernmental Agreement on the Environment
ILUP	Interim Land Use Plan
IMO	International Maritime Organization
IPA	Indigenous Protected Area
ISP	Independent Scientific Panel
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources
LGA	Local Government Area
LMS	Listed Migratory Species
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
LP Act	<i>Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management Act) 2002</i>

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LTSEC	Listed Threatened Species and Ecological Communities
LUP	Land Use Plan
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships
MEDQ	Minister for Economic Development Queensland
MES	Marine Ecological Significance
MIW	Mackay Isaac Whitsunday region
MNES	Matters of National Environment Significance
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MP	Marine Park
MP Act	<i>Marine Parks Act 2004</i> (Qld)
MPA	Master Plan Area
MSES	Matters of State Environmental Significance
MSQ	Maritime Safety Queensland
MTSRF	Marine and Tropical Sciences Research Facility
NC Act	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> (Qld)
NERP	National Environmental Research Program
NHA	National Heritage Area
NP	National Park
NPRSR	Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (Qld)
NQBP	North Queensland Bulk Ports
NRM	Natural Resource Management
NWQMS	National Water Quality Management Strategy
OCS	Offshore Constitutional Settlement
OESR	Office of Economic and Statistical Research
OUV	Outstanding Universal Value
PCIMP	Port Curtis Integrated Monitoring Program
PDA	Priority development areas
PMST	Protected Matters Search Tool
QASSIT	Queensland Acid Sulfate Soils Investigation Team

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QGEOP	Queensland Government Environmental Offsets Policy	SPRP	State planning regulatory provisions
QGIS	Queensland Government Spatial Geographic Service	SRA	Strategic Rehabilitation Area
Qld	Queensland	SRP	Statutory Regional Plan
QLUMP	Queensland Land Use Mapping Program	SWAN	Surface water ambient network
QPP	Queensland Planning Provisions	TDEV	Total Domestic Economic Value
QPWS	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	TEC	Threatened Ecological Community
QWP	Queensland Wetlands Program	TI Act	<i>Transport Infrastructure Act 1994</i> (Qld)
RAA	Resource Allocation Authority	TIEV	Total Inbound Economic Value
RE	Regional ecosystem	TIPA	Tourism In Protected Areas
REC	Recommendation	TLPI	Temporary Local Planning Instrument
REEFREP	Mandatory ship reporting system	TOMP Act	<i>Transport Operations (Marine Pollution) Act 1995</i>
REEFVTS	Great Barrier Reef and Torres Strait Vessel Traffic Service	TOMS Act	<i>Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994</i>
RIS	Regional investment strategies	TOR	Terms Of Reference
ROKAMBA	Republic of Korea-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement	TPC Act	<i>Transport Planning and Coordination Act 1994</i>
SAR	Strategic assessment report	TUMRA	Traditional Use of Marine Resources Agreements
SARA	State Assessment and Referral Agency	UDA	Urban Development Area
SCL	Strategic Cropping Land	ULDA	Urban Land Development Authority
SDA	State development area	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific, And Cultural Organization
SDM	Structured Decision-Making	VAST	Vegetation Assets, States, and Transitions
SDPWO Act	<i>State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971</i> (Qld)	VM Act	<i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i> (Qld)
SEAP	Stream and Estuary Assessment Program	VMS	Vessel Monitoring System
SEIS	Supplementary Environmental Impact Statement	VTS	Vessel Traffic Service
SEQ	South East Queensland	WBDDP	Western Basin Dredging And Disposal Project
SEWPac	(former) Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (Commonwealth)	Wet Tropics WHPM Act	<i>Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993</i> (Qld)
SLATS	Statewide Landcover and Trees Study	WHA	World Heritage Area
SOCI	Species of Conservation Interest	WHPM	World Heritage Protection and Management
SoE	State of the Environment	WII	Wetlands of International Importance
SP Act	<i>Sustainable Planning Act 2009</i> (Qld)	WildNet	Queensland Government's corporate application for wildlife information and survey data across Queensland
SPI	State planning instruments	WQG	water quality guidelines
SPL	Strategic port land	WQIP	Water Quality Improvement Plan
SPP	State planning policy	WQO	Water Quality Objective
SPRAT	Species profile and threats database	WRP	Water resource plan

Term	Definition
Strategic assessment	As described under Part 10 of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999
Bioregion	A region defined by characteristics of the natural environment rather than by man-made divisions
Action	Includes a project, a development, an undertaking, an activity or series of activities, and an alteration to any of these things. (Adapted from the EPBC Act)
Benthic	Relating to organisms living on or in sediment (including the sea floor)
Biodiversity	The variability among living organisms from all sources (including terrestrial, marine and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are part). It includes diversity within species and between species; and diversity of ecosystems. (EPBC Act)
Coastal ecosystem	Inshore, coastal and adjacent catchment ecosystems that connect the land and sea and have the potential to influence the health and resilience of the Great Barrier Reef
Coastal zone	That area of land and sea in or adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef containing Queensland waters plus adjacent inland areas that are either within 5 km of the coast or are less than 10 m above sea level (whichever is the further).
Cumulative impact	The impact on the environment resulting from the impacts of one or more pressures, and the interactions between those pressures, added to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future pressures.
Cumulative risk	The combined risks to the environment of multiple impacts
Driver	An overarching cause that can drive change in the environment. (Australia State of the Environment Report 2011)

Term	Definition
Ecologically sustainable use	Use of natural resources within their capacity to sustain natural processes while maintaining the life support systems of nature and ensuring that the benefit of the use to the present generation does not diminish the potential to meet the needs and aspirations of future generations. (EPBC Act)
Ecosystem	A dynamic complex of plant, animal and micro-organism communities and their non-living environment interacting as a functional unit. (EPBC Act)
Ecosystem based management	An integrated approach to managing an ecosystem and matters affecting that ecosystem, with the main object being to maintain ecological processes, biodiversity and functioning biological communities. (GBRMP Act)
Ecosystem services	Actions or attributes of ecosystems of benefit to humans, including regulation of the atmosphere, maintenance of soil fertility, food production, regulation of water flows, filtration of water, pest control and waste disposal. It also includes social and cultural services, such as the opportunity for people to experience nature. (Australia State of the Environment Report 2011)
Environment	Includes ecosystems and their constituent parts, including people and communities; natural and physical resources; the qualities and characteristics of locations, places and areas heritage values of places; and the social, economic and cultural aspects of the above. (EPBC Act)
Geomorphology	Scientific study of landforms and the processes that shape them. (Australia State of the Environment Report 2011)
Habitat	The environment occupied by an organism or groups of organisms. (Adapted from the EPBC Act)
Heritage Value	A place's natural and cultural environment having aesthetic, historic, scientific or social significance, or other significance, for current and future generations of Australians. (EPBC Act)

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Impact	An event or circumstance which has an effect, either positive or negative, on a value.
Indigenous person	A person who is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia; or a descendant of an Indigenous inhabitant of the Torres Strait Islands. (GBRMP Act)
Indirect impact	An impact that is not the direct result of a particular action but has been made possible by that action. These include downstream or upstream impacts and facilitated impacts (impacts which result from further actions).
Integrity	A measure of the wholeness and intactness of the natural and/or cultural heritage and its attributes. (Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention paragraph number 88-95)
Listed migratory species	A migratory species that is native or that is included under a relevant international convention, which has been included by the Minister on the published list of migratory species. (Adapted from the EPBC Act)
Listed threatened species	A native species which is extinct, extinct in the wild, critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or conservation dependent, as set out in the published list of threatened species established by the Minister. (Adapted from the EPBC Act)
Outstanding Universal Value	Cultural and/or natural significance which is so exceptional as to transcend national boundaries and to be of common importance for present and future generations of all humanity
Pelagic	Relating to the open sea
Protected species	A species that is a cetacean; a listed marine species, a listed migratory species, a listed threatened ecological community, or a listed threatened species; a species of marine mammal, bird or reptile that is prescribed as endangered wildlife, vulnerable wildlife or rare wildlife under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 of Queensland; a species declared to be a protected species for the purposes of this definition; a species declared to be a strictly protected species for the purposes of this definition. (GBRMPA Act)

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Precautionary principle	The principle that lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing a measure to prevent degradation of the environment where there are threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage. (GBRMP Act)
Pressure	An activity or group of activities that cause an impact on a value
Recreation	An independent visit for enjoyment that is not part of a commercial operation. It is distinct from tourism where a visitor has paid to be part of a commercial operation
Risk	The possibility of something happening that impacts on your objectives. It is the chance to either make a gain or a loss and is measured in terms of likelihood and consequence. (Australia/New Zealand Standard for Risk Management (AS/NZS 4360:2004))
Tourism	Commercial activities that provide transport, accommodation or services to people who are visiting principally for recreation. (Derived from GBRMP Act)
Traditional Owner	An Indigenous person who is recognised in the Indigenous community or by a relevant representative Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander as having spiritual or cultural affiliations with a site or area in the Marine Park or as holding native title in relation to that site or area; and who is entitled to undertake activities under Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander custom or tradition in that site or area.
Value	Those aspects or attributes of an environment that make it of significance
Vulnerability	The degree to which a system, organism or community is susceptible to, and unable to cope with, an impact.
World Heritage values	The natural and cultural heritage contained in a World Heritage property. (Adapted from the EPBC Act)