



Environmental Sustainability Policy Statement

Purpose

This Environmental Sustainability Policy Statement is designed to help direct and align environmental sustainability management with the strategic direction of Aqwest which is fully endorsed and supported by Aqwest's management team. In this way Aqwest commits to act in an environmentally responsible way (aligned to Key Result Area – Sustainability).

Policy Statement

Aqwest is committed to providing sustainable high-quality water services whilst acting in an environmentally responsible way. To demonstrate our commitment, we will:

- 1) Keep the risk of environmental impacts and harm from our activities to acceptably low levels through preventative and responsible environmental sustainability management practices.
- 2) Specifically prevent (by avoidance, reduction or control) pollution and harm to the environment.
- 3) Apply sustainability principles to enhance and protect environmental, cultural and socio-economic values of the Bunbury region waters and catchments; and prevent resource degradation.
- 4) Minimise resource consumption and generation of waste.
- 5) Preserve and enhance ecological diversity and integrity where possible.
- 6) Adopt innovative, knowledge-driven and risk-based environmental management practices aimed at supporting our drive for continuous improvement.
- 7) Champion and promote a constructive community and environment culture.
- 8) Support the Western Australian Climate Policy, by being a lead agency investing in water infrastructure and water recycling to enhance security, efficiency and resilience of community water schemes.

Aqwest will comply with its environmental sustainability performance requirements set by relevant legislation, monitor environmental performance and continually improve our environmental and cultural heritage management practice and performance through our Integrated Management System that will include certification to ISO 14001 Environmental Management Systems.