

# Beneath the Surface of the WSUD Maintenance Compliance Framework



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#### **Overview**

#### © The Situation

- What is the problem?
- Why is it happening?
- What are the consequences?
- What is the law for this?

#### © The Framework

- What is the Framework?
- How to use it?
- How much does it cost?
- Why is it important?
- Who supports it?
- Who has been involved?
- What is the Network?
- Who is the Framework for?
- How can it benefit you?
- Why have Ocean Protect started this?
- What are the challenges with this project?

#### © The Future

- What is the timeline?
- What can you do?





# What is the problem?

- >500,000 assets installed
- Assets are not being maintained
- Parramatta River Catchment Group (2022)
  - 20% of assets being maintained (according to asset owners)





# Why is it happening?

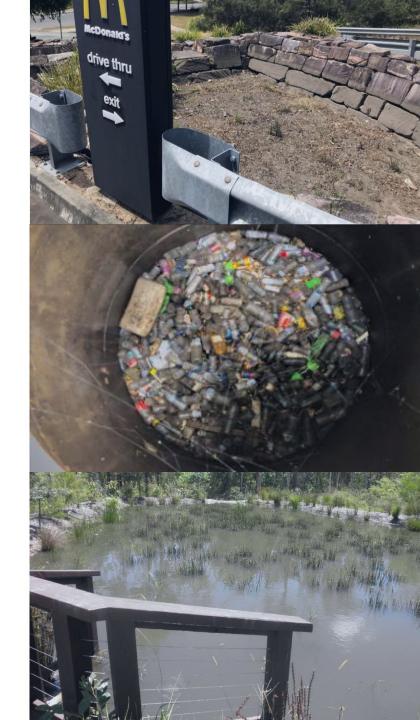
- Lack of:
  - funding
  - capacity
  - understanding
  - interest
  - standardisation





# What are the consequences?

- Environmental: water quality, detention, conservation, etc.
- Economical: Clean up costs, reduce property value, etc.
- Social: health & safety





## What is the law for this?

- Put in to prevent environmental harm
- Not maintaining these cause environmental harm
- Environmental harm is illegal
- Plus development conditions & covenants

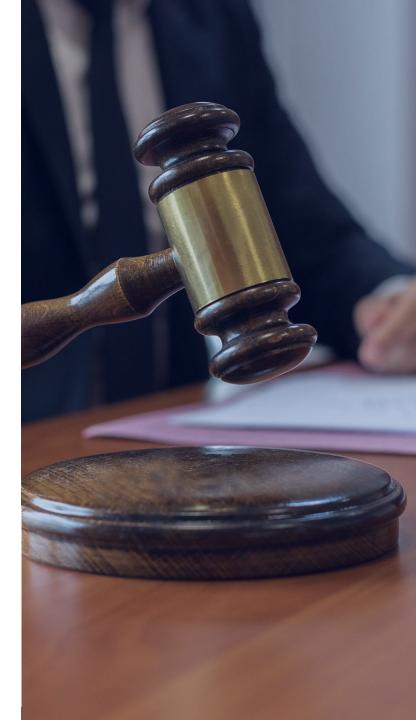
May 30<sup>th</sup> Webinar:

Law & Order: WSUD Asset Maintenance



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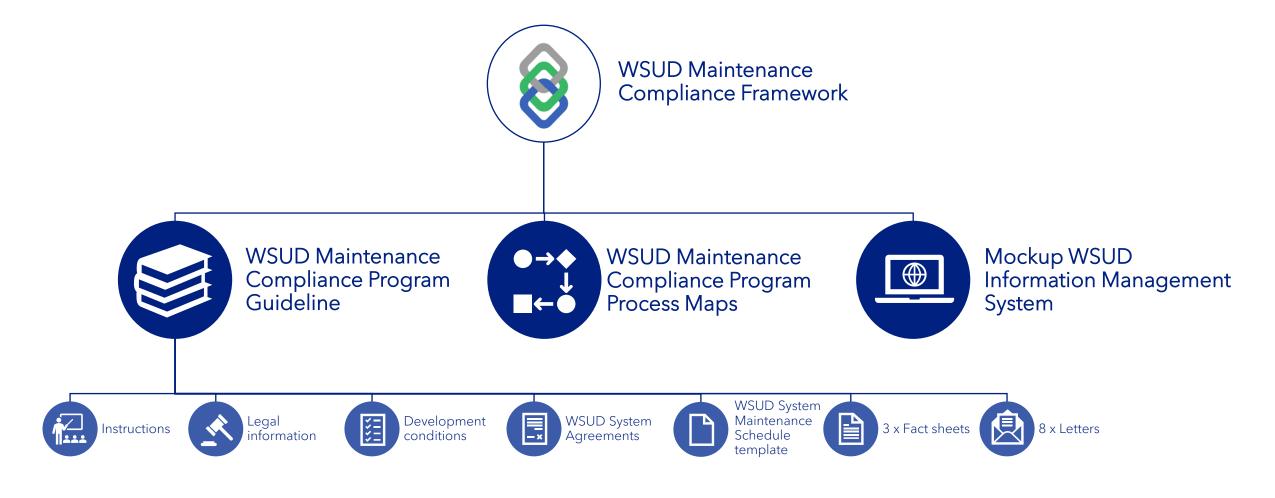




#### What is the Framework?

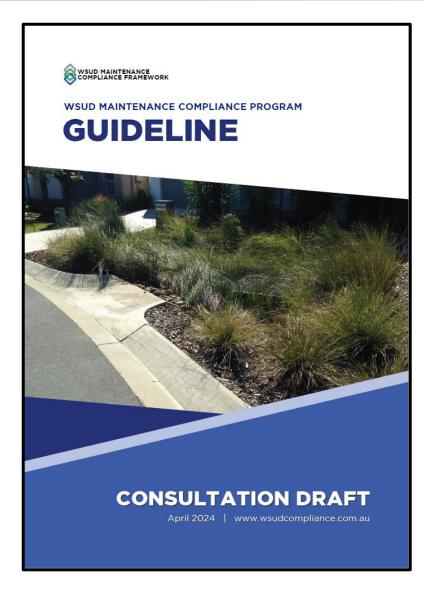
Access the Framework wsudcompliance.com.au/resources











#### **WSUD Maintenance Compliance Program Guideline**

Chapter 1: Introduction

Chapter 2: Development Process Chapter 3: Identification Process Chapter 4: Operational Process Chapter 5: Auditing Process Chapter 6: Enforcement Process

**Appendices** 

Introduces the topic, the Framework, the Guideline, and the relevant law Outlines and explains the activities and decisions within this process

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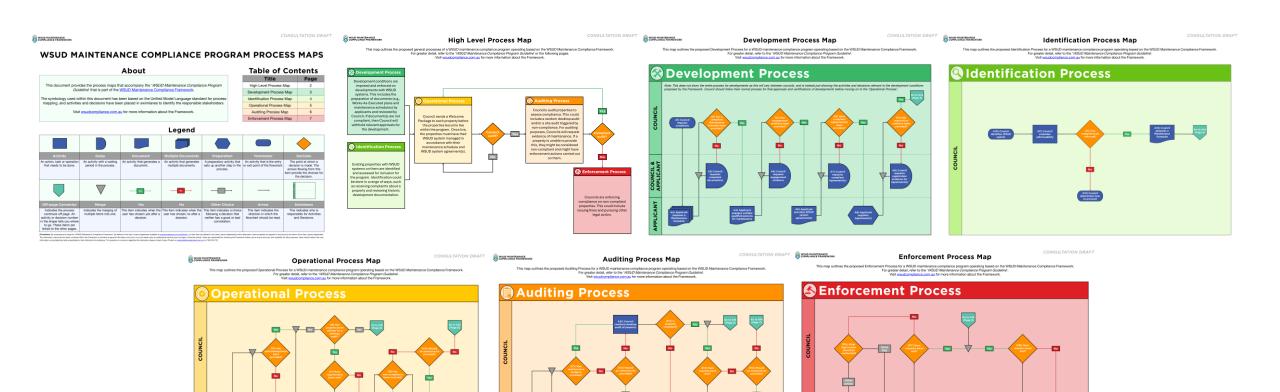
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conditions,
WSUD system
agreements,
Maintenance
schedule,
3 x Fact
sheets,
8 x Letters,
2 x work
activity
reporting
sheets

Development









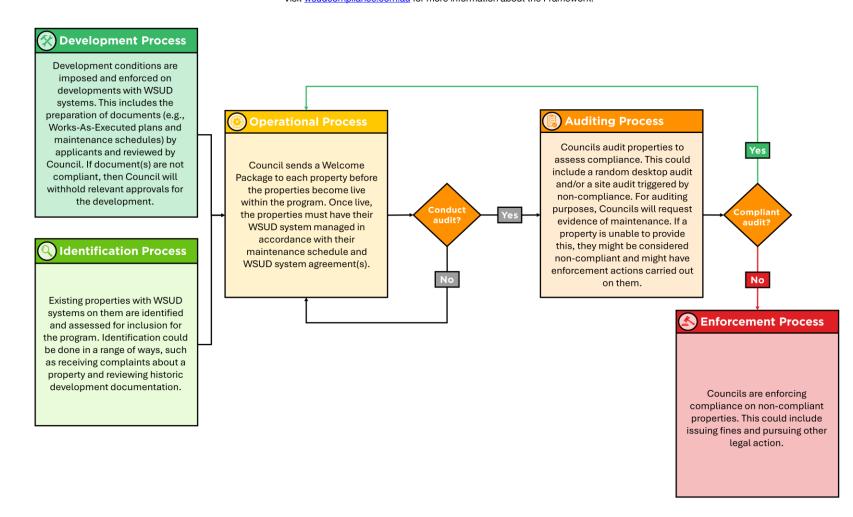
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CONSULTATION DRAFT

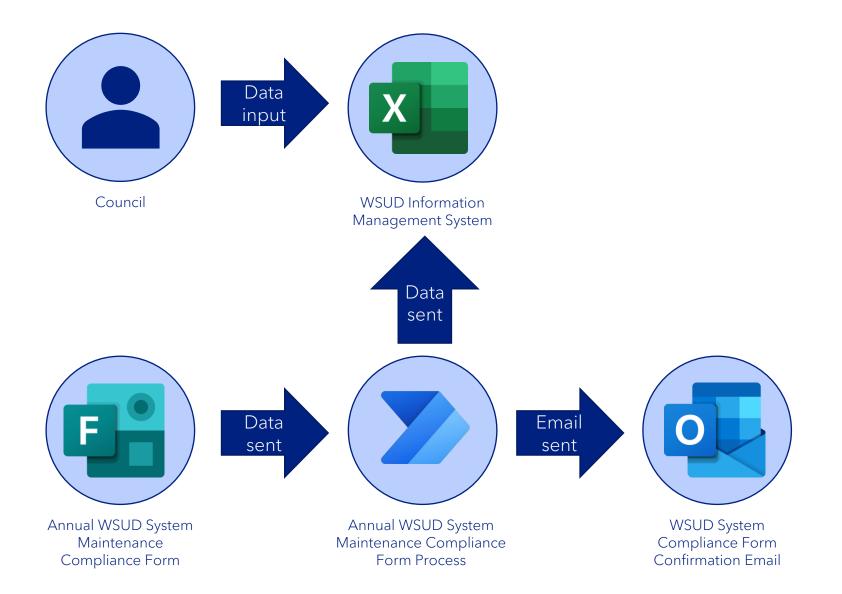
This map outlines the proposed general processes of a WSUD maintenance compliance program operating based on the WSUD Maintenance Compliance Framework.

For greater detail, refer to the 'WSUD Maintenance Compliance Program Guideline' or the following pages.

Visit wsudcompliance.com.au for more information about the Framework.









#### **WSUD Information Management System**

**User Guide** 

**Property** Register

Asset Register

Compliance Forms

Work Activities

IMS Information

**IMS Setup** 

Guidance and information about using the IMS

High-level info about the property

Critical info about each asset

Storing annual compliance data types,
models,
etc., and
their
associated
work
activities

Information about the different columns within the IMS

Instructions on how to setup the IMS

# How to use it?

- Use it
- Modify it
- Build upon it
- Take inspiration
- Differing ways





# How much does it cost?

It is free!



# Why is it important?

- Provides guidance on operating program
- Save Councils time, money, & resourcing
- Creates standardization
- Help environment & communities









### In-principle supporters









#### Who has been involved?







### **CLAYTON UTZ**

### National WSUD Compliance Network













































































































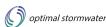




















































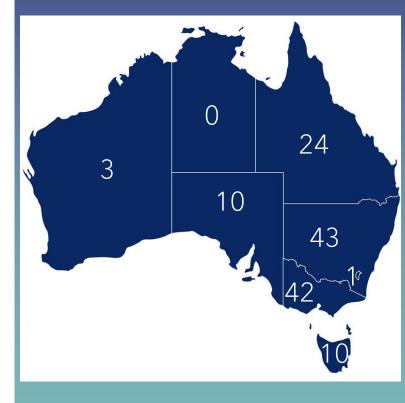






## What is the Network?

- National WSUD Compliance Network: bringing stakeholders to:
  - discuss WSUD compliance
  - Provide feedback on Framework
  - Hold the Framework accountable and make it transparent

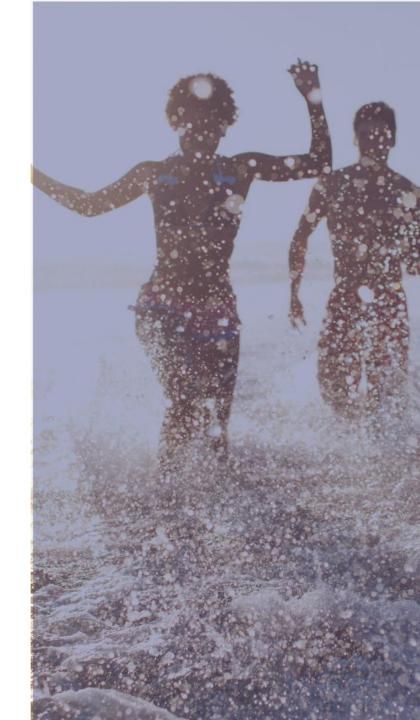


- 4 meetings:
- © 130 individuals
- © 86 organisations



# Who is the Framework for?

- Councils
- But others can benefit...





# How can it benefit you?

- Everyone: cleaner, healthier & safer community & environment
- Council & regulators: environment, economic, social & organisational
- © Consultant:
  - Help implement & operate
  - Audit assets
- Maintenance provider: increased maintenance services





# Why have Ocean Protect started this?

- Protect the environment & community
- Help the industry
- More maintenance contracts
  - For us & all maintenance providers
- No one else is





### **Ocean Protect will not be:**

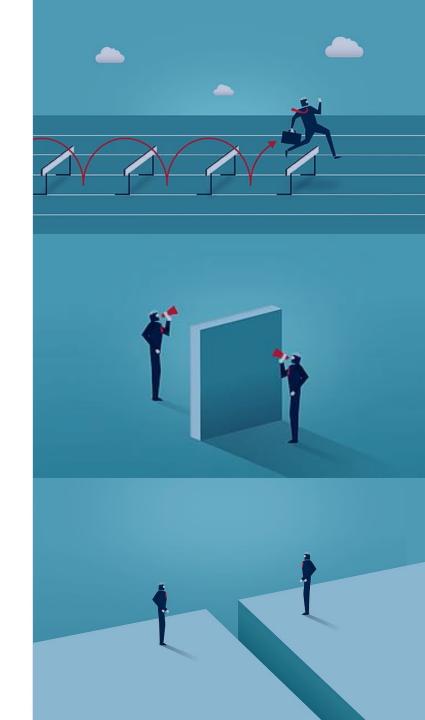
- Enforcing compliance
- Accessing confidential data & information
- Pushing proprietary assets





# What are the challenges with this project?

- Uptake
- Perception
- Scale









# Stage 1: Develop model

# Stage 2: Develop assistance

Stage 3:
Implement
& improve

Part 1: Develop draft model

Part 1: Develop assistance

Councils implement & continuous improvement

Part 2: Refine model through consultation

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# What can you do?

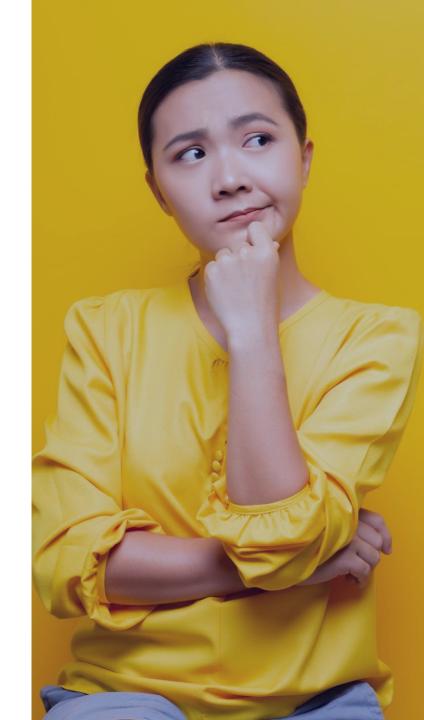
- Use it
- Review & provide feedback
- Provide in-principle support
- Contribute
- Attend Network meetings
- Spread the word





# What's the catch?

# There is none





### **Upcoming events**

Webinar:

Water Sensitive Urban Design

May 22<sup>nd</sup>





Webinar:

Law & Order: WSUD Asset Maintenance

May 30<sup>th</sup>





Event:

Stormwater Victoria conference

June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>





Meeting:

National WSUD Compliance Network meeting

June 26th





More to come...

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