1. In 2008, a draft Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Amendment Plan was released for public submissions.
2. The Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Amendment Plan 2009 integrates groundwater management into the existing Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Plan and extends the management and allocation framework for surface water into the Sandringham and Alligator Creek catchments.
3. The Plan is subordinate legislation to the *Water Act 2000* and provides the framework for the chief executive of the Department of Environment and Resource Management when developing an amendment to the Pioneer Valley Resource Operations Plan.
4. The Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Amendment Plan 2009 contains strategies and a legislative framework for ensuring sustainable levels of groundwater use in the Pioneer Valley, control of seawater intrusion and conversion of some 56,000 Ml to tradable water allocations.
5. Cabinet noted the intention of the Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade to seek the approval of the Governor in Council for the Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Amendment Plan 2009.
6. Cabinet noted that the Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Amendment Plan 2009 would be laid before the Legislative Assembly within 14 sitting days after notification in the Government Gazette.
7. *Attachments*
* [Water Resource (Pioneer Valley) Amendment Plan 2009](Attachments/Water%20Resource%20Pioneer%20Valley%20Amendment%20Plan%202009.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/Water%20Resource%20Pioneer%20Valley%20Exp%20Notes.pdf)