1. The draft State Planning Policy: Protection Wetlands of High Ecological Significance in Great Barrier Reef Catchments (SPP) seeks to ensure that development in or adjacent to wetlands of high ecological significance in Great Barrier Reef catchments is planned, designed, constructed and operated to prevent the loss or degradation of wetlands and their values; or enhances these values, in particular, the hydrological regime and ecological values of those wetlands.
2. The draft SPP provides direction on the following wetland protection issues relevant to the Sustainable Planning Act 2009:
	* How planning instruments can protect environment values in wetlands of high ecological significance in Great Barrier Reef catchments.
	* How particular development can achieve the relevant policy outcomes for protecting wetland environmental values.
3. Cabinet endorsed the release of the “Draft State Planning Policy: Protecting *Wetlands of High Ecological Significance in Great Barrier Reef Catchments”* for public consultation.
4. *Attachments*
* [Draft State Planning Policy: Protecting Wetlands of High Ecological Significance in Great Barrier Reef Catchments](Attachments/draft-wetlands-spp%5B1%5D.pdf)
* [Draft State Planning Policy Guideline: Protecting Wetlands of High Ecological Significance in Great Barrier Reef Catchments](Attachments/draft-wetlands-guideline%5B1%5D.pdf)