

# WATER QUALITY AND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT REEF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

24 and 25 February 2000 – Townsville

## SUMMARY DOCUMENT

A summary document is prepared after each meeting of the Reef Advisory Committee to inform other advisory committees serving the Authority, and persons generally (including the public) of business of the RAC. The documents form part of the records of the meeting and so its content is limited to matters raised in the meeting, and, where necessary, background details given to the meeting. Any inquiries should be referred to the Authority's Secretariat, or to the appropriate member.

The Chairperson of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA) welcomed members to the first meeting of the Water Quality and Coastal Development RAC.

During Day 1, members were given a series of overview presentations by various GBRMPA staff, in relation to the following:

- Role of GBRMPA committees;
- Conservation, Biodiversity and World Heritage Critical Issues Group;
- Water Quality and Coastal Development Critical Issues Group;
- Tourism and Recreation Critical Issues Group;
- Fisheries Critical Issues Group;
- Day-to-Day Management Unit; and
- Corporate Services Unit.

During Day 2, members discussed various issues, including:

- Terms of Reference of the Water Quality and Coastal Development RAC;
- Structure of the Water Quality and Coastal Development Critical Issues Group and its existing work program;
- New/existing/proposed legislation affecting water quality/coastal development; and
- Development of a work program for the Water Quality and Coastal Development RAC.

The next meeting is proposed for 22 May 2000.