



Application form for recreation events within public drinking water source areas on Crown land

This application form is for recreation events within public drinking water source areas (PDWSAs) on Crown land. If your proposed event is within the outer catchment of a PDWSA (the rest of the catchment excluding the reservoir protection zone, as shown in Figure 2), the following information is required in *addition to* the information requested in the Department of Parks and Wildlife application.

Water resources used for public drinking water supply must be protected from contamination to maintain their value to the community. These water sources are important for the ongoing availability of reliable, safe and lower cost public water supplies. Water sources used for drinking water supply are referred to collectively as PDWSAs and they are protected by government policy and legislation.

Is your event within a public drinking water source area?

To check if your proposed event is within a PDWSA, the Department of Water's website provides an interactive atlas, which is available at www.water.wa.gov.au > select *Tools and data* > *Maps and atlases* > *Geographic data atlas*. Alternatively you can contact us at drinkingwater@water.wa.gov.au. A map showing surface water PDWSAs from Perth to the South West region is shown in Figure 1.

To protect drinking water quality, recreation events need to comply with Operational policy 13. Please refer to this policy for more information on recreation within PDWSAs, available at www.water.wa.gov.au > select *Managing Water* > *Drinking water* and scroll down to the link *Click [here](#) for our policies*.

The Department of Water and/or Water Corporation will assess your proposed event against the Department of Water's Operational policy 13 – *Recreation within public drinking water source areas on Crown land*, alongside the Department of Parks and Wildlife assessment. Please note that legislation and policy prohibit access to reservoir protection zones to protect water quality and public health, so events in these zones will not be supported.

The Department of Water supports existing and new events on the Mundi Biddi Trail and the Bibbulmun Track, as long as no additional facilities are required within the PDWSA and the capacity of the track or trail is not exceeded. The Mundi Biddi Trail and the Bibbulmun Track are shown on Figure 1.

Drinking water source protection reports

Copies of Department of Water's drinking water source protection reports that explain the location and importance of specific public drinking water source areas can be found at www.water.wa.gov.au select *Managing Water* > *Drinking water* and scroll down to the link *Click [here](#) for our drinking water source protection plans and assessments*.

Section 1: Event history

If this event has not been held in a PDWSA in the past please skip Section 1 and start at Section 2.



Note: Please attach additional documentation if any event details have changed.

If this event has been held in a PDWSA in the past please complete the following questions.

Previous event name and date(s):	
Frequency that this event has been held inside a PDWSA in the past: (e.g. annually)	
In order to better protect this PDWSA could this event be moved outside PDWSAs in the future?	
Details of any changes to the event since it was last approved: (e.g. time of year, number of participants, location, facilities or equipment used)	

Section 2: Event facilities information



Note: If you answer 'YES' to any of the questions below, please attach documentation to explain why additional facilities are required and how they will be provided.

Do the parking requirements exceed the capacity of existing built facilities?	YES / NO / NA (please circle)
Do the camping requirements exceed the capacity of existing built facilities?	YES / NO / NA (please circle)
Are toilet requirements within the capacity of existing built facilities? Please refer to the Department of Health's <i>Guidelines for concerts, events and organised gatherings</i> (2009) for information on how to calculate the number of toilets required for temporary events.	YES / NO / NA (please circle)
Are any other additional facilities required above those that already exist (e.g. cooking facilities)?	YES / NO / NA (please circle)

Section 3: New events

If this is an existing event within a PDWSA please skip this section and move to Section 4.

Before we will consider your application, you must provide evidence that alternative sites outside PDWSAs have been fully considered and have been found to be unavailable or unsuitable. If there are no suitable sites or facilities outside PDWSAs, the assessment and approval of a new event within a PDWSA will be subject to a detailed event assessment and approvals process.

There are many alternative sites outside PDWSAs for new events in the Perth and South West region. These areas can include private land, local government reserves, national parks and state forest.

For information on alternative areas to hold events within state forest and national parks please contact the Department of Parks and Wildlife. Land managed by other agencies should also be considered.

Government has already made Harvey Dam, Bickley Brook, Gooralong Brook, Dirk Brook, Boddington Dam, Murray River, Bancell Brook, Brunswick and Wellington Dam catchments available for increased recreation by the end of 2013. Please note that recreation management plans may need to be prepared for these catchments prior to them being utilised for increased recreation.



Note: Please answer a) or b) with a detailed attachment.

a) Explain why there are no alternative sites for your event, or provide a definitive reason why it needs to be held at this specific location (within the PDWSA).

For example, 'the event celebrates the completion of a new track partly within the PDWSA and therefore needs to be held on that specific track'.

OR

b) Provide a list of alternative sites that were considered and explain why each was unsuitable or unavailable.

For example, 'the proposed trail bike race was considered to be held at Whiteman Park, but there are no steep slopes suitable for riding. Avon Valley National Park was also considered but there is no trail bike infrastructure'.

Section 4: Certification

I, _____ (full name) certify that to the best of my knowledge the information provided is true and correct in every detail

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please note - this application form is designed to be assessed in conjunction with the Department of Parks and Wildlife events application form.

Contact details and feedback

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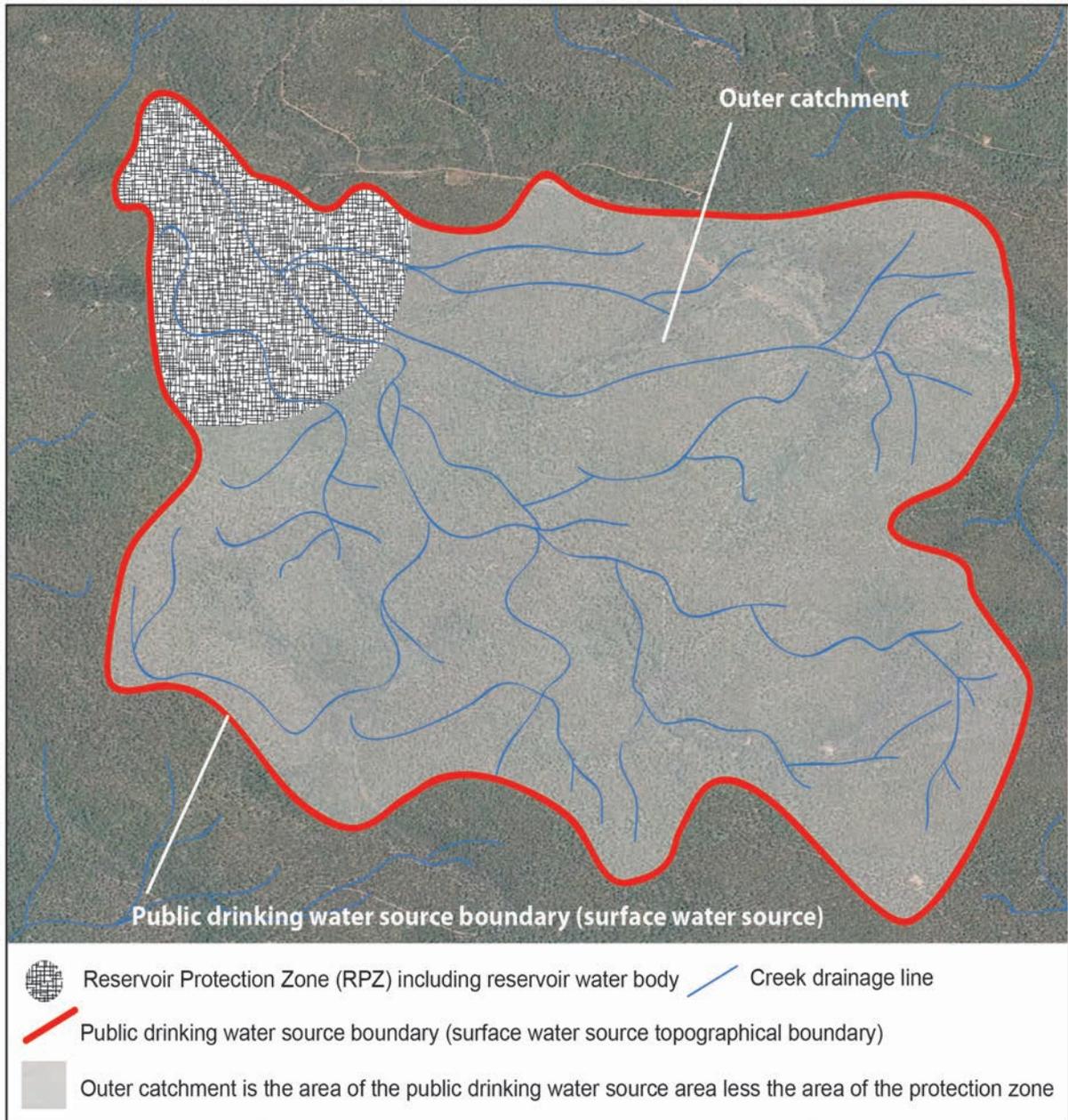
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Figure 1 Public dams and catchments, Mundaring to Padbury Reservoir



Reservoir Protection Zone: No public access

Outer catchment: Limited public access for passive land-based recreation and events

Figure 2 Example of a public drinking water source area, reservoir protection zone and outer catchment