

# Ensuring a water sensitive future

As an interdisciplinary research centre, the **Cooperative Research Centre for Water Sensitive Cities** has brought together world renowned subject matter experts and industry thought leaders who want to *revolutionise urban water management*.



## We have made significant progress

Working with our 80+ partners, we have made significant progress towards achieving our mission to:

- Research **interdisciplinary responses** to water problems
- Synthesise diverse research outputs into practical solutions
- Influence **policy, regulation, and practice** to promote adoption and results on the ground.



## Our achievements to date include

### Research


**6...**  
WATER SENSITIVE CITIES  
TRANSITION STRATEGIES


**1K+**  
RESEARCH OUTPUTS  
INC. **230** PEER REVIEWED  
JOURNAL ARTICLES

  
NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL  
AWARDS FOR RESEARCH  
EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION

  
**3**  
NATIONAL CRCWSC  
CONFERENCES WITH OVER  
**800** ATTENDEES

### Synthesise

**25**   
APPLICATIONS OF THE  
WSC INDEX TO BENCHMARK  
CURRENT WATER SENSITIVE  
CITY STATUS

  
**15**  
IDEAS FOR  
SYNTHESIS PROJECTS

  
USEFUL TOOLS AND  
PRODUCTS TESTED VIA  
**12** CASE  
STUDIES

### Influence

  
**50+**  
POSITION PAPERS,  
GIVING EXPERT ADVICE ON POLICY

**5**  
REGIONAL ADVISORY PANELS  
AND A NATIONAL CAPACITY  
BUILDING NETWORK

  
**50+**  
CASE STUDIES AND GUIDELINES

  
INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION  
SUPPORTING WSC INVESTMENT  
IN MORE THAN A DOZEN COUNTRIES

## But there is more to do

Our current term expires on 30 June 2021. We will have much to celebrate by then, but we know that there will be more to do to:

- ensure Australia remains a global leader in urban water collaboration, research and application
- build on progress made relating to the institutions, regulations, technical tools and industry networks necessary to scale up and lock in water sensitive practices
- continue to challenge the status quo and support city transitions with science-based advocacy.

**Our first two tranches of research and adoption activities were built on genuine engagement—understanding our partners' and industry needs and priorities. Engagement is just as important as we look ahead to a potential third wave of research and adoption (T3).**

# More about our work so far in **New South Wales**

**Vision and Transition Strategy for a Water Sensitive Greater Sydney**—envisions Sydney as a beautiful, prosperous and resilient city with thriving communities, healthy ecosystems and cherished urban landscapes supported by active water stewardship. Stakeholders are now identifying the next steps for Sydney's transition, and how they and other organisation might go about achieving this vision.



## We would love to **hear your views**

Over the next 9 months, we will be seeking your views on the issues that will shape our future cities, the action needed to respond to those issues and how Integrated Urban Water Management can contribute.

You can have your say by:

- Joining us at our T3 workshop on 5-6 December in Melbourne
- Contacting us directly via our dedicated [T3@crcwsc.com.au](mailto:T3@crcwsc.com.au) email
- Talking to your Regional Manager or contributing to Regional Advisory Panel discussions
- Joining us in Brisbane for our 4th Water Sensitive Cities Conference, 26-28 March 2019.



**Orange stormwater to potable case study**—examines the city's innovative approaches to developing a diverse water supply in a regional area. The case study examines the city's experience in capturing and treating urban stormwater to supplement the potable water supply. It is a real-life project that is building evidence to support and encourage the adoption of CRCWSC research outcomes.

**Cooks River Catchment** —is part of the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor. We are working with the Cooks River Alliance and other stakeholders to combine our multidisciplinary knowledge with local understanding and ideas, and develop practical options to guide water sensitive development of this significant area.



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