1. In August 2009, the Government released the draft State Planning Policy for Healthy Waters (the SPP) for public consultation.
2. The SPP is made under the *Integrated Planning Act 1997* and applies throughout the State of Queensland to new development for urban purposes.
3. The SPP will influence those land use planning and development decisions that may individually or collectively affect water quality objectives and waterway health. The key components of the SPP are:

* planning provisions applicable to State, regional and local planners;
* a development assessment code on urban stormwater, wastewater, and urban lakes; and
* advice for developers, assessment managers, planners and other key stakeholders.

1. Planning instruments will need to reflect the SPP’s provisions on water quality planning and development assessment. Until that time, the SPP will be applied in assessment of development applications including via development assessment codes. The SPP will therefore applied and considered by State agencies, local government, and developers.
2. Cabinet approved the State Planning Policy for Healthy Waters and the State Planning Policy for Healthy Waters Guidelines.
3. *Attachments*

* [State Planning Policy for Healthy Waters](Attachments/spp-healthy-waters%5b1%5d.pdf)
* [State Planning Policy for Healthy Waters Guidelines](Attachments/guidelines%20spp-healthy-waters%5b1%5d.pdf)