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Identification	What are the formal mechanisms and processes for identifying HCVAE?		Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Wild Rivers Stressed Rivers Assessment Process Marine Parks process (estuaries are included) Aquatic Reserves (estuarine areas)	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Wild Rivers EPP (Water) Coastal Protection and Management Act (CPMA) Marine Parks Act	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands CFEV Project	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Heritage Rivers and River Health Strategy	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Waterways WA
Management and Protection Classification	What are the systems for classifying and prioritising HCVAE?		Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Stressed Rivers Assessment Process Marine Parks process (estuaries are included) Aquatic Reserves (estuarine areas)	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Wild Rivers EPP (Water) Qld Wetlands Mapping and Classification project Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment Mapping Methodology (AquaBAMM) Significant Coastal Wetlands under CPMA Decision Support System (QWP)	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands CPEV Project	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Heritage Rivers and River Health Strategy	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Waterways WA Framework for mapping, classification and evaluation of wetlands in WA
	What are the frameworks for Managing/protecting terrestrial areas?	Statutory	Nature Conservation Act	National Parks and Wildlife Act	Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act	Nature Conservation Act Wild Rivers Act (National Parks, Nature Conservation Agreements) Vegetation Management Act	National Parks and Wildlife Act and Wilderness Protection Act	Nature Conservation Act	Wildlife Act and Catchment and Land Protection Act	Conservation and Land Management Act
		Non-statutory	ACT Nature Conservation Strategy	-	NT Parks and Conservation Masterplan	-	-	Tasmania's Nature Conservation Strategy	Victoria's Native Vegetation Management Framework	
	What are the frameworks for managing / protecting freshwater areas?	Statutory	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Wild Rivers Aquatic Reserves under the Fisheries Management Act	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands	Ramsar Wetlands Wild Rivers Act Fisheries Act Water Act EPP (Water) Vegetation Management Act Coastal Protection and Management Act (CPMA)	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Natural Resources Management Act (through prescribed water resources)	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Inland Fisheries Act	Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Heritage Rivers	Yes- Ramsar Wetlands National Directory wetlands Wild Rivers Act (Proposed)
		Non-statutory		NSW State Rivers and Estuary Policy NSW Wetlands Management Policy NSW State Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems Policy NSW Estuary Management Program Stressed Rivers Assessment NSW Weirs Policy DPI Policy and Guidelines for Aquatic Habitat Management & Fish Conservation	Living Rivers Program NT Strategy for Conservation of Wetlands	National Directory Wetlands Wetland Strategy (National) Queensland Wetlands Strategy Queensland Wetlands Programme	Draft Estuaries Policy and Action Plan Living Coast Strategy Framework to Classify and Assess Wetland Condition (in progress) Wetlands Strategy	Conservation of Freshwater Ecosystem Values Project Water for Ecosystems Policy Wetlands Strategy	River Health Strategy	Environmental Protection of Waterways Position Statement Waterways WA Strategy Statewide Waterways Needs Assessment State Wild Rivers Policy (to be developed) Draft Wetlands Strategy

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What are the frameworkss for managing / protectingg marineareas?	Statutory	N/A	Fisheries Management Act and Marine Parks Act	Fisheries Act Territory Parks abd Wildlife Conservation Act	Fisheries Act Marine Parks Act Coastal Protection and Management Act Vegetation Management Act (Estuaries) National Directory wetlands Wetland Strategy(National)) Queensland Wetlands Strategy y Queensland Wetlands Programme	Fisheries Act	-	Wildlife Act	Fish Resources Management Act
	Non- statutory	N/A	NSW EstuaryManagement t Policy DPI Policy and Guidelines for Aquatic Habitat Managment & Fish Conservation	Marine Protected Are Strategy (in preparation)	-	Draft Estuaries Policy and Action Plan Living Coast Strategy y	Marine Protected Areas Strategy ^y	-	-
For what purpose can protected areas be established?		Terrestrial Conservation of ecological and cultural values Wetlands- significance	At ecosystem social criteria are based on national/ international status or threat. Wild Rivers- protection and conservation Fisheries- conservation and sharing	Management of threats and significance (ie ^{national/} international)	Terrestrial and wetlands significance Wild Rivers & EPPW - protection Fisheries- management and protection of critical fish habitats	Wetlands- level of significance Terrestrial- conservation and protection.	Wetlands-level of significance Marine- social, economic and environmental factors Terrestrial- preservation of representativeness/ recreational values/	environmental value s Rivers- social, economic and environmental Wetlands- level of significance ⁹ Terrestrial- management of threats to species	Rivers-value/ condition/ / pressures Wetlands- protecting ecosystems by setting management categories Terrestrial- conservation status Marine- conservation of fish
What are the mechanisms for protecting threatened species, communities and habitats?		ACT Nature Conservation Strategy	National Parks and Wildlife Threatened Species Conservation Act Fisheries Management Act	Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act 2000	A c t Nature Conservation Act Fisheries Act Marine Parks Act Vegetation Management Act	National Parks and Wildlife Act	Nature ConservationAct t Threatened Species Protection Act Threatened Species Strategy y	Yes- Wildlife Act and Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act	Wildlife Conservation Act t
What is the state level mechanism forintegrated natural resourcee management?		The ACT NRM Plan	Catchment Mana gement Authorities Act Natural Resources Commission Act	Integrated NRM Plan for NT	Wetlands –Queensland Wetlands Programme Regional level planss	Natural Resource Management Act State Natural Resources Management Plan	Natural Resource Management Framework	Catchment and Landd Protection Act Our Environment Our Future and River HealthStrategy ^y	None- regional level plans only ^y
What is thee mechanism for allocating water to the environment?		Water Resources Act 1998	State Water Management Outcomes Plan Water Sharing Plans	Evolving through Regional Water Resources Strategies	Qld Water Plan and Water Resource Plans	Natural Resources Management Act and Stressed Resources Project	Water for Ecosystems Policy	Yes- Water Act	Yes-State Waterways Needs Assessment t
How are HCVAEs managed on...	Private land?	Environmental Protection Act Planning and Development Act Land (Planning and Environment Act) Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and	strategiesstrategies) Environmental Planning and Assessment Act Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and strategies)	Environment Assessment t Act Waste Management and Pollution Control Act Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and strategies)	Environmental ProtectionAct Wild Rivers Ac t Coastal Protection and d Management Act Vegetation Management Act Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and d s)	Environment Protection Act Incentivess Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and strategies)	Land Use Planning Act Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and strategies)	Environmental Protection Act t Planning and Environment Act Environment Effects Act Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and strategies)	Environment Protection Act Incentives Conservation Agreements Covenants Regional bodies (plans and strategies)

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		Public land?	Nature Conservation Act Crown Lands	National Parks and Wildlife Act Crown Lands Fisheries Management Act Marine Parks Act	Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act Crown Lands	Nature Conservation Act Vegetation Management Act Wild Rivers Act Lands Act Marine Parks Act Coastal Protection and Management Act	National Parks and Wildlife Act Native Vegetation Act Wilderness Protection Act Pastoral Land Management and Conservation Act Crown Lands	Nature Conservation Act Crown Lands	Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act Wildlife Act Heritage Rivers Act Conservation Forests and Lands Act Catchment and Land Protection Act Crown Land (Reserves) Act	Conservation and Land Management Act Crown Lands