

The NOPSEMA Corporate Plan 2015-20 (reporting period 2015-16) is prepared under the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006*, and for paragraph 35(1)(b) of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* in accordance with the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rules 2014*; and sets the direction for NOPSEMA over the next 5 years, from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2020.

Our Vision

Safe and environmentally responsible Australian offshore petroleum and greenhouse gas storage industries.

Our Purpose

To independently and professionally regulate offshore safety, integrity and environmental management.

Our Values

- Professionalism – we will be accountable, consistent, reasonable and act in accordance with the law.
- Ethics – we will demonstrate respect and integrity in all we do.
- Impartiality – we will make our decisions on the merits of the circumstances.
- Leadership – we will be proactive, inclusive and decisive in our conduct as a pre-eminent regulator.

FUNCTIONS	OBJECTIVES	DELIVERY STRATEGIES	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Target	RPF		
COMPLIANCE	Develop and implement effective monitoring and enforcement strategies to secure compliance	Implement risk-based assessment procedures for all legislated submissions.	Legislated assessment timeframes are published and meet policy targets	92%	2		
		Implement risk-based inspection programs for all offshore petroleum activities.	Inspections are conducted to meet policy targets.	90%	3,4		
		Take proportionate enforcement actions that facilitate compliance.	Enforcement actions are undertaken in accordance with the Enforcement Management Model (EMM).	100%	3,4		
		Provide regulatory decisions in a timely manner, clearly articulating reasons for decisions.	Regulatory decisions reversed by the external reviewing authority on appeal.	0%	2,3,5		
	Investigate accidents, incidents, dangerous occurrences, and circumstances	Determine and facilitate compliance with the law.	Undertake investigations in response to potential non-compliances.	Incidents are investigated in accordance with investigation policies.	100%	3	
IMPROVEMENT	Promote and advise on safety, well integrity and environmental management matters	Analyse regulatory intelligence to identify and prioritise current and emerging issues and communicate lessons learned to industry.	Data is analysed and topical lessons distilled from regulatory activities are communicated to industry via 'Regulator' newsletter publications.	Quarterly	2,5		
		Publish policies and guidance on NOPSEMA's administration of the legislation.	Demonstrated feedback is sought from stakeholders on guidance provided where relevant.	100%	2		
		Implement the stakeholder engagement framework.	Feedback from stakeholders is sought annually	100%	1,4,5		
		Participate in relevant stakeholder events to communicate targeted messages.	All relevant stakeholder events where NOPSEMA has actively participated are published.	Quarterly	2,3		
GOVERNANCE	Report to the Commonwealth minister and each responsible state or territory minister	Provide information, assessments, analysis, reports, advice and recommendations to the relevant Ministers to improve effectiveness of regulatory framework.	Provide timely and informative reports.	Reports are sent to relevant Ministers.	Quarterly	5,6	
		Provide information to the NOPSEMA Advisory Board.	Facilitate, attend and inform NOPSEMA Advisory Board meetings.	Operating environment scan is performed.	Annually	1,6	
	Cooperate with other agencies performing functions relating to offshore petroleum operations and activities	Provide a basis for conferral of powers and functions for coastal waters from states/territories.	Implement NOPSEMA's application of the Regulator Performance Framework.	An externally validated self-assessment of performance against the RPF KPIs is performed.	Annually	4,6	
		Reduce regulatory burden and unnecessary compliance costs.	Identify opportunities to reduce regulatory burden via the requirements under Government Regulatory Reform Agenda.	Comply with NOPSEMA's commitments in its forward work programme under the Portfolio Regulation Reform.	100%	4,6	
		Build on international regulatory relationships to share best practices.	Work collaboratively with other agencies.	NOPSEMA has established cooperative mechanisms in place with identified relevant agencies.	100%	4	
			Identify and communicate NOPSEMA priorities for legislative improvements.	Legislative change liaison with portfolio department.	Quarterly	6	
	Maintain corporate support and governance to facilitate delivery of regulatory functions in accordance with statutory requirements		Maintain active participation in international regulatory groups.	Participation at annual general meetings for IRF and IOPER.	100%	1,4,6	
			Maintain processes and systems to support NOPSEMA capability.	Regulatory and corporate process audits and improvements are undertaken in line with the quality management system.	100%	1,6	
			Implement the NOPSEMA human resource strategy.	Resourcing levels and skills maintained within establishment requirements.	90%	1	
			Provide efficient, effective, economical and ethical corporate support services.	Provide regulatory services in accordance with the published Regulatory Services Charter.	All feedback and complaints are processed in compliance with the Regulatory Service Charter.	100%	2,5,6
			Provide effective oversight of NOPSEMA risk management.	Implement the NOPSEMA risk management system.	Risk review outcome is integrated into corporate planning.	Annually	3
				Maintain sufficient and appropriate financial records.	Independent audit verifies compliance with the PGPA Act.	Yes	5
		Provide cost-effective regulatory services.	A cost-effectiveness review of operations is undertaken and presented to industry.	Annually	5,6		

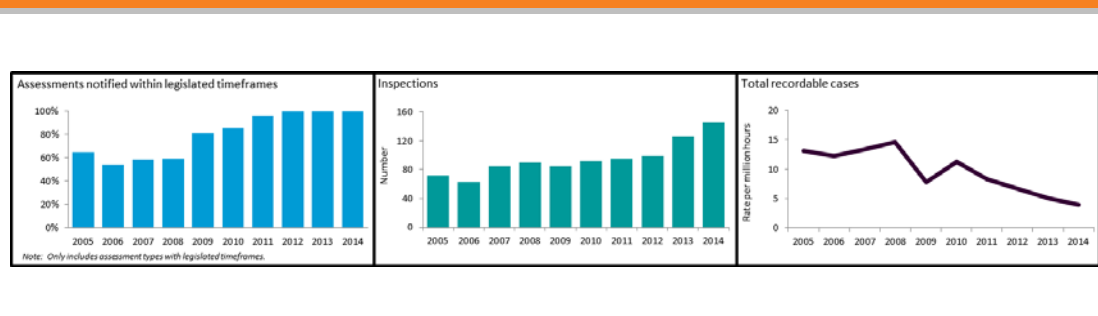
Key achievements of past planning period: 2012-2015

- Maintained efficient and effective regulatory oversight of offshore petroleum operations through rigorous assessment, inspection and investigation.
- Successfully embedded and improved processes to regulate environmental management including changes to reflect significant new and amended legislation.
- Improved and increased liaison and consultation processes with key stakeholders.
- Regular publication of an expansive data set showing industry and NOPSEMA performance.

Operational environment and risks: 2015-2020

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| <p>External</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Industry ageing infrastructure. - Oil and gas commodity price volatility. - New technologies. - Increasing community expectations. | <p>Internal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recruitment, retention and development of competent staff. - Maintain organisation values based culture in the face of continuing macro-environmental changes. - Fulfilling digital transformation obligations. |
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NOPSEMA and Industry Performance: 2012-2015



Regulator Performance Framework (RPF) Key Performance Indicators

The Corporate plan performance information has been aligned with the Regulator Performance Framework (RPF) requirements where possible.

- KPI 1: Regulators do not unnecessarily impede the efficient operation of regulated entities
- KPI 2: Communication with regulated entities is clear, targeted and effective
- KPI 3: Actions undertaken by regulators are proportionate to the regulatory risk being managed
- KPI 4: Compliance and monitoring approaches are streamlined and coordinated
- KPI 5: Regulators are open and transparent in their dealings with regulated entities
- KPI 6: Regulators actively contribute to the continuous improvement of regulatory frameworks