

Taroom Trough Information Forum

CONDAMINE – THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2026

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Event Program

TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
4:00pm	Exhibition opens	
5:00pm	Introduction and housekeeping	Warwick Squire, Chief Executive Officer, Coexistence Queensland
5:15pm	Official welcome	Cr Andrew Smith, Mayor, Western Downs Regional Council
5:20pm	Taroom Trough Development Plan overview	Gerard Coggan, Coordinator-General, Office of the Coordinator-General
5:35pm	Address: Tight Gas and Oil	Prof Kathy Witt, Director, Gas & Energy Transition Research Centre, The University of Queensland
5:55pm	Groundwater considerations for Tight Gas and Oil development	Juan Berrio, Principal Scientist/ Hydrogeologist, Office of Groundwater Impact Assessment Sean Lowry, Manager Data Systems and Implementation, Office of Groundwater Impact Assessment Alison Troup, Senior Geoscientist, Office of Groundwater Impact Assessment
6:10pm	<i>Light supper</i>	

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6:40pm	Panel discussion: 'Local exploration and development' Facilitated by Andrew Barger, Queensland Policy Manager, Australian Energy Producers	Tim Cochrane, General Manager Projects, Omega Oil and Gas Damien Ryan, Taroom Trough Development Manager, Shell Kerry Smeltzer, Assistant Coordinator-General, Resources, Energy Infrastructure and Partnerships, Office of the Coordinator-General
7:20pm	Panel discussion: 'Landholders and community at the core' Facilitated by Warwick Squire, Chief Executive Officer, Coexistence Queensland	Anna Lethbridge, Policy Advisor, AgForce Queensland Rachel Kerwick, Director, Kerwicks Earthworks Cr Andrew Smith, Mayor, Western Downs Regional Council
8:00pm	Close of forum	Warwick Squire, Chief Executive Officer, Coexistence Queensland