FMA Congratulates NSW Ministers

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Australia’s national network of flood professionals congratulates the Hon. Mark Speakman, the Hon. Rob Stokes and the Hon. David Elliot on their recent appointments to the Ministries of Environment, Planning and Emergency Services, respectively.

Floodplain Management Association (FMA) Chairman Ian Dinham, said each of these Ministers have important responsibilities in the areas of flood risk management.

“The FMA looks forward to working closely with the Ministers in the coming years” Mr Dinham said.

“We have worked with Minister Stokes in his previous position as Minister for the Environment, and we will be building on this relationship to assist the NSW Government in progressing its Planning Policy for Natural Hazards.

“The FMA considers sound land use planning essential to guide appropriate use of floodplains and to avoid placing communities in areas of unacceptable flood risk.

“The FMA is developing a Land Use Planning Policy Statement which will be finalised at the National FMA Conference in Brisbane in May.”

The FMA is committed to promoting appropriate development within floodplain areas, and helping reduce the risks of flooding to life and property.

FMA Members include over 120 councils, catchment management authorities, businesses, and professionals involved in all aspects of urban and rural floodplain risk management.

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