



Groundwater and the Environment Panel

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Peter has over 35 years' experience working across the private and public sectors as well as academia. He is currently Director and Senior Principal Research Scientist of the Office of Water Science within the Australian Government Department of Environment and Energy. In this role he leads a dedicated group of scientists that support the Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development, the Supervising Scientist on uranium mining and the broader department in regards to the impacts of developments on water resources.

Previously Peter led the Water Program with the Bureau of Rural Sciences and for ten years led a range of multi-discipline projects ranging across the full spectrum of Natural Resource Management. Working in the Queensland public service he led a number of hydrogeological investigations particularly in the Bundaberg region.

Prior to joining the public service Peter spent time working as a tutor at the Flinders University of South Australia and as a Petroleum Geologist with several operating oil and gas companies in Australia. In his early career he worked with gold mining companies in Western Australia