

Media Release

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Environment Protection Orders now available online

An index of Environment Protection Orders (EPOs) is now available on the Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) website.

The move is part of the EPA's commitment to make environmental information easily accessible to the public online through its online public register directory.

An EPO is a written statutory order that requires a person or company to undertake actions to remedy a risk or prevent further environmental harm.

Interested members of the public can search the index for details relating to orders issued affecting their community. Copies of orders and any reports provided by the company or a person in consequence of the order can be obtained upon request to the EPA.

EPA Deputy Chief Executive, Tony Circelli, said the upload of EPOs onto the EPA's online public register is the latest in a progressive rollout of information onto the website begun in April 2011.

"The index list provides South Australians with online access allowing them to search by suburb or town to find out whether there has been an EPO issued in their neighbourhood," Mr Circelli said.

To coincide with the upload of EPOs, the website also provides an explanation of the EPA's regulatory approach to the issuing of EPOs and how they are an important regulatory tool for achieving compliance with the Environment Protection Act.

Mr Circelli said the information on the public register index has always been publicly available on request.

"But by placing the information on the website, we are making it easier for people to find out what records they can access, more quickly," Mr Circelli said.

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