**Queensland Water Skills e-Flash #42**

**Information for Water Industry Managers, Human Resources Personnel and Employees in the Queensland Water Industry**

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**2.     Dial Before You Dig Locator Certification Program**

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The following documents are available on the website -

                - All units listed by stream

                - Pathways diagram

                - Skill sets

                - Qualifications

                - Mapping Document

***qldwater*** is currently working with a number of our members to address some of the implementation issues that are evident with the new package and will be providing this feedback to GSA for action. If any members have issues with the material, particularly the new packaging rules and implementation, please either contact GSA directly or alternatively contact Michelle Hill ([mhill@qldwater.com.au](mailto:mhill@qldwater.com.au)) who will collate industry feedback and provide to GSA. GSA will only be considering feedback that is related to implementation issues.

GSA would like to invited any interested parties to attend a monthly teleconference to hear an update regarding the progress of the endorsement process for the new training package. The teleconferences will take place at 2pm **Central Standard Time** on:

            - Thursday 3rd September

            - Thursday 8th October

            - Thursday 5th November – FINAL UPDATE

Teleconference Number: 1800 179 062

Enter Access Code: 8406223#

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The Certification process involves self-assessment, a theory assessment and a practical onsite assessment at a selected field location.

For further information visit the DBYD Locator Certification website - <http://www.dbydlocator.com/>.

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* [**Master of Integrated Water Management - Scholarships**](http://www.watercentre.org/scholarships-domestic) **(close 1 October)**

Full-tuition scholarships ($49,920) for part-time/distance or full-time study commencing at The University of Queensland in Semester 1, 2016. The degree is taught by leading industry practitioners and lecturers from IWC’s founding universities.

* [**Water Leadership Program - Scholarships**](http://watercentre.org/news/education/leadership/scholarships) **(close 15 September)**

Several full ($11,500) and half ($5,750) scholarships for emerging leaders at the project to middle management level to participate in this nine-month award-winning program starting in December.

More information:

•  <www.watercentre.org/iwc-scholarships>

•  Download brochures (PDF): [Master of Integrated Water Management](http://watercentre.org/news/about/iwc-brochures/education-brochure.pdf) | [Water Leadership Program](http://watercentre.org/news/education/leadership/attachments/FINAL_web_%20Leadership%20Program%20brochure.pdf)

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