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**Tuesday 18th June 2013**  
5:30 pm for 6 pm start

**Commercial Club**  
77 Gurwood Street Wagga

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*IAH NSW proudly presents a talk by **Scott Lawson**,  
Senior Hydrogeologist at Geoscience Australia in Canberra*

### **Guidance for Groundwater Storage Utilisation**

Groundwater storage utilisation is aquifer-scale extraction of groundwater at rates that cannot be matched, at least temporarily, by increased recharge or decreased discharge from the aquifer. Under these conditions, groundwater is drawn from storage, resulting in lowered groundwater levels and pressures, and reduced volume of groundwater in the aquifer.

The National Water Commission (NWC) engaged several consultants to develop national guidance for groundwater storage utilisation. This project was completed in 2012 and formed part of the NWC's National Groundwater Action Plan which addressed key knowledge and resource impediments affecting the management of Australia's groundwater resources.

Scott Lawson was the consultant project manager for the NWC work, and has also worked on management of groundwater entitlements and extraction that incorporate aspects of groundwater storage utilisation. He will speak on the work undertaken for the NWC, including examples of and approaches to storage utilisation, and development of the national guidance.

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