

***ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION RELEVANT TO THE PETROLEUM
EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION IN QUEENSLAND - AN INDUSTRY
PERSPECTIVE***

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During the 1990's, Queensland's Environmental Legislation has been updated and broadened. This change (and in particular the introduction of the 1994 Environmental Protection Act) is reflected in greater effort being devoted to the management of environmental issues. Prior to 1990, the industry was for all practical purposes self-regulating relying on its own codes of practice.

Although in many ways, practices in the field are not likely to change dramatically, there will be greater emphasis on documentation, reporting and planning.

In addition, greater consideration should be given to environmental liabilities when acquiring new tenure.