



## **PRESIDENT'S WELCOME**

On behalf of the organising committee of the 2019 EDAP Western Group's 70th Annual Regional Conference and the 19<sup>th</sup> EDAP conference I would like to extend a warm greeting to delegates, exhibitors, sponsors and speakers to the Bourke Conference. We love having our conferences in the far western reaches of the Group. It gives a great opportunity for the organisation to showcase the Bourke region and allow all delegates to experience the unique history and environment, its inherent beauty and harshness in which our colleagues live and work. Most importantly, we get to experience the wonderful hospitality and friendship of the Bourke community.

The EDAP conference has a reputation for providing a first rate learning experience with information and presentations of a high standard. The wide range of presentations covers a variety of topics relating to Environmental Health, Building Surveying and Planning.

It provides delegates with the opportunity to learn from very experienced presenters as well as the chance to meet socially with others in the profession. In this regard welcome drinks will be at the Port O Bourke Hotel on the Wednesday evening kindly sponsored by B.E.S.T. A highlight will be the Pre Conference Dinner one-hour Cruise and Cocktails Jandra Paddle Steamer on the Darling River followed by the conference dinner at the Back O Bourke Exhibition Centre on Thursday evening.

A visit has been arranged for delegates to nearby and historic Tour and Elder Guide of the Aboriginal holes at Byrock with brunch at Brunch Mulga Creek Hotel Byrock

I hope that while in Bourke you have the time to enjoy the variety of indigenous, geological, natural ecology and heritage attractions the region has to offer.

EDAP would like to thank its many loyal sponsors and presenters and acknowledges the contribution of the Bourke Shire Council to the event.

I look forward to seeing you at the conference and hope that the program inspires you in your profession.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brendan Hayes', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

**BRENDAN HAYES**  
**PRESIDENT**