Scientists and stakeholders will gather in Darwin over the next three weeks to discuss the current condition of Darwin Harbour and the management issues it faces as part of the development of a Plan of Management for Darwin Harbour.

Lands and Planning Minister Kon Vatskalis said the Darwin Harbour Advisory Committee will be hosting a series of public presentations on the 11th, 19th and 24th of February.

"The presentations will outline what experts already know about our harbour, and what they need to know for effective management in the future," Mr Vatskalis said.

Chairperson of the Darwin Harbour Advisory Committee, Mr John Bailey, said the conference will explore local understanding of the Harbour, and what needs to be considered in relation to a Plan of Management.

"We have a number of research projects occurring in the region on coastal ecosystems, water quality, fisheries, exotic marine pests and decision making," Mr Bailey said.

"It is imperative that this knowledge is taken into account when compiling the Darwin Harbour Plan of Management. It is also important that new research is directed towards the issues faced by regional industries and community."

The three presentations will be held at the Northern Territory University –

Tuesday February 11, 8:30am – 5:00pm

Wednesday February 19, 8:30am – 12:30pm

Wednesday February 26, 8:30am – 12:30pm

For further information, please contact 89 994478 during normal business hours or visit the website at www.ipe.nt.gov.au