

Research Advisory Committee 2009

The Research Advisory Committee (RAC) is a committee of the Board and its role is to lead, guide and monitor the research activities of WIDCORP. Its responsibilities include facilitation of collaborative and multi-disciplinary research, knowledge transfer and dissemination of research findings to appropriate audiences. The RAC provides regular reports to the Board and advises the Board on research proposal and directions.

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