Rural Resilience Program

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Part of the Education and Regional Services branch

Goals

Engage with, and listen to, farming communities, industry groups and service providers

Deliver capacity building activities and information to build personal and business resilience of farming communities and provide support through adverse events, including drought

Ensure government and non-government decision-makers are informed of farming communities’ needs

OUR ROLE
To listen, learn and link to provide opportunities for farming communities

Engaged with 21 Rural Support Networks to develop farmer-focused initiatives
Connected with stakeholders and 424 industry groups
Leveraged three times DPI’s investment in activities with support from partners

150 workshops and events delivered to 6,322 NSW farmers
83% of respondents likely to change something as a result of attending a RRP activity

Commissioned University of Canberra research project on resilience of NSW farmers—to inform programs and policy

“Thanks for the assistance you are giving fire-affected people… a few people mentioned you have been a great help in their recovery.”

Delivered workshops to develop resilience and leadership
6 Shaping Our Futures Together (SOFT)
3 Tune Up for Farmers (TUFF) trialed

$300,000 funding secured to establish the Sir Ivan Fire Recovery Support Service

“Many governesses said that this event was the first time they have heard of the RRP and RAMHP and people would engage in these programs again if the need arose in the future.”

Accolades
Winner of the People’s Choice Western Health District award for ‘Governess Retreat’ project

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9 significant disaster events supported
5 additional Rural Support Workers contracted in affected farming communities

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