

ALUP NEWS

Updates from Agricultural Land Use Planning



Training

Land use conflict risk

The pilot online course in land use conflict risk management was a great success! Thank you to everyone involved and to our expert speakers in social license, biosecurity, odour and noise modelling, and land use conflict risk assessment.

The next course is already fully subscribed. To register your interest for 2024 please visit: <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/lup/education>

Forums

Paddock to Planning

The next Paddock to Planning forum will be held on Thursday 9 November 2023. Invites coming!

Join us and your fellow colleagues as we share learnings from community consultation processes and information on industry data sources to support rural land strategy development.

Don't miss a sneak peek at our new Ag Statistics Dashboard!

Latest statistics

Regional snapshots

NSW DPI has engaged consultants to update our agricultural industry snapshots with the latest statistics.

The information will provide evidence to support strategic planning. The updated snapshots will be available soon.

Visit our existing snapshots at: <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/lup/agriculture-industry-mapping/agriculture-industry-snapshots-for-planning>

State Significant Agricultural Land

Work continues on the next draft map of State Significant Agricultural Land.

The next draft and associated policy are scheduled for exhibition later this year.

Information Forum Roadshow

Staff from DPI's ALUP and Dairy teams recently joined other state agencies in the Information Forum Roadshows being hosted by the Department of Planning and Environment. Forums will be held in Carathool and Wentworth next week.



LIVE
WEBINAR

UPCOMING INDUSTRY WEBINAR

Don't miss our next industry webinar on intensive **horticulture** to be held on **Thursday 12 October 2023 at 10:00am**.

Register [HERE](#)

NSW Dairy Environmental Guidelines

NSW DPI is working with industry to update the NSW Dairy Environmental Guidelines, an action under the NSW Dairy Action Plan. Regional meetings with industry and local government will be held later this year.

For more information on the NSW Dairy Action Plan visit: <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/dairy/actionplan>

Did you miss our dairy industry webinar? A recording is available [HERE](#)



Understanding Patterns and Drivers of Rural Land Ownership

Research Project

There has been tremendous change in rural NSW over recent years. Researchers from the University of Sydney, with support from NSW DPI, are using spatial, quantitative and qualitative analysis techniques to investigate patterns of rural land ownership in relation to socio-economic and environmental processes. Key themes include drought, corporatisation of agriculture, farm aggregation, agricultural commodities, land fragmentation and land-use. Reports from the study are available at: <https://rural-land-science.sydney.edu.au/>



DID YOU KNOW?

When honeybees forage for pollen and nectar, they also pick up dust and other small particles that attach to their body hair. These particles can be detected in hive products such as honey and bees' wax. Dust mitigation is an important consideration for developments near bee hives.



AGRICULTURAL IMPACT STATEMENTS Large-Scale Solar Guidelines

The NSW Department of Planning & Environment released the [Large-Scale Solar Energy Guideline](#) in 2022. Appendix A of the guide provides information on the requirements for an Agricultural Impact Statement. Although this guide is specifically for larger scale development, it is also a useful resource from an agricultural impact perspective when assessing smaller scale developments.

Assessing a solar development? Consider whether there is opportunity for the co-location of the development with agriculture, e.g. sheep grazing or bee-keeping.