



Drought Law Forum

Free online information on the law for rural Australians. This forum is available to anyone affected by the drought and needing legal information. Post your question online and receive a response from a lawyer.

www.rurallaw.org.au

Mosaic Mapping

Find out about projects that have been funded by the Natural Heritage Trust and the NAP. Go to : www.nrm.gov.au and have a look at the projects in the Central West

Climate Change Information

A report of Climate Change released by CSIRO and Bureau of Meteorology on the most current and up to date research can be obtained on

www.climatechangeinaustralia.gov.au

Spatial Information eXchange (SIX) Viewer

The SIX Viewer enables users to display and question a wide range of spatial (location based) information including aerial photography, satellite imagery, property, and geographic information.

<http://imagery.maps.nsw.gov.au/?role=mystate#>

What's On In November

CARBON FARMING EXPO & CONFERENCE

When: 16th - 17th November 9.00am - 5.00pm

What: Carbon Farming is the New Agriculture. It is land and stock management designed for the Era of Climate Change.

Carbon Farming includes:

- grazing management • biochar • low/no-tillage • mulching
- pasture cropping • keyline planning • biological farming • natural sequence farming • biodynamics • alternatives to nitrogenous fertilisers • composting • and many others...

These are methods of capturing and holding Carbon in soils.

On the deficit side, growers face the challenge of emissions from stock (methane) and fertilisers (nitrous oxide).

The farm plan which incorporates both carbon capture and emission reduction is called Carbon Farming.

The World's First Carbon Farming Conference is a unique opportunity to see the entire issue from all angles. Speakers will include senior scientists who were centrally involved in creating the Australian Government's greenhouse strategies as well as leading 'carbon farming' practitioners and expert market observers.

Where: Australian Rural and Education Centre, Mudgee

Further Info: Louisa Kiely on 6374 0329 or Louisa@carboncoalition.com.au

WeaLth Project Introduction to Grazing Management

Native Grasses Association Inc.

When: Tuesday 13 November 9:00am - 4:00pm

What: This program has been designed for those interested in learning the basics of improved grazing management. For people who have had significant experience in enhanced grazing and land management you may like to attend the second day in this series "Fine Tuning your Grazing Management" which will be conducted in Autumn 2008.

Where: Wellington Research Station
6674 Mudgee Road, Wellington NSW 2820
(6km out of Wellington on the left)

Further Info: As places are limited please ensure to register your attendance as soon as possible. Please contact Angela Roberts at the Stipa office on 02 6845 1044 or on 0424 228 725 or by email at angela.stipa@bigpond.com

Diary Dates



November 3rd: Mulloon Creek Natural Farms and Trees for Earth. Bungendore.

Further Info: Matt Kilby 0418 654 231 or matt@treesforearth.com.au

November 15-16: CEDA International Climate Change Conference. Sydney.

Further Info: visit <http://ceda.com.au>

November 26-29: 5th National Waterwatch Conference. Canberra

Further Info: www.waterwatch.org.au

November 27-30: Sustainable Built Environments 2007. Melbourne.

Further Info: www.iir.com.au/greenbuildings

Weed Management Guides

Two new weed management guides are now available on the Weeds CRC website – African Boxthorn and Coolatai grass. To access this information on managing these and other weeds visit

www.weeds.crc.org.au/publications/weed_man_guides.html#biodiversity

2007 NSW Youth River Health Conference

When: 19th-20th November 2007

What: Registrations are now open for this conference which is about promoting kids teaching kids as the highest form of learning and aiming for a cultural change in the way we view, use and perceive our natural environment.

Where: Inverell

Further Info:

<http://www.onelifeoneworldourfuture.com/index.php?pageid=272>

Other upcoming Stipa WeaLth Project days

When: 21st -22nd November

What: Native Grass Identification

Where: Trangie

When: 29th November

What: Salt Bush

Where: Upper Bogan

When: 5th December

What: Grazing Management

Where: Nyngan

Further Info: As places are limited please ensure to register your attendance as soon as possible. Contact Angela Roberts at the Stipa office on 02 6845 1044 or on 0424 228 725 or by email at angela.stipa@bigpond.com

Pasture Cropping and No Kill Cropping. Stipa Native Grasses

When: 8th and 9th November

What: Full theory and practice of the new cropping methods. Bruce Maynard and Col Sies will be presenting this innovative approach to a new cropping system.

Where: Wellington Research Station

Further Info: Call Stipa Office on 6845 1044.

Yarn up, working well with indigenous communities

When: Thurs 6th and Fri 7th December

What: Working with indigenous communities to strengthen people, culture, community advocacy and leadership, consulting respectively and engaging young families.

Where: Bathurst Goldfields, 428 Conrod Straight, Mt Panorama, Bathurst.

Further Info: Bev Hutchinson 6361 6990 or Gerald Power 6360 8170

Caring for Country Workshops

When: Saturday 8th December 10am – 4 pm.

What: Free regional workshops providing practical information about environmental law for Aboriginal people.

Where: Gordon Centre, Spears Drive, Dubbo.

Further Info: Eszter Kovacs on 9262 6989 or educatioin@edo.org.au

Rangelands Australia – Short Course Series

When: Short courses will be held in rangeland regions subject to need and demand and at a mutually convenient time and location

What: These short courses are specially designed for: Land and asset managers, Facilitators and groups, Government advisors, consultants, Local Government, Training and service providers. These courses include: Being heard as a stakeholder in the rangelands, Introduction to monitoring for management, Being in the rangelands for the long run – Balancing for economic, environmental and social outcomes, Success in Diversification, No Surprises in the Rangelands and Getting into Further Study – Insights, practices and tips for success in distance education. Minimum numbers apply.

Further Info: To register your interest in holding a short course for a group in your area, please contact Rangelands Australia 07 5460 1660 or rangelands@uqg.uq.edu.au

Farmbis

The new Farmbis programme started in New South Wales on 1 July 2007 giving primary producers and rural land managers access to business and natural resource management training and education at a reduced cost. For more information call **1 800 195 543** or visit www.farmbis.gov.au/nsw.html.

Money Matters

Central West CMA Cultural Heritage Incentives

The Cultural Heritage Incentive is to provide assistance to land managers to conserve, restore and manage the cultural resources on their land. Activities funded under the program can be negotiated on a site by site basis. Applications will be assessed on merit; however, preference will be given to on ground activities linked with other CMA incentives and/or programs. For further information or obtain applications please contact your local CMA office.

Central West CMA Biodiversity Program

The CW CMA Biodiversity Incentive Program is designed to assist land managers to undertake works that will have selected biodiversity outcomes. **Funding assistance is available for:**
Projects that will improve management of High Conservation Value habitat for biodiversity outcomes
Projects that address Priority Action Statements or Species Recovery Plans for priority species, populations or communities
Projects that maintain or enhance instream habitat
Projects that address management actions for CWCMA priority pest animals
To apply contact your nearest Central West CMA office and ask for a Biodiversity Incentive application form or download the application from www.cw.cma.nsw.gov.au For further information please contact the Biodiversity team in Dubbo on 6881 3400.

Central West CMA Native Vegetation Incentives

The Central West CMA Native Vegetation Incentive Program is designed to assist landholders manage and restore native vegetation for productive, ecologically healthy landscapes. The program funds a diverse range of activities including Native Grasslands Grazing Management, Native Shrub Establishment for Pasture Enhancement, Remnant Vegetation Management, Revegetation, Riparian management and Innovations in Vegetation and Biodiversity. The Vegetation Program is open all the time, EOI forms and fact sheets are available from your local CMA office or www.cw.cma.nsw.gov.au or for further information please contact the CWCMA vegetation Team on 6881 3400.

On-Ground Implementation of Conservation Farming:

Incentive funding is available for soil testing. The soil testing incentive is to help land managers improve their soil knowledge and soil management skills. Included is a soil testing package so managers can find out about the current state of their soil's health, with an incentive to have soils tested to provide basis soil health information. **Application forms are available from www.confarming.org.au.** Further information: Wellington DPI Office on **02 6845 4438**, Parkes DPI Office on **02 6862 1000**, Wellington Central West Conservation Farming Association on **02 6845 1044** or your nearest CWCMA office.

Central West Catchment Management Authority
We're on the web:
www.cw.cma.nsw.gov.au

Vibrant communities...healthy landscapes

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