

Future Ready Farming



- REGIONAL GOALS
- People
- Biophysical
- Knowledge

Supporting farmers to drive agricultural growth, while adopting sustainable natural resource management practices that protect and conserve natural capital and biodiversity

In PHCC's two largest farming areas, Hotham-Williams and Swan Coastal Plain, this project will focus on supporting farmers to reduce impacts of:

- a drying climate
- declining soil quality and function
- biodiversity loss
- declining on-farm water storage
- biosecurity threats

Healthy soil is central to delivering resilience to climate change, natural disasters, helping meet Australia's emission reduction targets, promoting agriculture growth, food and water security and increasing biodiversity.

Many remnants are small and declining in condition due to extensive clearing, uncontrolled stock access, invasive weeds, feral animals and salinity. Reduced soil quality, productivity and soil carbon impacts our economy, environment and way of life, with flow on effects.

Farmers will be supported through technical advice, events, on-ground support building resilience and increase uptake of sustainable land management practices to protect and conserve natural capital, improve soil condition and water conservation.

FUNDING

Australian Government \$1,109,046

PARTNERS

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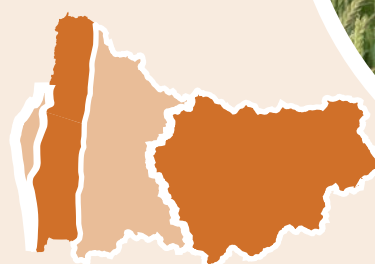
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REGIONAL COVERAGE





PRIMARY OUTCOME

Farmers are supported to drive agricultural growth, while adopting sustainable natural resource management practices that protect and conserve natural capital and biodiversity

ADDITIONAL OUTCOME

The agriculture sector is adopting practices to reduce emissions and build resilience to climate change

OUTCOMES (BY 2028)

Changes in Asset

- 200 ha of on-farm native vegetation will be under improved management through on-groundworks including controlling access, revegetation, weed control and pest control.

Practice & Attitude Change

- 200 farmers will have increased awareness of management options for improving soil health, optimising production and building resilience to a changing climate
- 24 farmers will have adopted improved land management practices for improving soil health and climate resilience



PROJECT ACTIONS

- 11** Skills & knowledge surveys (farm management) - baseline
- 11** Skills & knowledge surveys (farm management) - indicator
- 1** Flora surveys - baseline
- 3** Flora surveys - indicator
- 2** Identifying & prioritising the location of sites
- 7.05 ha** Revegetating habitat - initial
- 3 ha** Revegetating habitat - follow-up
- 11.4 km** Controlling access
- 315.75 ha** Controlling pest animals - initial
- 566.50 ha** Controlling pest animals - follow-up
- 13.5 ha** Weed Control - initial
- 4** Communication materials (video)
- 13** Communication materials (printed)
- 4** days First Nations Australians Cultural Practices
- 1** Skills & knowledge survey - baseline
- 1** Skills & knowledge survey - indicator
- 64 ha** Improving land management practices - initial
- 30** Soil testing - baseline
- 56** Soil testing - indicator

