



The Resilience Roundup North West Tas

Autumn 2024

Two new opportunities to contribute to the regional plan.

Community Conversations

We've loved hearing from you via our baseline survey and out-and-about at regional events. Your experiences of the impacts of drought and your ideas on resilience have informed the development of goals to shape the next stage of the development of the Regional Drought Resilience Plans.

Next up is a series of community conversations - productive roundtable discussions on the actions required to achieve these goals and pathways that will be included in the regional plans. We need your help to ground truth and expand on what we've heard so far.



The regional co-ordinator will be hosting some of these discussions around the region as well as supporting interested individuals or community groups to host them in their own networks. We can come along to your meetings or help co-ordinate special events to facilitate this process.

At the end of this part of the project we will have a valuable community resource that has captured what's working, identified the gaps and how to address them and can be used to access support and investment into the future.

Interested?

- Contact your regional co-ordinator
- Register to stay informed about community conversation events

Case study call out

True resilience is an outcome of relationships, knowledge and individual actions, not something separate we can manufacture. We are looking for your good news stories about people, projects or organisations that have taken action to reduce risks and strengthen resilience in these times of increasing climate variability.

- Do you know a local legend with a great yarn to share about resilience?
- Are you part of a community group that has been working to connect community, improve well-being, restore ecosystems or increase people's knowledge and skills?
- Have you noticed a project, big or small, that has been kicking goals?

These stories and experiences will be at the heart of our drought resilience planning. Please get in touch.

[Theresa Chapman](#)



AGFEST 2024

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at agfest, and talking more with you. We will be sharing space with Rural Business Tasmania, come and find us on Eighth

Avenue and help us build the picture of drought risk and resilience in Tasmania.

\$250 Mitre 10 Gift Voucher to be won!

AGFEST 2024 Website

Opportunities and Support

We would like to highlight two opportunities currently open.

Seasonal Conditions Scheme

Recognising that extended dry conditions are now impacting a large portion of the state, eligible primary production livestock businesses on mainland Tasmania can now apply for support under the *Mainland Tasmania – Livestock Producers – Seasonal Conditions Scheme*.

This scheme provides one-off payments of up to \$5,000 to eligible farm businesses who can demonstrate that:

- *They have a primary production livestock business on mainland Tasmania that has been severely impacted by extended abnormally dry conditions.*
- *Their farm business has experienced, or expects to experience, significant financial impact, causing some hardship, due to the extended dry conditions.*

Applications for this scheme will close at 3pm on Friday, 10 May 2024 or when program funding is exhausted.

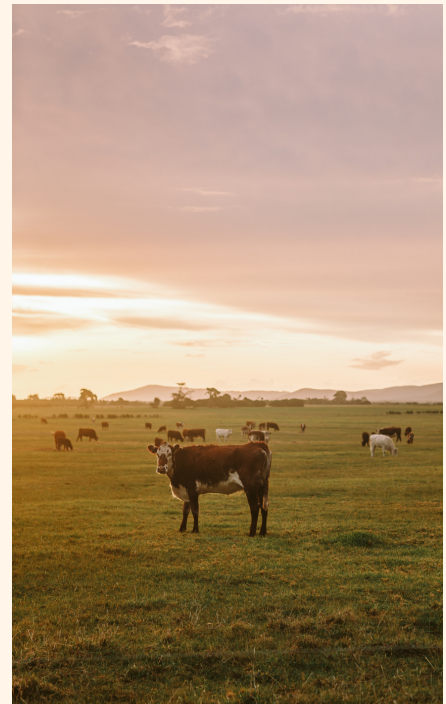
To view the program guidelines and to apply, visit the [State Growth website](#)

Resilient Farming Tas

The first participants in the Resilient Farming Tas program are off and running with a good mix of farmers from across the state. Following a quick process of submitting an expression of interest and application, participants joined an introductory webinar (available [here](#)) to learn more about the options that could work for them as part of the program.

WHAT IS RESILIENT FARMING TAS?

Resilient Farming Tas is the Program that will work with individual farm businesses here in



Tasmania to prepare a Farm Business Resilience Plan.

The planning process will identify risks and opportunities associated with drought, the effect of other climate extremes and other unexpected events. The aim of this Program is to support you to access a range of tools to manage the effects of climate change and other risks to your farm business.

The final 'Plan on a Page' will list priority actions that you will implement to control risks to your business and make the most of opportunities.

More info on the [website](#).



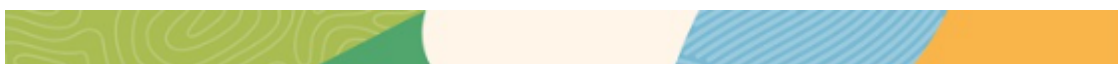
Visit to King Island

On a recent visit to King Island, I saw first hand the altered landscape that the extended dry conditions have created on the island. I spoke to several groups of residents and heard about the complex issues and concerns for farmers, landcarers, business owners and social service providers. It was [good news](#) to read of the appointment of drought coordinator Jacqueline Shipton, by TasFarmers, and financial support being offered by the Department of State growth via the [seasonal conditions scheme](#). What I heard from people on KI will be critical insights to include in the North West Drought Resilience Plan.

North West Region

Be part of the plan. Have your say today.

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