Weena Mooga – Mexican Hat Women's camp

The Project

Weena Mooga meaning, women together in West Coast languages was supported with Australian Government funding through National Landcare. Community inspired projects were sought, with funding of up to \$2000 dollars available.

Far West Aboriginal Women's Council (FWAWC) secured a Weena Mooga grant in 2017 and hosted a Women's camp at Mexican Hut. Twenty five women from the region attended the three day event that focussed on cultural knowledge exchange and developing a seasonal wheel. The women from Oak Valley, Yalata, Scotdesco / Penong, Koonibba and Ceduna also shared stories, Inma (dance), meals from the camp fire and talked about their hopes and events for the Women's Council.



Healthy relationships and outcomes

Women from across the west coast region getting out on Country, exchanging knowledge and working together with Natural Resources Eyre Peninsula and the Department for Environment and Water on development of a Seasonal Wheel.





"The Weena Mooga funding assisted the Language Centre with projects to get people out on Country and using language whilst doing cultural activities. It also assisted working in partnership with other organisations including the Far West Aboriginal Women's Council to assist with the seasonal calendar project which has been a great outcome for promoting use of Cultural knowledge and the local languages"

Lynette Ackland

Manager Far West language Centre Ceduna

Partners

Far West Coast Aboriginal Women's Council, Far West Language Centre and Natural Resources Eyre Peninsula. Special thanks to Warren Miller and Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council for the use of their equipment.

Where to from here

The Far West Coast Aboriginal Women's Council secured further funding form the Weena Mooga program and from Alinytjara Wilurara, in 2018 to hold five separate workshops in the Far West and to complete the seasonal calendar.

More information

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