



# Building Pastoral Sustainability

Through Adaptation, Innovation  
and Diversification



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# Building Pastoral Sustainability (BPS)



## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Building Pastoral Sustainability (BPS) program is designed to build on the capacity and resilience of pastoral businesses in the SA Arid Lands to adapt to future climate and market variability. Throughout the three-year program the pastoral industry will be supported to develop and promote sustainable businesses and a regionally strong and competitive industry. A focus of the BPS program will be promoting and supporting pastoral businesses to adapt to varying climates, innovate using technology and new management practices, and consider options for business diversification.

This program is supported by the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program. The BPS Program aims include working with pastoral businesses to:

- Increase the capacity of businesses to respond and adapt to climate and market changes, in order to sustain a regionally strong and competitive industry;
- Increase awareness and adoption of land management practices that improve and protect the condition of soil, biodiversity and vegetation;
- Increase the awareness and knowledge of technology and practices that can assist with adapting to a changing climate; and
- Increase the knowledge and awareness of tools and/or methods for monitoring land condition.

The BPS program has been developed based on feedback from the pastoral community received as part of previous projects and events, surveys and through the Board's six district groups.

There will be on-going opportunity for the pastoral community to shape the delivery of the program through identifying topics of interest for training, workshops, field days and best practice bootcamps to be held across the region.

Learning from, and with peers will be a strong focus of the BPS program with the aim of increasing the uptake of technologies and land management practices that can increase productivity, generate economic returns and improve land condition.

There are a number of different ways for pastoral land managers to participate in the program, from attending an event, or applying for a grant through to taking part in the one-year Property Management Planning program.

## Opportunities to get involved



### Events

Field days, best practice bootcamps and sticky beak days to increase awareness and knowledge of innovative technology and management practices.



### Training

Tailored training and workshops focussing on gaps in knowledge and skills identified by producers in the region.



### Grants

Funding to support properties with shared interests to undertake trials, demonstrations and on-ground works that showcase technologies and management practices not yet widely adopted in the region.



### Property Management Planning (PMP)

A one-year holistic program that addresses the link between primary production, business management and natural resources and includes workshops, property mapping, financial analysis and an implementation plan.

# What the program will deliver

## 2020/2021



**Property  
Management  
Planning (PMP)**



**Small Group  
Workshops/  
Training**



**Grants for  
On-Ground Works  
and Trials**



**Regional  
Field Day**



**Best Practice  
Boot Camps**

## 2021/2022



**Property  
Management  
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**Small Group  
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**Grants for  
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and Trials**



**Regional  
Field Day  
December 2021**



**Sticky Beak  
Days**

## 2022/2023



**Small Group  
Workshops/  
Training**



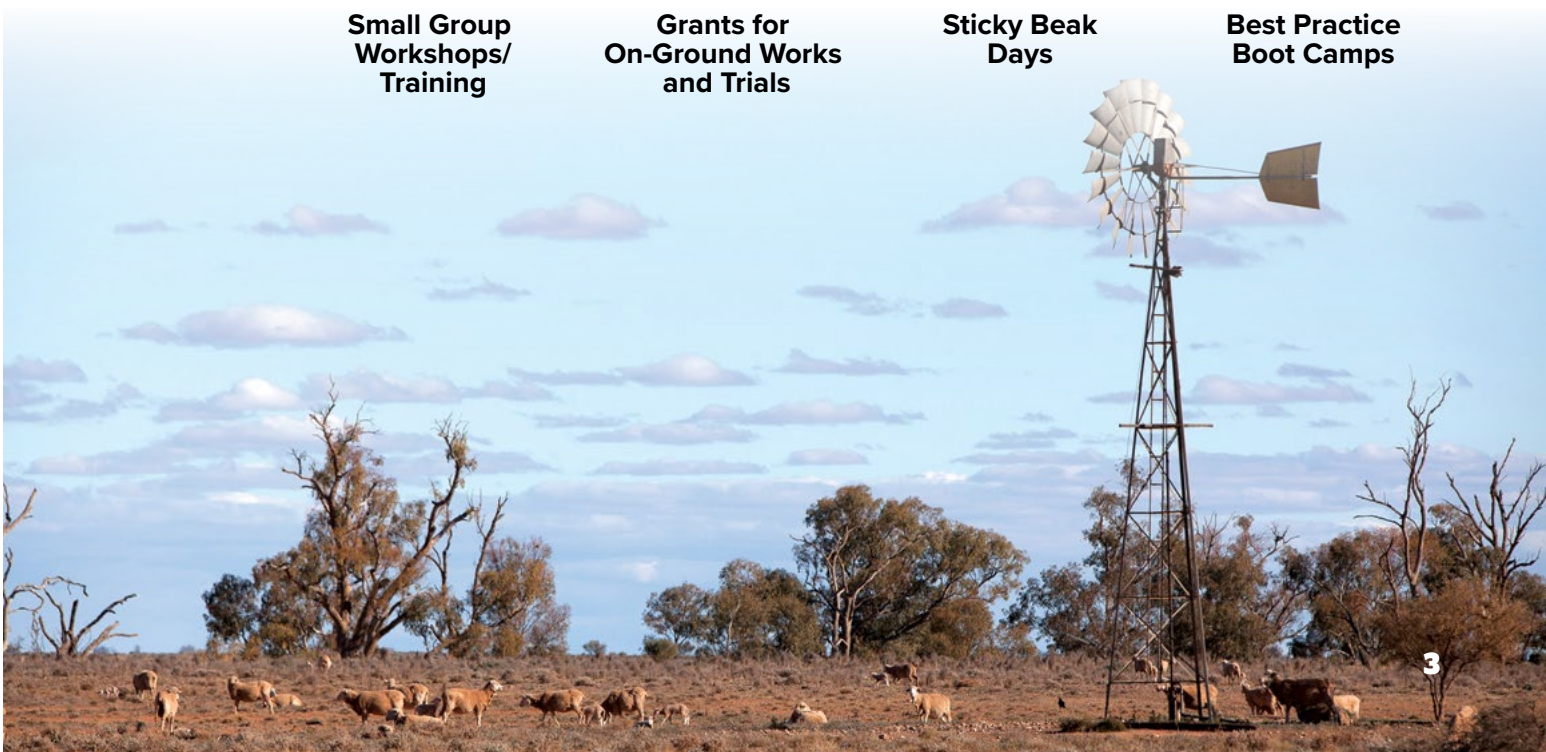
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# How to get involved

The Building Pastoral Sustainability program has been designed to maximise the opportunities for participation by the pastoral community.

There will be a number of training events over the three-year program including field days, sticky beak days, intensive bootcamps featuring a number of speakers, and group training.

Key features of the program are the Property Management Planning (PMP) program, and grants for on-ground works and trials.

Participants in the PMP program will be selected through an Expression of Interest application process.

It will be staged over a year in 2020/21 and again in 2021/22 for a second group of participants.

The grants program will be accessible across the three years with the majority of grants for on-ground works and trials in 2021/22 and 2022/23.





# Property Management Planning (PMP)



An holistic Property Management Planning program that addresses links between primary production, business management and healthy landscapes.

The program includes four stages:

## STAGE 1 **Personal Business Drivers**

A workshop for understanding long-term business and family visions, business strategy and goal setting, a skills audit and identifying business roles and responsibilities.

## STAGE 2 **Property Mapping**

Extensive property mapping and assessment of natural resources, assets and infrastructure and identifying links between land systems and productivity.

## STAGE 3 **Financial Analysis**

One on one, and group support to complete a financial business management report with an advisor.

*NB. All financial information is confidential between the client and the advisor.*

## STAGE 4 **Action Plan**

A workshop where all prior stages are brought together to identify opportunities for improvement across the business. Development of an action plan to achieve goals and stabilise the future direction of the business.

The Property Management Planning (PMP) program is a feature of the BPS program and is based on the success of previous property planning projects offered by the Board.

While the development of a comprehensive environmental mapping plan is key to this process, the PMP goes further to help you identify your personal motivation and business drivers, as well as work with a professional to develop a financial business management report.

At the end of the program, you will finish with an action plan – this is where you decide what comes next and how you will achieve it. All personal financial details shared between you and the advisers are confidential and **will not** be available to the Board or its staff.

There are limited positions available in year 1 and 2 with applications being welcomed on a per-property basis. Family groups, business partners, and husband and wife teams are strongly encouraged to take part. PMP is staged over nine months with round 1 commencing in August 2020 and round 2 in August 2021.

Time commitment is a consideration and to get the most from the program, participants must be able to take part in all four stages.



## PMP TIMELINE YEAR 2

22 JUNE 2021: Expressions of Interest open 9am  
20 JULY 2021: Expressions of Interest close 1pm  
AUGUST 2021: Selection of Participants

## PMP STAGE FOR 2021/22

STAGE 1: Personal Business Drivers Workshop  
16-17 August 2021

STAGE 2: On Site Property Mapping, September 2021

STAGE 3: Financial Analysis Consultation and Workshop 7-8 March 2022

STAGE 4: Action Plan Workshop 2-3 May 2022







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