

Interview Number: _____ **Interviewer Name:** _____

1. Do you own, live on or look after a farm or rural property?

Yes No (Conclude interview)

2. I am going to read out a list of possible issues people may have with land and water on their property. As I read each one out, could you tell me if the issue is a problem that has occurred on your land in the last two years?

(Interviewer: if no issues leave all blank)

SALINITY

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? *(Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one)*

Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

SOIL EROSION, INCLUDING EROSION TO STREAM BEDS, BANKS AND GULLIES

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? *(Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one)*

Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

WEEDS

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? *(Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one)*

Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

A DECLINE IN NATIVE ANIMALS

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

INTRODUCED PEST ANIMALS, SUCH AS FOXES, PIGS AND RABBITS

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

POOR QUALITY GROUND WATER

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

POOR QUALITY WATER IN RIVERS AND STREAMS

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

POOR SOIL CONDITION, SUCH AS NUTRIENT DEFICIENCY, ACIDITY AND COMPACTION

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

REDUCED NATIVE VEGETATION COVER, INCLUDING GROUND COVER

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

↳ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

POOR CONDITION OF NATIVE VEGETATION

(a) Is this a... Minor Moderate Major problem?

(b) Would you say your ability to address this issue is... Very low Low Moderate High Very high

→ (c) Why do you say this? (*Interviewer: Free recall, May tick more than one*)

- Lack of money Lack of time/too busy Lack of knowledge (don't know how to fix it)
 Not interested Too old Lack of equipment (ie. machinery, tractors)
 Don't live on the property Cannot be fixed

Other _____

(d) In the last 12 months have you done anything to address this issue? Yes No

Notes: _____

3. Thinking about these issues, if you were to judge the health of the land, vegetation and water on your property, on a scale from one (1) to ten (10), with one (1) being very unhealthy and ten (10) being very healthy, what score would you give it?

Score ____ Don't know

4. Thinking back 5 years, and again on a scale from one (1) to ten (10) how would you have judged the health of your property then?

Score ____ Don't know (inc. not on the property back then)

5. In the last two years have you requested any support or advice from any organisation or group about improving the health of land, vegetation or water on your property?

No

Yes ...what was the support or advice you requested?

6. Have you undertaken any training in the last two years to improve the health of land, vegetation or water on your property?

No

Yes ...what was the training you received?

I am going to read out some statements. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with each statement. (*Interviewer: If undecided or can't answer leave blank*)

7. Aboriginal people should have the right to access my property for management and traditional cultural practices if it is their traditional land SA A TA TD D SD

8. Aboriginal people possess traditional ecological knowledge which could benefit how we manage and look after land and water in the region..... SA A TA TD D SD

9. Native vegetation includes all the trees, plants, ground cover and native pasture that occurs naturally or is indigenous on your property. Do you have any native vegetation on your property?

No (*Go to question 17*)

Yes

Now some additional statements...tell me again if you strongly agree or disagree with each statement

10. The native vegetation on my property contributes to my economic production SA A TA TD D SD

11. The native vegetation on my property contributes to the health of the local environment..... SA A TA TD D SD

12. Native vegetation needs to be managed to be healthy SA A TA TD D SD

13. I am interested in managing the native vegetation to be as healthy as possible SA A TA TD D SD

14. I can name most of the native plants on my property..... SA A TA TD D SD

15. I would like to manage the native vegetation on my property, but it is low on my list of things to do on the property SA A TA TD D SD

16. I would accept advice on how to do more to manage the native vegetation on my property SA A TA TD D SD

17. If you wanted to know something about an environmental issue on your land or in your local area, where would you go to get this information? (*Interviewer: Free recall, allow multiple responses*)

Southern Rivers CMA

Local Government, Council or Shire

Ask other farmers

State Government agencies (inc. DNR, DPI, Lands Dept, Dept of Agriculture)

Ask friends or family

Stock and station agent/rural merchandising

A Landcare group

Other rural and agricultural organisations

Internet /websites

Other

18. Have you thought about climate change and how it might affect your property and the way you might manage it?

No

Yes

19. Have you heard of the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority or CMA?

Yes

Unsure (go to Question 21)

No (go to Question 21)

20. Have you had any contact or communication with the CMA?

No

Yes...what was it? (*Free recall*)

Attended a meeting organised by the CMA

Attended training or field day

Have a property agreement with the CMA

Obtained funding or incentives through the CMA

Received newsletter or other materials

Talked to someone from the CMA

Tried to obtain funding or incentives through the CMA

Worked with the CMA on projects

Other

21. The CMA is responsible for supporting the management of natural resource in the region. If the CMA wanted to communicate information to people in your local area, what do you think would be the best way for the CMA to do this?

(Interviewer: Read out alternatives)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visit people at their homes or properties | <input type="checkbox"/> Have a field day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Put information in the local newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Hold community meetings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Put information on the radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Post information through the mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Place information on the CMA website | <input type="checkbox"/> Email information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Place TV advertisements | <input type="checkbox"/> Letterbox drop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

22. The CMA provides advice to landholders about improving the health of land, vegetation and water on their property. If you were to ask the CMA one question about improving the health of land and water on your property, what would it be?

Don't know

I would ask _____

23. Tell me if you agree with any of these statements...

- I am aware of what the land and water issues are in this area
- I am interested in finding out about land and water issues in this area
- I would work with my neighbours to address common problems that we might have
- If asked I would participate in activities to improve the health of land and water in this area
- I know about the things the local Landcare group does in this area
- I have the skills and training to help address land and water issues in this area
- I have the experience and knowledge to help address land and water issues in this area
- I feel I would be able to influence decisions about improving the health of land and water in this area

24. Are you a member of a Landcare group?

Yes No

25. Are you a member of any other natural resource management network or group?

No
 Yes ...what group or network? _____

26. What is the nearest town to your property? _____

27. What is the name of the nearest road to your property? _____

28. Do you live on your property?

Yes Sometimes or part-time
 No...in what town do you live? _____

29. How large is your property?

_____Acres or _____ Hectares

30. Is your property usually irrigated?

Yes No

31. Would you say your property is primarily...

- ... used for the production of crops, pastures or livestock
- ... used for the conservation of native plants and animals (*Go to Question 33*)
- ... a hobby or lifestyle farm with none or minor production (*Go to Question 33*)

32. What are the main things you produce on your property? (*Interviewer: May tick more than one*)

- Dairy
- Beef cattle
- Pastures for hay (i.e., Lucerne)
- Cereal crops (maize, sorghum, oats, wheat, barley, rice)
- Orchard trees (oranges, citrus, apples, pears, peaches, apricots, mangoes, macadamias)
- Vegetables
- Sheep (wool and meat)
- Horses

Other (describe)

33. How many years have you had your current property _____ years

34. In what year were you born? 19_____

35. Interviewer: *Record Male or Female* Male Female