

NW LANDCARERS

STRATEGIC PLAN





NORTH WEST LANDCARERS 2023- 2027

The NW Landcarers, as the regional Landcare body in the North West of NSW, envisions a thriving and resilient natural environment. Our vision is built upon the pillars of education, community engagement, advocacy, and partnerships. We strive to inspire and equip individuals and communities to become exemplary stewards of the environment, fostering a legacy of resilience and regeneration for generations to come.

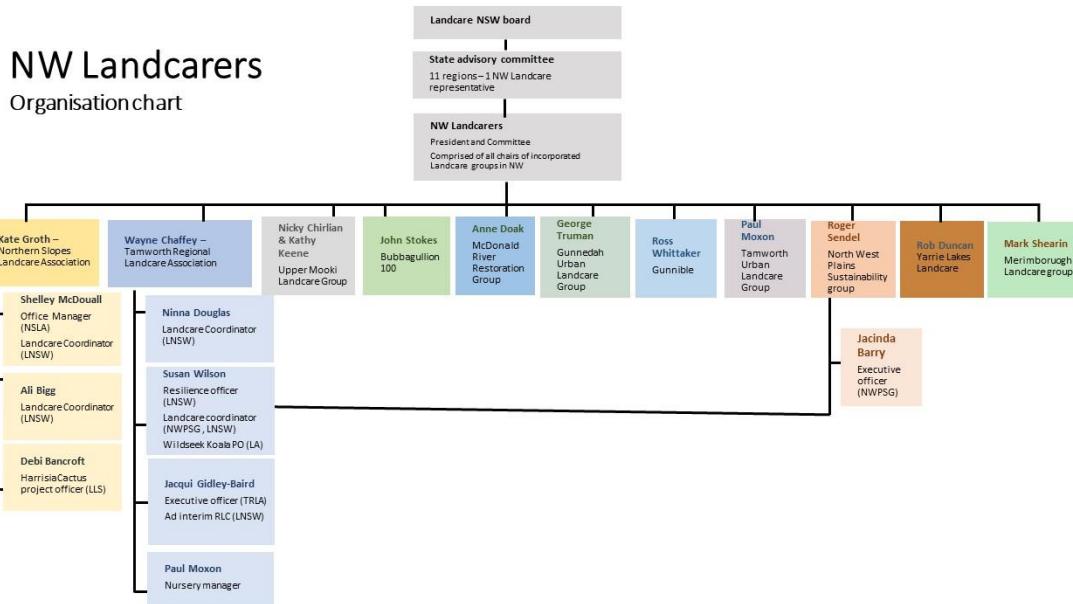
The NW Landcarers' vision is a call to action for everyone in our region. Together, we can be the catalysts for positive change, creating a future where the environment thrives, communities are engaged, and regeneration is our shared legacy. Through education, community, advocacy, and partnerships, we will make this vision a reality, leaving a lasting impact for generations to come.



WHO WE ARE

NW Landcarers are the regional body made up of district, incorporated and unincorporated Landcare groups in the North West of New South Wales. The committee of the North West Landcarers is made up of a representative body of the chairs of each incorporated Landcare group in the region.

As a member and regional body, the NW landcarers Chair holds a position in the Landcare NSW State Advisory Committee (SAC).



OUR VISION

In 2027, the North West Landcarers will have transformed our region into a model of environmental stewardship with each pillar contributing as follows:

- Education:** We will have educated and empowered hundreds of individuals through workshops, seminars, and online resources, ensuring that every member of our community has the opportunity to gain the knowledge and skills to make environmentally responsible choices in agricultural, peri urban and urban settings.
- Partnerships:** We will have strengthened existing and fostered new partnerships with local schools, businesses, government agencies, and environmental organizations. These collaborations will have resulted in significant funding, resources, and expertise for our initiatives.
- Community:** Our landcare community will be united, actively participating in local Landcare projects, tree planting initiatives, wildlife habitat restoration, landscape rehydration, soil restoration, revegetation and citizen science programs. We will have created a culture where caring for the environment is a way of life.
- Advocacy:** Through effective advocacy, we will have influenced practice changes that prioritize the protection and restoration of our region's natural assets. Our advocacy efforts will be recognized at regional and state levels, contributing to a more resilient future through regenerative practices.



Education

- Modelling best environmental practice in agriculture and sustainable urban/ peri urban living.

EDUCATION

The North West Landcarers are dedicated to leveraging evidence-based approaches to manage soils, water, and to rebuild landscapes. As a regional body, we are uniquely positioned to provide education, facilitated by thought leaders and innovators, to enhance practices across the entire North West catchments. Our focus is on water management within the landscape, harmonising land use with changing climate patterns, preserving biodiversity, engaging the youth, safeguarding our soils, and securing the well-being of current and future generations. Through education, we aim to unify communities and create a more resilient, interconnected region.



Partnerships

- Working closely with other organisations and agencies to multiply the positive impact and best use of resources.

PARTNERSHIPS

The North West Landcarers are committed to harnessing the power of partnerships to create robust networks and connections in our region. Our approach is founded on principles of value for money, utilising existing knowledge bases and networks of thought leaders, and implementing strategic programs that drive meaningful change.



Community

- We aim to create a more resilient and empowered community.

COMMUNITY

Our focus is on enabling Landcare members and working in close partnership with member Landcare groups. One of our goals is to facilitate and empower groups with the sourcing and successful implementation of funded strategic projects. The NW Landcarers Group is dedicated to collaborating with communities and Landcare groups to enhance resilience and the capacity to confront future challenges. We place special emphasis on mental health, the needs of First Nations communities, and the engagement of youth.



Advocacy

- NW Landcarers as advocates for the environment in the region. Improving awareness and influencing behaviours.

ADVOCACY

As the regional Landcare body, NW Landcarers are dedicated to enhancing public awareness of Landcare in the NW region. Our mission is to construct influential platforms that engage existing members while extending our influence to those who have not yet embraced Landcare. We firmly believe that even small changes can contribute to the greater picture, where every effort impacts the overall outcome, particularly in the vital areas of ground cover, biodiversity, soils and landscape rehydration.





CORE VALUES

Education: We believe in the power of knowledge and recognise that every Australian is a steward of their land. We are committed to providing accessible and engaging education on best practices for environmental stewardship, equipping our community, especially our youth, with the tools to make informed decisions.

Partnerships: We understand that collaboration is key to addressing complex environmental challenges. We seek to build strong partnerships with individuals, organizations, and government bodies that share our commitment to environmental stewardship.

Community: We recognize that collective action is essential for positive change. We aim to foster a sense of belonging, encouraging all members of our community to actively participate in building a more resilient future.

Advocacy: We encourage policies and practices that support regenerative land management, conservation and biodiversity preservation. We are an influential voice for the environment in our region.

MEASURING SUCCESS

Our success will be managed in outcomes.

Increased Biodiversity: A thriving and diverse ecosystem will be evident through increased flora and fauna populations, with endangered species making a comeback.

Restored Landscapes: Degraded landscapes will be transformed into healthy ecosystems, showcasing the benefits of regenerative land management practices.

Engaged Community: A high level of community engagement will be reflected in volunteer participation rates, attendance at educational events, and the adoption of skills learned.

Policy and behavioural Impact: Our advocacy efforts will result in the implementation of policies and initiatives that support environmental conservation and sustainability/ regeneration at a range of levels(home, business, local government, catchment wide).

