

A Drought Resilience Plan for the Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu Peninsula and Kangaroo Island Region

The Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island region Drought Steering Committee has initiated the preparation of a Drought Resilience Plan as part of the Regional Drought Resilience Planning Program.

The Plan will identify strategies and actions to enhance the Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island region's ability to respond to and recover from drought, that will also help prepare for and respond to other stresses or pressures.

The Plan will document how the region's agricultural and associated industries might be impacted by drought, describe a desired future or vision that acknowledges more frequent or severe drought and greater rainfall variability and identify strategies and actions to build resilience to ensure regional values are maintained and economic and social development opportunities are optimised.

Through June and early July, engagement with regional stakeholders will be undertaken to collect information on the impacts of previous dry times, consider the potential impacts of more frequent or extended low rainfall or increasing rainfall variability, and identify what could be done to help landholders, businesses, communities and the region build resilience to drought.

How to be involved

4 workshops are being held in late June across the region. You are welcome to attend any one of these events.

Please share this project information and invitation with anyone else you think would be interested in attending.

Monday 24 June, 11am to 2pm (including lunch), **Charleston**. Book here <https://www.trybooking.com/CSMW0>

Tuesday 25 June, 6 – 9pm (including dinner), **Kingscote**. Book here <https://www.trybooking.com/CSMWU>

Thursday 27 June, 10am to 1pm (including lunch), **Strathalbyn**. Book here <https://www.trybooking.com/CSMXA>

Friday 28 June, 7am to 9.30am (including breakfast), **Mount Compass**. Book here <https://www.trybooking.com/CSMXD>

If you can't attend any of these workshops but would like to provide input to the development of the plan, please email Brett Mayne, Project Manager, RDA Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island brettm@rdahc.com.au.

Later engagement

Once the Draft Regional Drought Resilience Plan is prepared, you will be invited to share your feedback on the proposed vision, goals and strategies. This second stage of engagement is scheduled for August 2024.