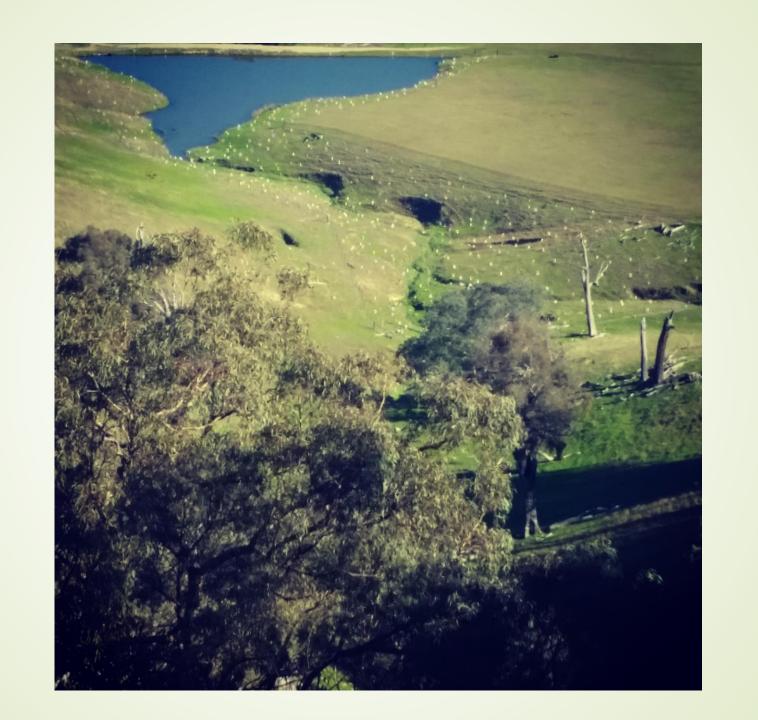


Visioning Agroecology on a Diversified Small Scale Australian Farm Gerard Lawry



Vision, Philosophies, Goals



Vision



Establish a reflective, aesthetically productive ecosystem that includes and captivates all that interact in its perpetual narrative

 A system that leads best practice for food security and nutrition









The answers!!!!!

There are no answers!!

There are no recipes!!

Believe or Not?

Our responses???

Increase organic matter

IFOAM Organic Standards

It Depends

Increase diversity

Philosophies



We are custodians and respect traditional Wiradjuri people

Welfare profit is greater value than economic profit

Understand, accept and design for climate uncertainty

Consider the bioregion

Not all action is action

Appreciate the aesthetics

Accept limitations and accomplishments

Respect others

Celebrate seasonality

Maintain links

Celebrate the natural state

Establish a succession plan

Sustainability begins at home

Allow all life to exhibit instincts

Earn a realistic living

Manage rather than control

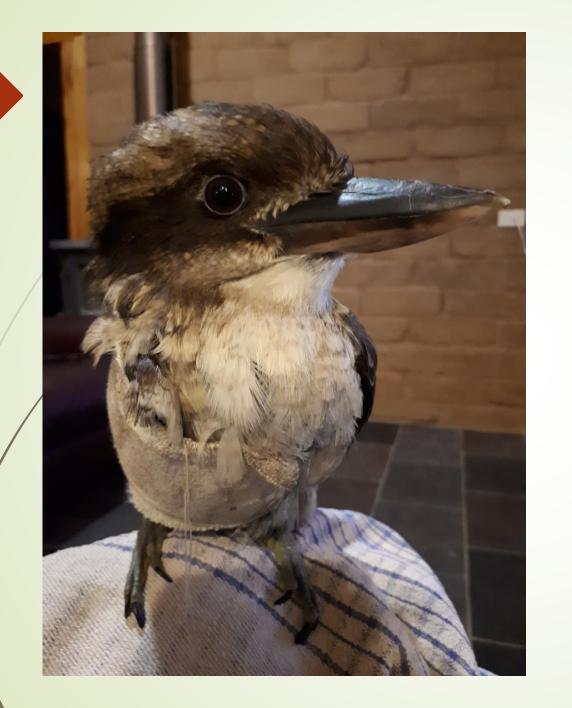
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An understanding and acceptance of climate change







Consider the impact of our decisions, in terms of bioregional issues







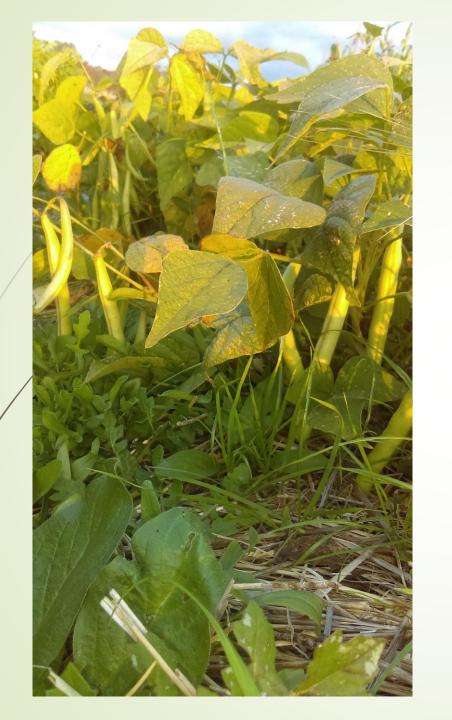
Know that Farming is not always about action



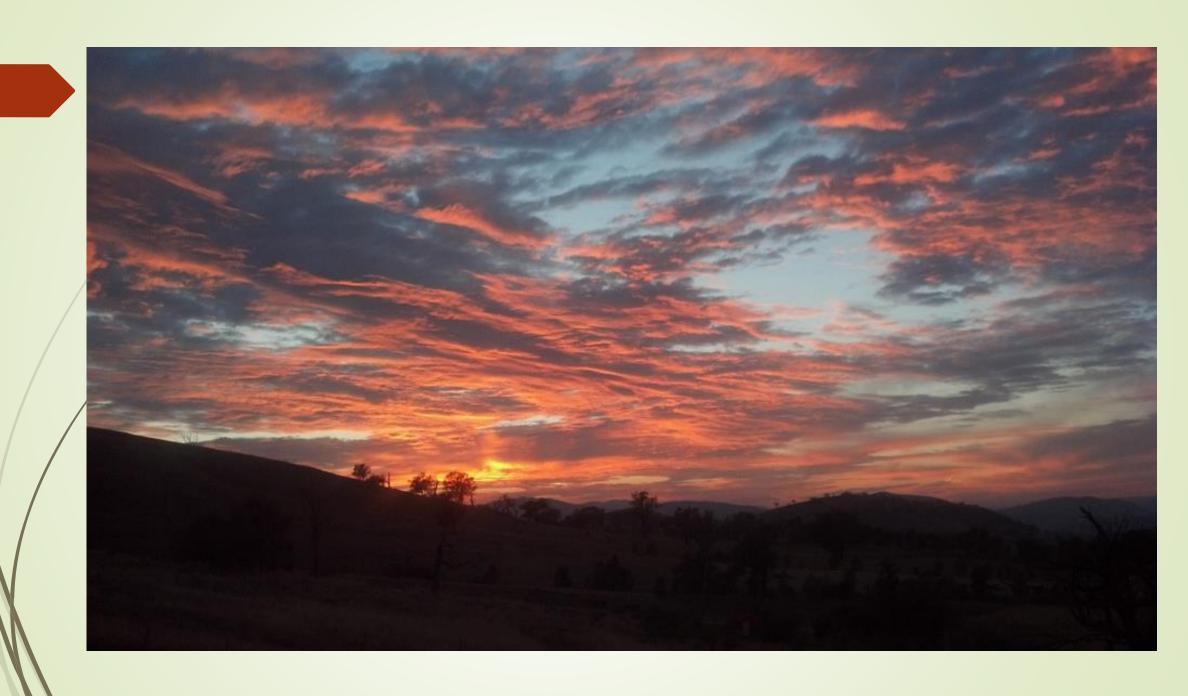
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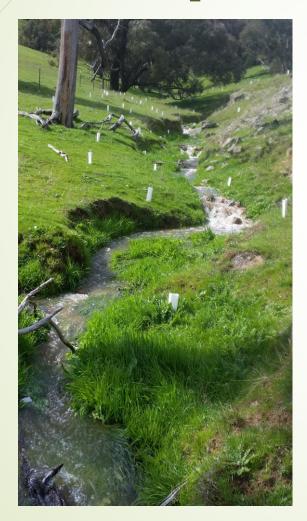


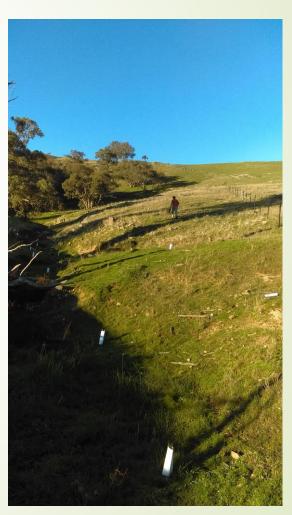






Accept our limitations and appreciate our accomplishments











Respect our forebears and respect local knowledge



Celebrate the seasonality





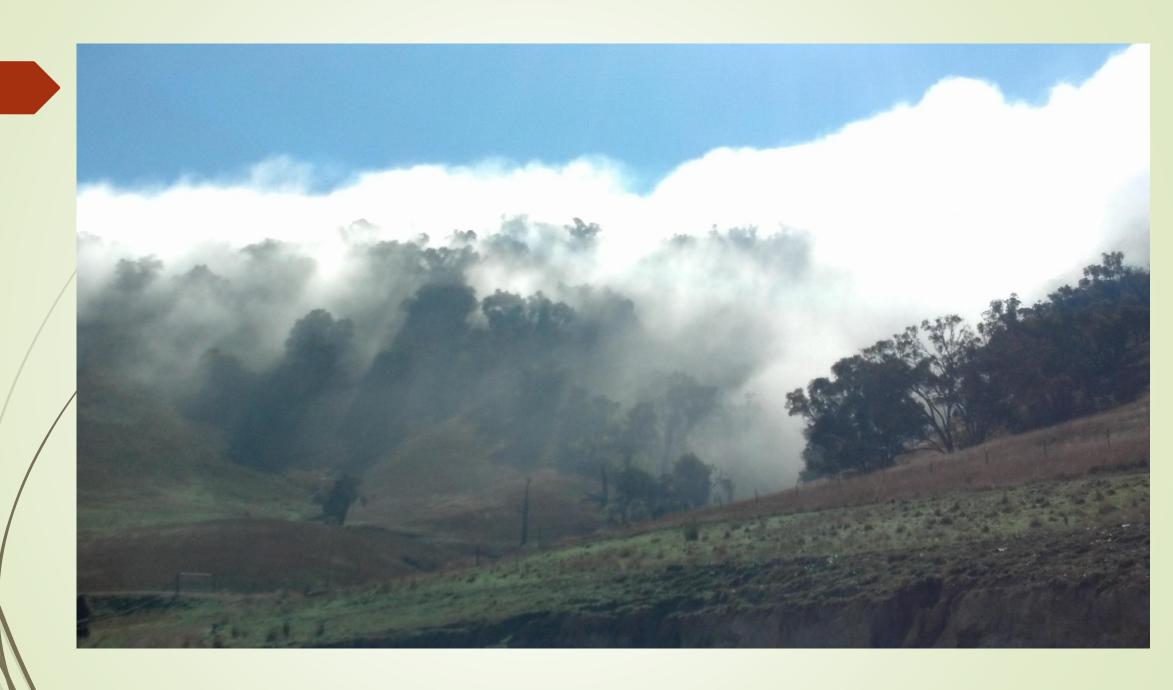












Keep all the links in the chain











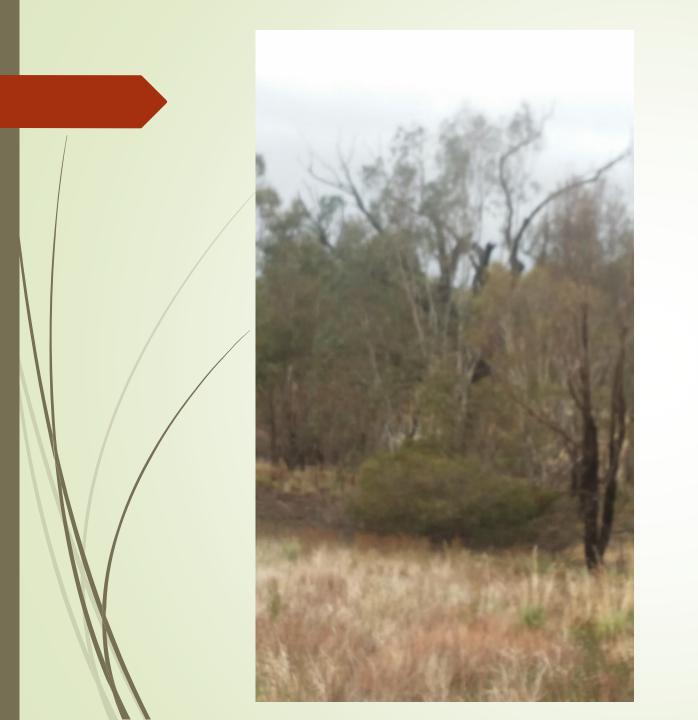
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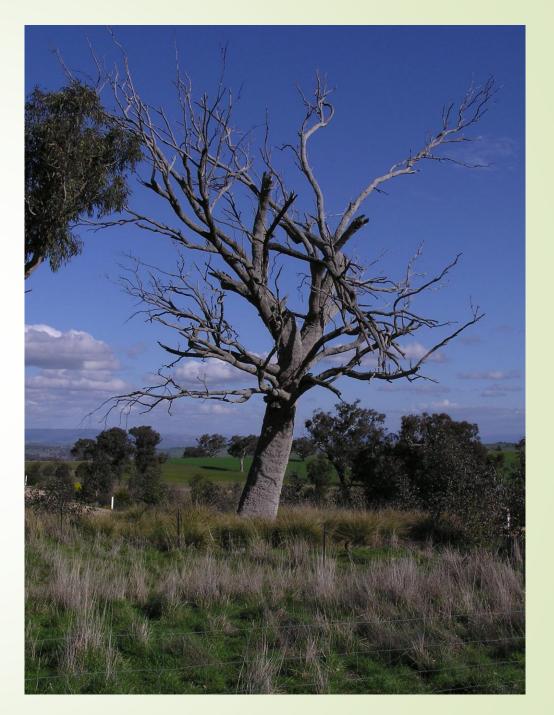


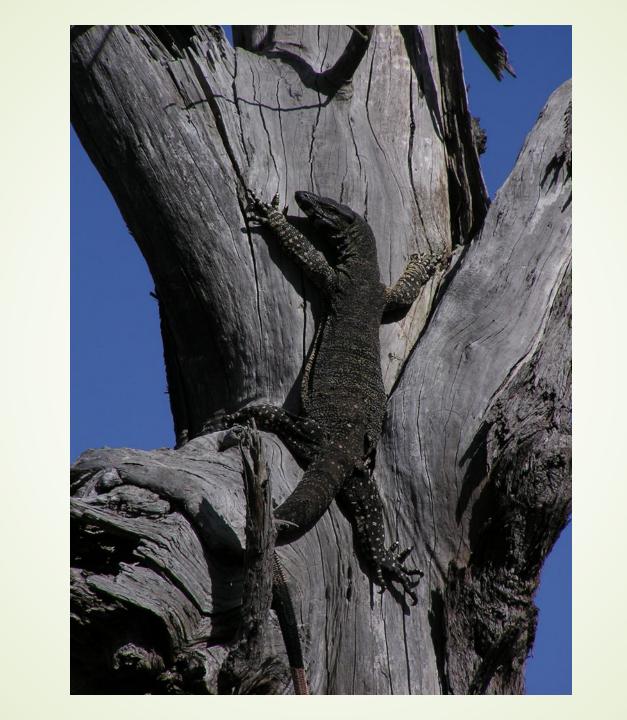














Establish a succession plan









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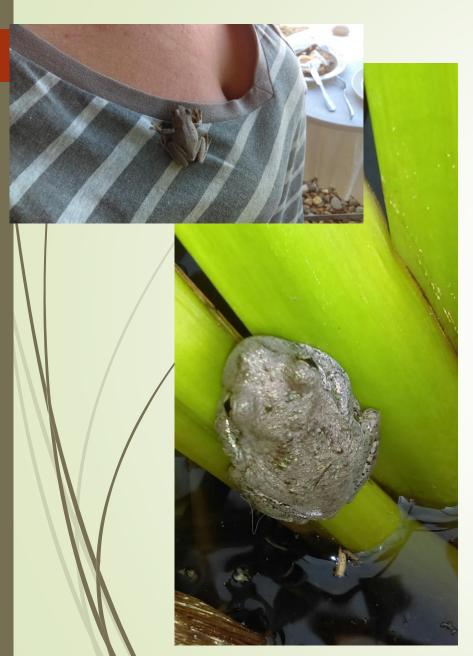




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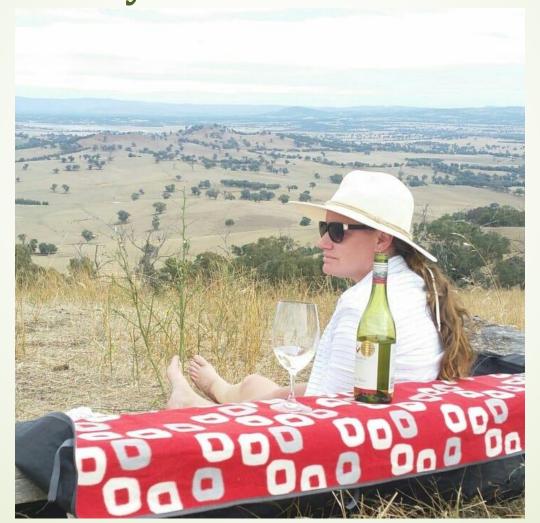








Earn a realistic living from the farm to support our lifestyle





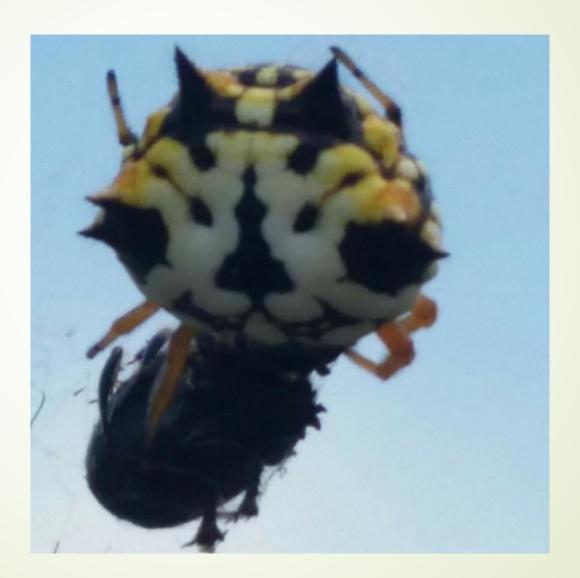








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•Goal: Improve Ecosystem Resilience

Critical success factor	Key Performance Indicator	Target
Bird species	Increase number and variability of both resident and migratory birds	25%
Soil biology	Northern Rivers Soil Health Card	Avg score of above 8.5
Fossil fuel reduction	Volume of fuel used on farm	<2500Litres/year
Climate adaption	Survive climate extremes	
Pasture management	Maintain ground cover	100%
Pasture management	Problem weed numbers	0 disturbance weeds

•Goal: Community health

Critical success factor	Key Performance Indicator	Target
Food quality	Customer complaints	0
Food quality	Brix higher than conventional	10%
Farm water management	Runoff after 35mm rainfall event	0
Social obligation	Return to local community groups	5%
Farm nutrient input	Purchased nutrient	for compost making only

No answers, and No recipes

We are "Ecological Niche Managers"

What does it depend on?

How can we increase diversity?

"May you; eat so you can taste, smell so you can savour, look so you can see, listen so you can hear, touch so you can feel and think so you can understand. May you find your own words to develop your own truth."

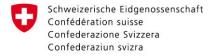
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Thanks!

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