

Conservation & Resource Management



Agenda Motion No	Subject	Agenda Motion Wording	Conference Outcome	Final Motion Wording
CR01		That the Association lobby for changes to the Native Vegetation Act/Regulations, so that socio-economic effects, not just environmental outcomes, are taken into account when processing land clearing applications.		That the Association lobby for changes to Native Vegetation Act/Regulations, to require the collaborative development of “triple bottom line” landscape plans with landholders, which would replace property vegetation plans as the primary mechanism for native vegetation management on rural lands. These plans would optimise social, economic and environmental outcomes.
CR02	Native Vegetation/Property Rights	That the Inverell District Council urge the NSW Farmers' Association take immediate action to establish a dialogue with the new Primary Industry Minister with regard to changes to the Native Vegetation regulations and the NRM, stewardship matters and property rights.	Passed	That the Inverell District Council urge the NSW Farmers' Association take immediate action to establish a dialogue with the new Primary Industry Minister with regard to changes to the Native Vegetation regulations and the NRM, stewardship matters and property rights.
CR03	Planning	That the Association seeks amendments to planning legislation to ensure that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment zones imposed on land used for agricultural production are removed from Local Environmental Plans; • Existing Use Rights removed by the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Existing Uses) Regulation 2006 are restored; • Positive rights and protections for ongoing farming activities are introduced such that new neighbours cannot object to routine and necessary farming activities. 	Passed	That the Association seeks amendments to planning legislation to ensure that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment zones imposed on land used for agricultural production are removed from Local Environmental Plans; • Existing Use Rights removed by the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Existing Uses) Regulation 2006 are restored; • Positive rights and protections for ongoing farming activities are introduced such that new neighbours cannot object to routine and necessary farming activities.
CR04	Strategic Regional Land Use Policy	That the Association seek to ensure that the Strategic Regional Land Use Policy and its Regional Strategic Plans address all and tenures, both private and public	Passed	That the Association seek to ensure that the Strategic Regional Land Use Policy and its Regional Strategic Plans address all land tenures, both private and public

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CR05	Pest Animals	That the Association call on the NSW government to implement a strongly coordinated program for pest animal control that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is consistent across public and private land tenures, including national parks (Nil Tenure); • Is supported by a centralised, map-based management data base, tracking pest animal occurrence, management activity and funding; • Includes significant additional funding for wild dog, rabbit, fox and pig control activities; • Is directed by a steering committee which includes a delegate from the Association; and • Includes changes to biodiversity policy to enable more efficient control activity 		That the Association call on the NSW government to fund and implement a strongly coordinated program for pest animal control that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is consistent across public and private land tenures, including national parks (Nil Tenure); • Is supported by a centralised, map-based management data base, tracking pest animal occurrence, management activity and funding; • Includes significant additional funding for wild dog, rabbit, fox and pig control activities; • Is directed by a steering committee which includes a delegate from the Association; and • Includes changes to biodiversity policy to enable more efficient control activity
CR06	Pest Animals	That the Association support a bounty of \$10 for foxes and \$50 for wild dogs, in line with Victorian bounties.	Passed	That the Association support a bounty of <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$10 for foxes CARRIED 2. \$50 for wild dogs CARRIED in line with Victorian bounties.
CR07	Pest Animals	That the Association lobby for the commercial harvesting of kangaroos in state forests, particularly state pine forests. As well, the haul area of forests be added to the surrounding farm areas for the purpose of determining quotas.	Passed	That the Association lobby for the commercial harvesting of kangaroos in state forests, particularly state pine forests. As well, the haul area of forests be added to the surrounding farm areas for the purpose of determining quotas.
CR08	Water	That the Association seek the right for irrigators to carry over high security water from one irrigation year to the next.	Not Passed	That the Association seek the right for irrigators to carry over high security water from one irrigation year to the next.
CR09	Water	That the Association seek from NSW Office of Water realistic water charges for managing unregulated rivers, and that those charges be determined by audited costs of each source of water.	Passed	That the Association seek from NSW Office of Water realistic water charges for managing unregulated rivers, and that those charges be determined by audited costs of each source of water.
CR10	Water	That the Association should oppose any Government water buy backs	Not Passed	That the Association should oppose any Government water buy backs
CR11	Water	That the Association investigate the possibility of large former open cut mine sites be used for water storages and or flood mitigation	Not Passed	That the Association investigate the possibility of large former open cut mine sites be used for water storages and or flood mitigation.
CR12	Water	That the Association demand the Federal Government repeal the Water Act of 2007.	Amended & Accepted	That the NSW Farmers' Association seek to amend the 2007 Water Act to ensure a balanced outcome for productive use and environmental outcomes.

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CR13	Water	That the Federal Government be charged for environmental water (purchased from irrigators) at the same rate as other water users (irrigators).	Amended & Accepted	That the Association requires that entitlements held by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder retain their original characteristics and be subject to the same charges and regulations that applied prior to their acquisition.
CR14	Water	That the Association: a) lobby for new water storage facilities based on water storage efficiency improvements and flood mitigation measures on a national landscape basis; and b) calls for a detailed technical study into the need for and practical potential for new infrastructure as an input to developing the Murray Darling Basin Plan.	Passed	a. lobby for new water storage facilities based on water storage efficiency improvements and flood mitigation measures on a national landscape basis; and b. calls for a detailed technical study into the need for and practical potential for new infrastructure as an input to developing the Murray Darling Basin Plan.
CR15	Toorale Station	That the Association support the return of the outstanding rural property "Toorale Station" near Bourke to a productive and successful agricultural enterprise (with diligence and expediency)	Amended & Accepted	That the Association support the Western Division Council decision to call for the return the rural property "Toorale Station" near Bourke to a productive agricultural enterprise (with diligence and expediency).
CR16	Weeds	That the Association call on the NSW Government to: Implement a strongly coordinated program for weed control that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is consistent across public and private land tenures, including national parks (Nil Tenure); • Is supported by a centralised, map-based management data base, tracking weed occurrence, management activity and funding; • Includes significant additional funding to enable local government , RTA and NPWS to undertake affective weed control along roads, travelling stock routes, national parks and other public lands; • Draws on a review of weed control programs in Australia and internationally; and • Includes changes to biodiversity policy to enable more efficient control activity. 	Passed	That the Association call on the NSW government to; Implement a strongly coordinated program for weed control that: (a) Is consistent across public and private land tenures, including national parks (Nil Tenure);

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CR17	Weeds	That the Association calls for the introduction of compulsory weed inspections for all rural land when it is offered for sale, with: a) A report by the weed control authority detailing weed status and any required action attached to the contract of sale; and b) The cost of inspecting the property and compiling the report to be paid by the vendor.	Not Passed	That the Association calls for the introduction of compulsory weed inspections for all rural land when it is offered for sale, with: a. A report by the weed control authority detailing weed status and any required action attached to the contract of sale; b. The cost of inspecting the property and compiling the report to be paid by the vendor.
CR18	Weeds	That the Association: a) recognise the very serious threat to agricultural production and vegetation diversity of eragostus curvula - African Lovegrass; and b) promote reseach and developement into genetic modification as a means of control	Passed	That the Association: a) recognise the very serious threat to agricultural production and vegetation diversity of Eragostus curvula - African Lovegrass; and b) promote research into a means of control.
CR19	National Parks	That the Association Request the new State Govt repeal legislation regarding transfer of NSW State Forest to National Parks & Wildlife Services.	Passed	That the Association Request the new State Govt repeal legislation regarding transfer of NSW State Forest to National Parks & Wildlife Services.
CR20	National Parks	That the Association lobby Government for access to Nat parks and state forests to provide for managed HIVES with floral access, to build Hive strength for the benefit of honey production and pollination critical to agriculture/horticulture and the environment.	Amended & Accepted	That the Association lobby for further access to lost bee sites in national parks so as to provide managed hives with enhanced access to floral reserves to build hive strength for the benefit of honey production and pollination services which are critical for agriculture and horticulture.
CR21	Forestry	That the Association lobby the State Government to re establish a viable and practical commercial timber industry in what were originally public working forests.	Passed	That the Association lobby the State Government to re establish a viable and practical commercial timber industry in what were originally public working forests
CR22	Land Transfers	That the Association should lobby that all Land Transfers should be Public Knowledge as part of "Freedom of Information".	Not Passed	That the Association should lobby that all Land Transfers should be Public Knowledge as part of "Freedom of Information".
CR23	Container Deposit Scheme	That the Association lobbies the State Government for environmental purposes to reintroduce a container deposit scheme.	Passed	That the Association lobbies the State Government for environmental purposes to reintroduce a container deposit scheme.
CR24	Mining on Travelling Stock Routes	That the Association lobby the State Government to impose a ban on any mining exploration licenses on Travelling Stock Routes (TSRs).	Amended & Accepted	i. That the Association lobby the State Government to impose a ban on any coal seam gas and / or mining licenses on travelling stock routes (TSRs). ii. Organisations pursuing licences should not be eligible to tender for grazing permits on reserves.