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Hello,

Welcome to the first AdaptNSW newsletter for 2023. We are delighted to be back sharing the latest news and updates on climate change adaptation across NSW.

This issue features the success of <u>practical adaptation in</u> <u>Local Government</u> as well as the <u>Northern Rivers Living</u> <u>Lab</u>, a project that is using collaboration and design to breathe new life into flood resilience in the Northern Rivers. Our case studies this month feature <u>citizen</u> <u>scientists</u> monitoring marine life on the move and <u>building</u> <u>adaptive capacity to heat</u> in Western Sydney. We're also thrilled to introduce <u>resources for First Nations people</u> considering carbon on Country.

The 2022 AdaptNSW Forum <u>recordings are now</u> <u>available</u>. Key highlights include a breakout session on climate risk types, a panel discussion on private-public sector collaboration to catalyse adaptation responses and, a keynote from Professor Mary O'Kane AC on adaptation learnings from the Independent Bushfire and Flood Inquiries.

The NARCliM2.0 project, which will provide <u>improved</u> <u>climate projections for NSW and Australia</u>, is making progress. The project has partnered with the WA government's Climate Science Initiative to produce <u>highresolution climate data</u> for southwest WA.

#### Coming soon: 2023 AdaptNSW Forum

The 2023 AdaptNSW Forum will be coming back to Sydney late November. The Forum will feature prominent climate change leaders discussing the challenges and opportunities of climate change adaptation in NSW and across Australia. Stay tuned for more details.

For now, enjoy the recap from the incredible 2022 event.



### Recap: 2022 Forum

The theme of last year's AdaptNSW Forum was '2030 and Beyond: Adaptation for our future' and the presenters certainly lived up to that theme.

Read the recap and view the recordings.

## New case studies





Citizen scientists monitor marine life on the move

See how citizen science can engage communities in conversations about climate adaptation.

#### Find out more.

Building adaptive capacity to heat in Western Sydney

How do we plan for a future with 10 extra days of extreme heat each year between now and 2040?

Find out more.

### **Stories and news**

## Local Government NSW Excellence in the Environment Awards



The Excellence in the Environment Awards acknowledge the environmental achievements of NSW councils.



## How the Northern Rivers Living Lab is breathing new life into flood resilience



The Northern Rivers Living Lab is a design and research collaborative conceived following the floods of 2022.

Find out more



## Latest resources and research





## Resources for First Nations considering carbon on Country

The Carbon on Country resources are now available to guide NSW Aboriginal landholders through the carbon project journey.

#### Learn more.

How is NSW harnessing the power of climate modelling?

Climate change already affects us – rising temperatures and changes to extreme weather events are common in NSW. But what does the future hold?

#### Learn more.



# Are you a climate risk and/or adaptation decision maker?

Monash University are seeking participates for a study aiming to strengthen climate and disaster risk reduction decisions. <u>Please get in touch.</u>

## Save the date

Activating Greenspace for Heat Resilience Forum May 4 Presented by Local Government NSW, councils are invited to join an online forum to understand how parks and greenspaces mitigate urban heat impacts. <u>Register to attend.</u>

#### Climate Adaptation Conference July 24 – 27

The NSW Government is proud to sponsor the Climate Adaptation Conference, a must-attend event for those involved in planning, implementing, and assessing climate adaptation options in their organizations, as well as researchers working to enhance knowledge to support such activities. <u>View the program.</u>

#### Purpose Conference 8 – 9 November

The conference will bring together purpose-driven entrepreneurs, teams, agitators and advocates for change for two days of cutting-edge content, learning, music, food, art and networking. <u>Find out more.</u>



### Resources

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