

Bushfire Industry recovery Package

Opened 27 May 2020

Originally closed 12 June 2020 **Extended to 26 July 2020**

50% industry contribution

Focus on Job Creation via projects that will build industry sustainability,
Increase value-add production, product diversification
and market expansion

First Thoughts

- Increased access to resource to spread bees out
- More training
- Honey Testing – reduce false positives for adulteration
- Bushfire & droughts will become more prevalent – reduced honey yields - therefore need to value add honey to maintain beekeepers incomes & viability

Roadblocks

- Initially could not use government departments as part of project
 - Tight Time Frame
 - Obtaining letters of Support
 - Time to put submission together

Final Plan

- Audit of all NSW Public Land for Beesites – by NSW DPI
- Pest & Diseases, Pollination and Queen Rearing courses – by TOCAL
- Honey Testing
 - NMR – NMI Sydney and Brukker Germany
 - Analytical Chemistry – CRC WA
 - Near InfraRed Analysis - DPI Wagga
 - HPTLC – CRC WA
 - Palynology – CRC WA

- Establishing Pollinator Friendly Plants in Rural NSW

Planting Guides for eco regions – When Bee Foundation

Training beekeepers in technology (4) – When Bee Foundation

- 5 Bees Project – Building better Beekeeping Businesses after Bushfire

- Honey as a Health Food to Fight Gut Infection – University of Technology Sydney
- Enhancing Forests and Bee Health for High-Value Medicinal Honey – University of Sydney
- Project Management - University of Sydney

Final BreakDown

• NSW DPI Audit	In Kind	\$52,764	Funded	\$116,084
• Agrifutures		\$303,813		\$0
• UTS		\$255,836		\$345,000
• USYD		\$527,532		\$783,000
• CRC WA		\$244,500		\$141,500
• WBF		\$482,605		\$232,300
• NSW Apiarists		\$180,228		\$0
• NSW DPI TOCAL		\$0		\$28,000
• Project Management		\$13,000		\$281,000

Risk Management

- NSWAA limited Funds
 - Large financial risk for NSWAA
 - Cost for Legal fees – funding contracts with govt etc.
 - No expertise in managing project of this size.
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- Convinced University of Sydney to step up to the plate.

YAHOO

Finally

Submitted by University of Sydney 25 July 2020.

\$1,942,629.00

Project Title

Future-Proofing the NSW Apiary Industry
and Keeping Beekeepers in Jobs.

A BIG thank you

to Tim Burfitt and

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