

Action Number	RDRP Objective	Castlereagh Plan Themes	System	Benefits Scale to Resilience	Action	Background to Action	Lead	Stakeholders and Partners	Plan Owner Role	Implementation Timeframe	Aligned Strategy and Plans	Priority	Cost			
		Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Maintain to Absorb	Action Description	Description of Resilience Outcomes				Short term: 1-2 years		Priority 1 - Critical to Resilience	\$ - Existing Resources available from Stakeholders and Partners			
		Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Economic	Modify and Enhance										Medium term: 3-4 years	Priority 2 - Important to Resilience	\$\$ - Additional Resources Required
		Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Environmental	Implement to Transform										Long term: 5-10 years	Priority 3 - Contributor to Resilience	\$\$\$ Significant Financial Support Required From Stakeholders and Partners
		Sustainable management and use of natural resources														
1	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital + Natural capital and environmental outcomes	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Social	Implement to Transform	Develop and promote Drought Innovation and Resilience Showcase Field Day	The community expressed the need to showcase local and new ideas for natural resource management and farming practices and innovation.	Improves innovative knowledge sharing in agriculture, business, and community sectors which increases economic resilience and strengthens social capital.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Warrumbungle and Gilgandra agri-businesses NSW Farmers Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water WaterNSW	Facilitate	Short Term (Identified Implementation Project)	Gilgandra Activation Blueprint Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019-2023 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	1	\$35,000 (BCR assessed)		
2	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Social	Implement to Transform	Community Drought Resilience Community Chest / Development Fund	Community Drought Resilience Community Chest / Development Fund The Community Wellbeing Initiative focuses on supporting mental health projects, social events, and education campaigns to enhance community resilience during drought periods. By reducing stigma about mental health and providing professional education for health and agricultural support services, this project aims to improve community well-being and support drought affected individuals.	Business Plan and governance framework for the establishment of a Community Drought Resilience Development Fund (\$35,000) Establish a local or regional fund to support community-led drought support events early in the drought cycle. Reduce stigma about mental health problems to overcome barriers to seeking professional help and advice early. Provide professional education for health services, including general practitioners, and non-health agricultural support services to address the effects of drought-related stress. Conduct community education and public health campaigns to enable farmers and rural residents to identify the effects of drought.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Short Term (Identified Implementation Project)	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	2	\$35,000 (BCR assessed)		
3	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Environmental Social	Maintain to Absorb	Strengthen the promotion of existing drought support resources	Drought Communication Strategy Extension Project Promote messaging for community members, including primary producers, on the full range of existing drought information (e.g. NSW DroughtHub) and support resources available to prepare for and manage drought impacts.	Improved viability of drought support mechanisms increases economic, environmental and social resilience through self-reliance management of economic, environmental and health and wellbeing issues. Improved engagement with new technology drought indicator tools encourages innovative information-based decision making in the agricultural sector, improves drought preparedness and increases economic resilience.	NSW DPI	Department of Regional NSW NSW Department of Primary Industries NSW Health	Inform	Short Term	NSW DPI Farm Business Resilience Program	1	\$		
4	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Maintain to Absorb	Strengthen the promotion of the Mental Health resources available	Drought Communication Strategy Extension Project Promote messaging for community members regarding the extent and availability of mental health support servicing options during crisis and also ongoing to build preparedness and capacity	Improved viability of drought support mechanisms increases social resilience through self-reliance management of health and wellbeing issues.	NSW Health	NSW Health Department of Health and Aged Care	Support and encourage	Short term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	1	\$		
5	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Maintain to Absorb	Encourage social events that bring individuals and families together during drought	-making community assets available -assisting promoting of events -assist access to external funding for events	Maintain community connectedness to strengthen wellbeing and increase social resilience. Maintain drought knowledge sharing to strengthen social capital.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Community Service Organisations (e.g. Lions Club/Rotary/CWA) Local Hall Committees Sporting Organisations Local Businesses	Support and encourage	Short term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	1	\$		
6	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Maintain to Absorb	Support and encourage training and volunteer recruitment to strengthen and revitalise community volunteer service organisations	Support and encourage training and volunteer recruitment to strengthen and revitalise community volunteer service organisations who assist with drought response to alleviate the pressure on leading volunteers who typically shoulder much of the organisational burden.	Increased coordination and capacity of volunteer service organisations to undertake front-line community drought assistance response increases social capital. Increased community self-reliance through facilitation of knowledge sharing between the typically established volunteers and those community members who are new to volunteering or existing volunteers wishing to extend contribution role. Maintains self-resilience by alleviating fatigue/burnout of established volunteers who are typically from older age groups.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	All in-region service organisations and their peak bodies	Facilitate	Short Term	Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037 Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2032.	1	\$		
7	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Social	Modify and Enhance	Fund Severe Drought Community Response Support Officers hosted by local agencies and shared between local volunteer support groups.	Fund Severe Drought Community Response Support Officers hosted by local agencies and shared between local volunteer support groups.	Increased capacity of volunteer service organisations to undertake front-line community assistance response during drought, leading to improved community drought resilience. Increased community self-reliance through facilitation of knowledge sharing from experienced Support Officers. Increases wellbeing by alleviating fatigue/burnout of established volunteers.	NSW Government	NSW Government	Lobby	Medium Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037 NSW DPI Farm Business Resilience Program	2	\$\$		
8	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Social	Modify and Enhance	Review Community Action Plans in the Warrumbungle Shire to provide achievable delivery actions	Review Community Action Plans in the Warrumbungle Shire to provide achievable delivery actions	Local level action plans with achievable goals that increase economic and social resilience and community preparedness	Warrumbungle Shire Council	Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Short Term	Community Action Plans: Coonabarabran Baradine Birraway Coolah Dunedoo Mendooran	3	\$		
9	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Modify and Enhance	Continue investments into community sport and recreation facilities.	The community value recent improvement to sport, recreational and community assets such as halls. These facilities are enablers for the community to maintain active lifestyles, participate in sporting and recreational activities and places to gather.	Increased community connectedness and improved social wellbeing and resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Medium Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	3	\$\$		
10	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Modify and Enhance	Lobby State and Federal Government for continued investment in local level data that supports drought decision making	Lobby for program to: -map availability of local mental health support services -determine service adequacy against predicted demand for regional community support during future drought -determine future service capacity expansion	Improved knowledge of mental health service capacity leads to understanding of improvement requirements, and ultimately to increased wellbeing and resilience. The community acknowledge this support was available during the drought and felt provides undertook meaningful support. The services at a local level were sometimes duplicated or missed and the community would like to see localised coordination of these services from all service providers	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry NSW Department of Industry	Lobby	Medium Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	3	\$		
11	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Natural capital and environmental outcomes	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Environmental Social	Modify and Enhance	Develop a Fire Emergency Preparedness Drought Resilience Plan	Develop a Fire Emergency Preparedness Resilience Plan to explore collaborative efforts between rural and government stakeholders to address water access issues during firefighting efforts.	Enhance resilience against increased fire risk associated with drought conditions.	NSW RFS	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council NSW Rural Fire Service NPWS Forestry Corporation	Lobby	Medium Term	Planning for Bushfire Protection: A guide for councils, planners, fire authorities and developers (November 2019) State Disaster Mitigation Plan	2	\$\$\$		
12	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Modify and Enhance	Vulnerable Persons Planning to survive heatwave and environmental impacts of drought	Vulnerable Persons Planning to survive heatwave and environmental impacts of drought Need appropriate housing and public buildings for those vulnerable to heat waves - passive cooling and air conditioning where relevant. Many vulnerable people have no air conditioning, or it is inadequate. In addition, many people in the Castlereagh region have evaporative air conditioners that rely on water to work effectively. In the past drought some communities were unable to use air conditioning due to water restrictions or they had limited water.	Increase residence resilience to the projected increase and severity of heatwaves.	NSW Department of Communities and Justice	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council NSW Housing Department of Communities and Justice Aboriginal Housing Providers	Lobby	Long Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	1	\$\$		
13	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Modify and Enhance	Develop a local action plan for community access to existing public amenity assets for use in extreme drought conditions	Support development of a local action plan for public access to existing amenity assets (e.g. laundry and showering facilities) for emergency use in extreme drought conditions coupled with water restriction constraints.	Increased social resilience and wellbeing.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council Showground Trusts NSW Department of Education NSW Health	Facilitate	Short Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	3	\$		
14	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Social	Modify and Enhance	Encourage Education and Youth Support programs that focus on resilience	Address educational gaps by advocating for outreach TAFE programs and services catering to adolescents' needs, improving access to learning resources, and providing support for learning issues.	Increased social resilience and wellbeing.	NSW Department of Education	NSW Department of Education	Lobby	Short Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	2	\$\$		
15	Wellbeing and social capital	Healthy, connected and resilient communities	Economic Social	Modify and Enhance	Develop a local action plan for the management of donations during drought.	The community strongly expressed the challenges and impact of managing donation of goods from very kind and well-meaning people and organisations during past droughts. This often created significant work for volunteers that were already under significant personal stresses dealing with the impact of drought on their family or business. Both council and community also expressed the burden of managing and determining who received financial support was not something that any sectors of the community want to take responsibility for in the future. There was strong consensus for the need to develop plans and strategies ahead of the next drought to ensure the community has the capacity to manage this issue. There were some successful initiatives in the past drought such as the Gilgandra Drought Alliance that could be used as models or advisories in undertaking this work.	Increased community self-reliance and wellbeing. Improved equity of donation benefit through community knowledge guidance	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Community Service Organisations	Facilitate and lobby	Short term		1	\$		
16	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Economic Environmental	Implement to Transform	Develop an online groundwater access and availability toolkit	Develop groundwater access tool/mapping of (i) key parameters (depth to groundwater, potential volumetric groundwater yield, water quality), (ii) simplified spatial representation of existing groundwater users and their annual extraction limits, and (iii) NSW Water Sharing Plan licensing requirements for new groundwater works and water use approvals.	Improved access to high reliability groundwater (licensed groundwater extraction has 100% historical availability) which increases water security and drought resilience. Improved landholder knowledge of groundwater resource availability under the long-term average annual extraction limits (LTAEL) of NSW water sharing plans and financial impact on gaining access to groundwater, leading to increased on-farm water security and improved self-reliance. Expansion of land area under irrigation increases productivity and strengthens economic resilience. Increased diversification of agricultural enterprises strengthens economic resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Warrumbungle and Gilgandra agri-businesses NSW Farmers Association Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water WaterNSW NSW Irrigators Council	Facilitate and inform	Short Term (Identified Implementation Project)	Central West and Orana Regional Plan 2041 Department of Planning, Industry and Environment NSW Water Strategy 2021 Water Sharing Plan for the NSW Great Artesian Basin Groundwater Sources 2020	1	\$150,000 (BCR assessed)		

17	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Economic Social	Implement to Transform	Develop a business case for a Castlereagh Region Major Infrastructure Projects Telecommunications Enhancement Strategy	Develop a business case for a Castlereagh Region Major Infrastructure Projects Telecommunications Enhancement Strategy leveraging off major infrastructure projects (Inland Rail, EnergyCo and renewable energy developers in the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ)) to increase spatial extent of telecommunication coverage.	Increased accessibility to drought support services which increases community self-reliance. Increased community connectedness leading to improved wellbeing and social capital.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure Inland Rail Energy Co	Facilitate and Lobby	Short Term (Identified Implementation Project)	Network Infrastructure Strategy for NSW Central West and Orana Regional Plan 2041 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	2	\$135,000 (assessed)	(BCR)
18	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Social Economic	Implement to Transform	Provide user pay, self-service bulk water filling stations throughout the region.	Provision of user pay, self-service bulk water filling stations throughout the region.	Provides autonomy for sourcing of potable and non-potable water during droughts leading to increased water security and improved self-reliance for the entire community.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Medium Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	3	\$\$\$	
19	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Economic Social	Modify and Enhance	Support Warrumbungle Shire Council to secure water access licences to sustain the Emergency Water Bore Program for town water supply.	Support Warrumbungle Shire Council to secure water access licences to sustain the Emergency Water Bore Program for town water supply. (WSC to advise actions required here...i.e. is this just lobbying for funding to buy licences from the water market?)	Improved water access options leading to increased water security and drought resilience.	Warrumbungle Shire Council	Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Short Term	Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037 Warrumbungle Shire Council Drought Management Plan	1	\$	
20	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Economic	Implement to Transform	Lobby for the development of a feasibility assessment for a Feed and Fodder Cooperative Storage Facility.	Lobby for the development of a feasibility assessment for a Feed and Fodder Cooperative Storage Facility, which targets reactivation of redundant/unused grain storage assets across the region for livestock feed storage.	Increase drought resilience of livestock businesses.	NSW Farmers	NSW Farmers Local Farm Businesses NSW DPI Department of Regional NSW	Lobby	Long Term	NA	3	\$\$\$	
21	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Infrastructure to support communities and agriculture	Economic Social	Modify and Enhance	Seek assistance to develop a Transport Infrastructure Management Plan during drought Conditions	Seek assistance to develop a Transport Infrastructure Management Plan during drought Conditions	During drought period where water becomes difficult to access, Council indicated it becomes difficult to maintain road assets. This plan could look at issues such as water availability across the shires, mechanisms to seek funding support due to the drought conditions and investigate practices, technology and materials that assist in road maintenance in drought conditions	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Medium Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	3	\$\$\$	
22	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Social	Implement to Transform	Develop a Drought Communication Strategy	Develop a Drought Communication Strategy to guide community and stakeholder engagement during drought conditions. Within region community communication Develop informational messaging regarding: - drought support programs - community support events - proactive water conservation measures - access to drought indicator technology - mental health support options. External communication Develop informational messaging to facilitate: - business support opportunities - donation preference for financial funding, as opposed to physical items - positive perception to maintain external investment opportunities (e.g. establishing new business, expanding existing businesses, real estate investment) - positive perception to maintain visitation to events and natural assets	Increased drought management knowledge leading to improved community self-reliance and drought resilience. Increased financial benefit for businesses contributing to improved economic resilience. Sustained/increased business diversification contributing to improved economic resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Short Term (Identified Implementation Project)	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037 WSC Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023 Central West and Orana Regional Plan 2041 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	1	\$50,000 (BCR assessed)	
23	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Environmental	Implement to Transform	Develop and implement Ag Ideas Business Innovation Grant Program	Develop and implement Ag Ideas Business Innovation Grant Program (Building off Big Ideas Business Grant Program in Gilgandra Shire) for development of innovative business ideas in the Agriculture/ Agri-business/ Agri-tourism sectors. The program should have a commercial return focus with the funded projects contributing to growth of the local economy.	Increases diversification in agricultural sectors and increases economic resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Short Term (Identified Implementation Project)	Gilgandra Activation Blueprint Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	2	\$105,000 (BCR assessed)	
24	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Social	Maintain to Absorb	Promote 'Shop Local' and 'Support Local' strategies	Drought Communication Strategy Extension Project Develop messaging which: - Promotes out-of-region donations to be directed into monetary buy local gift card programs (e.g. Coocoe Cash Gift Card, Coolah Gift Card). - Promotes increased importance during drought of community members to shop and local.	Encourages external donations to be in cash form, providing immediate financial benefit to local businesses and directly increasing economic self-resilience. Improved coordination of community and businesses to contribute funding to boost economic resilience. Reduced demand on volunteer processing efforts which would otherwise be diverted to transport, storage, handling and distribution of donated goods, resulting in increased social resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Coolah Chamber of Commerce Why Leave Team Community Bank Gilgandra Bendigo Bank	Support and encourage	Short term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037 WSC Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023	1	\$	
25	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic	Modify and Enhance	Build on existing Destination Marketing Programs	Drought Communication Strategy Extension Project Build on Real Country campaign to promote iconic natural assets through a messaging campaign that advocates attractions are open "all seasons, all conditions" (or "under all climates") to increase visitation to the region and sustain visitation through adverse climate conditions (attractions include Warrumbungle National Park, including its Dark Sky status, The Pilliga and the Castlereagh River)	Increased economic self-resilience in local businesses related to the visitor economy. Increased business diversification and economic resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council Destination NSW NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service	Facilitate	Short Term	Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037 Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2032 Real Country Campaign and Business Case Program Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023	3	\$	
26	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Environmental	Implement to Transform	Lobby for improved LGA scale datasets relating to economics, land capability and climate.	Lobby for improved local LGA scale datasets relating to economics, land capability and climate.	Increases economic resilience through improved ability for local stakeholders and businesses, including primary producers, to undertake evidence-based decisions using new technologies and understanding at appropriate spatial scales.	NSW DPI Department of Agriculture, Forestry Fisheries	NSW Government	Lobby	Medium Term	Central West and Orana Regional Plan 2041 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy NSW DPI Farm Business Resilience Program	3	\$\$\$	
27	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Social	Maintain to Absorb	Implement existing Regional and Local Economic Development Strategic Plans	Implementation and leveraging of opportunities in the Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy.	Both Gilgandra and Warrumbungle Shires have functional and successful Economic Development and Place Plans. This are the most effective delivery mechanism to facilitate the ongoing economic growth and diversification of the communities.	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Medium Term	Gilgandra Activation Blueprint Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	1	\$\$\$	
28	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Social	Maintain to Absorb	Promote rural/farming information events which involve agricultural knowledge sharing	Promote rural/farming information events which involve agricultural knowledge sharing and are capable of (i) strengthening the quality of farming practices across the region and (ii) providing beneficial social interaction for farmers who otherwise wouldn't attend a "typical" social event during stressful drought periods where "on farm" workloads take priority.	Improves innovative knowledge sharing in agriculture and business sectors which increases self-reliance and economic resilience. Improve community connectedness and strengthens social capital.	NSW Department of Primary Industries Local Land Services	Warrumbungle and Gilgandra agri-businesses NSW Farmers Association WaterNSW NSW Irrigators Council NSW Department of Primary Industries	Support and encourage	Short Term	NA	3	\$	
29	Self-reliance and drought resilience + Wellbeing and social capital	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Social Economic	Modify and Enhance	Encourage all businesses to develop financial management tools for economic resilience to drought	Encourage all businesses to develop financial management tools for economic resilience to drought	Transparent and consistent information about the processes farmers need to follow to access grants and loans. Farmers should be able to apply for financial support when it's needed rather than having to fit in with government budget cycles and deadlines. Efficient processing of grant and loan applications is needed to minimise the period of uncertainty and stress while waiting for the outcome.	NSW Government - Service NSW	Rural Financial Counsellors NSW Government Federal Government	Lobby	Medium Term	Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	2	\$	
30	Self-reliance and drought resilience	Resilient local businesses and regional economy	Economic Social	Modify and Enhance	Develop Drought Impacted Worker Program	Develop Drought Impacted Worker Skills Enhancement Project building off the Skilled to Qualified Program (run in Gilgandra during the past drought) to provide free training or accreditation programs for workers and businesses in drought affected industries.	Increases economic resilience of small business and contractors that work primarily in the agricultural sector. Provides opportunities for community members to engage in temporary alternative employment opportunities whilst remaining in the local community which maintains social capital. Provides other locally based industries and projects with the opportunity to employ local people which increases social capital and improves economic resilience.	Department of Regional NSW	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council Department of Regional NSW EnergyCo Inland Rail	Facilitate	Medium Term	Gilgandra Economic Development Strategy Warrumbungle Shire Economic Development & Tourism Strategy 2019 - 2023 Castlereagh Regional Economic Development Strategy	3	\$	
31	Wellbeing and social capital	Sustainable management and use of natural resources	Social	Maintain to Absorb	Educate on the benefits of drought tolerant species and novel low water use gardening practices	Communicate to educate on the benefits of drought tolerant species and novel low water use gardening practices for maintaining private green spaces through drought.	Sustained private green spaces increases wellbeing and social resilience.	Community	Community	Inform	Short Term	NA	3	\$	
32	Wellbeing and social capital	Sustainable management and use of natural resources	Social	Maintain to Absorb	Develop drought tolerant/resilient public green spaces (e.g. community gardens, town ovals)	Develop drought tolerant/resilient public green spaces (e.g. community gardens, town ovals) for visual wellbeing benefit and to support the maintenance of recreational activities during drought.	Sustained public green spaces increases community connectedness and improves social wellbeing and resilience.	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council Warrumbungle Shire Council	Facilitate	Short Term	Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Plan 2017/18 - 2026/27 Warrumbungle Shire Council Community Strategic Plan 2022/2037	3	\$	
33	Natural capital and environmental outcomes	Sustainable management and use of natural resources	Environmental	Modify and Enhance	Lobby State government to provide conservation measures for the protection of wildlife affected by drought.	Lobby State government to provide conservation measures for the protection of wildlife affected by drought.	Maintain natural capital.	NPWS	NPWS	Lobby	Long Term	National Park Plans of Management	3	\$\$\$	
34	Natural capital and environmental outcomes	Sustainable management and use of natural resources	Economic Environmental	Modify and Enhance	Lobby State government to provide proactive strategies for feral and invasive pest species control and management during drought.	Lobby State government to provide proactive strategies for feral and invasive pest species control and management during drought.	Maintain natural capital. Increase economic resilience.	Local Land Services	NPWS NSW Forestry Corporation NSW DPI Local Land Services	Lobby	Medium Term	National Park Plans of Management Regional Pest Management Strategic Plan	3	\$\$\$	