Economic

Community objectives

Production

Maintain, support, enhance, and promote innovative, sustainable farming practices. Economic productivity depends on retaining reliable and sustainable access to water for agricultural production. Resources for medium and long-term investment into improving the ecological condition of the creek system is of priority and provide local opportunities for diversification of businesses.

Employment

Create employment opportunities through infrastructure, ecological enhancement, carbon offset, environmental management and monitoring, tourism and other projects. Employment opportunities will contribute to retaining younger members in the community. Local training, knowledge transfer and capacity building will also be prioritised.

Tourism

Attract visitors to the Yanco/Billabong areas. Promote the unique ecological and historical values of the creek to encourage tourism and recreational activities. Identify specific locations with supportive infrastructure including information signage, picnic and camping facilities.

Water

Establish a watering regime that meets the social/cultural and economic needs of the system's users while contributing to ecological outcomes. Water was identified as the region's most vital resource. Improving community knowledge and understanding together with collaborative involvement in all aspects of the creek management will help safeguard water for the future.

Research & Development

Create employment for locals (i.e. returning university students) centered around government and private based projects. Increase research and development within the 10-year time frame of the project. Create new and further develop existing partnerships across disciplines and areas of expertise.

Identified requirements

- Develop project principles to ensure project funds are invested into local economy and community capacity building.
- Develop partnerships with Crown Land managers to improve tourism business opportunities.
- Utilisation and capacity building of local NRM service providers.
- Develop, foster and implement local business opportunities through project activities.
- Identify knowledge gaps and develop targeted research and development programs.
- Secure additional funding resources.

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