Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2019 9:26 AM

To: Graeme Faulkner

Subject: Fw: Lithgow Council Grant - Drought Infrastructure

Good Morning Graeme,

Could the suggestions below from Renzo Benedet please be included in the request for submissions on the Drought Infrastructure Grant due to close on May 10?

Thank-you.

Kind Regards

From:

Sent: Monday, 6 May 2019 8:58 PM

Subject: RE: Lithgow Council Grant - Drought Infrastructure

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Sorry I'm very late in all of this. Not sure how much subsidy the Council has received or may receive. Compared to areas where drought is really awful, it seems this region isn't too bad in comparison. Saying that, funding could be useful for individual farmers:

- 1. Investing in farm water reticulation / irrigation system of sunk bores, pipe infrastructure, tanks and pumps
- 2. Investing in water treatment of bore water so that water quality is maximised
- 3. Installing solar power system on existing or new facilities to run pumps
- 4. Funding the purchase of farm machinery which provide greater productivity with lower cost to operate (apply a subsidy limit)

In terms of more community based need, my suggestions are:

1. Eradication of noxious weeds which can really hinder farm production in a region (I know it is not infrastructure, but it is a real issue for farmers)

Regards,

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