

2020 Drought Package

The NSW Government investment

How much will the NSW Government invest in drought assistance for 2020-21?

The NSW Government will invest a further \$310 million in emergency drought relief in recognition of the on-going drought conditions in regional NSW, extending emergency drought measures to help farmers and communities make it out of the worst drought in living memory.

This new investment takes the NSW Government's total drought support and water security commitment to close to \$4 billion.

Extended support includes:

\$116 million to continue the Drought Transport subsidy

\$99 million to continue waiving Local Land Services rates, bee site permits, Western Lands lease rent, wild dog fence rates and provide assistance for vehicle registration costs for eligible primary producers

\$28.5 million to continue existing water licence fee waivers for stock, domestic, general and high security water users

Continuation of health and wellbeing programs, including the Farmgate Counsellors Program, Aboriginal wellbeing services and Royal Flying Doctors Far West Drought Support programs