

School of Environmental Sciences Seminar Series

Translating the science of ecosystem rehabilitation into practical on-ground actions – the Dockers Plains Pastoral Company experience

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Turning theory into practical actions can be a deceptively difficult thing to do. So what happens when a farm business decides to “walk-the-walk & talk-the-talk” of environmental sustainability? Dockers Plains Pastoral Company (DPPC) owns about 3000 hectares on the lower Ovens River and surrounding Riverina Plains north of Wangaratta. Their holdings include 58km of river/creek bank, more than 60 discrete wetlands and >600 hectares of remnant & re-growth native vegetation. In recent years DPPC has developed a Property Environmental Plan & undertaken a raft of on-ground environmental rehabilitation projects. They also initiated a collaborative monitoring & evaluation program to answer the question: Are we achieving anything with all this work? What was done, why was it done, & what will be done if the future will all be covered in this presentation.

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