



22 January 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

Important Agriculture Land Mapping in your Region



The NSW Department of Primary Industries - Agriculture (DPI) is undertaking a project to identify Important Agricultural Land in your region. This project is part of a State wide program to provide more relevant agricultural mapping than is currently available. The project will help provide information regarding agriculture as an important industry in your region/sub region and assist local and regional planning to help foster growth and reduce land use conflict.

You are invited to attend a workshop which is being held at the locations listed below. Attached is an outline for the day and of the overall project

The workshop will focus on mapping land important for agricultural industries and identifying why agricultural industries locate in specific areas in your region. It is important that your local knowledge of local agriculture industries is part of identifying these areas.

Farmers, agricultural industries and businesses, local government representatives, Local Land Services, DPI industry development officers and other NSW government agencies have been invited to attend this workshop.

Please RSVP by 6 February 2018 via email (email:helen.squires@dpi.nsw.gov.au) or by phoning 0437 645 719.

Workshops will be held at the following locations:

Location	Date	Time
Taree 2 Pulteney Street	12 Feb 2018 Monday	1pm – 4:30pm
Gloucester 89 King Street	13 Feb 2018 Tuesday	9am – 12:30pm
Dungog 198 Dowling Street	14 Feb 2018 Wednesday	9am – 12:30pm

Mapping will also be undertaken in the Upper and Lower Hunter regions as part of the project.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. I look forward to your participation in this very important workshop.

Kind Regards,

Helen Squires - Agriculture Landuse Planner

Project Partners:



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**MID COAST AND DUNOG
COUNCIL AREAS**
**Important Agricultural Land
Mapping Workshop**

Workshop overview

Welcome:

- ◆ Introduction and Background

Discussions with agricultural industry groups & stakeholders:

- ◆ What are the key agricultural industries in your region?
- ◆ Where is your agriculture industry mainly located, and what are the best areas?
- ◆ Industry criteria – what are you looking for and why?
- ◆ Industry significance and value

Mapping agricultural industry groups:

- ◆ Most important land for agricultural
- ◆ Future issues, benefits, pressures & challenges

Wrap up:

- ◆ Summary of ideas and information from the workshop
- ◆ Feedback
- ◆ Where to next for the project



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