

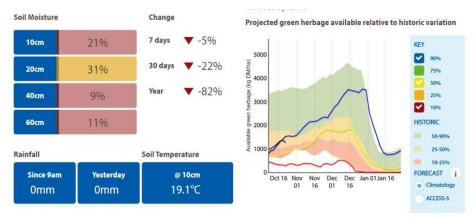


Improving drought resilience

The Farming Forecaster tool is being extended into the Bega Valley though a partnership facilitated by the Regional Circularity Cooperative between the NSW South East Local Land Service (LLS) and the Bega Group.

The Farming Forecaster uses data from local on farm soil moisture probes and weather stations, along with CSIRO's farm simulation modelling tool Grass Gro, to create real-time updates of pasture conditions and forecasts up to four months ahead. With this data livestock producers can make informed decisions regarding stocking rates and destocking timing during dry periods.

In the coming months five soil moisture probes with weather stations will be installed on livestock farms across the Bega Valley with funding support from LLS and the Bega Group.



Screen shot of the Farming Forecaster web site. Farmingforecaster.com.au

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