2014 FUTURES FORUM AGENDA – 2 MAY 2014

Morning Session

Breakfast – Start 8am

Enjoy a delicious breakfast filled with exceptional regional produce prepared by Cowra Public School P&C and fresh roasted coffee served by Art of Espresso, Young NSW

Introduction

Introduction from MC Sarina Locke from Regional ABC. Mayoral Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

Amanda McKenzie -

CEO Climate Council

'Adapting and Evolving – Sustaining Our Regional Communities through the Challenges of Climate Change'

Brett Tucker

CEO State Water

'Droughts and Flooding Rains – How do we manage our most precious resource in the context of a changing climate?'

Professor John Williams

Advisory Board of Institute for Land, Water and Society -Charles Sturt University

'Regional Sustainable Development and Integrated Catchment Management'

Morning Tea & Trade Stalls

Deb O'Connell

CSIRO Ecosystems

'Sustainability in Communities'

Isabel Knight Director of proAgtive Pty Ltd and NSW Rural Woman of the Year 2013

'Sustaining the Human Element'

Panel & Discussion Time

Opportunities for delegates to ask questions to morning sessions speakers

Afternoon Session

Lunch & Trade Stalls

CENTROC Community Energy Efficiency Program

Alternative Technology Association 'Unplugging the Grid – Decentralised Energy for Regional Communities'

Lawrence Kirton AgGrow Energy Resources

Case Study – Woodie Woodie Mine Pilbara, WA 'Use of Biomass in Fuel and Energy Production -Application for Regional Communities'

Afternoon Tea & Trade Stalls

Ashley Bland

Sustainability Manager - Skillset

Case Study – Flyers Creek 'Sustainable Energy in Regional Communities Co-op Model'

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Dick Witacker Senior Meteorologist – Bureau of Meteorology

Weather Report and Wrap of Forum'

Wine Tasting At the end of the day, celebrate our superb local wines.



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