

# Condition and utilisation report: October-December 2022

## North West Local Land Services | Travelling stock reserves

### Monitoring

#### Condition

70 condition assessments, including eight Management Agreement Permits areas, were completed for the quarter with 89% in the 'Excellent' condition category. 8% of reserves were assessed as unsuitable for grazing.

#### Quarterly pasture growth rates – Very High

Growth rates mostly above 1,000+kgDM/ha for the quarter across the region.

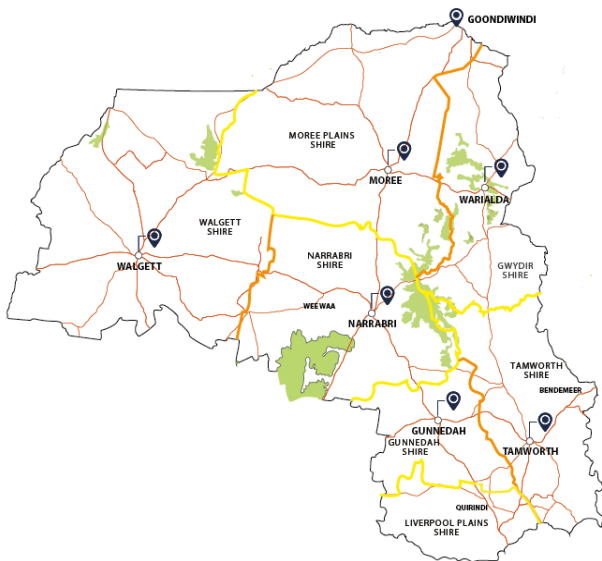
#### \*Pasture biomass – High & Stable

Remains variable throughout the region, ranging from 500 – 3000+kgDM/ha (Aussie Grass).

\*North West Local Land Services targets a pasture biomass of 1200kgDM/ha or pasture utilisation levels above 10cm as suitable for grazing.

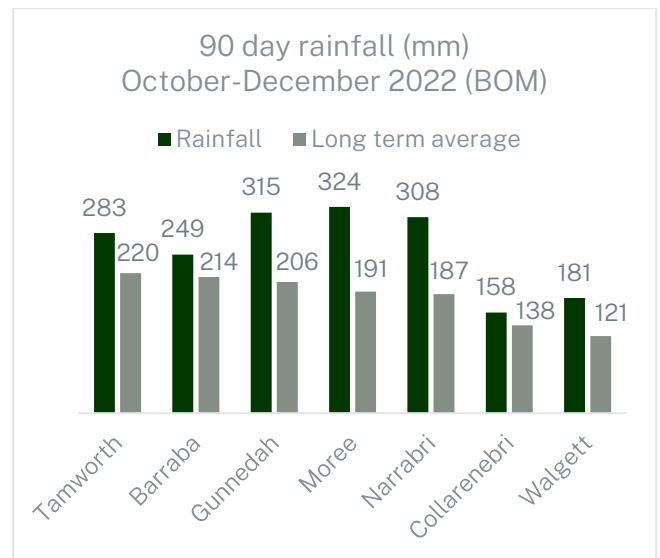
#### Ground cover – High & Stable

Groundcover levels remain high and above critical thresholds across the region.



#### Combined Drought Indicator – Stable

All of the North West Local Land Services region in the 'Non-Drought' category.



Local Government Area	Groundcover %	Pasture Biomass (kgDM/ha)	Condition Rating
Tamworth Regional	80>	2,000>	Excellent
Liverpool Plains	80>	2,000>	Excellent
Gunnedah	80>	2,000>	Excellent
Gwydir	80>	2,000>	Excellent
Narrabri	80>	2000>	Excellent
Moree Plains	80>	2,000>	Excellent
Walgett	60-79>	1,500-2,000	Good



## Status of uses

**Short term grazing permits** - will only be allowed where enough groundcover and pasture biomass is available as determined by the travelling stock reserve (TSR) Ranger.

**Roadside grazing permits** - North West Local Land Services permits roadside grazing use

after the stock owner receives approval from the local Council. *(Please note: Roadside Grazing Permits attract a permit fee)*

**Routine Stock Movements permits (RSMP)** - permits remain in place.

**Management Agreement Permits** – remain in place.

**Walking Stock permits** – Increased to a maximum 1,000 dry cattle or 6,000 dry sheep. More information available [here](#) or [www.lls.nsw.gov.au/regions/north-west](http://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/regions/north-west).

## Permits and stock numbers

### October-September 2022

Permit type	Permits issues	Stock number
<b>Short term grazing</b>	217 - Cattle 28 - Sheep	15,395 - Cattle 10,305 - Sheep
<b>Roadside grazing</b>	0	0
<b>Walking stock</b>	3 - Cattle 1 - Sheep	3,577 - Cattle 2,630 - Sheep

## More information

Please contact your local TSR Ranger if you require further information or would like to access the TSR:

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