Halfway through the critical decade, it's time to ramp up transformative climate adaptation

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Hello there,

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2025. Late last year the Bureau of Meteorology delivered the <u>State of the Climate Report</u>, showing that Australia's climate has warmed by an average of 1.51  $\pm$ 0.23 °C since national records began in 1910.

Earlier this year, <u>European science agency Copernicus</u> <u>announced</u> that, for the first time ever, global average heating exceeded 1.5 degrees Celsius for a 12-month period.

Breaching the Paris target of 1.5 degrees, means that transformative climate adaptation has never been so important.

Creative and collaborative action that focusses on systemic change, leverages the synergies between emissions reduction, nature, and sustainability, and enables the future we all deserve.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in our annual End of Year survey. Your responses have provided us with invaluable insights

into how you engage with our services and how we can better support your journey towards adaptation.

We hope you had a restful break, now – let's get to work!

### **NSW Government supports Climate Action Week Sydney**

Climate Action Week Sydney 2025 is nearly here. This exciting week, from March 10-16, brings together passionate individuals, innovators, and community leaders to tackle climate change head-on. With over 115 events, including keynotes, workshops, and art exhibitions, there's something for everyone.

We're thrilled to announce three very different, but exciting events. Grab a ticket before they sell out.

**Climate Action Week** 





Co-create anti-dystopian futures with GenAl



Need a dose of optimism? Ready to help shape a climate-resilient future? Watch your bold, new ideas come to life in real time with the power of generative AI.

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#### CLIMATE ACTION WEEK SYDNEY

#### Adapting communities to thrive



Across the country, communities are taking meaningful action to adapt to a changing climate. For those wanting to help build resilience in their own communities, don't miss this opportunity to connect with community changemakers and be inspired by the stories of adaptation in action.

#### Book here.



Attention teachers and students! Powerhouse & NSW Government are inviting high school students from across Sydney to join the Future Leaders Forum. This event will explore climate leadership through creative engagement, panel discussions and interactive workshops. Recommended for Senior Secondary Education.

#### Book here.

### AdaptNSW 2024 Forum articles now available

If you're looking for some adaptation learning, check out our deep dive pieces that support some of the content delivered at the AdaptNSW 2024 forum.

Adaptive finance: This article will explore the innovative funding strategies essential for supporting climate adaptation initiatives. It highlights various

financial mechanisms and partnerships that can drive effective climate action.

**Repairing nature:** Focuses on the importance of restoring ecosystems in the face of climate change. It discusses methods and success stories of ecological restoration projects.

<u>The co-benefits of climate adaptation</u>: Examines the multiple advantages of climate adaptation measures, including economic, social, and environmental benefits.

Re-visit AdaptNSW Forum 2024 – videos & articles now available

#### **Adaptation in practice**

### How Aboriginal culture can help us understand climate change

Discover the profound insights of Aboriginal culture in understanding climate change. This article will allow you to gain a deeper appreciation of the interconnectedness of nature and culture, and how ancient wisdom can guide us in addressing contemporary environmental challenges.



Read the full case study here.

## **Local Government Climate Change Action Survey detailed findings**

#### **The 2023 Climate Change Action Survey Report**

reveals a significant rise in climate impacts across NSW councils, highlighting the urgent need for action.

This comprehensive report, based on extensive data, underscores the increasing challenges faced by local communities due to climate change.

Access the full report now.

### 2023 Local Government Climate Change Action Survey

An investigation into barriers and enablers

August 2024





Adaptation out there

#### Listen

**Listen**...to the UN resilience podcast which share inspiring stories and expert insights on how communities worldwide are adapting to climate change. This podcast offers practical solutions, innovative ideas, and a global perspective on building resilience. Don't miss out on these valuable conversations! Listen here.

#### **Experience**

**Experience**...CAW.SYD events are now available for bookings. All Sydney-siders should come along and engage in impactful events and help drive climate solutions. <u>Experience here.</u>

#### **Share**

**Share**...A new online tool called AdaptLog will help conservationists share and compare over 400 novel solutions to climate threats from projects overseas and across Australia. <u>Start sharing here.</u>



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