

Staff Update:

We are currently recruiting multiple Project Officer positions here at South West NRM - please bear with us during this busy time, and we look forward to sharing details about the new faces joining our team very soon.

We also have a couple of staff who are leaving this month.

Early in June we farewelled Julie Frousheger. Julie has been part of the South West NRM team for over 11 years, and we take this opportunity to sincerely thank Julie for her contributions and efforts during her time with us and wish her well with her future endeavours.

We also wish Holly Kajewski safe travels as she finishes her contract with South West NRM at the end of June and prepares to head overseas.

Tarko Project Helps Improve RAMSAR Water Quality

Located south of Eulo in the Paroo Catchment adjacent to the Currawinya National Park aggregation, *Tarko* is owned by Grant and Faye Cooney. Through the National Landcare Programme's RAMSAR investment theme, the Cooney's have undertaken a project to implement off-stream water points to reduce grazing pressure within the Paroo system. The Cooney's have installed 16km of poly pipe with four poly tanks supporting six alternative water points. Solar panels for pumps have also been established. The Cooney's have altered their grazing regimes to prevent uncontrolled grazing in riparian areas that will support improved perennial pasture cover. The improvements in ground cover will assist water quality through a reduction in sediment carried into the river system from overland flow events.



Above: Grant Cooney hooking up poly tanks and solar panels at *Tarko*.