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South-West WA  
Drought Resilience Adoption  
and Innovation Hub



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Department of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Forestry



# Regional Soil Coordinator Bridget Watkins

The Regional Soil Coordinators (RSCs) are supported by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry through funding from the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program under the Natural Heritage Trust. The network of RSCs are members of the Smart Soils National Community of Practice convened by Soil Science Australia.

RSC Project initiated  
2022-2024

Jenni Clausen appointed  
June 2022

RSC Project extended  
2024-2028

Bridget Watkins appointed  
February 2025

## Purpose of the Regional Soil Coordinator



Provide networks to connect people, collaborate and share knowledge



Obtain an understanding of local soil issues and soil extension needs



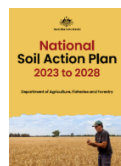
Contribute to increasing capability of improved soil management



Identify and promote soil information to support best management practices



Support groups in their soil research, development & extension



Support the implementation of the National Soil Strategy & Action Plan



Contribute to a National Soil Community of Practice



Operate as a conduit between the regions and the Commonwealth on soil

The Regional Soil Coordinator works across all levels of industry to understand stakeholder needs and engage with regional and national networks to build the knowledge base and capacity in soil management. The RSC aims to help inform, protect and develop healthy soils within agricultural systems.

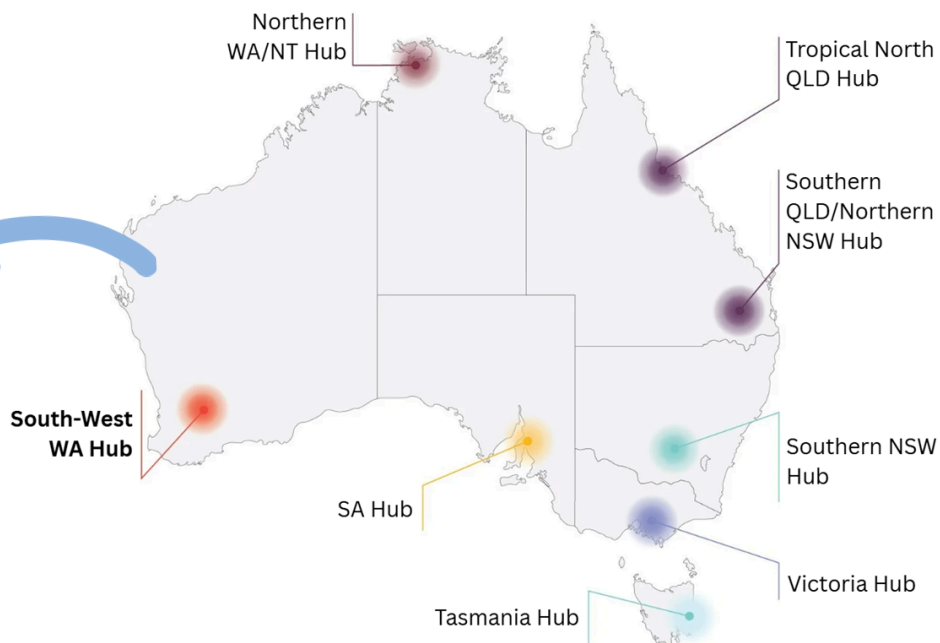
# Regional Soil Coordinators across Australia

A network of Regional Soil Coordinators are situated across the country to support the agricultural industries in their local area. Each Regional Soil Coordinator is linked with the Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub for the area.

The South-West WA Drought Hub is led by the Grower Group Alliance

Grower Group Alliance have partnered with SoilsWest at Murdoch University to host the SW WA Regional Soil Coordinator

## Drought Hubs



Want access to more information about soil?  
Go to the Soil Quality Knowledge Base website

Current evidence-based knowledge

Practical advice and guidelines

Soil management specific to various farming systems

Insights from research and case studies

Western Australian focus, global context

**SOIL QUALITY  
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Soil information for best practice  
management, all in one place.

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