TSR management in the 21st century

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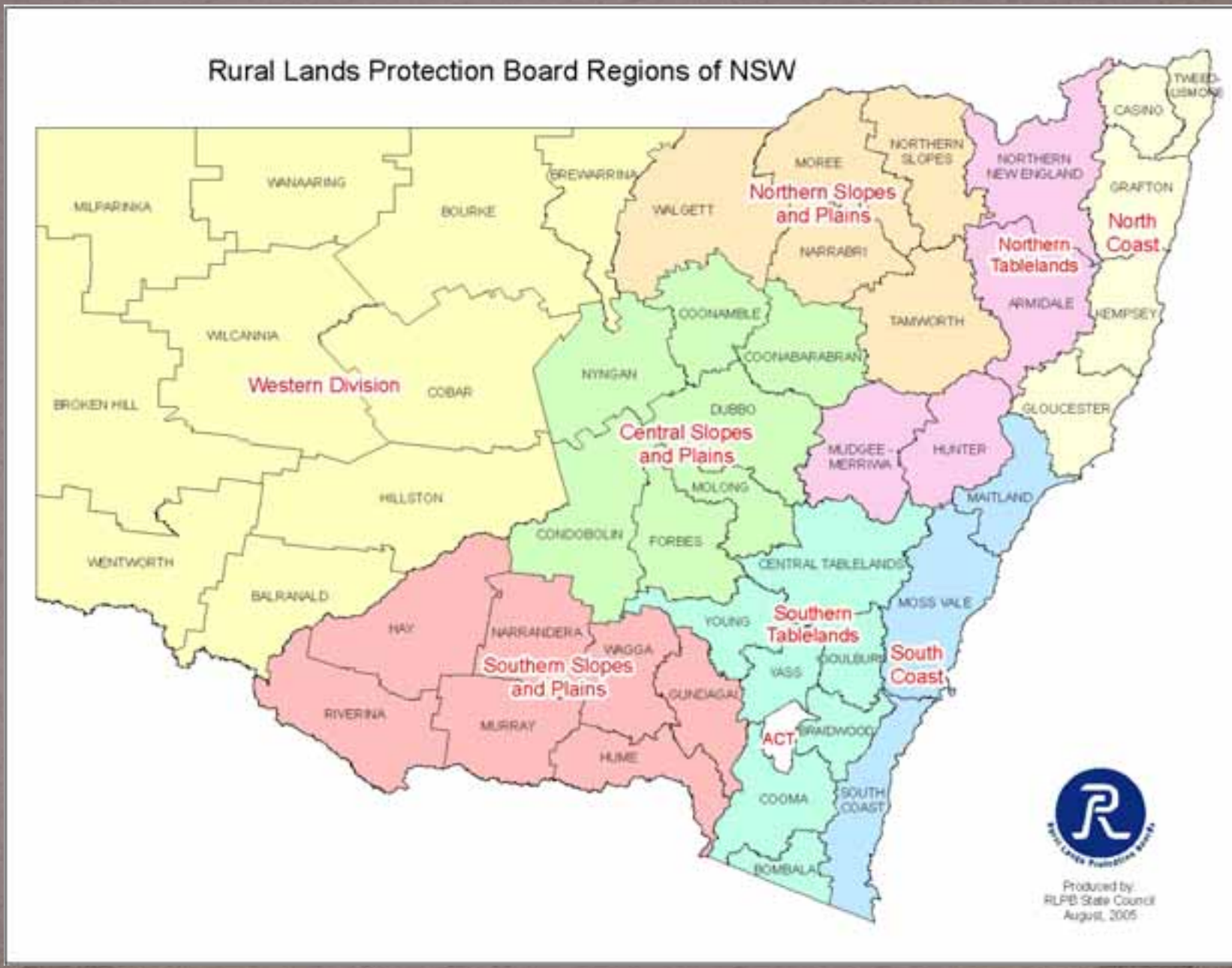
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TWEED LISMORE
GRAFTON
Northern Slopes and Plains
North Coast
NARRABRI
Northern Tablelands
ARMIDALE
TAMWORTH
COONAMBLE
NEMPSEY
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NYNGAN
Western Division
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BROKEN HILL
DUBBO
GLOUCESTER
Central Slopes and Plains
MUDGEE - MERRIWA
HUNTER
MOLONG
HILLSTON
MAITLAND
CONDOBOLIN
FORBES
WENTWORTH
CENTRAL TABLELANDS
BALRANALD
MOSS VALE
YOUNG
Southern Tablelands
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South Coast
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GUNDAGAI
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BRAIDWOOD
HUME
COOMA
SOUTH COAST
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TSR Structure

Coastal & Tablelands

- TSRs are usually fenced paddocks varying in size from .1 – 250 ha.
- They are located along Shire & RTA managed roads.

Slopes & Plains

- TSRs are mainly open linear reserves varying in width from 50 – 1500 mtrs.
- There are fenced holding paddocks for night use and around water points.

Western division

- There are only water points that are leased to the adjoining landholder.

Regional area of TSRs (DoL data)

Coastal (8)	11,600
Tablelands (11)	55,150
Northern S & P (5)	180,500
Central S & P (7)	109,500
Southern S & P (7)	123,300
Total	480,000
Western division (9)	231,400 ?

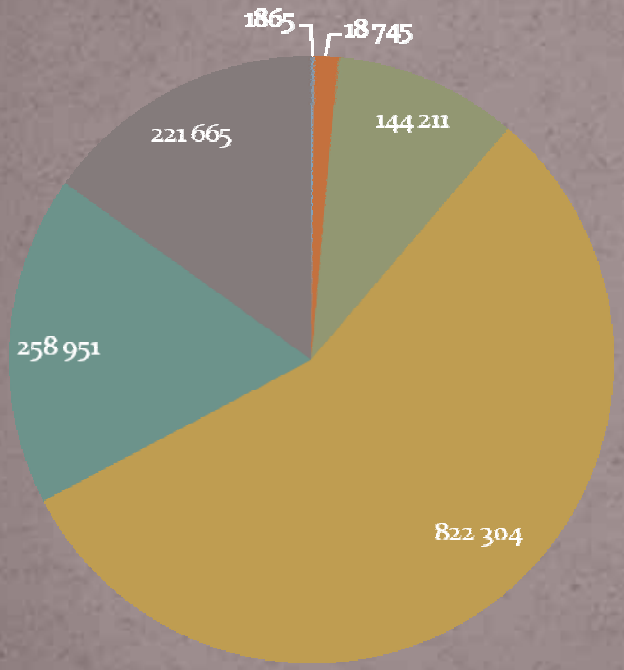
TSR	income	$7.25 mil
2006	expenditure	$8.86 mil

Income sources

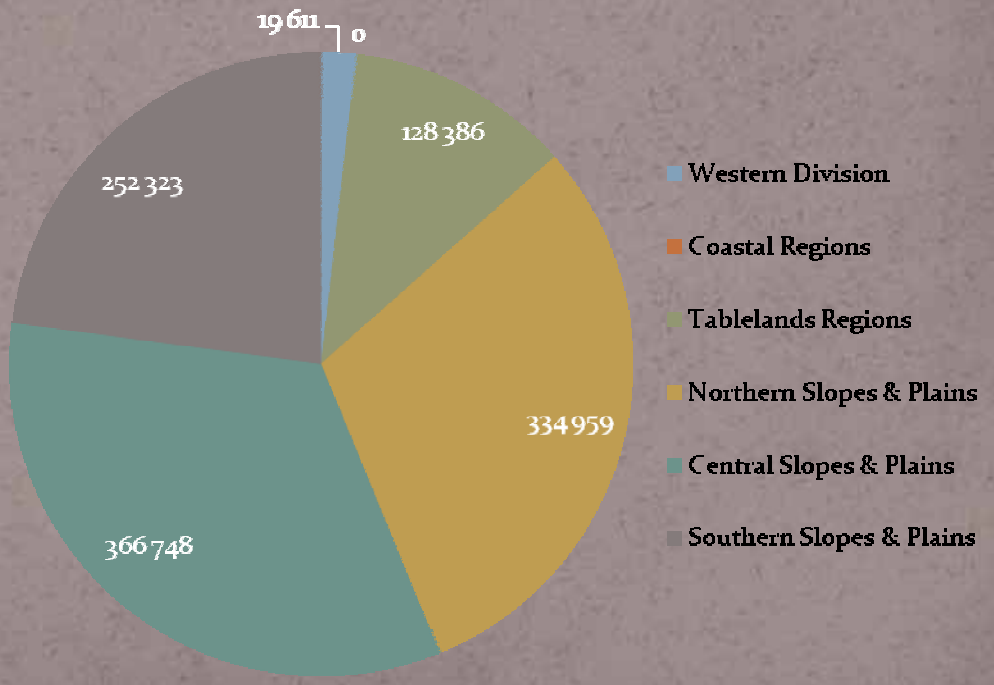
- Permits
  - Walking
  - Short term grazing
  - Long term grazing
  - Apiary
  - Other uses
- External grants $355,000
  - Weed grants
  - CMA/NHT – Environmental management
  - Capital improvements

TSR usage by regions (2006)

Cattle
1.47 million

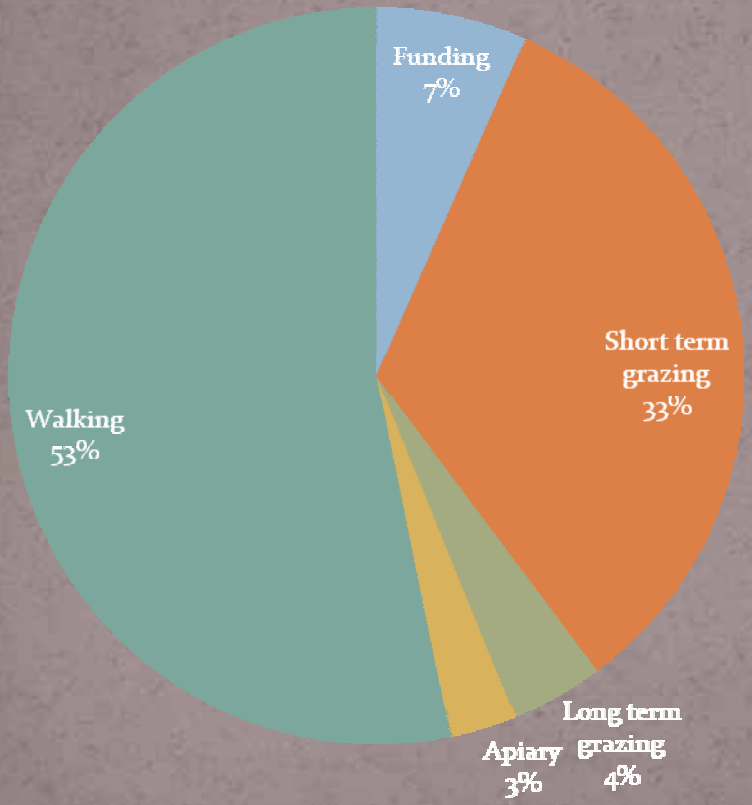


Sheep
1.1 million

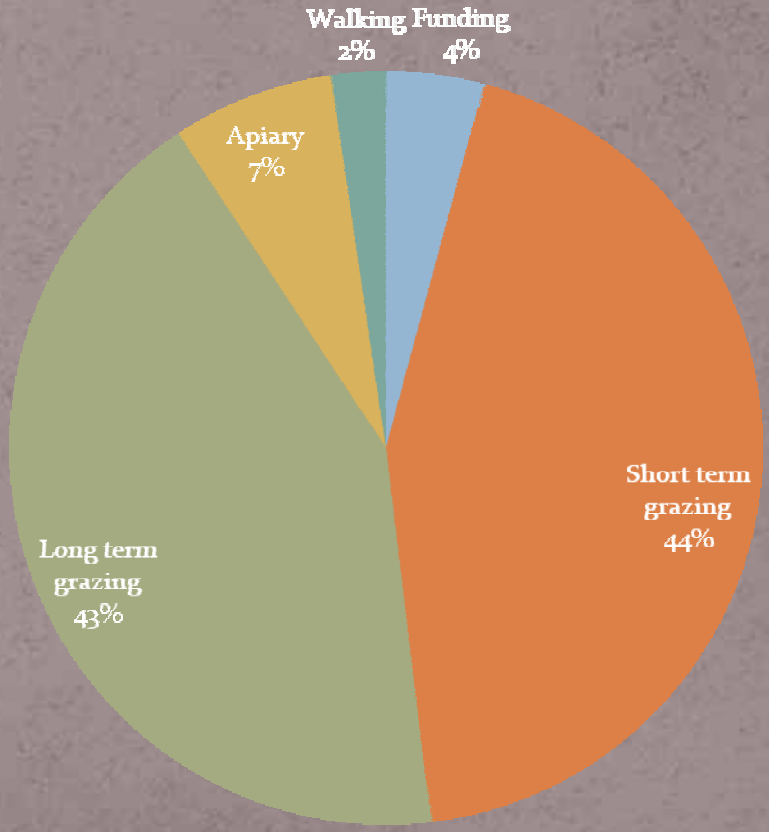


Income

Northern Slopes
$2,250,000

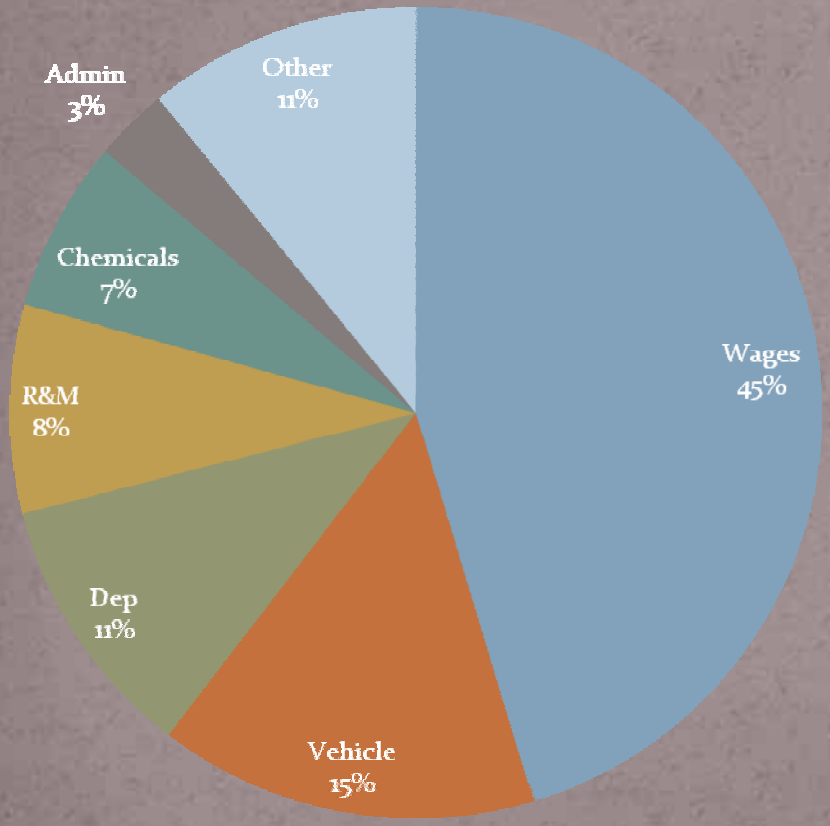


Tablelands
$1,180,000

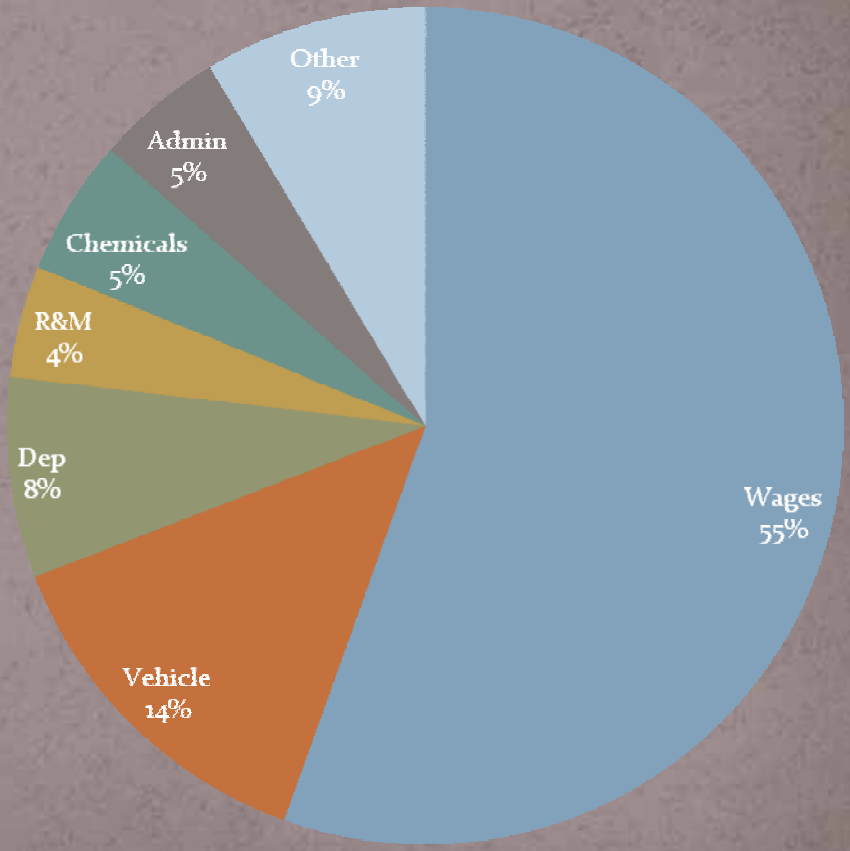


Expenditure

Northern Slopes
$2,500,00



Tablelands
$2,170,000



What does a Board have to do in its management of TSRs?

- Authorise legal usage (through permits)
- Prevent unauthorised usage
- Control pests (weeds & animals)
- Maintain capitol resources (e.g. fences, water points)
- Manage for environmental sustainability (flora & fauna)

Issues facing the Board system

- Increasing costs
- Reduced usage – less income
- Pressure for long term permits
- Balance of stock usage & environmental management
- Lack of assistance with low/medium reserves
- Pressure from other agencies regarding walking stock
- Increasing number of Boards handing back management to DoL
- Review of RLPB system – Mid May

Travelling Stock
Reserves

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