



Your strong and independent voice for livestock producers

Six key areas to GROWING SA's economy through the livestock industry

South Australia's agri-food sector continues to be a leading contributor to the State's economy, with sheep and beef industries playing a considerable role within this sector – in the last financial year contributing \$19.975 billion to the State's economy. The livestock sector is a key employer within the state, supporting more than 30,000 South Australian jobs, with a strong capacity for further growth and development.

Through the development of industry blueprints, Livestock SA aims to support continued improvement in the productivity and profitability of the State's livestock producers. It has identified key areas that need to be addressed in the next term of government to enable the sector to continue to strengthen its economic contributions to the state:

1. Commit to continuing the 90-Day Transport Project.

The continuation of this work will ensure the united approach needed to plan and implement a road transport system that meets the existing and future needs of agriculture.

2. Improve the NRM framework.

Supporting a reform of the NRM system will allow regional and sub-regional engagement and decision-making, empower local land managers and ensure the Natural Resource Management meets the expectations of the primary sector.

3. Establish and implement a water security and accessibility program for livestock producers.

Implementing a program to assist farmers in managing the cost of water through improved efficiency and new technologies will ensure continued investment in livestock production systems in key areas of South Australia, in turn leading to sustainable increases in employment.

4. Improve engagement and reduce the impact of the State's mining, gas exploration and extraction sector.

Commitment to a consultative and inclusive approach to planning mining and gas development proposals will help to secure a clean and green future for South Australia's livestock industries.

5. Energise the implementation of One Biosecurity and commit to continued support. Recognise the benefit of the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) to the broader community and commit to funding in partnership with industry.

Committing to the timely deployment and ongoing support of the One Biosecurity program will ensure South Australia continues to manage the ongoing risks posed by animal, plant pests and diseases.

6. Commit to investing in current and future research, development and adoption projects which underpin the South Australian livestock sector.

Investment in research, development and adoption remains key to ensuring a productive and profitable future for the South Australian livestock industries.

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