

Vegetable FPRUM Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

Date: 17 May 17

Location: Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide

Next Meeting: Mid 2017

Attendance: Jeff McSpedden, Michael Radcliff, Rachel Lancaster, Andrew Craigie, Rob Hinrichsen, Sharron Windolf, Ed Fagan, Bill Bulmer, Mike Keller, Calum Wilson, Cath Botta (Chair)

Apologies: Jessica Lye

Overview

Hort Innovation convened a meeting of the vegetable farm productivity on May 17, 2017.

The panel received an update on the financial position of Hort Innovation's vegetable levy fund.

The panel received a draft report pertaining to the vegetable Strategic Investment Plan (SIP). This provided the SIAP members with the opportunity to comment on the draft SIP and identify any issues or key investment priorities.

The panel received an update on Hort Innovation including welcoming Sam Turner as Relationship Manager to the FPRUM SIAP.

The panel was presented a summary of two current projects VG15034 (Facilitating adoption of IPM through a participatory approach with local advisors and industry: training component) and VG15054 Data analytics and app technology to guide on farm irrigation).

Finally, the panel was also asked to provide advice on several new concepts submitted by growers and other stakeholders before devising a number of new project ideas of their own.

Anyone seeking further information on Hort Innovation's vegetable R&D investments should note that a full list of projects, together with an overview of the program financials are available on the vegetable webpage of the Hort Innovation website.

Next steps

Hort Innovation is currently working to progress specific investments addressing farm productivity and innovation.

The panel will meet again in mid-2017 in order to progress other key investments identified within the SIP.

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