



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

MEMBERSHIP OF THE AWI SHEEP CONNECT NSW PRODUCER ADVISORY PANEL MARCH 2023 – JUNE 2025

BACKGROUND

AWI Sheep Connect NSW (SCNSW) is the key extension investment of Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) in NSW. The SCNSW network facilitates an information exchange enabling woolgrowers to implement productivity improvements in key aspects of their sheep and wool business. AWI is a not for profit company that invests in research, development, adoption and marketing along the global supply chain for Australian wool.

AWI SCNSW is overseen by a Producer Advisory Panel (PAP) of woolgrowers from across the state, which provides direction for the network and AWI investment. Face-to-face PAP meetings afford PAP Members the opportunity to network with like-minded growers from across the state, as well as AWI SCNSW & AWI staff. Engagement with key AWI staff and portfolio updates are requested by the PAP and included in PAP Meetings.

The AWI SCNSW PAP succession plan means vacancies are becoming available for woolgrowers to join this Panel. AWI is seeking expressions of interest from sheep producers located in NSW who would like to fill a position on the AWI SCNSW PAP.

All NSW woolgrowers are encouraged to apply, but AWI SCNSW is actively seeking applications from growers in the following regions of NSW:

- Southern Riverina
- Western Division
- North West
- New England

GENERAL ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Understand AWI and SCNSW role in industry and AWI Strategic Plan
- Provide advice to SCNSW and AWI on the strategic direction of SCNSW
- Consult with your networks to understand issues facing NSW woolgrowers and industry stakeholders
- Provide feedback to SCNSW and AWI on local and wider industry issues and opportunities

- Act as an advocate of the project at regional and state levels, as appropriate
- Attend and actively participate in scheduled PAP meetings

SELECTION CRITERIA

AWI is seeking committed producers that provide:

- representation of the various sheep production regions of NSW;
- a commitment to participating in the development and delivery of new and innovative best practice adoption programs to the industry in NSW;
- a mixture of male and female producers;
- a diverse range of age and experience;
- a good understanding of the aims and operation AWI and the SCNSW project, preferably as a participant;
- a diverse range of relevant skills;
- a wide range of relevant networks that are useful to the project; and
- insights with a strategic intent for the network.

PAP TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

- The term is a two-year term (the current project is funded until June 2025).
- The annual commitment is approximately two, face-to-face meetings per year and two teleconferences, and attendance at local events as required. The next PAP meeting will be held in Sydney on 10-11 May 2023 and your attendance would be included in this appointment.
- Some project advocacy at a regional and state level.
- Out-of-pocket expenses incurred whilst participating in the PAP will be reimbursed, plus a modest sitting fee.

SUBMITTING AN EOI

Your short response (to a maximum one-page) addressing the Selection Criteria should outline what you can bring to the AWI SCNSW PAP, including your experience and networks across industry.

Expressions of interest must be submitted to AWI SCNSW Project Manager, Megan Rogers by COB 12 April 2023 on megan@sheepconnectnsw.com.au.

ENQUIRIES

Any enquiries or requests for clarification can be sought from Megan Rogers on the following details:

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