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District Council 2 and 3

Regional Update:



NFF Water Taskforce:

Richard Anderson attended last weeks NFF Water Taskforce meeting in Canberra. Topics discussed included responses to the Xenophon Emergency Bill and Senate Inquiry into the Coorong and IGA, concern that drafts of the COAG water reform reports have not been circulated for stakeholder comment, accounting for environmental water purchases under the Cap, the need for whole of system planning down to farm level, and the future of funding for on-farm efficiency programs.

Emissions Trading Scheme:

The Australian Dairy Industry Council (ADIC) has submitted an across the dairy value chain response to the Federal Government Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme Green Paper. Full copies of the ADIC submission can be downloaded from the ADF website at – www.australiandairyfarmers.com.au under Policies and Submissions ; Natural Resources.

DC 3 Meets With VFF CEO:

The VFF's CEO Wayne Harvey met with DC 3 last week to explain the VFF restructure and the implications for the UDV. Discussion focused on the need for strong policy advice for the dairy industry and changes to the VFF Constitution that was voted to lay on the table at VFF Annual Conference. We also discussed the recent sale of Vic Stock and ensuring DC 3's investment in Vic Stock is returned to the DC.

DC 2 Metting:

DC 2 met last week, Jeff Odgers, Murray Dairy Chairman also attended and provided an update on Murray Dairy activities and discussions with Dairy Australia and DPI in relation to Kyabram Dairy Centre. It was agreed to have a review conducted to prioritise research and resources required. A report will be provided to industry in December.

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