

# FFISA

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**Welcome to FFISA.** FFISA provides an update of FFI CRC activities in SA for CRC partner organisations, researchers, associates and those interested in FFI CRC research. SA partners include:

DWLBC  
LANDMARK  
SARDI  
UNIVERSITY of ADELAIDE  
CSIRO

Over the past few months, many of you will have been involved either in transitional projects or developing foundation projects. You will hear more about the selected foundation projects as the new financial year approaches.

If you know of anyone who would like to receive FFISA updates then contact me or Trevor Dooley, or to receive the regular national FFI CRC e-news contact [greg.lawrence@futurefarmindustries.com.au](mailto:greg.lawrence@futurefarmindustries.com.au)

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Interest in partnering with the FFI CRC is strong in SA, with several NRM Boards, Local Action Planning, industry and agribusiness groups already on board. The **Agriculture Excellence Alliance** recently met with the N&Y NRM Board to discuss a combined integrated NRM agenda.

In updating their Resource Condition and Management Action Targets for salinity, several NRM Boards in SA have recently applied the Salinity Investment Framework (**SIF3**) principles as a review tool. The FFI is currently working on a NRM equivalent to SIF3, titled **INFFER**.

## Recent Activities

- Regional **Profitable Perennial Forums** ran in February at Cummins and Minlaton.
- A SKE (**Salinity Knowledge Exchange**) workshop was held in Feb. in Adelaide.
- The FFI had a strong presence at the **International Salinity Forum** in Adelaide, with presenters and an exhibition booth.
- Two NRM Boards (N&Y and EP) have invested in the establishment of **Enrich** support sites in their regions, and DWLBC will provide technical support to both.
- The SARDI Lucerne Breeding unit and Landmark will establish a trial site this year in the Kadina Wallaroo corridor.
- A tour was undertaken in March by WA **Evergraze** participants, visiting properties in the SE, on the Fleurieu, and on KI.

## Coming Events

- An **Evertrain** meeting in Adelaide in May has set plans for a three day accredited training workshop to be held in Murray Bridge this winter.

The workshop is being planned by NSW trainers, in conjunction with the SA MDB NRM Board, and will utilise local salinity and FFI experts and the FFI research site at Monarto.

- As part of implementing the Adoption and Commercialisation plan, a series of **FFI regional engagement briefings** are being planned for SA.

The briefings will outline new FFI research and invite feedback and participation from a range of "next users".

Participation may take the form of offering trial sites, monitoring of trials, serving on reference panels, seeking training, organising local events, and planning adoption strategies.

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