





# Coorong Tatiara Local Action Plan Newsletter December 18 2018

A round up of news, funding opportunities, and events for Coorong and Tatiara land managers

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#### Safety videos

With the support of the various commodity organisations that are members of Primary Producers SA, Safe Work SA has developed a series of farm chemical safety videos. These short videos cover purchasing and delivery, storage, personal protective equipment, chemical use, and spillage and disposal. They will help farmers and workers understand their obligations on how to safely use and store chemicals. The videos can be accessed by going to safework.sa.gov.au/health-safety/hazards-risks/chemicals-substances/farm-chemical-safety-video-series



## **Brands app**

With the continuing increase in stock thefts, Livestock SA is reminding livestock producers that there is a brands app available that they can use.

The brands app allows producers to register their livestock brands as well as their ear tags which the National Livestock Identification System requires. It also gives producers the ability to report lost or stolen livestock- and assist with tracking them down. Following the repeal of the Brands Act 1933, Livestock SA pushed for system where livestock brands and earmarks could be retained in some form and particularly if NLIS ear tags were lost or removed.

For more information click here



# **Coorong Announcement from Minister Speirs**

As many of you know the Coorong is a national treasure.

It, with lakes Albert and Alexandrina, are recognised under the Ramsar Convention as a wetland of international significance, supporting endangered migratory birds from across the world, threatened wildlife, rare plants and as being an important breeding area for the iconic Australian pelican.

Today I met with each of the Murray-Darling Basin jurisdictions, as well as the Australian Government, and we have agreed to take action to get the iconic Coorong back on track, and restore the health of the struggling Coorong South Lagoon. To read the full report please <u>click here</u>



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### **Murray Darling Basin Plan News**

'The Ministerial Council to discuss the next steps in the implementation of the Murray Darling Plan met in Melbourne of Friday the 14th of December. A report on the outcomes of this meeting can be accessed by <u>clicking here</u>.

The Sefton's report on the Murray Darling Basin Water Infrastructure Program - Consultation for Additional Criteria can be accessed by <u>clicking here.</u>

This report summaries the outcomes of the Murray Darling Basin Water Infrastructure Program held across the Basin, and the submissions received.



### Medicinal Cannabis news update December 2018

The Future of Medicinal Cannabis symposium was held in Adelaide in late November. The symposium was attended by international, interstate and local companies and researchers.

Event organiser LeafCann Group's CEO, Elisabetta Faenza said Our vision is to establish South Australia as the centre of excellence for education, research, industry innovation and development for the global cannabis sector"

"LeafCann has plans to recruit up to 40 local people in its current facility before the end of 2019 and together with our partner operations, will require more than 250 employees by 2020."

Minister for Industry and Skills, David Pisoni said "Our state has the right blend of strengths in advanced horticulture, research and specialised manufacturing to have a real competitive advantage in this space."

To read more click here.



### Market snapshots updated

MLA's online global and domestic market snapshots have been refreshed with new consumer insights, market access developments and 2017 -18 export performance data.

They're now available to download from <u>mla.coma.u/market-snapshots</u>



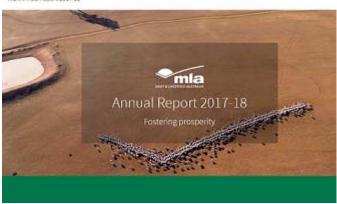
### **Reporting Back**

For the first time ever, MLA'S Annual report is available in an interactive online format. Check out the Annual Report 2017-18 at <a href="mailto:annualreport.mla.com.au">annualreport.mla.com.au</a>

It offers a detailed overview of MLA'S program of work, performance and key financial information for

levy payer and the red meat and livestock industry.

MLA Annual Report 2017-18



## Good clover, bad clover- identification

The 'bad 'clovers which are highly oestrogenic are Dinninup, Dwalganup, Yarloop and Geraldton. When these clovers make up 20 percent of the pastures eaten by ewes clover disease' or ewe fertility problems could occur. For more information click here.



#### **Good Forecasting forms targeted monitoring**

There is a good article in the Stock Journal on monitoring pest activity and forecasting a potential outbreak that is vital to pesticide management according to cesar research scientist James Maino which is an interesting read.

To read the article click here.





#### On the Level

Local Water quality & level observations - Current at 29/11/2018

•	Salt Creek outlet -	14701 EC	Level 1.614
•	Lake Albert at Meningie Sailing club -	1576EC	Level .661
•	Lake Alexandrina at Poltalloch Plains	721 EC	Level .726
•	River Murray downstream Wellington ferry	420 EC	Level .717
•	River Murray at Woods Point -	444 EC	

For the latest River Murray Flow Report and Water Resources update visit

www.waterconnect.sa.gov.au

#### **By Comparison**

STOCK PRODUCTION CAN BEGIN TO DECLINE

Beef Cattle 6, 250 EC Sheep dry feed 9, 300 EC

IRRIGATED PASTURE PRODUCTION CAN BEGIN TO DECLINE

Balansa clover, 800-1500 EC

persian clover, strawberry clover

& lucerne

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