

## Agricultural Services and Natural Resource Management Advisory Group

The Western Local Board is responsible for the efficient and effective delivery of services relating to biosecurity, emergency response, natural resource management, cropping, horticultural and livestock advisory services in the Western region.

### Purpose of the group

The Western Local Board Agricultural Services and Natural Resource Management Advisory Group is designed to assist the Western Local Board and management on the organisation's direction and programs.

The goal of the group is to provide:

- region and industry specific priorities with direct reference to agriculture and/or natural resource management issues and challenges
- input into the development of strategic plans
- advice on services required
- community consultation
- act as conduit between the Western Local Board and customers on the issues that need to be addressed by Western Local Land Services
- seek input from Western Local Land Services customers about the issues and challenges they are facing.

Expressions of interest are being called from people with experience in or knowledge of agriculture and/or natural resource management and members will be appointed through a competitive selection process.

### Desirable attributes of Agricultural Services and Natural Resource Management Advisory Group members

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- ability to communicate a viewpoint and provide considered feedback
- demonstrate an understanding of agriculture and/or natural resource management
- demonstrate an understanding of future trends and contemporary issues effecting these industries and rural and regional communities
- ability to work in a team
- respect for Western Local Board responsibility to operate its business while balancing numerous drivers within statutory, legal and operational constraints
- capacity to represent the views of a larger stakeholder group
- dedicate sufficient time to carry out their role effectively including attending all required meetings. Meetings will be held as required, with a maximum of four face-to-face meetings per calendar year
- requirement to respect the confidentiality agreements of the group
- requirement to identify, disclose, and assist in managing conflicts of interest.

In consideration of the commitment required to participate in the Agricultural Services and Natural Resource Management Advisory Group and the need to attract dedicated and capable representatives, members will be reimbursed for travel and accommodation as deemed appropriate by the General Manager of Western Local Land Services.

Sitting fees are as follows:

- **Member** sitting fee: \$220.00/Day plus vehicle/transport costs

All meals and accommodation are provided by Western Local Land Services.