



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST:

Funding courtesy of Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) will enable Tamar NRM to participate in a national pilot project looking at creating and maintaining healthy soils.

The Tamar Valley is to be one of eleven soils discussion groups supported through MLA funding, across New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania and Victoria.

Tamar NRM is seeking interest from landholders to commit to attending 3 soil discussion events all held within a fortnight of each other, over autumn. You will be developing skills in soil management (For example, Interpreting a soil test or prioritising fertiliser investment across varying farm scenarios), and at the same time getting the opportunity to have your property's soil assessed for health and productivity limitations.

Following on from the August field days, the next discussion group will be formed with up to 20 landholders to meet 3 times in autumn 2020. Participants will use a range of new and existing approaches and products to assess and improve the condition of the soils on their farms.

This project will focus on getting back to the basics and highlighting to landholders that soils health is a first step rather than an afterthought and include:

- The role of soils in pasture renovation, nutrient testing and budgeting for better soils outcomes and ultimately improved production.
- Correcting soil fertility deficiencies and improving wet soils drainage.
- Based on the model of field based activities where producers visit farms and witness first-hand what works in the Tamar Valley.
- The project began in spring 2019 and concludes in autumn 2020 with a shared networking event with other groups in February.

The newly developed MLA soil extension materials "Healthy Soils Package" and facilitation by an expert soil consultant will add to the experience you will have by being part of the discussion group.

As a member of the discussion group you will be required to participate in a skills audit.

There is no fee for participating and sessions will be around 4 hours in duration.

YES! *Sign me up for the "Healthy Soils" Discussion Group.*

Interested, but send me more information.

February to May 2020

My preferred days for attending is

Any week day (except.....) Weekends (Saturday/Sunday)

About your property:

Name/property

Who is attending:.....

Best Phone contact.....

Special Dietary Requirements?.....

Enterprise description and land size	
Total number of adult breeders (cattle)	
Total number of steers:	
Total number of adult sheep (wool)	
Total number of adult ewes (prime lambs)	
Total number of prime lambs sold annually	
Total number sheep sold for live export annually	
Other - i.e. Goats, Orchard	

**To get more information call Greg on 6323 3310; 0438 642 112.
Numbers are limited to 20 properties, so register early!**

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