

Australian Cotton Sustainability Reference Group Meeting #7: AGENDA

Date: Thursday 7 November 2024. 9am-12pm AEDT
Venue: Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85221135472>

Time	Item
9.00-9.05	1. Welcome
9.05-9.20	<p>2. Sustainability data framework update. <i>Overview of work to revamp the PLANET. PEOPLE. PADDOCK. sustainability data framework as a proof of concept for Australian agriculture. The aim of this work is to ensure we measure only what matters, and make that data work hard for us by applying it for multiple use cases</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>problem being solved, solution, status, future plans</i> • <i>use cases and value of this work for ACSRG stakeholders</i>
9.20—9.50	<p>3. Harmonised approach to data: sustainability indicators <i>Update on work the cotton industry is leading to harmonise workplace and biodiversity indicators across agriculture. This is one output of our revamped sustainability data framework</i></p>
9.50-10.05	<p>4. Harmonised approach to data: natural and social capital assessments <i>Update on progress and early insights on applying natural and social capital assessment methodologies at an industry scale. Queensland Department of Agriculture is working with the cotton industry on this project to build their internal capacity, apply knowledge gained across other industries, and share knowledge gained with other jurisdictions</i></p>
10.05-10.30	<p>5. Coordinated approach to regional-scale natural capital action <i>CRDC research has identified the main barrier to farmers taking more action to manage biodiversity is the sheer confusion resulting from so many mixed messages about what to do. Recognising this, and that nature changes across regions and season, the cotton industry has been working on a model to cut through the confusion by using existing regional and catchment scale natural capital plans and harmonised natural capital indicators across industries as the glue for coordinated action that supports every farmer everywhere take precise action that most contributes to identified regional priorities.</i></p>
10.30-10.45	Break
10.45-11.55	<p>6. Roundtable discussion <i>Based on what you've heard:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you see any or all of this work adding value to you and your peers? If yes, what? • Are there aspects of any of this work you would like more information on, or would like to be involved in shaping? • Do you have suggestions for how this work can be enhanced to make it more valuable for the Australian cotton industry and for you?
11.55-12.00	7. What next, and wrap up