

Ag Energy Social Licence Roundtable

20 September 2023, Online

Purpose	<p>The Ag + Energy Social Licence Roundtable is coordination and collaboration platform, which identifies strategic issues at the nexus of energy and agriculture and encourages action through collaboration across participants.</p> <p>Together, we identify what’s working and areas for continuous improvement, across three key areas: Ag as Energy Hosts, Ag as Energy Generators and Ag as Energy Consumers.</p>
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drive better landholder and community social licence outcomes through the energy transition • Elevate discussions from the AG Energy Taskforce and other relevant forums to a strategic level • Feed into to relevant processes run through AEMO and other relevant government and market bodies. • Operate as a clearing house of strategic issues rather than seeking to resolve all issues within the roundtable.
Chair	<p>Independent Chair – Joy Thomas (formerly National Irrigators Association) and co-convenor of the Ag Energy Taskforce.</p>



Item	Agenda	Lead
SESSION 1 – ENERGY + AG AROUND THE GROUNDS		
Online: 9:00am – 11:00am		
1.	Chair Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country	Joy Thomas, Chair
2.	Roundtable Session 1: Welcome, purpose + housekeeping	Facilitator
3.	Tackling Energy Affordability, SA Buying Group Outcomes	Greg McCarron, Central Irrigators Trust (SA)
4.	Research update: Microgrids for Agriculture in New South Wales and Queensland	Andrew Chamberlin, Queensland Farmers Federation
5.	Mapping Social Value for Renewable Energy Development	Department Renewables, Climate and Future Industries Tasmania (ReCFIT)
6.	Energy Charter Landholder & Community Social Licence Initiatives update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landholder Engagement Training • Evaluating Transmission Undergrounding 	Sabiene Heindl, Energy Charter
SESSION 2: STRATEGIC ISSUES + ACTION WORKSHOP		
Online: 11:30am – 1:15pm		
7.	Roundtable Session 2: Welcome, purpose + housekeeping	Facilitator
8.	Recap on “Where to from here” Roundtable + Actions	Facilitator
9.	Social Licence + Community Benefit Sharing – Empowering Community Participation	Rosemary Hadaway, Mudgee District Environment Group (MDEG) + Karin Stark, Farm Renewables Consulting
10.	Ag Energy Taskforce Strategic Issues for Action for discussion	Dale Holliss, Chair Ag Energy Taskforce (BRIG) and Joy Thomas, Chair
SESSION 3: LANDHOLDER + COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SPOTLIGHT		



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Online: 2:00pm – 4:00pm		
11.	Roundtable Session 3: Welcome, purpose + housekeeping	Facilitator
12.	AEMC update + Q&A new draft requirements for community engagement [aemc.gov.au] on major transmission projects.	Alisa Toomey and Viashin Govender, AEMC
13.	AEIC Consultation on Community Engagement Review <ul style="list-style-type: none">• About the AEIC and the Review• What we've heard – test and validate• Views from the Roundtable	Andrew Dyer, Australian Energy Infrastructure Commissioner and Catherine Dawson, Office of the AEIC
14.	Wrap up close	Facilitator