

Almond Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

Date: 13th March 2019

Attendance: Ben Brown, Domenic Cavallaro, Troy Richman, Brendan Sidhu, Craig Simes, Ross Skinner,

Toby Smith

Claude Gauchat (Chair)

Hort Innovation – Dumisani Mhlanga, Louis Williams, Jenny Van de Meeberg, Tim Archibald, Ashley Zamek, Adam Briggs

Minute Taker - Miriam O'Brien

Location:

Next meeting: 21st August 2019

Overview

The Almond Strategic Investment Advisory Panel (SIAP) convened a meeting at the Quality Hotel Mildura Grand, Mildura, Victoria.

The objective of the meeting was for the SIAP to review the current Almond R&D program and to provide advice to Hort Innovation on new concepts. Prioritising these was an important step in the development of the Almond Industry.

There were also discussions on trade concepts, Almond Fund financials & forecast and pollination updates to help the almond industry maximise opportunities to invest levies more strategically.

Anyone seeking further information on Hort Innovation's Almond R&D investments should note that a full list of projects, together with an overview of the program financials will be available on the almond webpage https://www.horticulture.com.au/growers/almond-fund/ of the Hort Innovation website.

Next steps

The Almond SIAP has requested that the next face-to-face meeting be held in Mildura in August 2019.

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