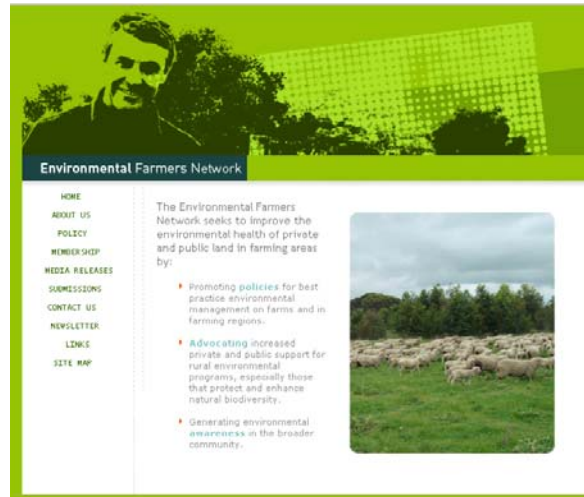


Benefits of membership Environmental Farmers Network

- Promote adoption of environmental best practice on farms with planning that recognizes the importance of native vegetation, wetlands, waterways and soil health.
- Promote sustainable farm practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Represent commercial farmers who care for native vegetation, wetlands, waterways and soil health.
- Increase awareness in urban and rural communities of the importance of conserving and enhancing native vegetation on farms and in farming areas.
- Encourage State and Federal Government agencies to assist landholders implement sustainable practices.
- Encourage State and Federal Governments to establish market based mechanisms to reward landholders providing ecosystem services to the broader community (eg fixing carbon, reducing dryland salinity, improving water quality, conserving native vegetation and associated lifeforms).
- Support landcare activities, especially those protecting and enhancing soil quality, native vegetation, water ways and water quality.
- Reduce “environmental footprints”.
- Receive information on matters affecting the above points.

The website Environmental Farmers Network



The website contains our policies, press releases and submissions.

It is at:

environmentalfarmersnetwork.net.au.

EFN activities

- Member involvement in current issues from the Murray Darling Basin Plan to soil carbon sequestration.
- State and Federal Government submissions including invitations to present material.
- Annual General Meetings with high profile guest speakers.
- Field days and landcare type events.



The Environmental Farmers Network (EFN) provides a collective voice for farmers interested in environmental management as a key part of their agricultural production.

EFN is for those:

- **concerned** about the declining health of native vegetation, wetlands, waterways and soil.
- **interested** in long term sustainability of farming in a social, environmental, energy and economic sense.
- **willing** to work to change current farming practices and improve Government policies that influence them.
- **wanting** to provide environmental services that sound management provides(eg water, biodiversity and carbon sequestration) and seek reward for that contribution.
- **aware** of the relationship between healthy food and healthy environment.

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Email: info@environmentalfarmersnetwork.net.au

Want to get involved

By joining you will meet like-minded farmers, and jointly work for a better future. By influencing policies and actions you can contribute to agricultural sustainability in Australia.

Farming is a diverse and complex industry, and we encourage more members to join for better representation of views on sustainable farming systems and practical conservation on farms across Australia.

In the longer term, EFN aims to influence standards, regulations and expectations, driving the market to be a force for change - change towards a more sustainable future.

Become a Member

Please complete the adjoining membership application and forward it with a cheque to:

Honorary Secretary,
Environmental Farmers Network
655 Jacksons Creek Road
Ararat.
Victoria 3377.

Become a Friend

If you are not a farmer but wish to learn more, and contribute to the operation of the Network, please complete the friends form and forward it to:

Honorary Secretary,
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Membership application

I/we.....
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(Full name/s)

Of.....
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(Address)

Telephone(bh)
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Email.....

desire to become a member of the Environmental Farmers Network and enclose the annual membership fee.

On becoming a member of the EFN I/we are bound by the Rules of the Association.

Membership

(includes GST)
Family/Adult/Corporate (\$55)
Donation
Total

Type of farm

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Particular areas of interest

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Signed.....
Date.....

Friends expression of interest form

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would like to become a friend of the Environmental Farmers Network

Particular areas of interest

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Potential friends are invited to make a voluntary donation to assist with Network operations. \$20 or \$50 are offered as suggestions.

Signed.....
Date.....

We welcome ideas/input on policy issues, and items for our newsletters.