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### **New Agricultural Development Fund to deliver for Tasmanian farmers**

The Tasmanian Liberal Government continues to deliver on its first 100-day Plan with an investment of \$3 million in a new Agricultural Development Fund (ADF) to boost Tasmanian agriculture.

The Tasmanian Government is committed to supporting agricultural Research, Development and Extension (RD&E) that delivers on-farm benefits and improves the competitiveness, productivity and sustainability of Tasmania's agricultural industries.

The new fund will be available to all Tasmanian agricultural sectors that contribute to our ambitious AgriVision 2050 target to grow the annual farm-gate value of agriculture to \$10 billion by 2050.

The Tasmanian Government will seek applications for ADF funding that include a clear strategy for how the RD&E will deliver outcomes that benefit Tasmanian farmers, promote sustainable growth and innovation in agriculture and that have strong support and engagement from industry.

As a guide, proponents may seek up to \$1 million from the ADF for suitable projects that can be undertaken within a three-year timeframe.

Preference will be given to funding for projects that help producers reduce emissions and adapt to and prepare for the impacts of climate change; that assist agribusiness to identify, plan for and manage biosecurity risks; that help industry address digital skill gaps and improve productivity; and that respond rapidly to threats in order to minimise adverse impacts on the sector.

The grant round will open on Friday 30 July 2021 and will be open for six weeks, closing on Friday 10 September 2021.

Application instructions and further information will be available online at [www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/ADF](http://www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/ADF) once the grant funding round opens.