

Expression of Interest

Goat Industry Research, Development and Adoption Committee

Member Vacancy – Technical Extension Specialist

Date: 9 September 2024

**MLA Program:** Goat Productivity

## 1. Purpose

Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA) is calling for expressions of interest from technical extension specialists to fill one (1) available committee position on the Goat Industry Research, Development and Adoption Committee (GIRDAC).

## 2. Relevant and necessary background

The Goat Industry Research, Development and Adoption Committee (GIRDAC) is an advisory group which provides recommendations on where goat levy funds are invested in research, development and adoption (RD&A) initiatives for the Australian goatmeat and livestock industry.

GIRDAC convenes virtually four times a year to review RD&A funding proposals, progress of existing projects and results of concluding projects.

It operates independently to the Goat Industry Council of Australia (GICA) as an MLA-appointed and funded committee.

The committee has a national focus and is comprised of commercial goat producers along with value chain, service providers and subject matter expert representatives as required.

GIRDAC members provide advice and endorsement relating to goat levy R&D priorities, terms of reference development and review, appointment of service providers and review of current project progress.

For further information on the role of GIRDAC members, please refer to the GIRDAC Terms of Reference.

## 3. Submissions

Interested technical extension specialists are encouraged to submit expressions of interest (EOIs) not exceeding two pages to MLA, addressing the following selection criteria:

- details of experience within the goat industry, specifically commercial farmed goats
- details of any experience in research, development and adoption
- an outline of skills and experience the candidate brings to GIRDAC
- why the candidate would like to be part of GIRDAC.

EOIs should be submitted via email to <u>tenders@mla.com.au</u> with title "ATTN: Daniel Forwood - GIRDAC Expression of Interest" by **COB 30 September 2024**.