From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Fridav. 9 February 2024 9:11 AM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: RE: DAFF, Food Agility and Cattle Aus workshop [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

No problems sharing the invite with them.

Kind regards, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: Re: DAFF, Food Agility and Cattle Aus workshop [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I am keen to invite our consultant s 22(1)(a)(ii) and a technical expert and Cattle Australia member s 22(1)(a)(ii) can you confirm that is okay before I share the meeting invite?

Many thanks,

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Subject: DAFF, Food Agility and Cattle Aus workshop [SEC=OFFICIAL]

When: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 4:00 PM-5:00 PM.

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Apologies, rescheduling to facilitate everyone attending.

Good afternoon,

Booking in some time to facilitate a meeting with DAFF, Food Agility and Cattle Australia.

This meeting will provide opportunity to discuss the ongoing AgTrace project work being conducted by Food Agility, and its aims to enhance permission-based data sharing and to identify ways to improve accuracy, verifiability, and confidence in all aspects of ESG and sustainability reporting. Please forward this meeting invite onto relevant people in your organisations as needed.

Please let me know if this time is not suitable and we will look to reschedule.

Kind regards,

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Meeting with Industry EU Deforestation Regulation

AGENDA

Date: Thursday 15 February 2024.

Canberra time: 13:00 to 14:00 QLD time: 12:00 to 13:00 WA time: 10:00 to 11:00

Location:

Online: Link will be provided on the invitation

In-person for DAFF staff: CQ2 10.004, Canberra ACT 2601

Agency	Agenda item	Panellists	Assigned time (min)
DAFF	Welcome and opening remarks	s 22(1)(a)(ii) Assistant Secretary, Trade and International Division	5
DAFF	Overview of European Union Deforestation Regulation	s 22(1)(a)(ii) Assistant Director, EU Agriculture markets	10
DAFF	EU Global Forest Map	s 22(1)(a)(ii) Director, International Forest Policy	10
DAFF	Traceability Projects	s 22(1)(a)(ii) Director, Credentials & Digital Innovation	10
DAFF	EUDR and the World Trade Organisation	s 22(1)(a)(ii) Director, WTO & Free Trade Agreements	5
	Questions	All	15
DAFF	Next Steps and Close	s 22(1)(a)(ii)	5

Acronyms:

DAFF: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry **EUDR:** European Union Deforestation Regulation

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Subject: Meeting: Stakeholder engagement on European Union Deforestation Regulation

[SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi All – see attached and below regarding tomorrow's meeting.

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From: Europe.tmad < europe.tmad@aff.gov.au Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 8:58 AM

To: Europe.tmad < europe.tmad@aff.gov.au

Subject: Meeting: Stakeholder engagement on European Union Deforestation Regulation [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear Industry stakeholders

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Please note this meeting has been rescheduled to:

Canberra time: 13:00 to 14:00 QLD time: 12:00 to 13:00 WA time: 10:00 to 11:00

Please find attached the agenda and the calendar invitation. When you open the calendar invited click on the top left icon **Copy to My Calendar.**

Grateful if you join Industry meeting Attendee Link

Kind regards,

Trade and International Division

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

From: Europe.tmad

Sent: Monday, February 12, 2024 4:48 PM **To:** Europe.tmad europe.tmad@aff.gov.au

Subject: Meeting: Stakeholder engagement on European Union Deforestation Regulation [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear industry stakeholder,

You are receiving this email as your organisation may be impacted by the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) (EU 2023/1115) which comes into effect on 30 December, 2024.

As part of the department's ongoing stakeholder engagement, we will be hosting an information session on **Thursday 15 February 2024**, at 14:00 (AEDT) to discuss developments in the regulation.

We encourage you to forward this invitation to any other interested stakeholders. Please find attached the agenda for that day and below the link to attend this meeting.

Industry meeting Attendee Link

Any questions can be directed to europe.tmad@aff.gov.au.

Further information can be found in Export Industry Advice Notices (links below)

Kind regards,

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Meeting with Cattle Australia – 4 March 2023

Attendees

Cattle Australia representatives: s 22(1)(a)(ii) (in-person), s 22(1)(a)(ii) (in-person), s 22(1)(a)(ii) (virtual)

DAFF attendees:

In-person	Virtual	
s 22(1)(a)(ii)	s 22(1)(a)(ii)	
s 22(1)(a)(ii)		

Meeting minutes

Update on the work of Cattle Australia/main issues of concern

- In 2023 Cattle Australia launched its Land Management Commitment project, following roundtables with industry, universities, state governments, producers, financial institutions, and other stakeholders across the beef production supply chain.
- The project focuses on three commitments:
 - 1: Develop a national industry definition on deforestation in the <u>Australian context</u> to be used in the supply chain and financial institutions.
 - 2: Develop an ongoing communications and media campaign to tell our positive story about the benefits of sustainable land management in the Australian beef industry.
 - o 3: Develop a minimum, sustainability standard module on environmental stewardship.
- Cattle Australia met with DAFF to discuss the need to deliver Commitment 1 and shared several challenges and concerns that have led them to this commitment:
 - o The cost of compliance for producers to meet multiple market sustainability requirements.
 - The urgency to comply with standards issued by key stakeholders in the supply chain, such as supermarkets and financial institutions, as well as international markets ahead of the European Union Deforestation Regulations (EUDR) coming into force in December 2024.
 - Data reliability across multiple tools and methodologies used in assessing sustainability credentials is varied and held by a range of private consultants in addition to states and territory governments, making accessibility fragmented for producers and leading to low confidence in data credibility. For example, results from different carbon calculators can vary by up to 40%. This in turn impacts Cattle Australia's ability to challenge misinformation in the media and public.
 - Differing needs and legislation across states and territories mean that definitions and methodologies are inconsistent.

- Definitions used by international fora do not adequately recognise the uniqueness of the Australian landscape. As a result, this places a compliance burden on producers that is not consistent with good practice land management for the Australian geography.
- 'Mum and dad' producers will be impacted the most in having to implement the EUDR standards through vulnerability to penalties and loss of market access.
- Clarity on how to comply to standards is important 60% of beef producers are mixed commodity, so it's critical to ensure the definition applies to other commodities.
- Financial institutions such as Rabobank have reported to Cattle Australia that the biggest challenges they face in meeting/assessing sustainability criteria is the issue of deforestation.
- Cattle Australia highlighted that a deforestation definition is required by June 2024, ahead of the
 activation of the EUDR from December 2024 and mandatory financial reporting likely in 2025.
 Around 3,500 out of approximately 52,000 producers will initially be impacted by this, with more to
 follow.
 - \$420,000 is required to develop the definition. Meat and Livestock Australia and the Australian Meat Processing Corporation have committed \$70,000 each, leaving a \$280,000 funding gap.
 - o A tender process has already commenced to develop the definition.
 - Funding from the department was requested either financial or in-kind to support this work.

DAFF comments and discussion

- Deforestation is the first of a range of issues that Australia will have to deal with in the broader sustainability credentials and trade market access context. Other industry groups have approached the department with similar concerns, challenges, and funding requests to respond to the EUDR.
- Developing a new definition for deforestation will be complex and will require engagement with
 environmental groups, states and territories, and other federal departments such as DCCEEW. It is a
 process that will take several years to achieve both national and international acceptance. The EU
 has also sent a strong message that it will not accept bespoke definitions.
- The EU is applying a unilateral definition of deforestation and Australia's efforts should focus on how
 we apply current definitions and how that can be improved. Australia needs to demonstrate how its
 land management practices meet current international standards.
- DAFF had questions about how Cattle Australia expected a new definition to be accepted and implemented in a global context. What would it mean for the EU if we come up with a definition in the Australian context, and then other countries follow suit?
- How will this definition unify all the current existing definitions and standards?
- What are commercial trading partners saying about this issue? What information do they need and what information will they share?

Action items

- s 22(1)(a)(ii) to share information on current traceability grants opportunities with Cattle Australia.
- s 22(1)(a)(ii) and team to liaise with Cattle Australia on further discussions regarding the challenges raised by Cattle Australia, including sharing the Food Agility case studies.
- s 22(1)(a)(ii) to share EUDR risk ratings work with Cattle Australia.

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Subject: RE: Cattle Australia- Follow up from yesterday's meeting [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks for your email. I just wanted to acknowledge the information you've provided in relation to the questions posed in the meeting, and to let you know that staff are at the ABARES Outlook 2024 Conference this week, so response times may be a little held up. We'll circulate meeting notes soon.

Thanks again

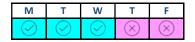
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Subject: Cattle Australia- Follow up from yesterday's meeting

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Hi all,

Thank you all for the discussion yesterday, we appreciate the work and insights and implied caution of duplication, we want to re-iterate that it is not our intention to duplicate work or investment. It is coming out very strongly that this is a supply chain and producer issue for the same reason this is a sensitive government issue. The competing priorities of market access, UN commitments and national and international importance of environmental stewardship makes this one of the most important issue of today for sustainability.

We would like to understand how we can work together and suggest the following next steps.

- Request for the beef case study from Food Agility through s 22(1)(a)(ii)
- Request the document that supported the "low risk" assessment for the EUDR
- s 22(1)(a)(ii) join the technical working group as a "subject matter expert in definitions"

Land Management and Biodiversity Commitment <u>Land-Management-Commitment-Final-1.pdf</u> (<u>cattleaustralia.com.au</u>) has three key areas, yesterday we focused on element one being redefining deforestation for the Australian context.

We advocate that the land management practices and existing legislation sets the perimeters for good environmental outcomes. Any change to our legislation would be detrimental to land management and biodiversity by increase weeds and pests and fire events. We can all agree with the Governments position on "Not one size fits all" given our 52 bioregions.

Redefining deforestation for the Australian context.

- The regional context is allowable in the FOA definition and the Accountability framework.
- The definition is not to deforestation alone but the land use change and agricultural land use and national clarity on the impact assessment of these definitions.
- Equitable outcomes for all our producers (approx. 60% are mixed farming)
- Efficient, accurate and reliable information so our Producers can continue to access numerous markets.
- Our supply chain is represented in our advisory board and engagement.

What does another definition mean for states and territories?

• The Australian Land Use Management https://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification is an example of the framework that could be used.

What are our commercial partners saying?

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• Our commercial partners (including large corporate agricultural companies) are seeking support through this Land Management commitment to address the following:

- SBTi No deforestation pathway
- Zero Deforestation terms
- Net Zero Banking Alliance
- European Union Deforestation Regulation
- To do this they acknowledge the following:
 - Data integrity and source of truth issues
 - Unworkable existing definitions
 - Supply chain information need to be timely and credible

Duplication of work?

- The need for this work arose from our supply chain partners and the Australian Beef Sustainability Framework, as an issue that was unable to be solved.
- Impact and risk assessment of the definitions and the precedent this will set for all other future market specifications.
- We seek your support to understand how we can work together to ensure that the risks are transparent, the impact assessment is measured and the outcomes are equitable to ALL producers.

Cost and Time.

- We are seeking independent and objective assessment of the definitions through expert advice and technical working group engagement.
- Urgent in our delivery to ensure we are managing expectations

Outcomes

This work will give confidence to producers to participate in these markets, efficiently as possible. Equitable
outcomes for all producers.

Other questions raised:

Question raised about the work that had already been done by other organisations e.g., Food Agility, Australian Ag Sustainability Framework

- The work done by sustainability frameworks sets ambitions and does not meet the needs of our stakeholders.
- The frameworks do not currently have the capacity to accurately measure the land management practices.

How would we get a new definition accepted globally e.g., into frameworks and supply chains? Why would anyone take notice of this?

• By having the accurate and credible data and infrastructure to support the definitions.

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What does it mean for the EU when Australia produces a new definition?

• A definition that is regionally appropriate, supported by our legislation and environmental frameworks.

It is unlikely that the EU will allow a special definition - two streams here-

- 1. Stream around how do we meet market requirements as they currently exist,
- 2. In the case that they do allow changes to regulation and definition they we need to be prepared to support regional context reporting.

How can you make the timeframes work when Internationally agreed frameworks on deforestation when it takes a long time to develop and have these accepted?

- At the start of the project it was expected that we had 18months, the escalation of the EUDR requirements has underpinned the new time frames.
- By working with government.

APEX sustainability? international principles? WTO Cairns Group? Sustainability agenda?

• This is the work that needs to be done with support of the technical working group.

Thank you again for the opportunity to discuss this important topic and hopefully we can find a way to work together for the benefit of the industry and environmental outcomes.

Kind regards, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: RE: Continuing the conversation - Cattle Australia [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii) so sorry for the delay getting back to you – any chance you're free from 2 -3 on Thursday?

I was hoping to line up a few folks to cover bases when we chat but maybe we progress the best we can.

Cheers

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: Fw: Continuing the conversation -Cattle Australia

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Regarding my email below, would you have an opportunity to meet with \$22(1)(a)(ii) and myself this week for 1 hour?

Many thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: Continuing the conversation -Cattle Australia

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thank you for taking the time to meet with Cattle Australia on Monday, we appreciated it very much.

and I wanted to reach out to you given some of the questions raised in the meeting regarding duplication with other DAFF investments namely the AgTrace and AASF projects. These are key pieces of work that we would endeavour for the Land Management Commitment project to bolster. We would like to discuss this further with you if you could find time in your schedule for us?

Many thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: Cattle Australia- Land Management Commitment

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

It was great to catch up with you yesterday, apologies that we kept you too long before your next meeting.

We found the AASF CoP a really valuable opportunity to speak with other commodity representatives about the Land Management Commitment project, and from all of our conversations we were supported in the urgency and value for the work that we are doing.

I wanted to check if you'd had a chance to review our project proposal and if you needed clarity on anything from us?

Many thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Sent: Monday, 22 April 2024 8:37 AM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: RE: credentials/traceability [SEC=OFFICIAL]

That's works for us too. Will send invite with details today.

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Subject: Re: credentials/traceability [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Wednesday 24th 3.30-4.30pm would work for us, myself and ^{\$22(1)(a)(ii)} will dial in and \$22(1)(a)(ii) will attend the DAFF office in person.

will be keen to understand the outstanding questions that you have so that we can optimise the meeting, if you can share these with me ahead of time that would be appreciated.

Regards, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: FW: credentials/traceability [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sorry for the delays on responding.

We would actually be keen to chat a bit more about the proposal and the issue in general.

Would you have any time say Tues or Wed next week to either pop to the DAFF office or jump online for a chat.

Regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

A/g Assistant Secretary

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Subject: Fw: credentials/traceability [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I'm checking in to see if there is an update on the funding request for the Land Management Commitment as per below?

If you have any questions please reach out any time as this is a key priority for us.

Kind regards, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: RE: credentials/traceability [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Brilliant, thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Appreciate the help cheers
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Subject: RE: credentials/traceability [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii)

We are looking at it still. It does cut across a few different patches so a level of coordination is needed. Pls be a bit more patient but be assured it is being discussed.

Regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: credentials/traceability

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Trust you got a break over Easter and were able to enjoy some down time.

I am wondering if you may be able to help me?

My staff have been dealing with your guys on a merit based application for out of cycle funding in the credentials/traceability space.

We are after some support in regard to work we are doing on an Australian definition of deforestation as part of the Land Management Commitment, work that CA is leading across the supply chain *22(1)(4)(4)(4) in particular, has been very helpful to date.

However, the process seems to have stalled. We are having trouble getting an update as to where things are at. I've copied \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) as I have spoken to the Secretary about the application before he went on leave.

I would really appreciate an update.

cheers

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Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Purpose of the meeting is to identify opportunities to align based on CA overview of work and EUDR Sprint policy team priority activities

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Thanks for reaching out. Tomorrow I only have 1:30 to 3pm.

Friday I am on the road with limited phone service and next week I am at capacity.

s 22(1)(a)(ii) might be better placed.

Kind Regards

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Subject: Collaboration opportunity [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii) and s 22(1)(a)(ii)

It was great meeting you yesterday to discuss your work and what DAFF is doing as a part of the policy sprint. I see a lot of alignment and an opportunity to collaborate on the industry pilot we discussed.

I think it's worth meeting with Food Agility who is leading the AgTrace project funded by DAFF and currently scoping what a potential pilot could look like. If you are happy, I'll set something up tomorrow afternoon. Food Agility have advised they are free 12-2. Alternatively, Friday could work 12-2 as well. I may not be able to do Friday myself s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

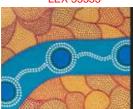
Look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

A/g Director | Credentials and Digital Innovation | Agricultural Traceability Branch | s 22(1)(a)(ii) (Please note I do not work Fridays)

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Hi all				
We might not need the full hour but just in case things go a bit over.				
This is an opportunity for Food Agility to discuss what they are thinking in terms of a business-to-business pilot to stress test EU acceptance of product against the EUDR requirements and what CA may be able to assist with.				
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Subject: RE: DAFF/CA [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi folks, sorry for the delay getting this back to you!

Please feel free to send through any comments – additionally I'll book us time to chat early next week to kick off the work.

Cheers

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 11:41 AM

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Subject: RE: DAFF/CA [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Heya, sorry for the delay, I think to accommodate our collaboration we'll need to adjust the sprint timeframes – I'm going through a process to scope this up. At the moment we are at week 4 of an 8 week sprint.

Also would be great to chat about this: <u>What will "deforestation-free" meat mean for the cattle industry? - Beef Central</u>: Once CA has released the beef industry's definition of deforestation, it will then need to be assessed by the EU before it becomes part of the import legislation.

Would be very good to meet this consultant as well get a better view of your engagement process.

This is the existing schedule for the sprint but it's shifted a bit in term of deliverables/timeframes – however I'll send you something more up to date as soon as I can.

Timeline

Weeks 1-2: Initiation and Research – 8-19 April

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Weeks 3-4: Capability and Market Analysis – 22 April – 3 May

- Key Activities: Assess current agricultural capabilities, analyse market requirements.
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Weeks 5-6: Policy Development and Stakeholder Feedback – 6-17 May

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Thank so much s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: DAFF/CA

His 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks for the meeting yesterday, really appreciate the involvement.

- Is there a project plan for the streams?
- Has the work been planned into weeks?
- Deadlines and milestones?
- Also it would be super helpful for our stakeholder engagement to understand who is who from what department.

We have contracted an Internationally renown climate and sustainability consultant to help us develop this policy, we would like an opportunity to introduce you and take you through the program of work?

Kind Regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii

European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) policy sprint high level project plan

Background

- The department has been actively following the development of the EUDR, advocating in Brussels and Geneva for settings that better suit Australian exporters and regularly providing information to industry. While our advocacy action will continue, the requirements are established in European Union (EU) legislation and will come into effect on 30 December 2024.
- As a result, the department has established an 8-week policy sprint to clearly define the current state of play, the value of trade, the businesses affected, the actions already underway in industry and government, and possible next steps to assist industry to respond to the requirements of the EUDR.

Scope

- Identify the value of trade and the businesses likely to be adversely affected by the EUDR.
- Analysis of the EU Joint Research Centre (JRC) deforestation map and comparison to Australian forest maps.
- Industry capability to meet the EUDR including:
 - Analysis of the work currently being undertaken by exporting businesses and industry organisations on the EUDR.
 - Analysis on how to leverage existing systems.
 - Analysis on EU importers who are responsible for compliance and their engagement with the EU competent authorities to develop systems to demonstrate compliance with the EUDR.
- Propose any additional actions that may need to be taken to assist industry to efficiently meet the requirements
 - This could include the future state when the legislation has come into effect and issues arise such as when a product is rejected.

This will be informed by:

- Information provided by the EU
- Desktop review
- Continued engagement with Brussels Ag counsellors on latest developments and advocacy efforts including with like-mindeds
- Industry research interviews and focus groups

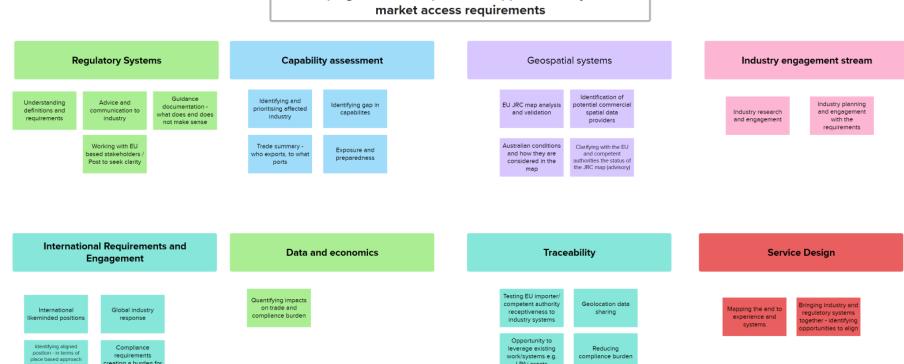
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Roles and responsibilities

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- s 22(1)(a)(ii) Assistant Secretary Agricultural Traceability Branch
- s 22(1)(a)(ii) EUDR policy sprint lead
- s 22(1)(a)(ii) Policy lead

Stream leads:

- Regulatory systems and international requirements and engagement –
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- Capability assessment s 22(1)(a)(ii) Trade and International Division
- Geospatial systems s 22(1)(a)(ii) ABARES
- Industry engagement s 22(1)(a)(ii) Americas and Europe Ag Markets
- Data and economics s 22(1)(a)(ii) Market Intel and Engagement
- Traceability s 22(1)(a)(ii) Agricultural Traceability Credentials and Digital Innovation
- Service Design s 22(1)(a)(ii) Digital Business Division

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It would be great to connect with you both after you've caught up with \$\frac{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}{2} \& \frac{s 22(1)(

Please let me know if you'd like to arrange a teams call or just give me a call on my mobile to discuss when you have time.

Many thanks,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Likewise we found it a very valuable conversation and appreciate the work CA has done and are doing to navigate addressing responding to deforestation requirements. The decision tree approach and the classification regarding primarily agricultural use land is really useful.

In terms of the Canberra team, we work closely with \$\frac{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}{and s 22(1)(a)(ii)}\$ as the EU desk team in our department's (DAFF's) trade division. I have cc'd them in, and we are chatting with them next week, so I'll cover our CA/brussels post discussion.

The week of 1st July would work well for us. ^{\$22(1)(a)(i)} and I are available at 8am brussels time on 1, 4 and 5th, so please feel free to send through an invite for the day you prefer.

Thank you very much too for the paper with \$\frac{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}{2}\$ feedback. Incredibly helpful, and as we flagged, rolling updates or information as available is incredibly helpful for our advocacy here.

Best, \$22(1)(a)(1

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Hi s 22(1)(a)

That's great its the same document, it would be good to understand if you've had much of a chance to digest the document yet and what your initial thoughts are?

Thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

We have the attached leaked guidelines, but certainly welcome you sharing if you have something else?

This leak is widely shared, and so the European Commission has been at pains to say it was still under consultation with member states and subject to change.

Hence we hope to see the formal version in the near future, although I suspect the FAQs v3 may come more quickly. Kind regards, \$22(1)(a)(ii)

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(i

Thank you for the update, I had a document shared with me last week that was suggested to be the leaked draft EUDR guidance, maybe I can share this with you?

Thanks,

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sorry for the delay in responding.

The Commission keeps saying their release is imminent. At the last major meeting, all parties (industry associations, NGOs, third countries) expressed real frustration with this delay, which the Commission heard. I do genuinely expect it before the end of the month, given Brussels shuts down for August.

We will share then as soon as we see them.

Best, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(i

Thank you for sharing the below with us, and thank you \$22(1)(a)(ii)

Has there been any further updates about the release of the updated FAQ & guidance document?

Thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As promised at our last catchup (and with thanks to our Agriculture Adviser \$22(1)(a)(1), please see below re the Finnish government recommendation to their farmers on EUDR and tree felling on their property, while additional clarity was sought.

Look forward to keeping in touch.

Best, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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https://mmm.fi/-/eu-n-metsakatoasetuksen-vaikutus-nauta-ja-lypsykarjatilojen-uusinvestointeihin-epaselva The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry recommends delaying future construction projects for cattle and dairy farms if trees have to be felled from the forest on the plot or construction site of the production building. The recommendation will be reconsidered in May at the latest.

The EU's deforestation regulation is coming into force in May-June 2023. The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry considers the content of the deforestation decree to be partly very unclear, and therefore there is no certain information about its interpretation and effects on future investments in cattle or dairy farming. The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry is clarifying the ambiguities, and the matter will be returned to at the latest when the next investment subsidy period begins in May.

According to the future deforestation regulation, the beef producer must ensure that the meat production (product) has not caused deforestation. Regarding construction projects for cattle or dairy farms, it is unclear whether they are considered to cause deforestation. In the worst case, the result could be that the produced beef could not be delivered to the market. This would cause considerable financial losses for the producer, which is good to take into account when planning new investments.

-Due to the unclear situation, the ministry recommends delaying those construction projects for cattle and dairy farming where there is a construction site that could possibly be interpreted as deforestation. Understandably, the situation is difficult for cattle and dairy farms planning to expand production, when the investment search is about to open. Patience is needed now to avoid greater financial losses. We will inform you as soon as we receive more detailed information about the interpretation of the deforestation regulation, says department head \$ 22(1)(a)(ii)

The purpose of the Deforestation Regulation is to curb global deforestation. Finland abstained from approving the regulation voted on in December 2022 and left a statement in which points that were particularly problematic for Finland were brought up. Finland is clarifying the interpretation of the deforestation regulation with the EU institutions.

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Hi * 22(1)(a)(ii) & * 22(1)(a)(ii)

I hope you're both doing well,

Can we set up a time with you both next week to discuss some concepts around EUDR compliance and stress test them with you both? Potentially Monday or Tuesday 4pm our time?

Thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Look forward to catching up, as per your email.

Regards, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Sent: Thursday, 22 August 2024 9:56 AM

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Question

What is the definition given definitions under 28 and 29.

Can we use PICs to define an establishment.

There is confusion in my mind about how they will treat cattle

Any insights.

Would love to talk with you on this.

Cheers

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] EUDR [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Always happy to. A little more than 2-3 sentences in attached, but have given you references from the legislation so folks can't dispute what is required. And a few points on current status.

Haven't touched definitions on agricultural land and how that will be considered. Despite us explaining our system to the EU, and asking for a written response, Commission have just said wait until FAQs are released. You know where to find me if I can help with anything else.

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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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I need your help.

I need a cut through explanation of exactly what the EUDR is asking the supply chain to deliver.

I have folk who are not wanting to understand what the EU is demanding.

Do you have 2 or 3 sentences that make it very simple and very obvious what the EU is requiring that you could share with me?

Thanks in anticipation

cheers

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Deforestation Regulation Contact | Australia [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

This time does work well for me and while 22(1)(a)(0) is traveling for work that week, at this point her calendar is ok.

Regards

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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2024 11:41 PM

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Hi All

I am thinking that we have a videoconference with this group next Tuesday the 1st of October at 1600. This time will hopefully also work for \$22(1)(a)(ii) and Could people let me know if this time works. If not, we might have to resort to the infamous Google pole.

I have spoken with QDAF, as they did up a few case studies for the CA project, to prepare some initial drafts of some talking points to cover Cat X, Brigalow, Mulga, Leucaena eco systems. They are very supportive and will oblige. Interestingly a lot of the studies on Brigalow have the economic analysis prepared by a QDAF person based in Rockhampton called s 22(1)(a)(ii) (the facilitator of the November Rockhampton meeting).

Regards

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Deforestation Regulation Contact | Australia [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi All

I'm happy to assist in whatever capacity is most useful. I will be in Geneva that week for WTO TBT meetings.

Regards

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Thanks

Devil will be in the detail I recon

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Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2024 10:09:01 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] EUDR - 12 month delay[SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Commission have just announced 12 month delay and released guidance info. Hot off press so we haven't had a chance to digest yet.

Best, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Date: Monday, 30 September 2024 at 03:40:51

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: [EXTERNAL] EUDR

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Hi Guys

Trust you and yours are all well.

Any intel or update on the regulation or its implementation?

Thanks in anticipation

Cheers

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Sent: Wednesday, 23 October 2024 9:20 AM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: RE: Response to query from EUDR Webinar [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Thanks for the reply \$22(1)(a)(ii)

As I mentioned, it is important that if systems are presented to the EU that they have broad industry support and are not additional burdens on producers nor that introduce new assurance measures into the supply chain. We have an existing assurance scheme through LPA/NLIS/vendor declarations which is accepted by trading partners. Industry is working to adapt this to broader market requirements like the EUDR. In addition, we remain concerned that the government's position is that the EUDR is a business-to-business arrangement. This is clearly a non-tariff trade barrier and we expect the government to advocate Australia's position on behalf of our supply chain.

Thanks again for the response

Cheers

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To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Response to query from EUDR Webinar [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As briefly discussion on Monday, and in relation to the concerns raised by your team following the recent EUDR webinar, I can confirm the AgTrace EUDR Pilot is voluntary and opt-in. The department is not seeking to set a single way to comply with the EU rules. It is not a system that would be negotiated with the European Commission but rather a system that could be accepted by EU importers reflecting the business-to-business nature of EUDR. It is one option amongst others including those being developed by industry.

The team is finalising responses to all the questions raised in the webinar. Would you like the responses to be sent to you, or to the team that attended the webinar (and if so could they provide their contact details)?

I hope this clarifies the situation for you and your members. We will continue to engage with you and your members in the lead up to the commencement of the regulation.

Regards

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Cattle Australia's Land Management Commitment Strategy

General Feedback

- Preparing for the introduction of the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) is a priority for the department. We continue to engage with the EU to seek clarity about the regulation and to support our agricultural industries' efforts to comply with the regulation.
- On 2 October 2024, the EU announced an intended delay in the introduction of EUDR to 30 December 2025, subject to agreement by the EU Parliament.
- We thank Cattle Australia for its efforts in developing the Land Management Commitment and take note of the recommendations directed towards Government.
- The Government utilises long-standing scientifically established definitions of 'forest' and 'deforestation' that were agreed to by Commonwealth, state and territory governments in 1998 which are embedded in our international reporting requirements in relation to climate change, biodiversity and sustainable forest management.
- Therefore, the department is not considering a change to the existing definitions of 'forest' and 'deforestation'.
- Our forests reporting demonstrates that Australia is one of the few nations globally to have sustained an increase in forest area, year-on-year, since 2008.
- We will continue to engage with and encourage the EU to reduce the impact of the EUDR on international trade, particularly for nations such as Australia that are already increasing their overall forest cover in line with international targets.

Feedback by Recommendation

Recommendation 1 – Government manages national forest and agricultural-use mapping

Australian government to manage an accurate and up-to-date (updated annually) national dataset to demonstrate through satellite mapping, agricultural land use, nature and biodiversity.

- The Government monitors land use change, including forest losses and gains, and uses this
 data to inform our national reporting and reporting to UN bodies on climate change,
 biodiversity and sustainable forest management.
- The department is considering what it can do to assist landholders in relation to mapping, including the availability of relevant datasets.
- The department is also engaging directly with the European Commission to improve the accuracy of EU's Forest Observatory Map in relation to Australia.
- Ultimately landholders are free to use any information and mapping source to demonstrate EUDR compliance.

Recommendation 2 – Adopt industry-developed definitions

Ensure equivalency with international standards that support producers operating within the Australian context in maintaining market access to both domestic and international markets, and ensure technical barriers to trade are compliant with World Trade Organisation rules.

- The department strongly agrees that the EUDR and other trade measures should be consistent with WTO rules and not present technical barriers to trade.
- That is why the department has raised its concerns with the EUDR at the WTO several times
 this year, including most recently at the September meeting of the WTO Technical Barriers to
 Trade Committee and we intend to raise it again at the November meeting of this forum. We
 have specifically raised that the EUDR may be unnecessarily burdensome applying measures
 that are not commensurate with risk.
- While we note the recommendation to adopt industry-developed definitions of 'deforestation' and 'forest' in relation to 'agricultural use', these would not be consistent with the nationally agreed parameters under which we report on climate change, biodiversity and sustainable forest management outcomes to various international processes.
- The updated guidance from the EU published on 2 October 2024 contains further explanation of what constitutes land 'predominantly under agricultural use' for the purposes of the EUDR
- The department encourages industry and landholders to work through this guidance on a case-by-case basis, as the application and implications for producers will come down to individual circumstances.
- The delay period provides the opportunity to seek further clarification from the EU in relation to the guidance and application of the laws to the Australian context. The department will liaise with industry, including Cattle Australia, on requests for further clarification from the EU ahead of further anticipated updates to the EU's guidance and FAQ documents.
- The department will continue to advocate that Australia's strong forest management credentials, legislation, and regulations should be recognised and trade measures tailored and applied accordingly.

Recommendation 3 – Provide accessible tools to support production and biodiversity outcomes

Industry and government tools must be accessible to enable producers to demonstrate the benefits of the co-existence of beef production and biodiversity outcomes.

- The Government is committed to ensuring that landholders are incentivised to integrate
 production and biodiversity outcomes and are supported with the necessary tools and
 frameworks.
- The Nature Repair Market scheme is aimed at incentivising actions to restore and protect the
 environment and establishes a marketplace where landholders can undertake nature repair
 projects to generate tradable certificates. This will operate alongside the Australian Carbon
 Credit Unit Scheme.
- The Government is supporting industry to test technology solutions to help comply with the EUDR requirements.
- We acknowledge that Cattle Australia is also supporting industry to share geolocation data and meet EUDR requirements, including Cattle Australia's:
 - o work with the Integrity Systems Company to develop industry-led solutions,
 - contribution to initiatives such as the AgTrace EUDR pilot, which is supporting producers to maintain control of their data (focussing on skins and hides) and provide clarity on the application of definitions.

Recommendation 4 – Support agriculture through sustainable development plans

Empower strategic agricultural growth through sustainable development plans that detail strategies to ensure food security, regional economies and communities and local ecosystems are not compromised.

- The department agrees that agricultural development plans must address sustainability issues and that land management practices need to be regionally appropriate.
- The Government is supporting several ongoing initiatives aimed at providing industry, governments and investors with the certainty needed to support the strengthening of the sustainable agriculture sector. These include:
 - o the Net Zero Agenda and the Agriculture and Land Sector Plan
 - o the Natural Heritage Trust's Climate-Smart Agriculture Program
 - o Future Drought Fund and Regional Drought Resilience Planning program
 - o the Northern Australia Agenda White Paper and Action Plan
 - o Framework of Regional Development
 - o Ag2030 agenda to support a profitable agriculture sector, and
 - o the Australian Agricultural Sustainability Framework.
- The Government is committed to thriving regional economies and ensuring food security.

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Monday, 4 November 2024 4:20 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) **Cc:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: RE: LMC policy EMBARGOED CONFIDENTIAL

Attachments: CA - LMC DAFF Feedback.docx

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As I committed to a few weeks ago, my team have taken a closer look at the Land Management Commitment Strategy and particularly the recommendations in line with our current domestic policies and obligations. In the main we agree with many of the recommendations and have attached some thoughts which I hope are helpful to you and your team.

Thank you again for your correspondence and the embargoed copy of the Strategy. Supporting industry preparedness ahead of the commencement of the EUDR is a priority for the department and we appreciate the opportunity to discuss these matters with you. My team and I are always happy to discuss as the issue progresses.

Regards,

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From: \$ 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Friday, 11 October 2024 2:23 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: RE: LMC policy EMBARGOED CONFIDENTIAL

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thank you for reaching out and sharing the Land Management Commitment Strategy. I appreciate you considering how government and industry can ensure the European Commission's Deforestation Regulation does not impose requirements that create unnecessary barriers to Australian exports.

The Australian Government has actively engaged with the EU at all levels on the development of the Regulation, including seeking a delay of implementation until all of the regulation's requirements are fully understood by traders. It is welcome news that the European Commission has responded to these concerns, and the important advocacy of Australia's agriculture industry, with the announcement of the proposed 12-month delay.

We are considering the recommendations put forward by Cattle Australia in line with our current domestic policies and international obligations, with a view to coming back to you in the coming weeks.

Regards,

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Deputy Secretary

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From: \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) \$ 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2024 5:37 PM

Subject: LMC policy EMBARGOED CONFIDENTIAL

Dear s 22(1)(a)(ii) and s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please see attached the LMC policy from CA which we are sharing with you.

This is **strictly embargoed until Monday morning**. Please do not distribute to anyone else within your organisation. This is confidential material until its release.

I am sure you understand our desire to have a measure of control over the release.

We will be making a public announcement of this on Monday morning. As a valued stakeholder and future partner in this work we wanted to give you the heads up with this copy.

- 1. The Land Management Commitment (LMC), emphasises the primacy of agricultural land and includes definitions of deforestation and forest in the Australian context.
- 2. The LMC includes four recommendations for implementation to ensure Australia's unique environmental context can be recognised in voluntary international frameworks.
- 3. Australian definitions enable us to demonstrate the regional context and our land management practices that are vital to maintaining food production, healthy landscapes and biodiversity.
- 4. Implementation of the LMC definitions and recommendations will result in more certainty for Australian beef producers as they manage agricultural land to produce high-quality beef for the world.
- 5. The LMC provides a decision tree model, educational information and case studies on land management practices supported by the State, Territory and Federal legislation, ensuring easy implementation by producers and the wider industry.
- 6. Successful implementation of this approach will require Federal Government support to maintain accurate land use data and recognition by international trade regulators.

Thank you for your interest in this work on what has been a pretty challenging topic. Cheers

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Subject: Invitation to attend AgTrace European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) pilot industry briefing and workshop

Importance: Normal Sensitivity: None

Good afternoon,

Food Agility CRC will be hosting an in-person industry briefing and workshop session based on the findings of their AgTrace EUDR pilot.

The event will be held on 18 March 2025. Please save this date in your calendar, and additional event details will follow in a calendar invitation soon. Please note, that due to capacity limitations, a maximum of two representatives from any one organisation are being invited to attend.

As prominent stakeholders in the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) and AgTrace EUDR pilot work, this group has been chosen for a targeted industry briefing before the results of the pilot are disseminated more broadly across industry.

The session will include a run-through of the pilot's objectives, learnings and outcomes. There will also be a discussion around the next steps and requirements for industry to meet the EUDR.

If you would like some additional context, a recording of Food Agility's showcase of the pilot to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is available at the following link: https://share.viostream.com/dicbhzwrc51f67

Kind regards,

CDI

Background:

- An extension of the Data enabled traceability proof of concepts (AgTrace) grant run by Food Agility CRC is the AgTrace EUDR pilot, which ran from to June to November 2024.
- The pilot set out to test sharing a deforestation free credential (and associated geolocation data) for beef and skins and hides to clarify expectations around due diligence requirements with EU importers.
- Industry partners included Teys (beef), and AI Topper and Casino Hide Tanners (skins and hides).
- It provided a real-life test case for proving product claims using the technology protocol previously developed under the grant and tested export product with relevant EU importers (operators) in the Netherlands and Italy.

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European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) industry briefing and workshop

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Tuesday, 18 March 2025 12:

(L) Tuesday, 18 March 2025 12:00 PM-4:00 PM 💮 70 Northborne Ave, Canberra 2601, Australia

Good afternoon all,

DAFF would like to invite you to attend an in-person, European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) industry briefing and workshop.

Food Agility Cooperative Research Centre and Integrity Systems Company (ISC) will be presenting on their findings from the AgTrace EUDR pilot and newly developed Livestock Production Assurance (LPA) module respectively. Discussions will also be held around the lessons learnt and next steps.

The event will be held in Canberra at the DAFF office. Please be aware of the two-person limit for invitees per organisation.

Event details below. More information, including an agenda, will be made available closer to the event.

Date	18 March 2025	
Time	Arrive – 12:00pm to start at 12:30pm	
	Formal meeting to conclude at 4:00pm	
Location	CQ2 – Ground floor. Room G.006	
	Dept Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries building	
	70 Northborne Ave, Canberra 2601, Australia	

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Subject: EUDR industry briefing confirmation of attendance and dietary requirements

Importance: Normal Sensitivity: None

Good afternoon,

RE: EUDR industry briefing confirmation of attendance and dietary requirements

Ahead of the upcoming European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) industry briefing and workshop, we are seeking confirmation of attendees and dietary requirements by **COB Friday 14 March**.

Please confirm via return email your attendance or any proxy who will be attending in your place, and relevant dietary requirements for the event.

We are looking forward to seeing you on the day.

Kind regards,

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Subject: EUDR industry briefing - Agenda and initial questions

Importance: Normal Sensitivity: None

Good afternoon,

Ahead of tomorrow's EUDR industry briefing, please see the event agenda below.

Food Agility Cooperative Research Centre and Integrity Systems Company (ISC) will be presenting on their findings from the AgTrace EUDR pilot and newly developed Livestock Production Assurance (LPA) module respectively. Discussions will also be held around the lessons learnt and next steps.

If you have any initial questions based on the agenda that you would like to see answered on the day, please let us know via return email and we will pass them on to Food Agiltiy and ISC. This will help us to make sure they are adequately covered off at the event.

Kind regards,

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\cbpat412.00 - 12.30 \cbpat4Lunch					
pm	John at 4				
12.30 – 12.45 pm	\cbpat4 s 22(1)(a)(ii)	Opening and introductions (15 mins)			
12.45 - 1.30 pm	s 22(1)(a)(ii)	ISC NLIS Initiative- Progress (35 mins)			
		 Industry walk through of LPA Geolocation MVP Feature / Sharing geolocations tool Demonstration of technical solution 			
		Q&A (10 mins)			
1.30 - 2.15 pm	s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) and s 22(1)(a)(ii) (on behalf of AgTrace team)	AgTrace EUDR Experiment Key features of the experiment (5 mins)			
		• The consignment journey (15 mins)			
		• The assessment journey (15 mins)			
		Q&A (10 mins)			
2.15 - 2.35 pm	Industry representatives	Industry participant reflections			
		• Teys (meat) (10 mins)			
		• AI Topper (skins and hides) (10 mins)			
2.35 - 3.00 pm	s 22(1)(a)(ii) and s 22(1)(a)(ii	Review/Discussion of ISC and AgTrace learnings/recommendations (25 mins)			

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3.00 – 3.50 pm	Moderator(s): \$\frac{s \cdot 22(1)(a)(ii)}{s} \frac{s \cdot 22(1)(a)(ii)}{s}	Set parameters for supporting industry/pathways forward (50 mins)	
		Possible Discussion points:	
		 Market signals (new pilots lining up, extra features/functionality requested) Trust vs information (protecting rights of producers and addressing risk of importers) The path forward- MVP (ISC), architecture for verifiable credentials, producer support (for the Assurance (what to assure and what not to assure)- getting standards right System governance (What do you think could work practically, and what is a potential future application? 	acilitating engagement)
		Framework for a national program that leans into market access requirements.)	
3.50 – 4.00 pm		Next steps and future opportunities (10 mins)	_
4.00 pm	-	Close	

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Subject: EUDR industry session readout

Hi all,

Just wanted to pass along a quick readout from the EUDR industry session that Food Agility and the Credentials and Digital Innovation team held in CBR today which I attended. CDI will be preparing more detailed summary notes which I will share when they come through.

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- Cattle Australia (s 22(1)(a)(ii) was unhappy that the "gold level standard" was provided and reiterated CA's position that we should do a MVP and nothing further.
- CA noted considerable concern that the regulation will be replicated (e.g. in the UK).
- CA want an opt-in LPA module to be the Aus. Gov. backed solution. Complained DAFF didn't take it seriously as we didn't have any SES present for the whole session.
- CA called for Aus Gov to be more "muscular" in pushing back on European non-tariff barriers like EUDR.

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Kind regards

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Meeting notes

18 March 2025

EUDR Industry Briefing

Opening

- · Opening and house keeping
- Supporting an approach to the EUDR that accounts for our local growing conditions to support trade as well as accounting for further guidance from the EU on the application of risk ratings as well as engagement with the WTO.

Integrity Systems Company (ISC) Presentation

- Topics covered included the industry initiatives, a live demo of an account, and a Q&A session.
- Questions were raised about the ability to move a location attribute once created and the retrospective impact of removing geolocation sharing permissions
- Emphasis was placed on the need for clarity on farmers' rights in terms of data ownership and control

Assessment Tool Discussion

- Highlighting the need for clarity on permission and system locking along with additional costs.
- Discussions included the implications of existing regulatory requirements and the need for clear data standards policies that incentivise sharing while ensuring producers own their systems and data.

Industry Concerns

- Concerns were raised about the hides industry's access and the need for amended terms of use to reflect agreements between suppliers and the industry.
- Requests for additional agricultural output history and the need to show value back to the supply chain were mentioned, in some cases this did not exist.

Market Access Requirements

• The need to work through changing market access requirements and the importance of clear definitions for front-end systems were discussed.

Livestock Production Assurance (LPA) Module and Re-accreditation

 Suggestions were made to use the LPA module with a two-year review and selfassessment process, with confirmation that a re-accreditation process every two years could work well.

Food Agility Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) Presentation

- Early access for location identifiers was discussed, highlighting the challenge of not knowing relevant identifiers until scanned and the need for lifetime traceability.
- The risk of a trial that is not feasible in its implementation and the need for a system that works commercially while addressing concerns from grass-fed producers were discussed.
- Inquiries were made about who needs to provide the statutory declaration, with explanations provided about demonstrating adherence the state/territory law requirements.
- Emphasis was placed on the importance of good farm recordkeeping and the competitive advantage of our land management practices.
- The need for clear assessment processes and the role of producers in controlling data sharing were discussed.
- The cost of compliance was mentioned, with potential for scaled models based on risk levels.
- Discussions included the uncertainty for importers and the need to stay ahead of regulators, emphasising the importance of selling science-backed data to counter highrisk perceptions.
- The need for clear data standards and compliance processes that support the leather industry and push back against unnecessary data requirements were discussed.

Final Comments

- Discussion on the broader threat to agricultural systems of costly and complex systems.
- Need for a Minimum Viable Product that could effectively balance the compliance burden with demonstrating our positive and often existing agricultural practices.
- The importance of collaboration and offering producers choices was emphasised.
- The potential impact on the leather industry despite value to sustainable systems.

Closing Remarks

 Key takeaways were summarised, emphasising the importance of keeping processes simple and ensuring robust data sharing and compliance mechanisms.

European Union's Deforestation Regulation (EUDR)

Legislated requirement

- From 30 December 2024, the EUDR prohibits commodities, including beef and other products from cattle, from being sold in the EU¹, unless they:
 - a) are deforestation-free [area of production not deforested after 31 December 2020];
 - b) have been produced in accordance with relevant legislation of the country of production²; and
 - c) are covered by a due diligence statement.

Due diligence requirements

- The operator³ must complete the due diligence statement⁴ attesting no or negligible risk of the product not complying with a) and b) above, informed by their own risk assessment.
 - The statement must include geolocation coordinates for all properties where cattle were produced (birth to slaughter). 5
 - Operators can use the EU Forest Observatory map⁶ to inform their risk assessment, or alternative maps that are more granular or detailed.⁷
 - o The regulation does not prescribe the information used to do the risk assessment.

Current status

- Despite rumours of a delay, there is no official advice to support this.
- Additional information (updated FAQs, Guidelines for Member States) remains outstanding despite stakeholders across the spectrum – exporters, governments, EU member state governments, peak commodity and manufacturing bodies, and WTO specific trade concerns - urgently requesting their release.
- Many EU member states have requested a delay because of the challenge of implementing clearance requirements at the border.
- The second version of 'the EU Map' is planned for release by December 2024
- Some larger corporate entities and countries claim they are ready to meet EUDR requirements.
- Environment NGOs continue to pressure for commencement by the legislated timeframe.

¹ Article 3, Regulation - 2023/1115 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

² List of relevant legislation of country of production, Article 2(40), Regulation - 2023/1115 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

³ Person who places good on the EU market, Article 2(15), Regulation - 2023/1115 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

⁴ Example of statement at Annex II, Regulation - 2023/1115 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

⁵ Article 9, Regulation - 2023/1115 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

⁶ EU Forest Observatory (europa.eu)

⁷ EU FAQ document - FAQs (1).pdf