# National Drought Network

## About the National Drought Network

The National Drought Network is an information sharing network providing attendees with timely and comprehensive information, from Australian Government and state and territory governments, on a range of topics including drought policy, programs and condition updates.

## Why establish a national Network?

We know from feedback on past drought responses that better communication and getting people the right information at the right time is crucial in preparing for, responding too and recovering from drought. We have established this network to better the flow of information to stakeholders and contribute to Australia’s capacity to withstand drought.

## Who attends meetings?

Drought is a complex issue that affects communities and industries in many ways, and the membership of the network reflects this. Representatives include those from farming organisations, agricultural industries, charities, finance, Australian Government agencies, state and territory governments, local governments, not-for-profit organisations, unions and individuals with an interest in drought related information.

New network members are always welcome.

## Why should I get involved?

We all have a role to play when it comes to sharing and improving understanding of drought information. Participation in the network will deliver government drought information to you in a format where you can ask questions and gain clarification on drought programs and policy.

## How often does the network meet?

Network meetings are held twice a year. The frequency may change dependent on drought conditions.

Meetings are held online.

## How do I join?

To opt into the network and other drought related communications please email your details to [droughtpolicy@aff.gov.au](mailto:droughtpolicy@aff.gov.au)

In doing so, you accept that your information is provided and managed as outlined in the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry’s [Privacy Policy](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/about/commitment/privacy).

**Acknowledgement of Country**

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of Australia and their continuing connection to land and sea, waters, environment and community. We pay our respects to the Traditional Custodians of the lands we live and work on, their culture, and their Elders past and present.

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