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Sent:

Wednesday, 26 September 2018 11:37 AM

To:

Dias, Brett

Subject:

FW: Invite 2018 Tedera Field Day Wednesday 24 October 2018

Attachments:

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From: Rossouw, Michelle [mailto:Michelle.Rossouw@mp.wa.gov.au]

Sent: Wednesday, 26 September 2018 11:35 AM

To: mark.sweetingham@dpird.wa.gov.au

Subject: FW: Invite 2018 Tedera Field Day Wednesday 24 October 2018

Dear Mark,

Hon Martin Aldridge would like to thank DPIRD for the invitation to the 2018 Tedera Field Day on 24 October. Martin will be unable to attend due to prior commitments in his electorate.

Martin wishes you all the best for the day.

Regards,

Michelle Rossouw

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From: Harris, Allyson L [mailto:mark.sweetingham@dpird.wa.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 25 September 2018 11:48 AM

Subject: Invite 2018 Tedera Field Day Wednesday 24 October 2018

Please find attached your invitation to the 2018 Tedera Field day to be held on Wednesday 24 October 2018 at Bidgerabbie Farm, Dandaragen.

RSVP to Brett Dias by 16 October via email brett.dias@dpird.wa.gov.au;

Kind regards

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You're invited

Tedera Field Day

Wednesday 24 October 2018



Join us for the 2018 Tedera field day & new variety release. Enjoy a mix of presentations and paddock walks. Hear the latest research information on agronomy, nutrition, animal production & visit trial sites and seed crops sown in 2015, 2017 & 2018.

Location: Bidgerabbie Farm, 1263 Rowes Road Dandaragan

Time: 9:30am - 3pm

RSVP (for catering): 16 October to brett.dias@dpird.wa.gov.au Contact Senior Research Officer Daniel Real on 0409 016 422

or daniel.real@dpird.wa.gov.au for more details.





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From:

Scott, Mark

Sent:

Friday, 16 November 2018 3:50 PM

To:

Court, Shelley

Subject:

FW: tedera invite check

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From: Thomson, Jodie <jodie.thomson@dpird.wa.gov.au>

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Cc: Bertram, Lisa lisa.bertram@agric.wa.gov.au>

Subject: tedera invite check

Mark, apologies Megan asked me to send this invite out this morning. I'm not sure whether there were any further discussions on the invite. Here is the latest version I have, that I'm keen to get out this AM. Cheers Jodie

Tedera Ministerial Launch & Field Day

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development invites you to the launch of the highly anticipated, new pasture species, Tedera, by the Minister for Agriculture and Food Alannah MacTiernan.

Date:

Wednesday, 24 October 2018

Venue:

"Bidgerabbie" farm, 1263 Rowes Road, Dandaragan

(approx. 12km from Dandaragan Rd intersection)

Time:

9.45am - formalities from 10am, day expected to conclude about 2.30pm

RSVP:

Monday, 22 October

media liaison officer megan.broad@dpird.wa.gov.au or 9363 4040

The day will include interview and photo opportunities, including field trials with the flowering pasture species.

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Event Brief

Event Name:	Tedera 1	Tedera field day and new species launch	
Location:	Bidgerabbie Farm, 1263 Rowes Road, Dandaragan		
Time and date:	1015am for 1030am opening 1015am – 1115am, 24 October 2018		
Contact on the day:	Contact for more info: Daniel Real, Senior Research Officer, daniel.real@agric.wa.gov.au, m 0409 016 422		
Audience:	50 growers and industry from surrounding regional areas (estimate)		
Dress Standard:	Field day attire (closed in shoes, hat and long shirt to protect against the sun)		
Met By Contact:	Dr Mark Sweetingham, Managing Director, Research, Development and Innovation, DPIRD, m 0419 945 443		
Speech duration:	Five minutes		
Minister introduced by:	Dr Mark Sweetingham, Managing Director, Research, Development and Innovation, DPIRD		
Order of Proceedings:	Time	Activity	
	10.15	Arrival	
	10.30	Minister's speech and unveiling of new tedera species Lanza	
	10.35	Photo opportunity with: Dr Mark Sweetingham, MD, Research, Development and Innovation, DPIRD Dr Bruce Mullan, A/ED, Business Development, I&ED, DPIRD Dr Daniel Real, Senior Research Officer and Lanza plant breeder, DPIRD David Beatty, Program Manager, MLA, and Simon Crane, National Manager, Seednet with new tedera species, Lanza	
	10.35	Hon Alannah MacTiernana MLC, Minister for Agriculture and Food, to present certificate to senior research officer and Lanza plant breeder, Dr Daniel Real	
	10.40	Field tour with Daniel Real, Mark Sweetingham and Bruce Mullan	
	11.15am	Event close	
Drop off location:	As directed at Bidgerabbie Farm, 1263 Rowes Road, Dandaragan		
Parking location:	As directed at Bidgerabbie Farm, 1263 Rowes Road, Dandaragan		
Logistics:	Microphone to be provided, curtain screen with pull rope to be provided.		
Acknowledgements:	 Hon Jim Chown MLC, Member for the Agricultural Region David Brown – Bidgerabbie Farm owner and field day host Amanda McAlpine, Program Manager – Commercialisation and Intellectual Property, Meat & Livestock Australia, and colleague David Beatty, Program Manager – Value Chain Research, Development and Adoption Mark Trewin, Region Director West, Landmark, and interstate colleague - 		

	 Sean Ho, National Director – Procurement and Proprietary Products (from Sydney) Simon Crane, National Manager, Seednet (from Bendigo) Dr Mark Sweetingham, Managing Director, Research, Development and Innovation, DPIRD Dr Daniel Real, Senior Research Officer, DPIRD 	
Other VIPs attending:	 Dr Bruce Mullan, Director, Livestock Research and Development; A/Executive Director, Business Development, Industry and Economic Development, DPIRD 	
Seating arrangements:	Seating for the Minister and Media Advisor at the front of the presentation area.	
Local Member:	Mr Shane Love MLA, Member for Moore	
Agency Staff in Attendance	 Dr Mark Sweetingham, MD, Research, Development and Innovation Dr Bruce Mullan, Director, Livestock Research and Development; A/Executive Director, Business Development, Industry and Economic Development, Dr Daniel Real, Senior Research Officer 	
Media Opportunities Photography	Photo opportunity with DPIRD photographer in the shed for the Lanza launch and in the Lanza tedera field, with:	
	Dr Mark Sweetingham, MD, Research, Development and Innovation, DPIRD Dr Bruce Mullan, A/ED, Business Development, I&ED, DPIRD Dr Daniel Real, Senior Research Officer and Lanza plant breeder, DPIRD David Beatty, Program Manager, MLA, and Simon Crane, National Manager, Seednet with new tedera species, Lanza	
Attachments Supplementary Information		



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BRIEFING NOTE FOR THE MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT; AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

ISSUES

Commercial launch of the first cultivar of the perennial forage legume tedera to be released in Australia and the world.

Background

- Tedera is a perennial forage legume which is a native traditional forage of Lanzarote, Canary Islands, Spain. It was evaluated in Australia from 2006 through the Co-operative Research Centre (CRC) for Plant Based Management of Dryland Salinity and the Future Farm Industries CRC, for both of which the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) was a foundation partner.
- These programs evaluated hundreds of perennial forage legumes, and tedera was the only species to reach commercialisation.
- Tedera grows year-round and can be utilized to fill the summer and autumn feed-gap at times of little or no green feed, across southern Australia.
- The resulting tedera cultivar is co-owned by DPIRD and Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA).
- The commercial partner for seed production and marketing of tedera is Landmark/Seednet.

Current Situation

- Commercial seed production commenced in 2017 and 40ha of seed crops at Dandaragan and Three Springs are expected to be harvested in December 2018.
- Tedera seed will be available to farmers for the 2019 growing season.

It is proposed that you formally launch the first cultivar of tedera at a joint DPIRD event with MLA and Landmark/Seednet at a spring field day at Bidgerabee Farm, Dandaragan in October 2018, where attendees can inspect 25ha tedera sown in 2018, another 25ha sown in 2017 and the initial 4ha of tedera sown in 2015.

Field day participants will get a chance to see experiments on tedera sowing methods, fertilisation, defoliation and herbicide tolerance, and hear brief presentations related to tedera on:

Breeding and agronomy – Dr Daniel Real, DPIRD

- Animal production Dr Chris Oldham, DPIRD (retired)
- Bio-economical modelling John Young (consultant)
- Seed availability Simon Crane, Landmark/Seednet

Benefits to DPIRD

- Royalty income stream
- Promotion of DPIRD's research and development capabilities, demonstrated via breeding of the first tedera variety in Australia and the world and the development of an agronomy package of the novel forage.

Benefits to livestock industry

- Tedera should provide a unique, novel feed option for farmers as it grows yearround and remains green during summer and autumn, which is consistent with the emergent interest in regenerative agriculture principles.
- Tedera can be used to fill the summer/autumn feed gap as well as strategic uses at other times of the year, such as extending the growing season into November and December.
- Tedera does not produce any ill-health concerns for grazing animals.
- Tedera has an excellent forage quality that can produce outstanding daily liveweight gains.

Sensitivities

Nil.

Recommendation/Actions

That you:

- 1. Launch the first cultivar of tedera in Australia and the world at a spring field day at Bidgerabee farm, Dandaragan.
- 2. Advise the most suitable launch date in October. Preferred date would be in the week of the 23 to 26 of October.

A response by 27 April 2018 would be appreciated to enable coordination with senior partners from eastern Australia, including MLA and Landmark/Seednet, to attend the launch.

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29/05/2018

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Attachments

Att 1 - Program - Tedera launch field day DRAFT

Att 2 – Photo – Tedera seed increase crop, 26 October 2017, Dandaragan

Contact: Mark Sweetingham, Managing Director, Research

Development and Innovation

Tel: 08 9368 3236

Mob: 0419 945 443

Tedera crop, 26 October 2017, Dandaragan



Tedera Launch Field Day

Where:

"Bidgerabbie" 1263 Rowes Road, Dandaragan (approx. 12km from Dandaragan Rd intersection)

When:

23th October 2018

Time:

9:45 am (meet at sheds)

Program:

10:00 - Minister to launch tedera new cultivar

10:30 - Presentations related to tedera on:

- Breeding and agronomy Dr Daniel Real, DPIRD
- Animal production Dr Chris Oldham, DPIRD (retired)
- Bio-economical modelling John Young (consultant)
- Seed availability Simon Crane, Landmark/Seednet

12:00 – Lunch at main sheds (courtesy of Landmark/Seednet)

13:00 - Visit to field sites

- 25ha tedera sown in 2018
- 25ha of tedera sown in 2017
- 4ha of tedera sown in 2015
- Sowing methods, fertilisation, defoliation and herbicide tolerance experiments

14:30 - Closing comments from DPIRD, MLA and Landmark

Beemurra Aboriginal Corporation

Yallalie Downs

Background

- Yallalie Downs is a 1,242ha farm in the Shire of Dandaragan, and is owned and managed by Beemurra Aboriginal Corporation (BAC).
- At the time of purchase the property was in very poor condition. It lacked farming machinery and general equipment while all fixed infrastructure (housing, fences and water infrastructure) required repair and replacement.
- DPIRD's Aboriginal Economic Development (AED) unit (formerly Aboriginal Business
 Development ex. DAFWA) has been actively involved with the BAC assisting to identify farm
 improvement opportunities since 2014.
- BAC committed to becoming a beef backgrounding business, after a range of other unsuccessful farming enterprise attempts.
- BAC were successful in their application for infrastructure funding from the ILC and private industry, leveraging over \$200,000 for new cattle yards, fences, waters, bore and over 400ha of perennial pastures.
- Yallalie Downs is now an established beef backgrounding farm, and is in the process of building up their business profile and client base.
- The business links directly into the beef supply chain, backgrounding (fattening) cattle for pastoral clients targeting a range of different markets including live export and domestic slaughter.
- BAC currently have three clients on the property backgrounding beef cattle, two Aboriginal
 pastoral stations (Yandeyarra and Ullawarra Station) and a neighbouring Dandaragan cattle
 business.
- Yallalie Downs is also trialling Tedera in a rotational grazing program with other perennial pastures.

Management and DPIRD Support

- Beemurra Aboriginal Corporation is a small family based entity with Kevin Barron and his grand-daughter, Lexi Mourinbine, managing the farming business.
- Support provided to BAC by DPIRD includes technical training in farm skills, animal husbandry, low stress stock handling, pasture management, financial management, Corporation Governance training and business planning.
- DPIRD has also facilitated field trips to other similar businesses in the region, saleyards, abattoirs and has established farmer mentors.
- BAC members have participated in Australia's longest running agri-business school, attending the 'Grazing for Profit' course facilitated by holistically integrated agribusiness consultant Terry McCosker (RCS consulting).
- The AED unit facilitated and hosted WA's first Indigenous course in 2016 and planning for another is currently underway.
- BAC have significantly improved their business management and performance and are considered highly professional in their business operations.

Infrastructure Investment

- An ILC grant in 2016 enabled BAC to invest \$139,000 in Yallalie Downs.
- This funded the purchase and installation of new cattle yards, fencing, improved livestock water systems and establishment of some perennial pastures.
- The funding allowed for seven large unmanaged paddocks to be split into fifteen smaller grazing cells (around 40ha in size) to intensify the grazing operation and increase pasture utilisation.
- 405ha of perennial grasses have been sown and established (Mainly Rhodes grass and Panic Gatton with a small section of Tedera being trialled).

Business Model

- BAC opted for business model which minimises capital investment.
- BAC manage cattle on behalf of clients and receive payment based on the weight gain performance of cattle rather than a set agistment price.
- First client cattle were received in August 2016. Since this time 1100 head cattle have been turned off Yallalie Downs Farm.
- BAC are running 312 head for pastoral and agricultural clients and are currently at 50% grazing capacity.
- DPIRD have assisted to facilitate links with Aboriginal pastoral stations in the Gascoyne and Pilbara who are now backgrounding cattle at Yallalie Downs under a commercial arrangement.
- BAC provide a critical link for WA's north-south beef supply chain.
- The Yallalie Downs farm management plan is based on holistic farm management principles learnt from training courses with RCS consultants and other Indigenous Beef Producer workshops.

Future Investment

- Yallalie Downs farm requires further investment to increase productivity of the property.
 They are actively seeking opportunities to fund the remaining paddocks be sown to perennial pastures.
- BAC are also looking for opportunities to further develop their client base and expand their business operations.

DPIRD's - Aboriginal Economic Development (AED) Unit

- AED is a new function of DPIRD established in 2018 to address Aboriginal Economic development as a key priority. It brings in the Aboriginal Business Development pastoral / farming support program (ex.DAFWA) in addition to a broader range of roles in DPIRD relating to Aboriginal initiatives, issues, policy and programs.
- The unit has 12 staff located across the State in Broome, Carnarvon, Geraldton, Perth, Albany and Esperance.
- Melissa Hartmann is Manager Aboriginal Economic Development.
- The Yallalie Downs farm initiative is existing work (ex.DAFWA) that is continuing under the AED unit.

Completed by Anthony Gray and Mark Chmielewski, 22 October 2018.