

Expression of Interest Sought:

2024-25 BIGG Communications Intern – Drought Preparedness

The Barossa Improved Grazing Group Inc (BIGG) seeks expression of interest from students of either agriculture, animal, veterinary science, agribusiness or natural resource management for the 2024-25 BIGG Communications Intern - Drought Preparedness placement. The BIGG Communications Intern will gain training, mentoring and experience by being involved with:

- Reviewing the BIGG Communications Plan with a Communications Consultant / Officer to ensure engagement of local rural producers, rural service providers, local community and youth.
- Updating the BIGG website to convey current learnings.
- Developing and running social media.
- Assisting with event design, management, collate monitoring and evaluation.
- Attend appropriate BIGG events including the BIGG Annual Conference (date TBC) and Board meetings, possibly taking minutes and action notes.
- Writing and presenting to appropriate media on productivity / financial, environmental, and human developments in drought preparedness and resilience.

The Intern will:

- Partake in the equivalent of 30 days (240 hours) of internship on a part-time basis within the specified time period and by mutual agreement to fit within studies and vacations. As part of the Student Internship Program, the intern will receive an honorarium (financial reimbursement for work undertaken).
- Gain and develop networks, skills, experience and confidence.
- Actively engage with BIGG, SA Drought Hub and other relevant projects.
- Will be workforce ready at the completion of their tenure with a significantly enhanced CV.

Internship period:

Monday, 29th July to Monday 30 June 2025.

Location:

Work from home, but site office can be arranged if preferred. Ideally can travel to the Barossa region as required.

Team:

The intern will be supported by and under the direction of the BIGG Communications Officer, with strategic supervision by the BIGG Executive Officer. The intern will be an integral part of the BIGG team also inclusive of the Technical Facilitators and BIGG Board.

Enquiries to: Alice Tilley: 0488 407 694 or alice.tilley@biggroup.org.au

Expression of Interest requirements:

- 1-2 page CV inclusive of two referees, IT and social media skills and experience.
- One page statement responding to the key criteria outlined below.
- The successful candidate must be a student member of Barossa Improved Grazing Group.
- **Due 5pm Friday 19th July 2024 to:**
Alice Tilley, Communications Officer and Project Coordinator: alice.tilley@biggroup.org.au



Key criteria:

- Provide an example of a team, committee or group you have been a part of. Indicate the role you played, and the critical success factor(s) for working in a team?
- What agricultural sectors do you have an interest, experience and/or networks in?
- What interest or experience (if so, please provide example) do you have in agricultural communications and how might this Communications Internship help you?
- List any other extra-curricular activities, groups, committees and/or tours that you've been involved in (other than that identified in Question 1), and what was your role / experience?

Background Information:

Project:

Building local human capacity to support drought preparedness across the generations and community.

This project is supported by the Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal (FRRR), through funding from the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund.

LEAD NFP (Inc.) partner: Barossa Improved Grazing Group Inc.

The Barossa Improved Grazing Group (BIGG) is a community-driven livestock and farming network established in 2012, originating from five existing local producer groups; Angaston Ag Bureau, Koonunga Ag Bureau, Mt Pleasant Beef Group, North Rhine Sheep Group and the Barossa Mid North Dairy Discussion Group.

BIGG is a trusted and valuable network that sources funding to deliver a range of technical and extension projects to support sustainable and resilient grazing landscapes, businesses and land managers. BIGG works in collaboration with a range of state and national stakeholders, industry partners, local businesses and grower groups to cultivate a measurable improvement in Barossa farming communities' practices through effective delivery of innovative and practical solutions for sustainable grazing systems.

Further information on BIGG and its projects, events and latest news can be found at www.bigggroup.org.au and Facebook: barossaimprovedgrazing

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