

Communique

The Amenity Horticulture, Landscaping, Conservation and Land Management Industry Reference Committee (AHLCLM IRC) held their second meeting for 2022 on Tuesday 6 September via video conference.

During this meeting major pieces of work were discussed and endorsed, including:

- AHC V.9 Case for Endorsement
- Agribusiness, Food and Fibre Industry Skills Report
- AHLCLM Industry Skills Report
- AHLCLM Industry Skills Summary.

AHC V.9 Case for Endorsement

The IRC was presented with the full AHC V.9 Case for Endorsement (CfE) for their consideration and approval covering the following projects as year three of the unit sector approach within the AHC Training Package:

- Part 1 – Ag & Horticulture Core Skills Project
- Part 2 – Permaculture, Composting and Organic Production Projects
- Part 3 – Pig and Poultry Farming Project
- Part 4 – Respect for Country Job Skills Project.

Industry Skills Reports and Industry Summary

Skills Impact led by the IRCs, presented the:

- Agribusiness, Food and Fibre Industry Skills Report
- AHLCLM Industry Skills Report
- AHLCLM Industry Summary.

All three documents were finalised for Chair sign-off and submission to the department.

VET Reform – Industry Clusters

Skills Impact provided an update on the VET reform process including the recent invitation extended to the organisation by the Evaluation Committee in August. Discussions are expected to continue in September/October.

Acknowledgement and thanks

Deep appreciation and acknowledgement of the voluntary work undertaken by all IRC members, their dedication and expertise were acknowledged by Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR) and Skills Impact. They acknowledged the volume of work completed by this IRC as listed:

Summary of IRC projects and key pieces of work:

- Landscaping Project
- Parks and Gardens Project
- Skills for Land Rehabilitation (Mined Land) Project

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- Ag Chemical Handling Project
- Arboriculture Project
- Carbon and Agribusiness Management Project
- Conservation and Land Management Project
- Horticulture and Nursery Project
- Green Walls and Rooftop Gardens Project
- Sports Turf Management Project
- Permaculture, Organics Production and Composting Projects
- Respect for Country Job Skills Project.

Shared AHC project work:

- Ag Machinery – Safety and Technology Project
- Animal Reproduction Project
- Crops, Pastures and Seed Project
- Dairy and Milk Harvesting Project
- Water Allocation and Entitlement Skills Project
- Ag Biosecurity and Emergency Response Project
- Equine Safety in Training Project
- Horticulture Technology Project
- Medicinal Crops Project
- Pest Management Project
- Rural Merchandising and Sales Project
- Agronomy Project
- Apiculture (Bees) Project
- Carbon and Agribusiness Management Project
- Viticulture Project.

Additional work requests via DESE / AISC work:

- Deletion of Low/Zero Enrolments
- AHC Qualifications with BSB / HLT superseded units
- Critical Skills Project
- Critical Response Project
- Green Skills Project
- Automation Project
- KPMG Digital Skills Project
- Environmental Sustainability project
- Improving VET performance – insights research.

Thanks was returned by IRC members for the secretariat work and support from Skills Impact, the CEO and team members.