



The Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP

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SUBMISSION DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR LHPA REVIEW

The Minister for Primary Industries Katrina Hodgkinson has extended the submission period for the review of the NSW Livestock Health and Pest Authority (LHPA).

Minister Hodgkinson said submissions can now be made until close-of-business on 5 November, 2011.

“There has been much interest from farmers, landholders and stakeholders across NSW about the NSW Livestock Health and Pest Authority (LHPA) model,” Katrina Hodgkinson said.

“The independent consultant leading the review, Mr Terry Ryan, has received over 200 submissions so far. He has also been asked to allow more time for submissions.”

All submissions, apart from those provided on a confidential basis, will be placed on the DPI website (www.dpi.nsw.gov.au) over the next fortnight.

“Mr Ryan and the Steering Committee want input from all interests to help develop the final report, which is due later this year.”

Minister Hodgkinson also announced a schedule of regional stakeholder meetings.

“These meetings will assist Mr Ryan in canvassing all relevant issues and potential options. I encourage landholders and other interested parties to attend a meeting.

“To provide a tighter focus to this further round of public consultation, an Options Paper, building on ideas already identified in submissions, will be released shortly by Mr Ryan. The options paper will be placed on the DPI website and sent to those who have already lodged submissions,” Katrina Hodgkinson said.

Regional Stakeholder Meetings	
24 - 28 October	Tenterfield, Tamworth, Dubbo, Forbes, Wagga Wagga and Deniliquin
31 Oct – 4 November	Lismore, Grafton, Kempsey, Singleton, Moss Vale, Yass, Cooma Bega and Orange

Details of these meetings will be advertised in local newspapers and The Land. Further details on the review are available via www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

Submissions can still be emailed or posted to Mr Ryan.

- Email: secretary@lhpareview.com.au
- Post: Secretariat, LHPA Review, PO Box 8731, Gundaroo NSW 2620