



FRDC
FISHERIES RESEARCH AND
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Strategic Opportunity 6



Collaborate across agriculture, fisheries and forestry to target shared strategic issues

FRDC is part of Agriculture Innovation Australia (AIA) which was established by Australia's 15 Rural Research and Development Corporations (RDCs) in October 2020, to facilitate joint investment and collaboration in agricultural issues of national importance.

AIA attracts investment from public, private, not-for-profit and global commercial entities to deliver priorities that are common across Australia's agriculture, fisheries and forestry sectors. These priorities include:

- Climate
- Biosecurity
- Sustainability and regenerative agriculture
- Supply chain traceability
- Natural resource management
- Energy
- Waste and circular economy
- Digital and data.

FRDC is participating in the following AIA-led initiatives and investments, including:

- The Agri-Climate Outlooks initiative, that aims to deliver enhanced seasonal weather outlook services providing relevant, interpretable products and services to support better decision making and greater resilience for farmers, fishers and foresters
- Know & Show Your Carbon Footprint, that will deliver a digital solution to enable farmers, fishers and foresters to estimate their enterprise's carbon footprint and make better informed decisions to reduce emissions and capture new opportunities
- 'Climate Atlas', a digital resource that presents seasonal and longitudinal forecasts (decadal time scale) to assist end-users' understanding of the risks and opportunities within different geographical locations and to identify climate exposed inputs that impact multiple agricultural sectors
- Delivery of a cross-RDC state of play report to better understand the holistic trends, gaps, and opportunities to accelerate Australia's response to Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) reporting.

