

National Forum
**Understanding Rural Landholder
Responses to Climate Change**

17 and 18 NOVEMBER, 2009
Charles Sturt University, Albury-Wodonga, NSW

Call for Expressions of Interest

Australian agriculture and rural communities will need to adapt to climate change. Many rural landholders are already taking some steps to minimise net losses and take advantage of opportunities for gains. There are a number of social research programs - recently completed or underway - which focus on understanding the nature and scale of adaptation responses by rural landholders, the social/psychological factors influencing the type of actions being taken (e.g. tactical/ reactive versus strategic/anticipatory), and the extent to which landholder perceptions of climate risk are shaping the way they manage their properties.

The Institute for Land, Water and Society, in partnership with Landscape Logic CERF, Future Farm Industries CRC, CSIRO and NCCARF, is convening a two day Forum to discuss and debate the current and future social and institutional issues which challenge researchers, resource managers, policy makers, and members of rural communities.

The Forum's aim is to bring together a small group (~ 40) in a social learning context - building trust and reciprocity. Selected speakers, will provide a brief overview of their research, and speak specifically about emerging issues/challenges in research methodologies, community engagement, and/or resource management and policy development and implementation.

If you would like to attend this Forum, please send an Expression of Interest (based on information on the next page)

Please note there is NO Registration Fee for attendance at this Forum. All meals, including the Forum Dinner, are provided. For more information contact Dr Maureen Rogers at marogers@csu.edu.au or phone 0407 441 523.



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If you are interested in participating in this Forum, please send us your *Expression of Interest* in the form of a 250 word abstract which details:

- your name, position/organisation
- specific interest in this area
- key focus of your research or management/policy initiative(s)
- what you see as the key challenges and opportunities in this area

All EIOs must be received by 10 October, 2009.

Please send to Dr Maureen Rogers at marogers@csu.edu.au.



Accommodation options in Albury include:

Quality Hotel on Olive, 579 Olive Street, Albury Ph: 02 6021 6100

Chifley Albury, cnr Dean and Elizabeth Streets, Albury Ph: 02 6021 5366

Quest Albury, 550 Kiewa Street, Albury Ph: 02 6058 0900