# KANGAROO PARTNERSHIP PROJECT



## Project aim

- Optimising Kangaroo management in South Australia, a partnership approach for improving landscape and economic resilience.
- Achieved through a collaborative model that respects animal welfare, cultural, conservation, environmental, economic and social values.
- Connecting the community and partners to information and the 'state of play' in kangaroo management in South Australia.

#### **Outcomes**

- Formal partnership model equipped to operate long term.
- Delivery of on-ground trials and research.
- Engage champions for education and awareness raising around kangaroo management issues.
- Increased 'social licence' for land managers and industry to operate ethically.
- Development of networks and partnerships that explore learning from other states and jurisdictions, collate and disseminate scientific data and evidence-based models of success.

#### WHAT WE'VE HEARD FROM YOU SO FAR...

#### Themes and Focus Areas

#### 1. Animal welfare

- All kangaroos should be lawfully and humanely managed.
- Support for compliance and accountability around kangaroos taken under Destruction Permits

#### 2. Economic development and livelihoods

- Increase the demand for and export of high value kangaroo products, generating incentives for harvesters and processors.
- Support access to entry level industry participation to grow the workforce and improve the appeal of the industry.

### 3. Environmental conservation, landscape management and sustainability

 Kangaroo population numbers are managed to a sustainable level that achieves biodiversity, kangaroo conservation, maintains the health of the ecosystem, and relinquishes competition for resources.

#### 4. Improving social licence (community understanding and acceptance)

- Seek opportunities to grow public consensus around kangaroos being managed for the
  welfare of the species and the sustainability of the environment, with professional field
  harvesting as the most ethical method of doing so.
- Consumption and use of kangaroo products is more widely accepted and embraced.

#### 5. Moving forward together, engagement and alignment

- Establish a self-sustaining SA Kangaroo Partnership consisting of whole-of-sector representation that addresses key issues and advocates for management improvements.
- Support the formation of a national kangaroo management partnership to advocate and lead on issues at a Federal level.

While not exhaustive, this list reflects broad priorities identified by workshop stakeholders.

## Opportunities for the Partnership

- Explore barriers and opportunities to support kangaroo field processor industry growth and development.
- Work collaboratively to support product demand i.e. education, marketing and awareness raising.
- Work with regulators to inform harvest issues and opportunities for improvement.
- Integrate cultural values and participation opportunities for First Nations in all activities of the project.
- Engage land managers further in integrated solutions and opportunities.
- Undertake and facilitate on-ground trials and projects that demonstrate environmental and economic risks, benefits and opportunities.
- Support access to information across all kangaroo management associated issues.

This captures a synopsis of recurring themes from key stakeholder input.

## How you can choose to be involved

1.

**BEING INVOLVED:** Co-design and implementation of strategy and planning. Participate in activities led by the partnership, or an independent partnership, co-design activities/projects, attend workshops/meetings 2-4 times per year. **YOU GET:** On-ground trial involvement, project key milestone reports, regular engagement with the Project Steering Group, meeting and event invites **YOU GIVE:** Expertise, time, resources or funding, technical skills and networks

2.

**STAYING IN THE CONVERSATION**: Engage in two-way communications. Be available for running concepts and ideas past, learn from examples (eg: brainstrust, meeting 2-4 times across the year).

**YOU GET:** Project key milestone reports, regular contact from Project Coordinator, meeting and event invites.

**YOU GIVE:** Time, expertise, feedback and input into decisions as a partner.

3.

**BEING KEPT IN THE LOOP:** Receive information from the partnership.

**YOU GET:** Quarterly e-newsletter with project updates, event invites, access to information and assistance.

**YOU GIVE:** Contact information and share project information with your wider networks.

# The way we'd like to operate

- Bringing an open-mind to identify the **common ground** to achieve project outcomes.
- Accountability to your chosen engagement level, transparency with what you can bring to the project and what you want from it.
- Respecting the views of others.

This fact sheet captures a synopsis of key stakeholder input from the Kangaroo Partnership Project Stakeholder Workshop which took place on April 6th 2022. For further information contact: Cassia Paragnani



