## Media Release



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## STEP FORWARD ON UPCOMING CAMPING REGULATIONS

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) is pleased the Victorian Government has announced camping will only take place on suitable sites ahead of the impending camping regulations, but says the detail of the rules must be revealed.

VFF President Emma Germano said the announcement represents a positive step forward, but farmers are in the dark until further information is released ahead of the implementation of the regulations on 1 September, 2021.

"Ensuring camping is only permitted on appropriate sites and agricultural impacts are considered is a step in the right direction and recognises the potential impact of this change on agriculture."

"It's pleasing to see the enormous efforts and hard work of not only farmers, but all impacted stakeholders is beginning to pay off."

"Now we need to see the detail on the actual rules before they begin in a matter of weeks. We can't understand and implement what we don't know," Ms Germano said.

Ms Germano said attention would also turn to ensuring impacted stakeholders are consulted throughout the next steps.

"It's critical license holders are consulted and kept informed as part of the site assessments."

"We look forward to working with the Victorian Government to ensure the agricultural impacts are appropriately considered at each and every one of these sites," Ms Germano said.

The VFF would like to thank our members and other members of the community for voicing their concerns and continued support to ensure a fair outcome for Victorian farmers and the environment.

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