

Media release

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Murray Irrigation - board nominations open

Murray Irrigation's blueprint for reform was given a boost this week with the unearthing of a talent bank of potential candidates and future leaders who may seek to fill two shareholder director vacancies on the company's Board of Directors.

The potential candidates came to light following a highly successful two-day rural leadership information workshop held in Deniliquin on Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 March.

The director vacancies arise as part of the company's transition from an interim to new board structure.

When elected, the successful candidates will serve a two-year term through to the conclusion of the 2019 Annual General Meeting.

The leadership workshop and shareholder engagement process have been supported by Southern Riverina Irrigators and its landholder association membership.

Candidate nominations must be lodged by 5.00pm Friday 13 April, with voting to commence in late April.

Chairman Phil Snowden said the interim board is delighted with the calibre of candidates who have indicated an interest thus far.

"The information workshop has prompted interest from an encouraging cross section of the footprint, including some very impressive young men and women," Mr Snowden said.

The workshop focussed on the requirements of being a director and described the qualities and attributes sought of leaders in the community.

"The event has been an investment in both the company and the region's future and we received enthusiastic support from those who attended," Mr Snowden said.

"It's about investing in the future leadership potential within our rural communities.

"Many will make ideal future candidates if they choose to stand for the board."

Southern Riverina Irrigators Acting Executive Officer Perin Davey, who attended Tuesday's session, encouraged potential candidates to stand for the board.

"Don't let the fear of losing put you off nominating as a director," Ms Davey said.

"If you're not successful on the day, at least you are better prepared for another opportunity."

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Director nominations – key information

Written nominations must be lodged with Murray Irrigation's Returning Officer by 5.00pm Friday 13 April 2018. Nominations received after this deadline will not be considered. If more than two nominations are received, an election via postal ballot will be held. Eligible nominees must be either shareholders of Murray Irrigation or an authorised representative of a company which is a shareholder of Murray Irrigation.

To assist potential candidates, Murray Irrigation has prepared an Information Pack that gives an overview of the responsibilities and duties of a director, a description of the company's operations and candidate criteria. Nomination forms are also included in the Information Pack.

To obtain a pack, or for more information, contact:

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