Southern Gulf NRM

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Southern Gulf NRM Board Welcomes New Directors

Megan Munchenberg, Chair of Southern Gulf NRM, is happy to announce the appointment of three directors to the Southern Gulf NRM Board. Welcoming Sarah Docherty, Jane McMillan, and Roger Hill to the Southern Gulf NRM Board marks an exciting chapter for the organisation. On behalf of the Board, Megan wishes to extend her gratitude and appreciation to the three outgoing Directors, Shane McCarthy, Natalie Hughes, and June Kuhl, for their significant contributions, and their dedicated service on the SGNRM Board. Wishing them all the best for their future endeavours.

Sarah, based in Mount Isa, is deeply committed to the sustainable growth and development of Northern Australia, and enhancing outcomes for regional, rural, and remote communities. As Chief Executive – Operations at the CRC for Developing Northern Australia, she oversees a diverse portfolio of research projects spanning Agriculture, Health Service Delivery, activating the First Nations estate and de-risking investment in Northern Australia. Sarah brings expertise in grant management, program design, stakeholder engagement, and governance. Holding a Bachelor's in Education, a Graduate Diploma of Business Administration, and certification from the AICD Company Director's Course, she is well-equipped to drive impactful outcomes in her role.

Jane, along with her husband, operates a large-scale "Grass Feed Cattle" venture spanning the Northwest Region of Queensland and the Northern Territory. With a background in private business, operations, finance, and planning, she understands the criticality of fostering robust, sustainable regions. Having represented her community in local governance and private enterprise, Jane brings a wealth of experience to the table. Jane's passion for Northwest Queensland is evident in her dedication to contributing to its sustainability. She eagerly supports the preservation of the natural environment and resources, ensuring their availability for future generations. Moreover, she champions the success of industries reliant on these resources, underscoring her commitment to the region's prosperity.

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Roger brings prior experience as an SGNRM Director. Having previously served on the Board, he enjoys governance and strategic planning involved in the boardroom. Roger and his family have deep-rooted connections to Australian agriculture and rangelands, extending from Charters Towers in North Queensland to the mountainous terrain near Corryong in the Upper Murray River district of Victoria. With experience gained from his youth spent working on stations across northern and Western Australia, he's a fervent advocate for the holistic relationship between agriculture and the natural landscape. The Southern Gulf region holds significant importance in Roger's business endeavours, where he and his business partner have recently launched Preston Rowe Paterson Regional North Queensland, specialising in regional property valuation and advisory services. Previously, he dedicated two decades to serving the region as a Director of Herron Todd White.

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Southern Gulf is the Natural Resource Management organisation for the Southern Gulf region of north west Queensland. We work with the community to deliver projects that improve and protect our region's natural resources and to maintain the prosperity of industries that rely on these. The Southern Gulf water catchment region includes all the land whose creeks and rivers run into the southern Gulf of Carpentaria. This encompasses an area of 215,000km square^2.