

MEDIA RELEASE

GIWA calls for nominations for Wheat, Barley, Oat, Pulse and Oilseed Councils

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The Grain Industry Association of Western Australia (GIWA) have announced that nominations are now open for individuals from all sectors of the grains supply chain to become a member of one of GIWA's five commodity Councils.

GIWA's role is to facilitate communication, information exchange, capacity building and grain supply chain solutions and GIWA does this through its' staff, its' Board and its' five commodity Councils:

- Barley Council
- Oat Council
- Oilseeds Council
- Pulse Council
- Wheat Council

Membership of GIWA's commodity Councils includes growers, researchers, plant breeders, seed producers, agronomists, farm business advisors, input service providers, domestic feed and food grain processors, bulk and container logistics service providers, and the trade.

Each Council typically meets 2-3 times per year to address grain industry issues in a pre-competitive, collaborative manner.

This sometimes see some tough conversations had around the table, and while not everybody always agrees on every issue, the role of each Council is to provide a voice for all sectors of the supply chain for that commodity, to identify and pursue opportunities, and to air and resolve contentious industry issues.

To ensure that there are regular opportunities for those in the grain industry to join the five GIWA Commodity Councils, 1/3 of the positions on each Council come up for renewal each year.

Each Council also annually elects a representative from that Council to be appointed to the GIWA Board.

Nominations close on Monday 12th September and details can be found at <u>www.giwa.org.au</u> or by calling GIWA.

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