

# SEAWEED FARMING COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION & RESEARCH WORKSHOP



Seaweed aquaculture in Australia is a promising industry with a wide range of potential uses such as food, animal feed, biofuels, and fertilisers.



Seaweed can be grown with minimal environmental impact and in fact can have many positive environmental benefits.



Seaweed ocean farms require no addition of feed, freshwater or fertiliser with no waste from marine plants, making it one of the most sustainable forms of agriculture on the planet.

**The Blue Economy CRC and the University of Wollongong are working alongside aquaculture businesses to conduct baseline social, economic and cultural research to explore the benefits and impacts of seaweed farming for local communities on the south coast of NSW.**

We are interested in talking to residents/homeowners, ocean users (including fishers, surfers, boaters, swimmers, divers etc), business owners, tourism, commercial fishers, and members of the broader community. We would like to hear from you about how you feel about the development of this industry in the Eden area.

The events aim to begin ongoing conversations with the community around the potential development of kelp farms in the region. These farms will require will require formal public consultation as well as social and environmental impact assessments in the future.

These events combine information sessions (hosted by industry) with research activities (hosted by UOW). These two activities are being held in conjunction with each other, so that the UOW team can observe and record the experiences of both industry and the community and capture live sentiment to help inform the development of a region wide report.

The research is independent from industry. It is funded by the NSW Government and has not received any funding from AusKelp or any other industry group or company.

## EDEN INFORMATION SESSION AND RESEARCH WORKSHOP

IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSKELP

**September 14, 4:30pm-7pm**

Eden RSL Memorial Hall  
84A Bass St, Eden NSW  
Light refreshments provided



REGISTER

## WONBOYN DROP-IN SESSION

IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSKELP

**September 15, 10am-2pm**

Wonboyn RFB Station  
Gleeson Rd Wonboyn NSW  
Light refreshments provided

*Registration required for Eden event only,  
no registration required for drop-in session*

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