

**MEDIA RELEASE** 

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## Lee Jacobsen reappointed as Chair RDA Goldfields Esperance

Regional Development Australia (RDA) Goldfields Esperance chairperson Mrs Lee Jacobsen has been reappointed for a further four and a half years to 30 June 2025.

In announcing new appointments across most states including Western Australia, the Hon Nola Marino MP, Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Territories said "I am pleased to announce the reappointment of Mrs Lee Jacobsen to 30 June 2025.

Lee has provided strong leadership for RDA Goldfields Esperance during her time as Chair, having successfully steered the committee through the challenges of 2020 and, along with the members and staff, provided great support for the region's business community and future economic development.

Lee will lead RDA Goldfields Esperance under a refreshed Charter that focuses their role on driving investment and local procurement opportunities and through this, creating jobs and economic growth for our regions.

I look forward to working with Lee and the RDA Goldfields Esperance members and staff over the coming years and encourage the community to reach out to their RDA to discuss how it can help business succeed."

RDA Goldfields Esperance is one of 52 committees representing regional areas across Australia. RDA Committees play an important role in building strong, confident and vibrant regions. The focus of RDA Committees is to work with all levels of government, business and community groups to create jobs, attract investment and stimulate economic growth in their regions. RDAs also provide the Australian government valuable regional intelligence to inform policy development and implementation.

Mrs Jacobsen has lived in the Goldfields Esperance region for over 20 years, owning and operating a number of small businesses. Mrs Jacobsen has also served as a member of the local Chamber of Commerce and Industry Committee with three years as the President and two years as the Vice President.

Mrs Jacobsen was first appointed as Chairperson for RDA Goldfields Esperance in 2018.

In accepting the position, Mrs Jacobsen said "I am pleased to be able to continue on as Chair to see the many initiatives we have begun working on through to completion, and to continue collaborating with our state & local counterparts to keep growing and advocating for our region. "

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