

## **Australian Rural Leadership Foundation – TRAIL Emerging Leaders**

TRAIL is a cross-sector, challenge-based 7-day leadership program for Australia's emerging rural leaders. TRAIL helps participants develop a strong platform of skills, attributes, and knowledge, enabling emerging leaders to engage more effectively in their organisations, communities and industries.

The next available intake for interested Melon industry participants will be late 2024/early 2025, so please register your interest with us ASAP.

Gain an understanding of the fundamental practices for collaborative and adaptive leadership through the TRAIL Emerging Leaders program. It's an experiential and challenge-based approach to learning that helps you, the future leaders in these communities, become aware of your own personal behaviours and learn how to engage effectively in your workplace, community, and industry.

You'll embark on a challenging outdoor experience, and back inside, you'll tackle numerous workshops and panel sessions. This program is suited to diverse people from all kinds of different occupations, communities and backgrounds.

### **How we take you from emerging to change maker in 7 days**

You and your network of peers will explore strategies that allow you to address complex situations.

- You'll undertake a psychometric assessment, increasing not only your understanding of yourself but others too.
- Deconstruct and unpack complex situations and assumptions. You'll learn to do this through exposure to topical issues in rural, regional, and remote Australia.
- Learn how to reflect and how to use reflection as an essential tool in effective leadership.
- Build and foster lifelong peer networks for future collaborations and support.
- Gain an understanding of how your behaviour and the behaviour of others around you can impact your relationships with others.
- Explore a range of areas relevant to leadership, including ethics, values, social responsibility, negotiation, communication, and critical thinking.

More information: <https://rural-leaders.org.au/national-leadership-programs/trail-emerging-leaders/>

**Funding Available:** For information on how to register or create a nomination, contact Joanna Embry at Melons Australia. For levy paying growers the cost is largely supported by the Melon levy aside from a small nominal fee of \$400 total to pay plus transport and accommodation costs. If you are a non levy paying member of the industry, as long as you have support from industry the cost will be 50% of the advertised price plus transport and accommodation costs.