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# **Inquiry into animal rights activism to conduct hearings in Warrnambool and Horsham**

On 17 and 18 September 2019 farmers and agriculture industry groups will be presenting at public hearings in Warrnambool and Horsham for the parliamentary inquiry into the impact of animal rights activism on Victorian agriculture.

The Legislative Council's Economy and Infrastructure Committee is investigating the effectiveness of legislation and other measures to prevent and deter activities by unauthorised persons on agricultural and associated industries. This includes an examination of the type and prevalence of unauthorised activity on Victorian farms and related industries and looking at ways of improving animal welfare outcomes.

The Warrnambool hearing will be on Tuesday 17 September at the Lighthouse Theatre commencing at 10:00 am. The Horsham hearing will be on Wednesday 18 September at Horsham International Hotel commencing at 10:00 am. Members of the public and media are welcome to attend.

The public hearings in Warrnambool and Horsham are part of a series of hearings for the inquiry, which has received more than 490 submissions. Hearings have been conducted in Bairnsdale, Warragul and Melbourne. Additional hearings are scheduled for Wangaratta in October.

The schedule for the hearings and submissions received are available from the [Committee's website](#).

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