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## State Planning Commission launches review into South Australia's valued food and wine regions

The State Planning Commission is undertaking a statutory review into the Environment and Food Production Area (EFPA) which were established in 2017 as part of South Australia's new planning system.

The EFPA was introduced by Parliament to help protect our prime food and wine regions from urban encroachment by supporting sustainable growth in Greater Adelaide's existing urban footprint where supporting infrastructure already exists.

New Commission Chair, Helen Dyer, said "The EFPA is designed to protect our food producing areas, rural landscapes and environmental resources, by restricting urban encroachment whilst seeking to allow EFPA appropriate activities such as cellar doors, providers and tourism."

Ms Dyer added, "The Commission's review will focus on the statutory tests including consideration of the suitability and adequacy of supply of land to support urban renewal and consolidation within Greater Adelaide, followed by a review of the EFPA boundaries."

The EFPA review is planned to be delivered via a staged program from April to September 2021 with Stage 1 of the review involving an internal analysis of Greater Adelaide's 15-year land supply and Stage 2 providing opportunities for external stakeholder and community engagement. Stage 2 will include a submissions period and public hearing expected for mid-2021. On completion, the Commission will deliver its 'Findings Report'.

Local Government Areas currently covered by the EFPAs include the Adelaide Hills, Adelaide Plains, Alexandrina, Burnside, Campbelltown, Light Regional, Mitcham, Mid-Murray, Mount Barker, Murray Bridge, Playford, Salisbury, Tea Tree Gully, Victor Harbor and Yankalilla. Barossa and Onkaparinga are covered by the Character Preservation Districts.

The outcomes of the Character Preservation Districts Review, completed in 2018, will be an important input into the EFPA review.

"The Commission looks forward to working with stakeholders and the community in carrying out this statutory review," Ms Dyer said.

The EFPA is required to undergo statutory review every 5 years under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* with the first review due to be completed by 2022.

Visit PlanSA to find out more about the [EFPA](#).

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