



## SCIG brings focus on Soil Carbon to Canberra

**DATE: 17 October 2023:** The businesses leading the development of Soil Carbon as a climate solution were Canberra-bound this week to meet with key decision makers.

The Soil Carbon Industry Group (SCIG) held its Annual General Meeting in Canberra on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 10:30am in the Kurrajong Hotel, Barton.

With soil carbon the largest pool of carbon within human control, SCIG is leading in facilitating rapid drawdown of atmospheric carbon into soil, to deliver soil security and a safe climate. Innovation with skilled land managers is critical to success. The Australian team for action with soil carbon is well placed to support this innovation and ensure that soil carbon makes a material contribution to meeting Paris climate targets.

SCIG Members joined a meeting of the Parliamentary Friends for Climate Action on Tuesday morning in Parliament House. Meetings with The Clean Energy Regulator and Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water will also focus on accelerating participation in soil carbon projects.

Soil Carbon Industry Group Member companies include:

- Carbon Farmers of Australia
- AgriProve
- Carbon Count
- CarbonLink
- AgriMix
- Regenerative Australian Farmers
- Carbon Neutral
- FarmLab
- Southpole
- HRL
- RLF Agtech
- Precision Pastures
- Carbon Friendly
- Carbon Sync
- Hone Carbon
- LawrieCo
- Davies Way
- Atlas Carbon
- Loam Bio



### **Key recent developments for the soil carbon industry**

- This year saw the first issuance of Australian Carbon Credit Units under the 2021 Soil Carbon Method.
- SCIG member CarbonLink has three projects that received 245,978 ACCUs.
- SCIG member AgriProve also had three projects issued with 7,031 ACCUs (taking its total to 8,935 ACCUs).

### **Quotes attributable to Soil Carbon Industry Group Co-Chairs Louisa Kiely and Matthew Warnken**

“Today, our industry is at a point of inflection as we move from discussing the potential of soil as a carbon removal technology, to projects delivering measured and verified sequestration results.”

Matthew Warnken

“Policy needs the skills and expertise of SCIG and our members to get the settings right to accelerate action. We must anticipate where we need to be as an organisation to represent soil as a scalable carbon removal technology.”

Matthew Warnken

“It is worth reminding ourselves – that the ‘effective carbon crediting policy environment’ that we enjoy has been earned through the dedication in both time, effort, and funding from many including SCIG members, the regulator and policy professionals. Beginning in 2005 – 2007.”

Louisa Kiely

“It builds industry confidence to have a government committed to action. I thank Bridget Archer MP, Josh Burns MP and Zali Steggall MP for the opportunity to join the Parliamentary Friends of Climate Action event.”

Louisa Kiely

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