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What is the SIF and CIF?

State-based funds that enable the South Australian sheep and cattle industries to drive real outcomes through targeted investment and collaboration.

Contributions are compulsorily collected at a rate of \$0.55 per head on sheep transactions for the SA Sheep Industry Fund (SIF), and \$1.50 per permanent identification device (NLIS tag) for the SA Cattle Industry Fund (CIF).

The funds support projects and activities that include animal health, traceability, predator control, workforce, market access, sustainable production, advocacy and regulatory defence.

What do these investments deliver?

- Significant returns on animal health, predator control and traceability projects, and on advocacy and industry development activities.
- Leveraged investment into our livestock industry from other funding sources – an additional \$10 million in 2025–26 into beneficial projects and activities.

Why is there a review?

It is a requirement of the legislation that the regulations be remade on 1 September 2026.

Why change anything?

- Rates for both funds have not changed since 2016–17.
- Dog Fence contribution (\$0.12) ended June 2025 removing a further revenue stream in SIF.
- Funding demand now exceeds revenue by 2–3 times.
- Costs for vital industry programs such as compliance, animal health, predator control, and market access are rising.
- Independent analysis confirms strong returns from past investments but warns of structural underfunding without reform.

What's proposed?

Sheep (SIF)

- Staged increase to \$0.75 per head (from \$0.55 per head) by 2028.
- Trigger price for collection lifted from \$5 to \$10 per head.

Cattle (CIF)

- Shift from tag to transaction contribution.
- Rate remains at \$1.50, with the rate reviewed in 2028.

What stays the same?

- Annual Ministerial expenditure approval and reporting to Parliament.
- Independent annual auditing and right of refund (and loss of all benefits from the funds).
- Industry control of investment priorities.

SA SHEEP AND CATTLE INDUSTRY FUNDS REGULATIONS REVIEW



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Consultation

- February – March 2026 through regional meetings + online sessions
- Vote on proposed changes – April 2026
- Feedback directly shapes proposal to government – May 2026.

For more information and to register for a consultation session, visit:
<https://www.livestocksa.com.au/about-livestock-sa/pifs-review-2026>