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Australian Prudential Regulation Authority
Via email: statistics@apra.gov.au

Re: Discussion Paper – Agricultural lending data collection

The National Farmers' Federation (NFF) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission to the *Agricultural lending data collection* discussion paper. The NFF is the peak national body representing farmers and, more broadly, agriculture across Australia. Operating under a federated structure, individual farmers join their respective state farm organisation and/or national commodity council. These organisations form the NFF.

The NFF supports the concept put forward in the discussion paper and considers the proposed collection and collation of agricultural lending data (ALD) to be very useful for the agricultural sector. To promote the ALD collection to key stakeholders, the NFF would like to invite APRA to present on the proposed data collection as well as on the reporting coverage, frequency and timing of the ALD collection at a NFF Committee meeting in the coming months.

The NFF looks forward to future engagement with APRA. Please contact us for further information and for arranging a time to present on the ALD collection

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Harvey-Sutton".

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