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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **WFA signs up to Greenhouse Challenge Plus**

The Winemakers' Federation of Australia (WFA) is delighted to announce that it has signed an Agreement with the Australian Greenhouse Office to become Facilitative Members of the Australian Government's Greenhouse Challenge Plus programme.

The Agreement positions the WFA as an advocate for emissions reduction and climate change adaptation within the wine industry and forms a conduit of information between the Australian Greenhouse Office and the wine sector.

"The Federation's role in the development of the Greenhouse Gas Accounting Protocol for the International Wine Industry is one example of how we can support the industry in emissions reduction activities," commented WFA National NRM Coordinator Amy Russell. "Through the Wine Industry National Environment Committee (WINEC), the Federation will continue to advocate the allocation of targeted research and development resources towards climate change measurement, understanding of regional effects and adaptive strategies."



Under the Agreement, the WFA has committed to provide up-to-date information and advice to WFA members about the greenhouse effect, and national and international responses, and work with Greenhouse Challenge Plus to identify relevant best practice and viable actions for the industry.

The WFA will also provide feedback to Greenhouse Challenge Plus on the impact of Australian Government greenhouse policies on the wine sector.

The WFA has registered a public commitment statement, which is available through our website at: [www.wfa.org.au/environment\\_5.htm](http://www.wfa.org.au/environment_5.htm)

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