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**“Livestock Production in the Rangelands”**

#### Thursday 12 May, 2016

#### 8.30 am - 2.00 pm

**Shear Outback Shearing Shed, Hay**

**PROGRAM AND SPEAKERS**

8.30 am Registration, tea and coffee

9.00am Welcome

9.10 am ***Producing rams in the rangelands***

**Stephen and Carol Huggins**, Woodpark Poll Merino Stud, Hay

9.40 am ***Wether production – sell as stores or value add?***

**Geoff Duddy**, Sheepsolutions, Yanco. Plus an overview of the RamSelect workshop and Life Time Ewe Management course and opportunity to view Woodpark Poll rams in preparation for a RamSelect workshop to be held following day

10.30 am ***Benefits of selecting rams on genetic merit***

**Murray Long**, Clearview consultancy, Wagga Wagga

11.00 am MORNING TEA

11.20 am ***Managing for climate variation impacts and adaptation, the practical steps***

**Greg Curran**, private veterinarian, Broken Hill

11.50 am ***Rangeland goat meat industry – it has gone boom – why?***

**Rick Gates**, local producer and owner of Gates Goats and President of the Goat Industry Council of Australia

12.20 pm **Wool industry update**Stephen Feighan, Country Manager, Australia and New Zealand, Aust Wool Innovation

* 1. pm Summing up and question time

1 - 2 pm LUNCH

**BBQ lunch provided by the NSW DPI Rural Resilience Program. During lunch there will be an opportunity to interact with the speakers and visiting final year students from the University of Sydney and Charles Sturt University.**

**RSVP: Friday 9 May to assist with catering**

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