**VRAN Application Form**

Leadership in Rabbit Control Course

Date: 18 -20 April 2021

Course Location: Wangaratta, Victoria

**How do I apply?**

Three easy steps:

**Step 1:** Complete this Application Form.

**Step 2:** Submit Application Form to the course coordinator Heidi Kleinert Heidi.kleinert@agriculture.vic.gov.au by **Friday 5th March 2021, 5:00 pm AEDST.**

**Step 3:** Your application is assessed, and you are notified of the outcome.

**About the program**

The time commitment for the VRAN Leadership in Rabbit Control course is 2.5 days.

Arrive: Sunday 18 April 2021.

Depart: Tuesday 20 April 2021 after the course concludes or you can choose to stay an additional night.

To continue your development after the course, you will be invited to attend 2-4 learning network sessions per year. These sessions will consist of a combination of meetings and field trips and are often held during business hours, so if you are employed you will be required to seek your employer’s support.

**About the application process**

Please respond to the application questions, while demonstrating your skills and experience against the key selection criteria below.

A VRAN selection panel will assess your application before talking with your referees and will then notify you of the outcome of your application by **17th March 2021.**

**Key selection criteria**

* **Collaboration:** You help others, share ideas and provide constructive feedback that is inclusive of all contributions, and have good effective community networks.
* **Strong interest in rabbit / natural resource management:** You are involved with a community-based program or agency program, or considering developing one, with an interest in integrated rabbit management across the landscape.
* **Communication:** You have good communication skills and can engage and connect well with people.
* **Capacity:** You have ability to grasp new concepts around technical approaches to rabbit management and the capacity to apply this flexibly to achieve effective outcomes.
* **Commitment:** You are prepared to participate in an ongoing learning program.

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**Your details**

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| Name: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Phone: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Community / Group / Organisation:  |  |

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| **Please answer the below questions with reference to the Key Selection Criteria:**1. Please outline in a few paragraphs your motivations for undertaking the Leadership in Rabbit Control program.
2. Please outline in a few paragraphs how you are involved in a community or agency-based natural resource or rabbit management program (or considering developing one).
3. Please give a brief outline of how and why rabbits are a problem in your community or landscape, and the extent to which rabbits are a problem.
4. VRAN aims to build expertise in Victoria. If you are successful in application, please explain how you will share your new knowledge with others in your community or workplace.
5. VRAN will invite you to participant in a Communities of Practice called the ‘VRAN Learning Network’. This will be a commitment of 2-3 meetings a year, via zoom and/or face to face. The learning network group have the opportunity to design the agenda and host the sessions. Is the Learning Network something of interested to you? Do you have capacity (in your work/life balance) to attend meetings across various locations in the state?
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1. Please provide the contact details for two referees to support your application.

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|  | **Referee 1** | **Referee 2** |
| **Name** |  |  |
| **Organisation** |  |  |
| **Phone** |  |  |
| **Email** |  |  |
| **Relationship to applicant** |  |  |

1. How did you find out about the course?

[ ]  Former participant

[ ]  Manager / colleague

[ ]  VRAN website

[ ]  Newsletter – which one: ………………………..

[ ]  Other, please specify: …………………………..

**More information**

If you have any further questions regarding the Leadership in Rabbit Control Course, or how to complete the Application Form, please contact the course coordinator Heidi Kleinert: Heidi.kleinert@agriculture.vic.gov.au or 0472 877 472.