

# Media Release



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## Farmers and regional Victorians miss out on election promises

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) has revealed its State Election Scorecard rating the promises made by the major parties ahead of this weekend's election.

The VFF's Election Scorecard scores the promises made by Labor and the Coalition according to the commitments that the VFF sought as part of its '*Fair Go for Regional Vic*' campaign.

VFF President Emma Germano said she was disappointed there have not been more commitments put forward by the major parties.

"Our mission has been to draw attention to the challenges and opportunities that our communities face on a daily basis and secure election commitments from all candidates and parties to address these issues."

"Whilst both major parties have made significant commitments to regional health, there's little in the way of significant funding and reform to other rural issues like roads, local government funding and farm biosecurity."

Ms Germano singled out road maintenance and repair as a critical issue that was not being addressed by the Labor Party in particular.

"Labor has committed no funds to invest in regional road maintenance and repair. Last week I wrote to Premier Daniel Andrews calling on him to show that Labor are in touch with country communities by promising long-term funding certainty."

"Every pothole regional Victorians drive over on their way to the polling booths will be a reminder of just how neglected our roads are."

"With less than a week to election day, there is still time for both sides of politics to offer more."

Ms Germano said farmers should think about what is on offer to them before they vote.

"I encourage all regional Victorians to check out the VFF's scorecard to see how the Government and Opposition compare."

The Election Scorecard is available to download by clicking [here](#).

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