

## NORTH QUEENSLAND LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY RECOVERY AGENCY

### INFORMATION FOR INDIVIDUALS, FARMS AND COMMUNITIES

#### IMMEDIATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

You may be eligible for a range of one-off payments and grants to assist with immediate recovery efforts. All claims will be assessed on an individual basis and are not dependent on the circumstances of others – they are designed to support everyone to get back on their feet.

**Restocking and Replanting Grant and On-Farm Infrastructure Grant:** Eligible Primary Producers can apply for up to \$400,000 seed funding to assist with restocking, replanting and replacement of on-farm infrastructure damaged by flooding. The grant will need to be matched by a 50 per cent co-contribution. The Australian Government is working with the Queensland Government on delivering the grants to primary producers. Further information on how to apply will be available soon.

**Special Disaster Recovery Grants (Primary Producers):** Up to \$75,000 to assist Category C and D primary producers with a range of clean-up and reinstatement activities. **Apply by 11 August.**

Phone **1800 623 946** or visit: <http://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/entity/primary-producer/special-disaster-assistance-primary-producer>.

**Special Disaster Recovery Grants (Small Businesses and Not-For-Profits):** Up to \$50,000 to assist small businesses and not-for-profit organisations with a range of clean-up and reinstatement activities.

Phone **1800 623 946** visit: <http://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/current-programs/Disaster-recovery/special-disaster-assistance/special-disaster-assistance-small-business>

**Disaster Recovery Payment:** One-off payment of \$1000 per adult and \$400 per child. **Apply by 30 August.**

Phone **180 22 66** or visit: <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/far-north-queensland-floods-february-2019-australian-government-disaster-recovery-payment>

**Disaster Recovery Allowance:** Short term payment (maximum 13 weeks) for lost income. **Apply by 30 August.**

Phone **180 22 66** or visit: <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/far-north-queensland-floods-february-2019-disaster-recovery-allowance>

**Ex-gratia Disaster Recovery Payment and Recovery Allowance:** Available to New Zealand non-protected Special Category visa holders (sub-class 444).

Phone **180 22 66** or visit: <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/far-north-queensland-floods-february-2019>

#### INFRASTRUCTURE

**BlazeAid:** Volunteers can help rebuild fences and other structures which have been damaged or destroyed.

**Richmond (John Lillico)** – Phone **0484 145 732** or email [richmond.blazeaid@gmail.com](mailto:richmond.blazeaid@gmail.com)

**Cloncurry (Christine & John Male)** – Phone **0418 745 994** or email [blazeaid.cloncurry@gmail.com](mailto:blazeaid.cloncurry@gmail.com)

**Julia Creek (Christine & Brian Carr)** – Phone **0428 984 117** or email [juliacreek.blazeaid@gmail.com](mailto:juliacreek.blazeaid@gmail.com)

**Winton (Barry Thompson)** – Phone **0417 093 911** or email [blazeaid.barry@gmail.com](mailto:blazeaid.barry@gmail.com)



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### LOW INTEREST BUSINESS LOANS AND FINANCIAL ADVICE

**Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements:** Other assistance measures including funding for personal hardship and to restore damaged essential public assets and essential services.

Phone **1800 110 841** or visit: [www.qra.qld.gov.au](http://www.qra.qld.gov.au).

**Tax Assistance:** The Australian Taxation Office will automatically defer lodgements and payment obligations, fast track refunds and reissue lost or destroyed documents.

Phone **1800 806 218** or visit: [www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Dealing-with-disasters/In-detail/Specific-disasters/Natural-disasters---January---February-2019](http://www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Dealing-with-disasters/In-detail/Specific-disasters/Natural-disasters---January---February-2019).

**Farm Household Allowance:** Up to four years financial support to help eligible farming families meet the cost of living.

Phone **132 316** or visit: [www.agriculture.gov.au/fha](http://www.agriculture.gov.au/fha)

**Rural Financial Counselling Service:** Free financial counselling and can help assess options for recovery. They can also assist with applications for the Farm Household Allowance.

Phone **1800 686 175** or visit: [www.agriculture.gov.au/rfcs](http://www.agriculture.gov.au/rfcs).

### HEALTH AND EDUCATION SERVICES

**NQ Connect:** Free 24/7 phone and online mental health support service.

Phone **1300 059 625** or visit: <http://nqconnect.com.au/floodsupport>

**Lifeline:** Personal support and assistance for self and family.

Phone **13 11 14** or visit <http://www.lifeline.org.au>

**Beyond Blue:** Help with personal issues including anxiety and depression.

Phone **1300 224 636** or visit <http://www.beyondblue.com.au>

**Kids Helpline:** 24/7 phone and online counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25.

Phone **1800 55 1800** or visit: <http://kidshelpline.com.au>

**Department of Health:** Assistance with concerns about health issues, including mould and mosquito activity. Additional telehealth services have also been made available.

Phone **1800 020 103** or visit: <http://www.health.gov.au>

**Student and Teacher Flood Assistance Claims:** One off payments of up to \$150 per student and \$1000 per staff member to replace essential education resources.

Phone **1800 916 770** or visit: <https://qed.qld.gov.au/emergency-management/2019-flood-assistance-package/student-claims>

### CHARITIES

A range of charities provide support and assistance – many are promoted on FarmHub - visit <http://farmhub.org.au>

For information on the North Queensland Livestock Industry Recovery Agency, visit [pmc.gov.au/nqlira](http://pmc.gov.au/nqlira)

Or email [nqlira@pmc.gov.au](mailto:nqlira@pmc.gov.au)