

# FORWARD FARMING THE FARMERS SKILL SET

### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Education and training is essential for the farming sector to attract and retain the right people. The Forward Farming Program proposed, addresses the foundational needs of your farm leaders, to successfully build the skills and knowledge to plan and manage a sustainable farm business, overcoming risk and advancing farm operations with the latest use of farm technologies and performance management.

### PROPOSED DELIVERY

Weekend Intensive; Farm Planning (6th & 7th of March 2020)

Weekend Intensive; Farming Performance (3th & 4th of April 2020)

Plus

1 x 1.5 hour one on one mentoring (last two weeks of April) via a video session

### UNDERPINNING SKILLSET

### AHCSS00030 Business Management Skill Set

The proposed program is to be accredited by the Farmers Skill Set, including the following units of competency:

- AHCBUS512 Develop and implement family business structures and relationships
- AHCBUS516 Develop and review a business plan
- AHCBUS517 Monitor and review business performance
- BSBRSK501 Manage risk

### WHY FARMING FORWARD?

- Design, develop and implement a farming action plan
- Review, refine and improve your farm's operations
- Build resilience, reduce stress and work out ways to move your farm forward.
- Ongoing support, strategy and experience from accredited farming business mentors
- Take a look at the future of farming

#### other benefits:

- develop yourself professionally
- develop transferable skills
- reduce staff turnover and improve productivity on the farm;
- building a positive farming culture;
- improving communication and increasing knowledge of the farm business; and
- increase morale and motivation.

### WHAT WILL FARMING FORWARD GIVE YOU?

- An actionable plan for your farm
- One on One mentoring with an accredited business mentor
- Supportive farming networks
- Heaps of supporting learning and farming resources

## FARMING FORWARD SCHEDULE

Scheduled Farm Mentoring Activities		Suggested Timing
Weekend Intensive 1 6th of March 2020	<ol> <li>Guiding Principles</li> <li>Finding Focus</li> <li>Managing Stress on the Farm</li> </ol>	1 full day - 8am for 8:30 start finish by 3pm
Weekend Intensive 1 7th of March 2020	<ol> <li>Relevant Resourcing</li> <li>Farming Financials</li> <li>Mitigating and Managing Farming Risks</li> </ol>	1 full day - 8am for 8:30 start finish by 3pm
Weekend Intensive 2 3rd of April 2020	<ol> <li>Reach &amp; Review</li> <li>Optimising Farming Systems</li> <li>the Optimising Farming Systems section, we are planning to cover:         <ul> <li>The latest in farming technologies;</li> <li>Time Management Technologies</li> <li>Drones</li> <li>Data management – Use of data</li> <li>GPS</li> <li>Connectivity</li> </ul> </li> <li>Implement Action</li> </ol>	1 full day - 8am for 8:30 start finish by 3pm
Weekend Intensive 2 3th of April 2020	<ul><li>8. Review Farm Performance</li><li>9. Ongoing Momentum</li><li>10. Build momentum</li></ul>	1 full day - 8am for 8:30 start finish by 3pm
One on One Farm Mentoring		12th -25th of April scheduled based on participant needs
		(1.5 hours)

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