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Organic materials are a valuable resource that can be used for a variety of purposes with benefits for the agriculture sector in particular through their valorisation into the production of animal feed, composts and soil improvers, as well as for the creation of bioproducts, bioenergy and biofuels. Read QFF's <u>Queensland Country</u> <u>Life column HERE</u>.

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Calling all Tablelands small and medium agribusinesses! Join QFF and <u>Jobs Queensland</u> at Atherton on Tuesday, 12 October for an <u>Agriculture Workforce Plan</u> industry consultation session. Register now <u>HERE</u>. Agribusinesses and farmers are encouraged to complete an online survey about workforce planning. Have your say <u>HERE</u>.

As a world leader in food production, the future of Australia's agriculture sector is promising, but it faces many challenges including rising energy costs. Hydrogen may be part of the solution. Read more from QFF's <u>Energy Savers</u> team <u>HERE</u>.

<u>Cotton Australia</u>, the cotton industry's peak grower body, has a position available within the team for a motivated and energetic team player to service the cotton growers across the Darling Downs. Applications close Monday, October 18, 2021. Details More information <u>HERE</u>.

The Queensland Government will be working collaboratively with the fresh produce sector to develop a shared vision for the future of the industry and supply chain for the next decade, and to agree on a strategy and program of work to turn that vision into reality. Read more from QFF industry member, Growcom HERE.

<u>Cotton Australia</u> has taken action to help solve one of the Australian cotton industry's most enduring challenges – the shortage of seasonal workers. A new online service -<u>Cotton Jobs Australia</u> - has been launched to connect growers with prospective employees. Details <u>HERE</u>. Farmers across Australia are reminded to complete their <u>Australian Bureau of Statistics Agricultural Census</u>. Data collected in the survey provides insights on the role of agriculture in Australia and will be used to inform policies on Australia's agriculture industry and decisions on infrastructure, service delivery and investment. Details <u>HERE</u>.

The <u>Medicines and Poisons Act 2019</u> and <u>Therapeutic</u> <u>Goods Act 2019</u> and supporting regulations have commenced in Queensland. For further information about what this new legislation means for you, click <u>HERE</u>.

Last chance to apply for the 2022 <u>AgriFutures Australia</u>'s <u>Rural Women's Awards</u> which empowers and celebrates women involved in Australia's rural and emerging industries, businesses, and communities. or more information and to apply, click <u>HERE</u>.

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Ready to purchase your first property or improve the sustainability of your enterprise and not sure where to start? Watch <u>QRIDA</u>'s 'how to' video to find out all you need to know, from choosing a loan through to submitting your application <u>HERE</u>.





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