

HERE'S 10 THINGS TO KNOW.

FROM  QUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

1.

QFF has welcomed an announcement by the state government that it will reinstate [Paradise Dam](#) to its original height and capacity providing water security for irrigators in the Bundaberg region. Read the media statement [HERE](#).

2.

Fast becoming an important sector in Queensland and estimated to be worth around \$4.5 billion to the state economy by 2030, agritourism is providing direct and indirect benefits to the state's agribusinesses and regional economies. Read QFF's [Queensland Country Life](#) column [HERE](#).

3.

The agriculture sector continues to play its part by limiting the impact of pests and diseases, and fulfilling its prevention and management obligations to ensure Queensland's economy, natural environment, health and way of life is not adversely impacted. Read more from QFF [HERE](#).

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Planning for agriculture by governments at state and local level is necessary to ensure the best agricultural land remains available for food, fibre, foliage production for the benefit of all Queenslanders. More about the need for education and planning to safeguard farmers' 'right to farm' [HERE](#).

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QFF has partnered with [Ergon Energy](#) and [Energex](#) to offer farmers belonging to any of QFF's industry members a 50 per cent co-contribution a maximum of \$500 to match the funds of installing up to 10 rotamarkers on their properties. Applications close today, for more information, click [HERE](#).

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A Mareeba horticulture farm growing red papayas and coffee has reduced energy consumption by 10% and lowered carbon emissions by 20t after implementing the recommendations of their QFF [Energy Savers](#) audit. Find out how [HERE](#).

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The latest [Rural Jobs and Skills Alliance](#) e-newsletter is now available! Read about the latest news and events about the Agricultural Extension Work Placement Program and the extended Pacific Labour Scheme and Seasonal Worker Programme trial. Read more [HERE](#).

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When preparing an enduring power of attorney, careful thought should be given to who is being appointed as an attorney, when their power begins, what decisions they can make, and how they must make those decisions. Read more from QFF corporate partner [Holding Redlich](#) [HERE](#).

9.

Grants of up to \$50,000 are available for affected producers following Central, Southern and Western Queensland rainfall and flooding to hire or purchase

equipment and materials, clean up, remove debris, replace fencing and other costs associated with the recovery process. More information and apply through [QRIDA HERE](#).

10.

The Queensland Chief Health Officer has removed the requirement for freight and logistics operators to show evidence of a negative COVID-19 test result under an F Pass, while some critical workers can now provide essential services even while classified as close contacts, provided they meet strict health criteria. For the latest industry COVID information, click [HERE](#).



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