

10 THINGS TO KNOW – 2 APRIL

1. QFF welcomes the upcoming Senate Inquiry into Glencore's proposed carbon capture and storage (CCS) project in the Great Artesian Basin (GAB) and encourages all those concerned to consider making a submission. [Further details on the inquiry here](#). Add your voice to the campaign against CCS in the GAB [here](#).
2. Did you know 85% of all the raw sugar produced in Australia is shipped overseas? The latest episode of Canegrowers' 'Around the Paddock' podcast discusses the work Canegrowers are doing in the field of international trade to keep growers profitable. [Listen here](#).
3. The Biosecurity Protection Levy passed the lower house last week, despite the Coalition, Greens and several independent MPs voting against the proposal. [Read more here](#). QFF members, Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers are calling on the government to pause the levy and take stock of current industry investments in the national biosecurity system. [Read more here](#).
4. More than 220 people attended the 2024 Bayer Grower of the Year Field Day event at Tyunga Farms on the Darling Downs. [Watch a video recap here](#). Nominations for the 2024 Cotton Industry awards remain open [here](#).
5. The Queensland Government has released an updated Queensland Renewable Energy Zone Roadmap, identifying 12 potential renewable energy zones (REZs) across the state. [Read more here](#).
6. eastAUSmilk Board Member and QFF Vice President Kay Tommerup has written a short article exploring the benefits of agritourism in the dairy industry. [Read more here](#).
7. The Agricultural Extension Work Placement Program is a valuable program supporting agriculture in the Reef Catchment region. Farmers throughout the catchment will benefit from eight new extension officers who have recently begun a work placement program with various local agribusiness and natural resource management organisations. [Read more here](#).
8. Telstra are encouraging people to [check their phones before 3G closes](#) on 30 June 2024. Telstra has this week launched their SMS device checker tool which is designed to check whether a Telstra mobile will be impacted by the 3G network closure. To check if your mobile is compatible SMS 3 to 3498. [Learn more here](#).
9. Mobil are helping members of [QFF's peak industry members](#) stay fuelled. [Express your interest here](#) to save now.
10. QFF CEO Jo Sheppard will feature alongside Sunpork CEO, Rob Va and UniSQ Institute of Resilient Regions chief, Hon John McVeigh on an upcoming Rural Press Club Queensland Q&A panel in Toowoomba on 18 April, examining issues of importance to the region's agricultural sector. [Register here](#).