

# HERE'S 10 THINGS TO KNOW.

FROM  QUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

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1.

Cotton Australia's General Manager Michael Murray joined local government representatives from all over the Murray-Darling Basin for the annual Murray-Darling Association conference, taking the opportunity to dispel several myths about the cotton industry. [Read more here.](#) Last week the Australian Government began its latest round of Murray-Darling Basin water buybacks. Mapping from ABARES ranks Northern Basin communities, including St George, as some of the most vulnerable to buybacks. [Read more here.](#)

2.

The Senate Environment and Communications References Committee has released its report into Glencore's proposed carbon capture and storage (CCS) project in the Great Artesian Basin (GAB) supporting the advocacy efforts of QFF and other industry and community leaders. The report recommends that states and territories legislate bans on

3.

The Queensland Biosecurity Grants Program is open, with three \$25,000 innovation grants and six \$10,000 education grants available to enhance preparedness against biosecurity threats. All sectors are encouraged to [apply here](#) by Wednesday, 31 July 2024.

4.

QFF is hosting two free farm business resilience workshops in [Theodore](#) and [Biloela](#) this month, covering the many opportunities and challenges of running a primary production enterprise and will feature guest speakers from BDO, Cotton Australia, Rural Aid, and QRIDA among others. Registrations close this Friday 26 July.

5.

Members of QFF's peak body members can save on Mobil fuels. Refer a friend by 26 July 2024 and you'll both receive \$250 when they fuel up with Mobil Card. Terms and conditions apply. [Read more here.](#)

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The Queensland Government's Women in Industry grants are one-off grants of up to \$150,000 for projects that help women progress into leadership roles in male-dominated industries. [Apply here](#) by 9 August 2024.

7.

Townsville is gearing up to host Australia's pineapple industry this week for their annual Pineapple Field Days, organised by the Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers in conjunction with the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries on behalf of Australian Pineapples. [Read more here.](#)

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Premiums and Availability. [Read it here.](#)

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AgriBusiness Connect are seeking stakeholder feedback to gain clarity on the key skills or training challenges you are experiencing and how these can best be addressed. [Take the short survey here.](#)

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Up to \$2 million is available for industries or regions to tackle workforce challenges through the Queensland Government's 'Grow your Own' program. [Learn more and apply here](#) by 9 August 2024.

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