

HERE'S 10 THINGS TO KNOW.

FROM  QUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

1.

Canegrowers have released a video to explain more about their Next Ratoon mentoring program which supports young growers in the cane industry. [Watch it here.](#)

2.

More than 2000 farmers from across the country converged on Canberra last week to attend a rally against an array of Federal Government policies. [Read more here.](#)

3.

Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers have published an article discussing the recent Everything Ag event which gathered students, job seekers, industry professionals, and community, to highlight agriculture's critical role in local communities. [Read more here.](#)

4.

Through QFF's new Crisis Communications Training program, farmers and agriculture sector representatives will be equipped to manage communications in a crisis,

such as a biosecurity outbreak, eco-terrorism attack or farm accident. [Express your interest here.](#)

5.

The Remote Area Planning & Development Board (RAPAD) are hosting the [Energy & Economic Futures Forum](#) in Barcaldine on Friday, 27 September. QFF CEO Jo Sheppard will be participating on a panel at the forum alongside a great line up of speakers and delegation from Texas. [Learn more and register here.](#)

6.

The first of the containers of Northern Territory cotton are nearing their Asian destinations after an event at Darwin Port this week that signified a major step forward for the cotton industry in Northern Australia. [Read more here.](#)

7.

The Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) is administering Rural Landholder Recovery Grants of up to \$10,000 to help rural landholders that suffered damage from the 2023 Southern Queensland bushfires or Tropical Cyclone Jasper. Applications close on 1 November 2024. [Learn more here.](#)

8.

Three new food safety standards for berries, melons and leafy vegetables are taking effect in February 2025. Information about requirements for Queensland growers and processors is available from [Safe Food Production Queensland.](#)

9.

National Established Weed Priorities (NEWP) seeks to reduce the further spread and impacts of established weeds across Australia. Government and non-government organisations are invited to nominate a nationally significant weed under the NEWP initiative [here](#). Submissions close Friday 20 September.

10.

The Queensland Government has proposed changes to the Central Queensland water plan, including the unification of the separate plans for the Fitzroy Basin, Boyne River Basin, and Calliope River Basin areas under one plan. Learn more about the changes and [have your say on them here](#) by 4 November 2024.



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