

# CYCLONE DEBBIE RECOVERY ASSISTANCE



Supporting rural businesses *through all seasons.*

## FARM AND SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY COUNSELLOR

Servicing primary producers and small medium enterprise (SME) operators directly affected by STC Debbie in the **Isaac Regional Council**, **Mackay Regional Council** and **Whitsunday Regional Council** areas.



### FOR SMEs JOHN CAN:

- Assist SME operators access the Queensland Office of Small Business's Mentoring for Recovery program, for assistance with cash flow and business recovery matters,
- Assist SME operators requesting financial counselling outside of the Mentoring for Recovery program, with financial analysis,
- When appropriate, assist operators to negotiate arrangements with their financial institutions,
- Support operators when seeking professional advice to develop longer-term strategies and plans to improve preparedness and resilience to climate variability,
- Refer operators to a network of professional service providers for advice with legal, accounting and financial planning and investment matters, social and welfare matters.

### FOR PRIMARY PRODUCERS JOHN CAN:

- Provide financial analysis to determine the financial position of eligible rural enterprises,
- Refer farm families to a network of professional service providers for advice with matters such as legal, accounting and planning and investment strategies, social and welfare problems, and to his colleagues in Rural Financial Counselling Service North Queensland for Farm Business Debt Mediation matters and ongoing future support,
- Develop, assess and report on strategies and plans for business recovery,
- Assist producers to seek professional advice to develop longer term strategies and plans to improve preparedness and resilience to climate variability,
- Provide information on rural credit matters,
- Assist producers to negotiate arrangements with their financial institutions,
- Provide information on the available assistance measures provided under Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements and other Federal and State programs.

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