# Supporting southwest Queensland producers to build their resilience for the future

Producers can access a range of support services to help manage business and climate risks through the new GrazingFutures Livestock Business Resilience project (GF LBR). This support is available without having to be drought declared.

What support is available	How this assists your business
Help completing a self- assessment checklist.	Your checklist will help you work out where you, and your livestock business, is at right now. This is important to know, before you can effectively plan for your future.
Assistance in creating a farm business resilience plan ('business plan').	<ul> <li>Your business plan will include the financial, production, people and natural resource management aspects of your operation, and will help you identify:</li> <li>what is important to you and your business (goals)</li> <li>improvements in your operation</li> <li>ways to manage your risks</li> <li>practices and actions to meet your goals.</li> </ul>
Practical training events.	Your improved knowledge and skills will help you make more informed business decisions.
Provision of one-on-one support to you and your business.	One-on-one support can help you complete your self- assessment checklist, your business plan, identify key risks and implement improvements in your business.
Help in applying for financial drought support (e.g. grants or loans) from the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA).	<ul> <li>Your completed checklist and farm business resilience plan will help you apply for:</li> <li>QRIDA Drought Preparedness Grants</li> <li>QRIDA Drought Ready and Recovery Finance Loans</li> </ul>

#### Self-assessment checklist

The checklist is available from: <u>daf.qld.gov.au/drought</u>.

## **Business resilience plan**

You can use an existing up-to-date business plan, or create a new plan, using the template available from: <u>daf.qld.gov.au/drought</u>. There are guidance videos and notes to help you.

# **Training events**

To find an event near you visit <u>futurebeef.com.au</u> or <u>leadingsheep.com.au</u>. or view the south west collaborative calendar <u>https://teamup.com/ksqz2ekg97someyzxb</u>

## **One-on-one support**

To find out more or to arrange a visit please contact your preferred person from the GF LBR contacts on the next page.









# QRIDA grants and loans

- Farm Management Grant—A 50% rebate of up to \$2,500 for professional assistance to help develop your business plan grida.gld.gov.au/program/farm-management-grants.
- Drought Preparedness Grants—Up to \$50,000 as co-contribution grant to assist you to undertake capital improvements to improve the drought preparedness of your property grida.gld.gov.au/program/drought-preparedness-grants.
- Drought Ready and Recovery Finance Loans—A loan up to \$250,000 to help you undertake activities to improve drought resilience grida.gld.gov.au/program/droughtready-and-recovery-finance-loans.

# Who can help in southwest Queensland?

To obtain help with business planning, find out what training is happening, receive one-onone support, or understand the drought-related financial assistance, please contact any of the following GF LBR team members:



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