

FARM BUSINESS RESILIENCE PROGRAM



GREAT NEWS: NGIQ and Moshie Farm Business Resilience Program to continue for another 12 months.

NGIQ, QFF and Moshie have just committed to delivering a further 12 months of Farm Business Resilience Planning to the nursery industry.

Over the next 12 months NGIQ and Moshie will be visiting nursery businesses to promote the Farm Business Resilience Program (FBR Program) and support businesses with developing and implementing their Farm Business Resilience Plans (FBR plans).

The FBR Program provides a link between businesses and resources that can be used to help reduce a business's exposure to risk, through developing and implementing an FBR Plan, identifying where the major risks to the business lie, and highlighting other opportunities for improvement within the business. To help businesses with this process, the FBR Program provides funding opportunities to enable access to business advisors to help with developing FBR Plans, offset the costs of developing plans and, if applicable, costs associated with implementing drought resilience plans.

In addition to helping businesses develop FBR plans, the project will develop a range of resources to promote the program and encourage businesses to develop their own FBR plans. These resources will include case studies, narratives, webinars and videos describing how businesses have benefited from developing FBR plans. There are also events being planned where you can get to meet the team and find out more about the program.

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The process of developing a FBR Plan begins with a business completing a self-assessment checklist which highlights areas which need more attention, and provides a basis for developing the FBR Plan. Once the self-assessment is completed, an advisor from Moshie contacts the business to discuss their checklist and make a time to visit the business to give a debrief on the self-assessment and begin developing the FBR Plan. Once commenced, the plan is worked on over a period of time using a combination of site visits and on-line meetings.

The costs associated with developing an FBR Plan are subsidised through the FBR Program. The self-assessment checklist can be accessed on-line, free-of-charge, and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. Subject to eligibility, Nursery and Garden Industry Queensland members can access an advisor to facilitate development of their plans at no cost. For non-members, costs related to having an advisor help with the development of a plan can be offset with a 50% rebate on expenditures up to \$5,000.

See the following links for more information.

- **Self-assessment checklist** - www.surveymonkey.com/r/FBRP_SURVEY



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- **NGIQ – Nursery & Garden Industry Queensland** – Nursery industry specific information - www.ngiq.asn.au
- **Moshie – Business coaching** - <https://moshie.com.au>
- **QFF – Queensland Farmers Federation** - Farm Business Resilience Plan Template and program information - www.qff.org.au/projects/farm-business-resilience-program
- **QRIDA – Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority** - Rebates for developing plans and access to funding for improving drought resilience - www.qrida.qld.gov.au

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