

Regional Drought Resilience Planning Program Round 2

Queensland 2022–24

FACT SHEET 1

The Regional Drought Resilience Planning (RDRP) program is jointly funded through the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and the Queensland Government.

The Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) has partnered with the Rural Economies Centre of Excellence (RECoE) with the purpose to have an impact on how regions can survive and thrive into the future.

RECoE is an alliance of four Queensland research institutions – The University of Queensland, James Cook University, University of Southern Queensland and Central Queensland University – who together will continue to lead consultation for the second round of the RDRP program. Five regional communities were selected for the foundational year. In the second round, the remaining nine regions will develop RDR plans to prepare for future droughts, with a sharp focus on the agricultural sector and allied industries.

Nine regions of RDRP Round 2

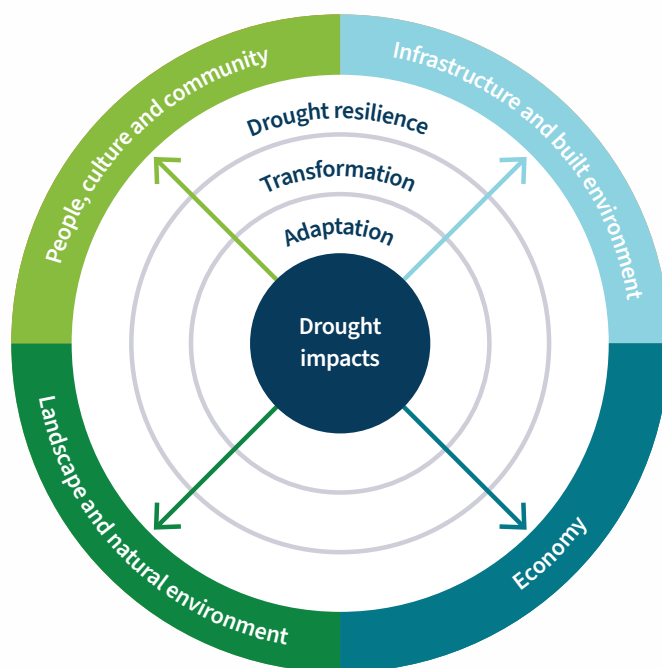
- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Burnett | 5. Mary |
| 2. Central West | 6. North West |
| 3. Far North Hinterland to Gulf | 7. South East |
| 4. Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday | 8. Townsville and Palm Island |
| | 9. Wet Tropics |

The RDRP process will:

- foster learning and build social capital
- foster co-designed, community-led planning and collective ownership of the resulting plan and its implementation
- leverage existing local, regional and state strategic planning
- recognise the diversity of people, businesses and landscapes involved in agricultural production
- provide linkages with the FDF Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hubs.

Each plan will build upon the Regional Resilience Strategy as part of the Queensland Government's *Strategy for Disaster Resilience*, led by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.

Based on evidence and collaboration through partnering with local councils, regional stakeholders and other organisations, the plans – led and owned by the community – aim to drive decisions, actions and investments to proactively manage drought risk.



For further information visit:

[Future Drought Fund](#)

[Rural Economies Centre of Excellence](#)