Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements event:
Southern Queensland Severe Weather, 20 – 31 March 2021

The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and state and territory (state) governments, through which the Australian Government provides financial assistance to support state governments with disaster recovery costs.

In response to the disaster, assistance has been activated for the area formally defined as:

“Communities within Southern Queensland affected by heavy rainfall and flooding, 20 – 31 March 2021”

DRFA assistance measures
(activated by the Queensland Government)

- Counter Disaster Operations
- Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets
- Disaster Assistance (Primary Producers) Loans
- Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Primary Producers
- Freight Subsidies for Primary Producers

DRFA assistance measures
(jointly activated by the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments)

- Special Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants for Primary Producers
### Local Government Areas and measures activated

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*Note: Category C Special Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants for Primary Producers of up to $25,000 have been increased to up to $75,000 under Category D, as agreed between the Queensland Premier and the Prime Minister on 29 April 2021.
DRFA ASSISTANCE MEASURES ACTIVATED

Assistance for primary producers

Disaster Assistance (Primary Producers) Loans
Concessional interest rate loans to assist primary producers whose assets have been significantly damaged by an eligible disaster, to recover and return to viable operations.

Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Primary Producers
Concessional interest rate loans to primary producers who have suffered a significant loss of income as a result of an eligible disaster by providing the essential working capital required to continue business operations.

Special Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants – Primary Producers
Grants for primary producers who have suffered direct damage caused by an eligible disaster. Grants are aimed at covering the cost of clean-up and reinstatement, not at providing compensation for losses.

Contact Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority on 1800 623 946 or www.qrida.qld.gov.au

Freight Subsidies for Primary Producers
To assist primary producers impacted by an eligible disaster with transport of livestock, fodder or water for livestock, building, fencing equipment or machinery on primary producers’ home property.

Contact Department of Agriculture and Fisheries on 13 25 23 or www.daf.qld.gov.au

Assistance for state and local governments:

Counter Disaster Operations
To assist local governments and state agencies to undertake activities that alleviate personal hardship and distress, address the immediate needs of individuals and protect the general public, immediately prior to, during or immediately after an eligible disaster.

Contact Queensland Reconstruction Authority on 1800 110 841 or www.qra.qld.gov.au

Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (including Emergency Works and Immediate Reconstruction)

- Emergency Works
  To assist local governments and state agencies to undertake urgent activities necessary following an eligible disaster to temporarily restore an eligible essential public asset to enable it to operate/be operated at an acceptable level of efficiency to support the immediate recovery of a community.

- Immediate Reconstruction Works
  To assist state agencies or local governments to immediately and permanently reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function immediately after the eligible disaster. Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets are works undertaken by local governments and state agencies and to reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function.

- Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets:
  To assist local governments and state agencies to reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function.

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