Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements event –
Severe Tropical Cyclone Trevor
and associated low pressure system,
19 – 27 March 2019

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.

Assistance has been activated for the area formally defined as: “Communities in Far North and Central West Queensland affected by Severe Tropical Cyclone Trevor and associated low pressure system, 19 - 27 March 2019”.

DRFA assistance measures (as activated by the Queensland Government)

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1. The Emergency Hardship Assistance component of the Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme (PHAS) for Lockhart River commences on 20 March 2019.
3. The PHAS and Essential Services Safety and Reconnection Scheme (ESSRS) for Cook is limited to the Iron Range locality, including the Portland Roads and Cape Weymouth communities. The Emergency Hardship Assistance component of the PHAS commences on 26 March 2019.
4. The PHAS and ESSRS for Mareeba is limited to a targeted area of Julatten. The Emergency Hardship Assistance component of the PHAS commences on 1 May 2019.
5. The Special Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants for Primary Producers for Cook is limited to the area within SA1: 3150113956.
6. The Special Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants for Primary Producers for Blackall-Tambo is limited to the area south west of the Landsborough Highway.
DRFA ASSISTANCE MEASURES ACTIVATED

Assistance for individuals:

Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme

To alleviate personal hardship and distress.

- Emergency Hardship Assistance Grant – provides assistance as a contribution to support people directly impacted by an eligible disaster to meet their immediate essential needs for food, clothing, medical supplies or temporary accommodation.
- Essential Services Hardship Assistance – provides assistance for people directly impacted by an eligible disaster to meet their immediate needs where they have experienced the loss of one or more essential services for more than five days.
- Essential Household Contents Grant – provides a contribution towards replacing or repairing essential household contents, such as beds, linen and whitegoods that have been lost or damaged by an eligible disaster.
- Structural Assistance Grant – provides a contribution towards repairs or replacement of a dwelling damaged by an eligible disaster, to return it to a safe, habitable and secure condition.

Essential Services Safety and Reconnection Scheme

To assist residents with the inspection and reconnection of essential services that have been damaged by an eligible disaster. The scheme provides financial assistance to individuals and families as a contribution towards safety inspections of and repairs to residential essential services (i.e. electricity, gas, water and sewerage) damaged by an eligible disaster.

Contact Department of Communities, Disability Services and Seniors on 1800 173 349 or www.communities.qld.gov.au

Assistance for small business

Disaster Assistance (Small Business) Loans
Concessional interest rate loans to assist small business operators 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 Small Business
Concessional interest rate loans to small businesses 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.

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

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

Contact Department of Agriculture and Fisheries on 13 25 23 or [www.daf.qld.gov.au](http://www.daf.qld.gov.au)

**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, but not at providing compensation for losses.

Contact Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority on 1800 623 946 or [www.qrida.qld.gov.au](http://www.qrida.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.
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.

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