Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements event

Queensland Monsoon Trough, Cyclone Koji and Severe Weather commencing 24 December 2025

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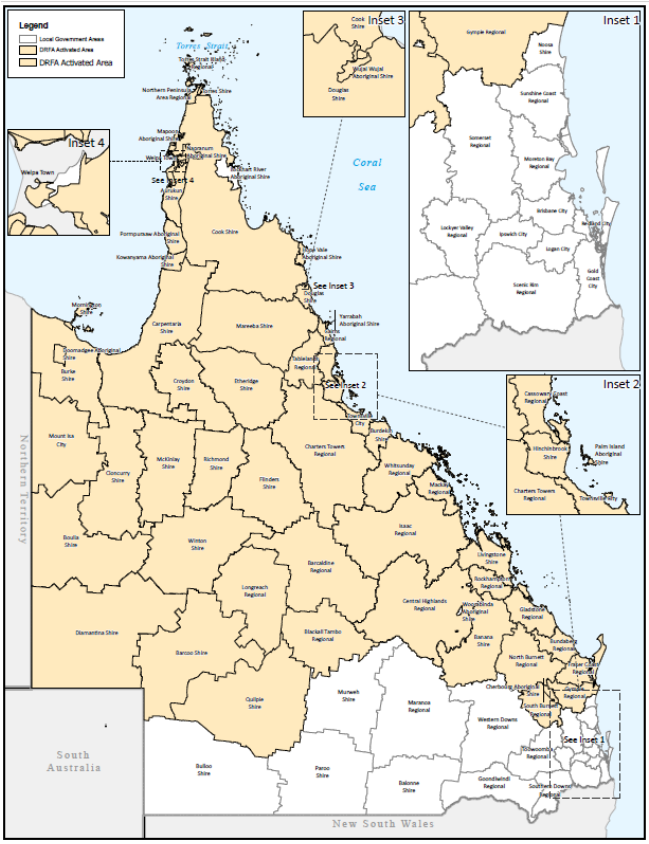

The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and state and territory (state) governments, through which the Australian Government provides financial assistance to support state governments with disaster recovery costs.

In response to the disaster, assistance has been activated for the area formally defined as: *"Communities within North, West, Central and Southeast Queensland affected by Queensland Monsoon Trough, Cyclone Koji and Severe Weather commencing 24 December 2025".*

DRFA assistance measures (activated by the Queensland Government)

- Counter Disaster Operations
- Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets
- Disaster Assistance (Not-For-Profit Organisations) Loans
- Disaster Assistance (Primary Producer) Loans
- Disaster Assistance (Small Business) Loans
- Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Not-For-Profit Organisations
- Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Primary Producer
- Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Small Business
- Essential Services Safety and Reconnection Scheme
- Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme
- Freight Subsidies for Primary Producer

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Aurukun Shire Council	12/01/2026	12/01/2026							13/01/2026	13/01/2026			15/01/2026
Banana Shire Council	22/01/2026	22/01/2026											
Barcaldine Regional Council	14/01/2026	14/01/2026					16/02/2026	16/02/2026			16/02/2026	17/02/2026	
Barcoo Shire Council	16/01/2026	16/01/2026											
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	26/02/2026	25/02/2026											
Boulia Shire Council	16/01/2026	16/01/2026					28/02/2026	28/02/2026	04/03/2026	04/03/2026	28/02/2026		
Bundaberg Regional Council	10/03/2026	10/03/2026											
Burdekin Shire Council	12/01/2026	12/01/2026					19/01/2026	19/01/2026	13/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026		15/01/2026
Burke Shire Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026							05/01/2026	05/01/2026			15/01/2026
Cairns Regional Council	16/01/2026	16/01/2026											
Carpentaria Shire Council	29/12/2025	29/12/2025	14/01/2026	14/01/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	02/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Cassowary Coast Regional Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026	10/01/2026[1]	10/01/2026[1]	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	19/02/2026	19/02/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	19/02/2026	19/02/2026	15/01/2026
Central Highlands Regional Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026			11/02/2026	11/02/2026	28/01/2026	28/01/2026			28/01/2026	16/02/2026	
Charters Towers Regional Council	29/01/2026	29/01/2026	04/03/2026[1]	04/03/2026[1]	04/03/2026	04/03/2026							
Cloncurry Shire Council	29/12/2025	29/12/2025					02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	02/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Cook Shire Council	08/01/2026	08/01/2026											

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Croydon Shire Council	30/12/2025	30/12/2025					02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	02/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Diamantina Shire Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026					28/02/2026	28/02/2026	04/03/2026	04/03/2026	28/02/2026		
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council	05/01/2026	05/01/2026											
Douglas Shire Council	08/01/2026	08/01/2026											
Etheridge Shire Council	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	28/01/2026	28/01/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	29/01/2026	29/01/2026	06/02/2026	06/02/2026	29/01/2026	06/01/2026	13/02/2026
Flinders Shire Council	29/12/2025	29/12/2025	08/01/2026	08/01/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	02/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Fraser Coast Regional Council	10/03/2026	10/03/2026											
Gladstone Regional Council	22/01/2026	22/01/2026											
Gympie Regional Council	10/03/2026	10/03/2026											
Hinchinbrook Shire Council	08/01/2026	08/01/2026											
Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council	20/01/2026	20/01/2026											
Isaac Regional Council	12/01/2026	12/01/2026	13/01/2026[1]	13/01/2026[1]	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	19/01/2026	19/01/2026	13/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	16/01/2026	16/01/2026											
Longreach Regional Council	14/01/2026	14/01/2026											
Livingstone Shire Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026	22/01/2026[1]	22/01/2026[1]	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026			11/02/2026	17/02/2026	
Mackay Regional Council	12/01/2026	12/01/2026	23/01/2026[1]	13/01/2026[1]	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	19/01/2026	19/01/2026	13/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Mapoon Aboriginal Shire Council	14/01/2026	14/01/2026											
Mareeba Shire Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026											
McKinlay Shire Council	29/12/2025	29/12/2025	12/01/2026	12/01/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	02/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026

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Mornington Shire Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026											
Mount Isa City Council	30/12/2025	30/12/2025							05/01/2026	05/01/2026			15/01/2026
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	19/01/2026	19/01/2026											
North Burnett Regional Council	10/03/2026	10/03/2026											
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026											
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026							05/01/2026	05/01/2026			15/01/2026
Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council	12/01/2026	12/01/2026							13/01/2026	13/01/2026			15/01/2026
Quilpie Shire Council	03/03/2026	03/03/2026											
Richmond Shire Council	29/12/2025	29/12/2025	08/01/2026	08/01/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	02/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Rockhampton Regional Council	13/01/2026	13/01/2026			03/03/2026	03/03/2026							
South Burnett Regional Council	10/03/2026	10/03/2026											
Tablelands Regional Council	03/03/2026	03/03/2026											
Torres Shire Council	19/01/2026	19/01/2026											
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	14/01/2026	14/01/2026											
Townsville City Council	02/01/2026	08/01/2026			11/02/2026	11/02/2026			05/01/2026	05/01/2026			15/01/2026
Whitsunday Regional Council	12/01/2026	12/01/2026	22/01/2026[1]	22/01/2026[1]	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	19/01/2026	19/01/2026	13/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	19/02/2026	15/01/2026
Winton Shire Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	11/02/2026	11/02/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	05/01/2026	06/01/2026	15/01/2026
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	20/01/2026	20/01/2026											
Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026							05/01/2026	05/01/2026			15/01/2026

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[2]For Emergency Hardship Assistance Grants in defined localities, for more information refer to www.qld.gov.au/disasterhelp

For Essential Services Safety and Reconstruction and Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme application process and eligibility, refer to www.qld.gov.au/diasterhelp

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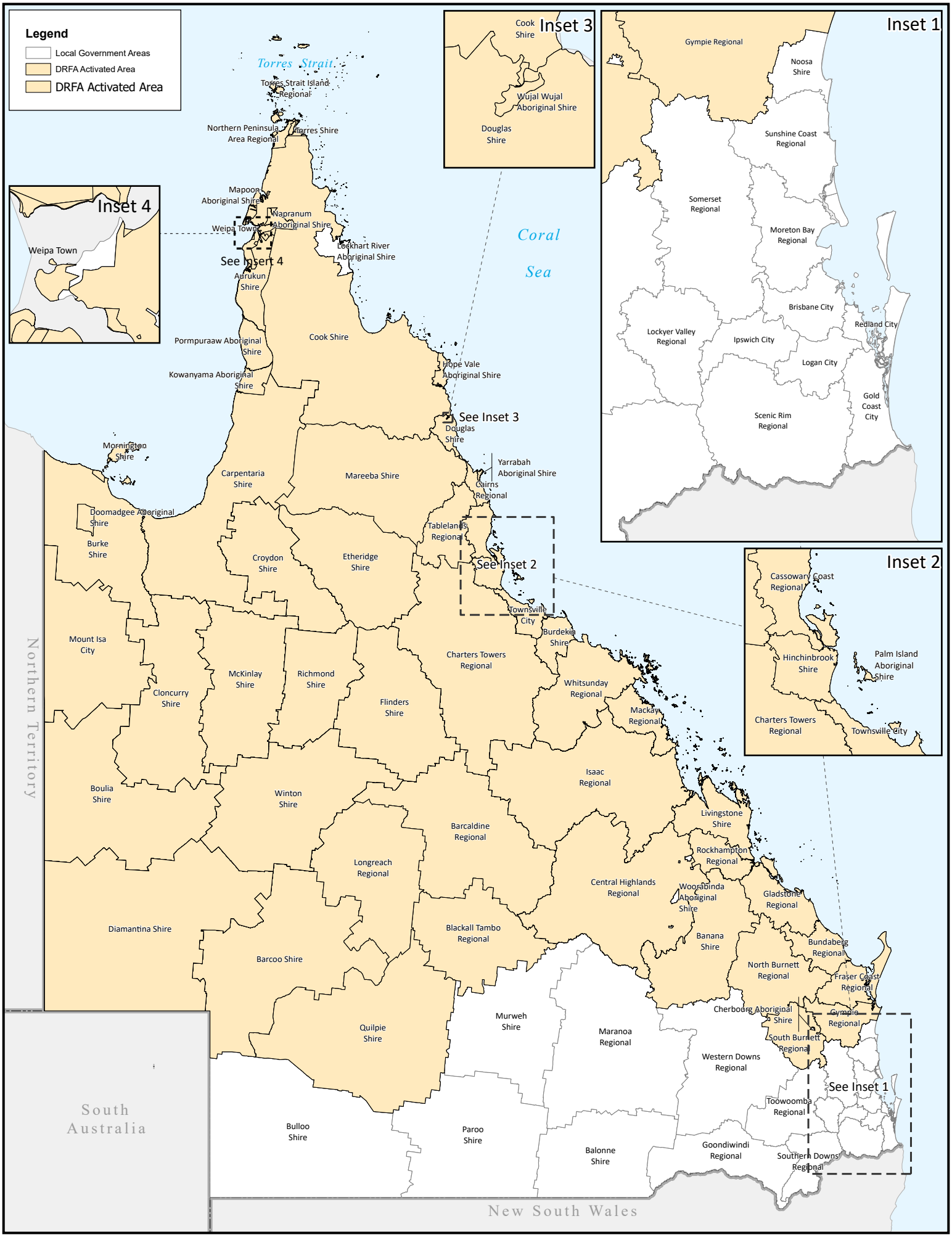

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DRFA Activation Summary (Version 36)

Queensland Monsoon Trough, Cyclone Koji and Severe Weather commencing 24 December 2025

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DRFA Exceptional Circumstance Relief Packages

DRFA Category	Package Type	Assistance Measure
D	Coordinated Emergency Fodder Support Package	To assist primary producers with the extraordinary costs of undertaking immediate and emergency livestock welfare activities.
D	Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants for Primary Producers	Grants that will provide targeted assistance with clean up, restoration and recovery activities to eligible primary producers.
D	Cloncurry Airport Recovery and Renewal Project	Funding for Cloncurry Shire Council towards the recovery and renewal of Cloncurry Airport.
C	Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants for Small Businesses	Grants that will provide targeted assistance with clean up, restoration and recovery activities to eligible small businesses.
C	Mental Health Recovery Package	Funding to support the mental health and wellbeing recovery in communities impacted by this event.
C	Community Relief Fund	To provide timely support to impacted councils to ensure that residents can remove waste, clean properties and progress with their recovery.
C	Primary Producer Support Package	Tailored holistic support of primary producers in impacted areas. Supporting recovery and resilience building in the areas of financial, production, personal, business and acute mental health.

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DRFA ASSISTANCE MEASURES ACTIVATED

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 the Queensland Government on 1800 173 349

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 Works)

- **Emergency Works**
  To assist local and state governments 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 local and state governments to immediately and permanently reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function immediately after the eligible disaster.

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Assistance for not-for-profit organisations:

- **Disaster Assistance (Not-for-Profit Organisation) Loans** – Concessional interest rate loans to assist not-for-profit organisations whose assets have been significantly damaged by an eligible disaster, to repair or replace the damaged assets.

- **Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Not-for-Profit Organisation** – Concessional interest rate loans to assist not-for-profit organisations that have suffered a significant loss of income as a consequence of an eligible disaster, by providing a concessional loan for essential working capital required to continue 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 Producer) 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 Producer** – 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.

- **Freight Subsidies for Primary Producer** – 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.

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Assistance for small businesses:

- **Disaster Assistance (Small Business) Loans** – Concessional interest rate loans to assist small businesses 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 assist small businesses that have suffered a significant loss of income as a consequence of an eligible disaster, by providing a concessional loan for essential working capital required to continue business operations.

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