



Drought Relief Assistance Scheme Drought management plan

Instructions

Please lodge your completed Drought Management Plan (DMP) with your local Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) officer for endorsement. Contact details for your local DAF officer can be found on page 8.

This form must be completed by the applicant and endorsed by a DAF officer before being submitted to the Brisbane office.

If you have had a DMP approved in the current drought (i.e. in a previous financial year), the ceiling extension carries forward to the current financial year. A new DMP is not required.

If you have already completed and had approved a *Water availability statement: Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate*, you may want to refer to that statement to assist in the preparation of this drought management plan.

A. Applicant details

Property owner:

Trading name:

Phone number: ()

Mobile number:

Email:

Property name:

Property identification code (PIC): Q

Local government area:

B. Property overview

Please provide an overview of your farming enterprise, plus the long-term effect of the drought on your land, pasture and livestock.



C. Rainfall (annual totals)

	This year to date	Last year	Year before
Rainfall (mm)			

Please comment on the current rainfall compared from previous years and, if possible, attach monthly rainfall figures for the property, along with comments on the pasture response of the rainfall and the impacts of other seasonal conditions.

D. Livestock management

1. What is your normal long-term stocking rate?

2. What was your stocking rate during the drought?

Livestock type	(a) Number of livestock on the property prior to the drought declaration	(b) Current livestock numbers on the property
Cows		
Heifers		
Steers		
Bulls		
Ewes		
Wethers		
Lambs		
Rams		
Other (e.g. goats, horses, camels)		



3. Have you at any time since you were drought-declared introduced livestock onto your drought-declared property?

Yes No If yes, please complete the following:

Date when livestock were introduced onto your drought-declared property	Number and class of stock	Reason why livestock were introduced onto your drought-declared property (e.g. forced off agistment)

4. Please describe any forced destocking above normal turn-off during the drought-declared period, including up to 3 months prior to declaration.

Forced destocking	Year/month	Numbers	Class
Forced sales			
To agistment			
To feedlots			
Stock that have been humanely destroyed on animal welfare grounds			

Please comment on your livestock management practices (e.g. early weaning, pregnancy testing, mating strategies and restocking program post-drought).

Please attach additional pages if you require more writing space.

I understand that by signing this document I agree to provide National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) data for the time period relevant to my application if requested. I understand that this information will only be used for assessment and compliance purposes related to processing and managing my application.



E. Grazing land management

Please comment on your pasture type, availability, maintenance and the actions taken to reduce land degradation.



F. Present feeding regime

Are you feeding fodder to drought-affected stock? Yes No

Duration of drought feeding:

Fodder type (e.g. lick, hay)	Ration (kg/head/day)	Number and class of livestock

Please provide further comments regarding the methods of drought feeding (e.g. troughs, bins etc.).



G. Water supply

Water supply	Numbers/condition
Bores (artesian)	
Bores (sub-artesian)	
Troughs	
Dams	
Creeks/rivers	

Please comment if the water supply has been an issue for your property and outline steps taken to conserve, manage or improve supply (e.g. desilting dams and installing additional poly pipe and water troughs to improve water supply and distribution on the property).

Note: If you have already completed a *Water availability statement: Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate*, you may wish to refer back to that statement. If the water supply situation has changed since the statement was completed, please outline the changed circumstances from when the statement was completed (e.g. new water infrastructure purchased).



H. Future program for current drought

This section is vital in helping to decide whether to support your application to increase the subsidy ceiling. This section needs to address the strategies you intend to implement in the future to manage the drought conditions on your property. For example: reduced stocking rates, early weaning, pasture regeneration, pasture recovery at the end of the drought etc.



I. Applicant's declaration

I, (full name) of

in the State of Queensland, do hereby declare that the particulars provided in this application and supporting documentation are true and correct.

Signed:

Date: / /

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries officer endorsement (office use only)

I, (full name) of

in the State of Queensland, do hereby declare that I endorse this plan and recommend that the ceiling of the Drought Relief Assistance Scheme be increased to \$30 000 or \$40 000 in the third and subsequent year of drought for this property.

Signed:

Date: / /

Lodgement

Submit your completed application to one of the following DAF officers:

Charters Towers

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The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries is collecting information, including personal information, on this form and through the department's Biosecurity Entity Registration System, for the purpose of assisting authorised departmental officers to assess your application. Some information about your property's drought-declared status may be provided to: the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy; the Department of Transport and Main Roads; and the Department of Education for the purpose of assessing eligibility for drought assistance packages. Your personal information will only be used by authorised officers and will not be disclosed to any other parties without your consent, unless authorised or required by law. For further information on our commitment to privacy please refer to <https://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/legal/privacy.html> or email: privacy@daf.qld.gov.au