

Unite against COVID-19



SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY CENTRE COVID-19 UPDATE

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COVID-19 is having a compounding effect for those communities across North, Far North and Western Queensland recovering from the 2019 Monsoon Trough and other natural disaster events. We know that businesses still in recovery from the Monsoon Trough are also experiencing significant impacts from COVID-19.

In light of the current situation, Emergency Management Australia has advised that it supports the delivery of COVID-19 assistance advice to any business affected by the 2019 Monsoon Trough through initiatives established under the joint Commonwealth–State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

At a practical level, this means financial counsellors, industry and community recovery officers, mentors, and mental health services working to help businesses recover from the Monsoon Trough and bushfires will now incorporate support and advice for COVID-19-related issues.

Similarly, the Small Business Recovery Centre based in Townsville will extend its support services to include advice and information on COVID-19 assistance measures for those businesses impacted by the 2019 Monsoon Trough.

For information and to apply for a Small Business Disaster Recovery Resilience grant visit www.business.qld.gov.au/recovery

For information for 2019 Monsoon Trough-impacted businesses contact the Small Business Recovery Centre on 0459 873 781 or at sbrc@desbt.qld.gov.au

For general information on Queensland and Australian Government COVID-19 support for business and industry call the Small Business Hotline on 1300 654 687 or visit www.business.qld.gov.au