

# Veterinary costs

## Extraordinary Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants - North West Queensland monsoon trough and flooding

This guideline provides advice to eligible applicants on claiming veterinary costs under the Extraordinary Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants (Recovery Grants). Recovery Grants are available to primary producers to help pay for the costs of clean-up and reinstatement of primary production enterprises that have suffered direct damage as a result of an eligible disaster. The Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) is the delivery agency for these grants.

### Eligible activities and costs – Veterinary costs

Eligible	Ineligible
<p><b>Veterinary care activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Veterinary care and treatment related to maintaining the health of livestock directly impacted by the eligible disaster event (not an exhaustive list) including:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>assessing injured or sick stock</li> <li>providing veterinary care to sick or injured stock (e.g. draining, cleaning and dressing wounds, treating mastitis, footrot)</li> <li>euthanising injured or sick stock</li> <li>providing nutritional and medical regimes for recovery from impacts of the event</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Costs</b> (not an exhaustive list) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Veterinary costs due to animal welfare around direct event impacts and are not part of a normal year in year out cost for producers.</li> <li>call-out/travel fees for eligible activities above</li> </ul>	<p><b>Veterinary care activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>activities delivered to support producers outside the eligible LGA/s</li> <li>activities funded under other disaster recovery funding arrangement packages, initiatives or insurance</li> </ul> <p><b>Costs</b> (not an exhaustive list) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Veterinary costs that are part of a normal year in year out cost for producers.</li> <li>Veterinary costs incurred for activities undertaken prior to the event impact or after the eligible timeframe</li> <li>Veterinary costs not supported by the required evidence</li> <li></li> </ul>



## Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for an exceptional circumstances grant, the applicant must:

- be a primary producer;
- hold an Australian Business Number (ABN) and have held that ABN at the time of the eligible disaster;
- have a primary production enterprise that is located in the defined area for the eligible disaster that has suffered direct damage as a result of the eligible disaster;
- have been engaged in carrying on the primary production enterprise when affected by the eligible disaster;
- be primarily responsible for meeting the costs claimed in the application;
- intend to re-establish the primary production enterprise in the defined disaster area for the eligible disaster.

An applicant may also be eligible for an exceptional circumstances grant if both of the following apply:

- The applicant's primary production enterprise is located outside the defined disaster area for the eligible disaster but is carried on at least sometime on a regular basis in the area.
- Plant or equipment of the primary production enterprise situated in the defined disaster area has been damaged as a result of the eligible disaster.

## Eligibility Local Governments

The Package is currently available in the following Local Government Areas:

- Carpentaria
- Cloncurry
- Croydon
- Flinders
- McKinlay
- Richmond
- Winton

## How to claim reimbursement

Details on evidentiary requirements and how to apply for Recovery Grants are available on the QRIDA website:

<https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/program/exceptional-disaster-assistance-recovery-grants-nq-monsoon-trough#producer-tab>

**Applications close 6 January 2027 or when funding is fully committed.**

## Contact information

You can contact the Department of Primary Industries on 13 25 23

You can contact QRIDA on 1800 623 946 or <https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/contact-us>

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