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Graziers to learn about improving land management at property computer mapping workshops

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Graziers will have the opportunity to learn how computer mapping can improve land management, property productivity and sustainability at AgForce Projects workshops in Moura, Theodore and Taroom in February.

AgForce Projects GIS technical officer Noel Brinsmead said computer mapping programs help graziers achieve both productivity and sustainability outcomes through improved land management.

“Computer mapping helps producers accurately and efficiently manage their land, and is a useful tool for property managers who want to be running the most efficient property while ensuring the long-term and sustainable productivity of their land,” Mr Brinsmead said.

“The benefits it can deliver include the ability to accurately plan grazing rotation, map farm infrastructure like fences and pipelines, identify weak spots in regards to the control of weeds and feral pests and create buffer zones around watering points to reduce grazing pressure and manage vegetation.”

Mr Brinsmead said property computer mapping provides a bird’s eye view of a property, which helps with overall property management including property planning, grazing strategies, property recovery, monitoring, improving productivity and succession planning.

“It is a vital tool for property managers who want to be running the most efficient property while ensuring the long-term and sustainable productivity of their land.”

Attendees who complete the workshop will also receive a statement of attainment for unit ‘Produce maps for land management purposes’ which can be put towards a Certificate IV in Conservation and Land Management.

Workshops dates and times:

- Moura – 17 February, 8.45am to 4pm
- Theodore – 18 February, 8.45am to 4pm
- Taroom – 19 February, 8.45am to 4pm

The program costs \$990.00 for landholders who require the full training package, spatial data and a licence for Phoenix Mapping. For landholders who already have a licence for Phoenix Mapping the program will cost \$610.50.

There is an opportunity for landholders to claim back up to 70% of the training cost within the Fitzroy Basin area. Please contact AgForce Projects for further information.

Registrations are due 10 days prior to the workshops. Visit www.agforceprojects.org.au to register or call 3238 6048.

This service is delivered by AgForce Projects in conjunction with the Fitzroy Basin Association Grazing Training Reimbursement Program.

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