



Knowledge is power in CSG negotiations

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VITAL tools and technology to ensure landholders get the best outcome from CSG negotiations will be delivered across the region next month by AgForce Projects' CSG team.

The team will deliver **CSG negotiation support** workshops in Nebo on 3 September, Capella on 4 September and Springsure on 5 September. A **CSG property computer mapping** workshop will be held in Emerald on 6 September.

CSG project officer Natalie Pears said with the industry expanding in the region, landholders need access to independent information and support more than ever.

"We continue to get requests to return to the region to deliver this information, which is a clear sign that more and more landholders are being impacted by this industry," Ms Pears said.

"CSG is a serious issue for landholders and we want to make sure they are aware of their rights and understand how to exercise those rights in order to protect their farming enterprise."

Ms Pears said the negotiation support workshops will give landholders the tools they need to achieve a fair conduct and compensation agreement (CCA).

"Dealing with a CSG company can be very daunting and like most Queenslanders, primary producers don't have extensive legal knowledge or negotiation experience," Ms Pears said.

"This series of information sessions is about arming landholders with the best and most practical set of tools going into negotiations. We will give landholders the information they need to help assess the potential impacts of CSG activity on their property, provide detailed negotiation tips and help landholders prepare property information to use when negotiating a CCA."

Registrations essential, visit www.agforceprojects.org.au or call 3238 6048.

These workshops are the first to be delivered in the region since the announcement by the State Government in June that the AgForce CSG project will continue for a further 12 months.

These workshops are delivered by AgForce Projects with the support of the Queensland Government, the GasFields Commission Queensland and Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association.

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