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Property computer mapping to help graziers achieve best management practice standards

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AgForce Projects is delivering property computer mapping workshops in Central Queensland in March, to help graziers achieve best management practice (BMP) standards.

AgForce Projects GIS technical officer Noel Brinsmead said the workshops were not only vital for graziers involved in Grazing BMP to meet industry standard, but mapping also helps graziers improve productivity and sustainability outcomes.

“Property maps are essential for grazing businesses, whether you use them to set carrying capacities, planning infrastructure, vegetation management, or managing weeds and pest animals,” Mr Brinsmead said.

“Comprehensive property maps are an indispensable tool, not just for graziers but all producers.”

“Mapping can help property managers to achieve their goals and run the most efficient property while ensuring the long-term and sustainable productivity of their land.”

Landholders that are new to property computer mapping or even those that have experience with a program will benefit from the workshop.

“The workshop starts from the basics and works up to planning your own property map. Any farmer that already has a property map is still encouraged to attend, as regularly updating your map and understanding the tools involved ensures your maps ongoing usefulness for you and your property.”

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:

- Nebo – 17 March, 8.45am to 4pm
- Middlemount – 18 March, 8.45am to 4pm
- Blackwater – 19 March, 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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