

Impact Analysis Statement

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development
Name of the proposal	<i>Rural and Regional Adjustment (Feral Pest Exclusion Fencing Grants Scheme and Other Matters) Amendment Regulation 2025</i>
Submission type	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	<i>Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994</i>
Date of issue	September 2025

Proposal type	Details
Regulatory proposal where no RIA is required	The <i>Rural and Regional Adjustment (Feral Pest Exclusion Fencing Grants Scheme and Other Matters) Amendment Regulation 2025</i> makes a regulatory amendment to allow the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority to administer a new scheme of financial assistance: Queensland feral pest exclusion fencing grants scheme. The purpose of this new scheme is to assist primary producers in eligible areas to reduce predation by wild dogs by assisting with the cost of installing exclusion fencing. The amendment also makes several amendments to a number of other schemes including disaster assistance schemes under the joint Commonwealth State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA): - Increases the size of the primary producer concessional loans from \$250,000 to \$5 million for primary producers impacted by the 2025 flooding event in western Queensland (Schedule 2). - Amends the definition of appropriate minister to align with machinery of government changes (Schedule 2, 3, 7, 21, 23 and 47). - Amends the definition of primary producer to clarify that a primary producer is considered a primary producer if QRIDA consider the applicant will within a reasonable time derive the majority of their income from a primary production enterprise (the current provision requires the applicant must presently derive the majority of their income from a primary production enterprise (Schedules 2, 3). - Amends the definition of primary production enterprise to clarify that agricultural support businesses e.g. shearing, mustering etc are considered to be primary production enterprises. Previously, such businesses were classified to be small businesses for the purposes of obtaining DRFA assistance (Schedule 2, 3, 7, 23). - Amends the Regional Drought Preparedness Grants Scheme to remove a requirement that works must be completed three months prior to the closing date of the Scheme (Schedule 47).

	The proposal does not increase costs or regulatory burden on business or the community. No further regulatory impact analysis is required under the Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy.
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