

Soils Conservation & Farm Resilience in Horticulture

Practical hands-on field day for all Horticulture growers

Are you a horticulture grower in Central Queensland? Join Growcom and Fitzroy Basin Association at Rossmoya for an innovative, practical field day on advanced soil conservation and farm resilience practices in June.

With recent record breaking rainfalls and several severe weather events throughout Queensland and NSW, there's never been a better time to assess farm resilience, sediment management practices and soil health.

Brought to you jointly by Growcom and Fitzroy Basin Association, this field day is for horticulture growers – all commodities – and will;

- assess your soil management practices and introduce assessing farm business resilience
- demonstrate practical, hands-on construction and maintenance earthworks
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 - surveying paddocks
 - constructing contours, whoa-boys, roads and tracks
 - repairing gullies and managing erosion control
 - mitigating top soil losses and run-off
- look at a local cover cropping trial, benefits to soil health and improved production in horticulture
- connect you with other growers, industry soil conservation advisors in the Fitzroy region and farm business resilience resources
- report on Reef Certification progress in the Great Barrier Reef using Growcom's Hort360 best management practice program.

GUEST PRESENTERS



John Day

Agronomist and soil conservation expert with many years of experience working throughout Queensland in cropping, grazing and horticulture. What John doesn't know about soils is not worth knowing.



Darryl Hill

Experienced and innovative heavy earthworks operator, experienced in soil conservation. Darryl enjoys sharing his practical knowledge and understanding of constructing contours, tracks, whoa-boys and gully repair to effectively prevent losses of valuable topsoil.



John Targett

Growcom Farm Business Resilience Officer. John will provide growers with valuable information on the new Farm Business Resilience Program jointly funded under the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and Queensland Government's Drought and Climate Adaptation Program.



Michelle Haase

Growcom Hort360 Officer. Michelle will walk you through using Growcom's Hort360 best management practice program designed for the horticulture industry.



Workshop details

DATE

Friday 24 June 2022

TIME

9am – 3pm

MEETING AT

Start out at the Conference Room at CAPRICORN CAVES, 30 Olsen's Caves Road, The Caves – followed by practical earthworks demonstration and paddock walk - 20kms up the road at Wolfies Farm, 89 Taits Road, Rossmoya.

COST

This is FREE event for horticulture growers and horticulture industry stakeholders. All participants will receive one-on-one training heavy earthworks machinery, a Hort360 and Farm Business Resilience information pack, and one-on-one follow-up farm advisory services from Fitzroy Basin Association and Growcom.

It includes a delicious morning tea and hot lunch at Capricorn Caves. RSVP essential for catering (specifically if you have dietary requirements). All welcome!

RSVP

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MORE INFO

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