LNP Moves to Disallow Reef Regulations

It was pleasing to see the LNP move a motion in Parliament on 19/5/20 to disallow Subordinate Legislation 233 and 234 from the Environmental Protection (Great Barrier Reef Protection Measures) and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation 2019. The Reef Regulations prior to the Amendment Bill had already prescribed management practices in place for soil tests, calculating rates of nutrients, application of nutrients and record keeping. The Amendment Bill was considered by many to be an unnecessary overreach.

Whilst this disallowance motion may not have the numbers in parliament to succeed, it is the type of political action we need to see in support for agriculture which is an essential industry that regional communities rely on to create and maintain jobs to survive and prosper.

CANEGROWERS welcomes the attempt by the Queensland Opposition to halt the implementation of further, intrusive and unnecessary regulation on the state’s sugarcane growers.

“We’ve spent a decade arguing that the regulation of farm practices, wielding a big stick against growers, is counter-productive to delivering a sustainable future for both the Great Barrier Reef and the sugarcane industry,” CEO Dan Galligan said.

“Our members are achieving great things through voluntarily committing more than 70% of the state’s cane farm land to best practice through the globally-recognised accreditation program Smartcane BMP.”

CANEGROWERS believes the best way forward is to recognise the achievements of the sugarcane industry and build on them by working with, and not against, farmers and communities.

“We welcome the commitment of the LNP Opposition to striking a better balance,” Mr Galligan said.

Cane farmers are responsible environmental stewards of their land and over the decades have implemented a lot of change to farming practices for the benefit of the environment. Farmers derive their income from their land and spend their leisure time on the water - they are not going to jeopardise this. What is often overlooked is that the cost alone of chemicals and fertiliser is prohibitive which is another reason why farmers are careful with what they use.

Reef regulations will be an important issue for the sugar industry in the upcoming state election and we will do our utmost to ensure that these regulations are set at a more practical level.

Wishing everyone a safe and successful 2020 sugarcane harvest

CANEGROWERS will support members with CSA oversight, road access, cane analysis, harvest equity and workforce management - as we have for generations.

We’ve got your back!

Contact your local grower reps or CANEGROWERS office if we can help you.

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QSL advises 2020 Indicative advances program

The below table includes program of anticipated percentage rate increases as well as an indicative $ per IPS mt rates for the default grower, that is a grower with Harvest pool and US quota only.

You will note that currently the percentage rate is currently anticipated to be constant until October. However these percentages and the underlying pool prices upon which the advances payments will be based will still be reviewed monthly, and thus are subject to change.

### 2020-Season Indicative Advances Program

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* May differ from your actual payment date due to local milling arrangements and bank processing times.

** These figures are an estimate only for the default QSL pricing position of 97.34% Harvest Pool + 2.66% US Quota Pool based on pool values as at the date specified. Please note that the pool values used to calculate the default payment will change as the season progresses. The default payment figure incorporates an average Shared Pool allocation. The actual Shared Pool allocation applied to grower payments will vary in each region due to regional costs. The estimated payment figure quoted also does not include any applicable Loyalty Bonus, GST, allowances, deductions or any other adjustments incurred by the grower or passed on by their miller.

### Accelerated Advances – 2020 Season

An Accelerated Advances Program is also available for participants in the 2020 Target Price Contract, Individual Futures Contract Pool and February 2020 Guaranteed Floor Pool, whereby they can elect to receive 90% of that product’s indicative pool value by December 2020. Under this scheme, Advance rates paid for tonnages in these products would remain at 90% from December 2020, reverting to the QSL Standard Advance Rate from the May 2021 payment.

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**Inkerman Mill steam trials**

Wilmar Sugar ran steam trials at Inkerman Mill on Tuesday and Wednesday this week, ahead of the planned season start.

Regional Operations Manager Paul Turnbull said the trials ran successfully.

“We completed a vast array of tests, including the commissioning of the main capital project on site – the $3 million boiler ducting replacement,” he said.

“The alternators were both run and put on line successfully.

“We also ran overspeed tests on the mill turbines and completed commissioning tests on the pan stage.”

Mr Turnbull said steam trials were held at all factories ahead of the start of crushing to ensure a safe and timely start to the season.

A further trial is planned for Inkerman Mill next Tuesday (26 May).

Wilmar plans to start crushing at Inkerman early in the morning of Tuesday, 2 June.

### Independent performance review of Sugar Research Australia

Sugar Research Australia Limited (SRA) is an industry-owned company that was established in 2013 by Australia’s sugarcane growers and millers to deliver research, development and extension services that drive productivity, profitability and sustainability for the Australian sugarcane industry.

All Research & Development Corporations like SRA are required, under their funding agreements with the Commonwealth Government, to commission regular independent corporate performance reviews. SRA’s first such review was completed in 2016.

A team headed by Scott Williams of Forest Hill Consulting has been appointed to undertake the current performance review for SRA and has commenced its work. In short, the review will examine how effectively and efficiently SRA is fulfilling its obligations to levy payers and Government. The review is being undertaken independently of SRA.

A key part of the project will be to consult with industry. The project team will be making specific contact with the key industry organisations to obtain input into the review. The team also invites any industry stakeholder (growers, millers, research providers, consultants or any other interested party) to make a submission. People or organisations wishing to do so should visit the project website (www.srareview.org) or send an email to submissions@srareview.org. Alternatively, please contact Scott Williams on 0413 059 190.
NEW! CANEGROWERS Cost of Production tool
CANEGROWERS has developed an easy-to-use spreadsheet to help growers calculate their own cost of production. Knowing your cost of production and potential revenue will help you make informed business decisions, set production and business goals to increase farm profitability. It can also assist with marketing and forward pricing decisions. The CANEGROWERS Cost of Production tool and a Guide to assist in filling it in are available to members on the CANEGROWERS Marketing Information Service web page www.canegrowers.com.au/marketing-information-service.

Shirbourne Road closure update
In mid-February 2020, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and The Infrastructure Group (TIG) advised that the Bruce Highway intersection with Shirbourne Road would be closed while the new highway overpass of Shirbourne Road was constructed.

The Shirbourne Road closure was required as construction of the overpass could not be undertaken while the intersection remained open to traffic. The current detour was implemented, allowing access to and from Shirbourne Road via Woodstock-Giru Road and Garrone Road.

In mid-May 2020, the Bruce Highway-Shirbourne Road intersection was to reopen to single direction traffic; being vehicles travelling from Shirbourne Road onto the Bruce Highway.

Additional crews have been engaged and will work seven days a week to enable opening of the intersection to outbound travel (from Shirbourne Road onto the Bruce Highway) by late August 2020.

Women in agriculture scholarships
Partial scholarships of $1,000 to $5,000 are available to women working in the agriculture sector to help support their participation in a range of career building leadership development programs.

Anyone from junior level through to executive managers can apply for assistance to participate in one of three Women & Leadership Australia programs. Applications have been extended to June 19 and courses are being delivered online. Find out more and register here.

Harvesting rosters
Growers now have access to the harvesting rosters of Inkerman, Invicta and Kalamia via the Wilmar Grower Web with the roster for Pioneer being finalized next week.
Nominations now open for QSL Grower Representative Members

Queensland Sugar Limited (QSL) is calling on cane growers from across the state to consider nominating a local grower or putting their own name forward to become a QSL Grower Representative Member.

CEO Greg Beashel said QSL Grower Representative Members played an important role in representing the interests of growers throughout Queensland.

“Our Grower Representative Members are the voice of growers and a vital communication link between QSL and cane farmers throughout the state,” Mr Beashel said.

“We are encouraging growers to nominate a representative from their local mill area who is connected to growers and has the enthusiasm and desire to not only be their voice, but also keep them updated on QSL activities.

“They are also encouraged to put their hand up and nominate themselves if they feel this is a role they’d like to take on.”

Mr Beashel said QSL was owned by the industry it served and had a membership comprising growers and millers.

“Under our constitution, our Grower Representative Members consist of one representative from each single mill area, and where a mill area is part of a mill group, like the Burdekin, that number of representatives from the mill area is equal to the number of mills in the mill group,” he said.

“In addition, there is a representative from CANEGROWERS and Australian Cane Farmers Association (ACFA), which brings the total QSL Grower Representative Member positions to 23.”

Mr Beashel said the role officially provided members with voting rights on key matters of importance at QSL general meetings, including the Annual General Meeting. However an even greater opportunity existed to provide feedback outside of the more formal meetings.

“It is important that QSL listens to growers to ensure that we continue to maximise the value we deliver to the Queensland sugar industry,” Mr Beashel said.

The QSL Grower Representative Member position is an unpaid role with a three-year term.

To nominate as a representative for a mill area, you must be a sugar cane grower who supplies sugar cane under contract to a mill in your relevant mill area.

Nomination forms must be lodged with QSL by 5pm QLD time on Friday 12 June 2020.

If QSL receives more nominations than the designated number of Grower Representative Members required for a particular mill area, a vote will take place. That region will be notified that a vote is to take place and voting papers will be made available.

Nomination forms and further information is available on the QSL website at www.qsl.com.au, your grower organisation or your local QSL Growers Services Team representatives.

CANEGROWERS encourages female farmers to nominate for the role of QSL Grower Representative member
Sugar industry veteran hands over the reins

Heading into his 50th crushing season, Peter Luke says there’s not much he hasn’t seen or done in the sugar industry.

From his start as an office clerk at Kalamia Mill in 1970, Mr Luke ended up managing cane supply operations for the biggest canegrowing region in Australia.

He has now handed over the reins for Wilmar’s Burdekin Cane Supply Manager role to John Tait, who has moved north from Wilmar’s Plane Creek Mill at Sarina.

Mr Luke said he was looking forward to transitioning to retirement after a lifetime of living and breathing sugar.

“Over the last five decades, I’ve worked in a number of different roles at Pioneer, Invicta and Inkerman mills in the Burdekin, as well as Victoria and Macknade mills in the Herbert, and I’ve seen a lot of change,” he said.

“There have been huge advancements in safety and technology.

“When I first started it was okay to come to work in shorts. Thankfully that’s changed and there’s now a big focus on safety and wellbeing.

“The mills have become more automated, and technology like GPS, brake vans and harvest management systems have improved cane supply and logistics,” Mr Luke said.

Wilmar’s new Burdekin Cane Supply Manager is another industry veteran. Mr Tait has worked in the sugar industry since 1977 when he started as a juice boy at Mourilyan Mill, about 8km south of Innisfail.

He’s worked in mills throughout Queensland and New South Wales – the last three years as Plane Creek Cane Supply Manager.

Mr Tait said he was looking forward to the challenges of his new role.

“I’ve worked in multi-mill regions before, but the Burdekin is a bigger proposition, with more cane, more mills and more people to manage.

“Peter is working with me as I transition into the new role, and he’ll be around for a little while longer to ensure a smooth start to our 2020 cane supply operations,” Mr Tait said.

The season will start on 2 June at Inkerman Mill. Wilmar’s Pioneer, Kalamia and Invicta mills will start a week later on 9 June.
New online toolbox for sugarcane nutrient management

Sugarcane growers have access to a new online toolbox to help make nutrient management easier.

The brand new SIX EASY STEPS toolbox is now available on the SRA website and is built on years of research into nutrient management in the Australian sugarcane industry by SRA and other industry service providers.

“The SIX EASY STEPS Toolbox packages this research into a suite of information products and interactive tools. It contains practical guidance for growers to refine nutrient management practices based on evidence from industry research projects and other funding programs,” said Dr Barry Salter, SRA Executive Manager, Biosecurity and Production.

“These tools fit within steps five and six of the SIX EASY STEPS and will assist growers and advisors to develop nutrient management strategies that are specific to their farms.”

By clicking online to visit the Toolbox, growers can also access tools that will help them with specific circumstances they face in their own districts and farms.

The Toolbox was developed with investment by SRA, the Queensland Department of Environment and Science and CANEGROWERS, and in collaboration with the University of Southern Queensland, University of Queensland and Farmacist.

The development was led by SRA Adoption Officer, Gavin Rodman, and Executive Manager for Biosecurity and Production, Barry Salter, with help from many other industry supporters.

Mr Rodman said that the toolbox brought together trial data, case studies and decision support tools for the refinement of nutrient rates for specific production system issues.

“It has been developed with widespread collaboration and consultation and we thank everyone for their time and assistance bringing this toolbox together. It will continue to be updated with new information and improvements over time.

“We encourage growers, advisors and industry stakeholders to visit www.sugarresearch.com.au and visit the Toolbox, found directly under the “Growers and Millers” tab of the home page.”

Get clicking and win with ‘Sugar Snaps’

It’s on again! The Sugar Snaps photo competition is seeking the best photographs from across the Australian sugarcane industry.

Farmers, millers, industry providers, and all stakeholders in the industry are being invited to take part in the 2020 Sugar Snaps photography competition, which will again showcase the beauty of the Australian sugarcane industry.

The winners of the competition will have the chance to win prizes and see their work published in a 2021 shed calendar.

The purpose of this competition is to highlight pictures that illustrate the hard work, beauty, landscape and the contribution of the Australian sugarcane industry.

Farmacist Regional Manager, Mr Jayson Dowie, said the competition attracted stunning images in its inaugural year last year, and he was keen to again see entries across all aspects of the sugar industry from people to harvesting to farming systems to transport and milling.

“Everyone has a smartphone in their pocket so we encourage you all to keep snapping pictures that celebrate our amazing industry,” Mr Dowie said. “Through this competition, we would love to see a range of pictures revealing the depth and breadth of the Australian cane industry and showcase them in a sugar industry calendar.”

SRA Executive Manager, Communications, Mr Brad Pfeffer, said the winning entries would be featured in the 2021 shed calendar and also be in the running for other prizes.

“The 2021 shed calendar will be produced as part of a series of Nutrient Management projects which are currently being delivered in the Burdekin, Mackay Whitsunday, the Herbert, and parts of Far North Queensland,” Mr Pfeffer said.

The Nutrient Management projects are delivered by Farmacist, Mackay Area Productivity Services, Herbert Cane Productivity Services Limited (HCPSL), SRA and TRAP Services and funded by the Queensland Government Reef Water Quality Program and Australian Government Reef Trust.

Executive

✓ The CANEGROWERS Policy Council met to discuss important issues affecting both the industry and the organisation.
✓ Meeting with National Farmers’ Federation (NFF) Chairman and CEO to discuss recent industry developments.
✓ The NFF Members Council was held via video conference.
✓ Catch-up with CEO of Milling Council to discuss trade strategy, sustainable sugar supply chain and social license to operate work.

Farm Input and Research Committee

✓ The Farm Input and Research Committee met with the main agenda item being a discussion with the SRA CEO to understand the current SRA position and some thoughts on possible strategic direction.
✓ There were updates on the progress with the changes to the National Class 1 Agricultural Vehicle Notice and Cane Burning Notice.

Smartcane BMP

✓ On-farm audits (with social distancing measures) resumed last week in some districts.
✓ Video-link audits continue.
✓ 20% of this year’s reaccreditation audits have been completed with all successfully receiving another 5 years of accreditation.
✓ The Mackay district has now surpassed 100 accreditations.

Chemical use compliance visits

✓ We are seeking an urgent meeting with the head of Biosecurity Queensland to resolve issues with chemical use compliance visits in the Plane Creek and Burdekin districts. Amongst a number of concerns, the key one is the lack of recognition for Smartcane BMP accreditation demonstrating that growers are meeting all legal obligations for chemical use.

Electricity

✓ Finalised CANEGROWERS response to QCA’s draft determination on electricity prices in regional Queensland for 2020-21.
✓ Participated in AER briefing in relation to proposed electricity network tariffs.
✓ Briefed QCA on issues arising from its draft determination.

COVID-19

The Queensland Agricultural Coordination Group and WHS Working Group meeting. The main issues discussed were:

✓ The implementation of the Seasonal Worker Health Management Plan Directive and the communication of this to target groups (backpackers with translation).
✓ It was estimated that the seasonal workforce was down by about 30%.
✓ It should be noted that the hot spots in Australia were subject to change.
✓ The new COVID-19 positive case in Rockhampton shows that regional areas are still vulnerable, and agriculture should remain vigilant in applying risk mitigating practices.
✓ There was limited use by employers of the Jobfinder/ Harvest Trail apps because employers were then inundated with applicants, many of whom were unsuitable.
✓ The Farm Ready concept of training on the basics of farm work pre-employment was seen as an option to source and select more suitable seasonal workers before they arrived on the farm.
✓ A risk matrix was still being developed and should be completed within the next week. It is uncertain that this will add much value to what is already available.

CANEGROWERS QUEENSLAND... taking up the fight on all issues affecting cane farmers
Pricing information

2019 Season Advances Schedule
As at 30 April 2020

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Advance Rates are based on a grower’s individual estimated final sugar price.

For more information growers can access Wilmar’s monthly Pool Reports, Allocation Account Amount Reports, their applicable Advance Finance Charge via the reporting page of the Pricing and Payments section of the GrowerWeb. The cashflow forecast tool is also available in the Pricing & Payments section.

Wilmar Indicative Future Sugar Prices
as at 22 May 2020

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Calculation using ICE Closing Prices or equivalent Bank Swap Rates and prevailing AUD/USD exchange rates


Estimated Wilmar 2019 Pool Prices
As at 30 April 2020

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Gross Pool Prices are an estimate based on the tonnes hedged and current market price (as at the last business day of the month) for unhedged tonnage. Allocation Account Amounts begin the season as estimates and are reviewed and updated on a monthly basis as actual premiums and costs are known.

1. Wilmar has contributed economic interest sugar from its farms to this pool, to provide added tonnage. Wilmar economic interest sugar in this pool will receive the same price as growers. The pool is priced on a 1:2:2:1 basis.

The monthly pool price report is available on the Wilmar grower web.

2019 Season Advances Schedule
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Percentage rate approved by QSL Board

The program above is indicative only in its entirety and should not be taken as a commitment by QSL with regard to either the advance rate or date of increase. The program may change during the season depending on movements in the marketing and shipping plans, sugar price and currency movements and timing of cash flows. Suppliers’ positions in relation to any pricing elections may also impact the timing and size of advance payments.

QSL Indicative ICE 11 prices

The figures quoted above are indicative of available ICE 11 prices as at the current date and reflect the weighted average AUD/mt price. The prices have been adjusted to include Over-the-Counter (OTC) margin fees charged by banking institutions and, therefore, may differ from daily prices quoted by the ICE #11 Exchange and/or other Marketers of Growers’ Economic Interest in Sugar (GEI Sugar). Values also do not account for any adjustments resulting from local grower-miller pricing arrangements. For more information, view the latest QSL Market Snapshot here.

Estimated QSL 2019 Pool Prices
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Growers can monitor QSL pool performance via the Price Pool Matrices published on the QSL website (www.qsl.com.au). This information is updated regularly and provides a sense of how the QSL-managed pools are performing over the current season.
1. The Queensland agriculture sector needs a coordinated education and training support from TAFE and other training providers to ensure an appropriately qualified workforce that can meet industry needs in the coming months. Read QFF’s Queensland Country Life column [HERE](#).

2. The QFF Energy Savers team is holding a short webinar series to improve farmers’ knowledge and understanding of their energy usage and how to reduce their electricity bills. The first webinar regarding hydrogen will be held on 21 March from 2-3pm and feature Dr Neil Thompson. [Register now](#) HERE.

3. The latest Rural Jobs and Skills Alliance e-newsletter is now available! Read about the latest news and events including workforce development and training at Darwalla Group and working in agriculture during COVID-19. Check it out [HERE](#).

4. The sale of rural property is unique. There are a number of key provisions that are required which are not contemplated by the REIQ standard contracts of sale that must be addressed before a contract is signed. Read more from QFF corporate partner Holding Redlich [HERE](#).

5. Following the release of their Resource Industry and Landholder Handbooks, the Land Access Ombudsman Queensland is hosting a free webinar on 26 May from 12-1pm to update landholders on the support available during land access disputes, common causes of conflict and tips for a smooth process. Register [HERE](#).

6. During the dry season, now is the time to consider undertaking replanting and on-farm infrastructure works. Eligible farmers affected by the North Queensland flooding in early 2019 can apply for a Restocking, Replanting and On-farm Infrastructure co-contribution grant through QRIDA of up to $400,000. Details [HERE](#).

7. Do you or your business move soil, quarry products, turf, mulch, hay, potted plants or animal manure? Be aware, the Biosecurity Regulation 2016 is changing from 27 May 2020 to beef up the fight against fire ants. To find out what the changes mean for you and your business, click [HERE](#).

8. Partial scholarships of $1,000 to $5,000 are currently available for women working in the ag sector to help support their participation in Women and Leadership’s range of career building leadership development programs. Applications have been extended to 19 June. Details [HERE](#).

9. Grants of $1,000 to $4,000 are currently available through Inland Rail’s Community Sponsorship and Donations Program. Applications for this round close on Friday, 31 July 2020. More information about eligible events and register [HERE](#).

10. The Workplace Health and Safety Queensland Farm Safety Calendar Colouring Competition for 2020 is now open. 12 $250 vouchers are up for grabs to primary students whose illustrations help spread the farm safety message. The competition closes on 26 June 2020. Enter now [HERE](#).

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**Smartcane BMP self-assessment workshops**

The self-assessment is the first step towards BMP accreditation. Growers who have completed the self-assessment and would like to continue on to accreditation should also contact Terry or Jasmine.

Terry Granshaw - 0437 553 149
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