

TNQ Drought Hub – Status Report as at January 2023

Transformational Agricultural Systems (TAS)			
Activity Milestones	By June 2023	By June 2024	Description of action(s) completed to date
Activity 1: Drought Data Optimisation			
<p>There is a large amount of data and information available at a high (eg statewide) level that is difficult to access and interpret at a single farm or local level.</p> <p>This activity will provide relevant data and information to help stakeholders identify future drought impacts at farm, local or other identified scales.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analysis needs in Node regions identified and documented - 1st phase of investigation commenced (reported by October 2023) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2nd phase investigation commenced and completed - Final report delivered 	<p>An expert Climate Data Scientist appointed late is 2022. Node DRC's being consulted to identify local and regional relevant data and information needs (1st phase investigation underway).</p>
Activity 2.1: Sustainable Finance			
<p>Farmers in the TNQ region will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understand benefits and risks of Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) markets • Benefits from opportunities for ESG markets • Enhance drought resilience and preparedness by diversifying income streams • Form part of an ESG case study to better identify a 'wishlist' of needs for their operations to be better aligned with environmental markets. <p>The potential for sustainable finance (ESG markets) to contribute to farmers economic drought resilience will be identified by working with industry and institutional experts. For example banks, carbon farming and offset brokers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phase 1 case study commenced, complete and reported - Phase 2 case study commenced, complete and reported - Phase 3 case study commenced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phase 3 case study completed and reported - Phase 4 case study commenced, complete and reported 	<p>An expert environmental markets expert engaged and focussed on raising awareness about ESG. A number of tools/products (eg workbook, video) in development that will aim to enhance land manager understanding and opportunities associated with environmental markets.</p> <p>Supported the development of Southern Gulf NRM's ESG policy. Further case studies in development to address Node-specific needs in relation to environmental markets (including JCU's Fletcherview Research Station).</p>
Activity 2.2: Insurance			
<p>Farmers in the TNQ region will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefit from opportunities for insurance products • Enhance drought resilience and preparedness by insuring against drought impact <p>This activity will provide economic, social and environmental benefits through investigating the potential application of parametric insurance products for the extensive livestock industry in TNQ.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further discussions with potential partners to determine if further funding is sought with TNQ as the pilot region. - Decision made to submit grant application or seek other opportunities to resource a larger project (stop/go). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report on a conceptual approach and interest in a national livestock insurance product - If June 2023 decision was to pursue further funding, a grant application submitted. 	<p>In partnership with Willis Towers Watson, developed the problem statement for an insurance product and sought funding to develop further (unsuccessful at this point). Defined the insurance product and established the partner, next steps to continue seeking funding to move forward with this activity.</p> <p>Established connections with CSIRO on identifying potential opportunities with this product as well, conversations to continue into 2023.</p> <p>Marking this activity complete as initial investigations completed. PR5 report will detail progress of funding applications and strategy for this activity moving forward.</p>
Activity 3: AgTech Drought Solutions			
<p>There has been good adoption of water and energy efficiency technologies in the sugar cane industry in the Burdekin region. There is no similar program being delivered into the Tablelands. We believe there are similar</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishment of demonstration site - Grower action learning group established 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Final report delivered which captures learnings about transfer of successful programs from one region to another 	<p>Planning activities identified an opportunity to run an irrigation demonstration in 2023. This will aim to demonstrate and adapt proven water and energy efficiency measures implemented in the Burdekin region into another region/s within TNQ. This demo could</p>

<p>gains to be made for irrigators in the Tablelands, based on similarities with the Burdekin production systems and environment.</p> <p>Irrigators in the TNQ region will enhance their economic viability and drought resilience through water and energy efficiency gains.</p>			<p>also provide an opportunity to develop training materials for services providers (in conjunction with the BHC Program) and scale across TNQ.</p> <p>Locations being finalised. Planning for establishment and activation of demonstration site and delivery of demonstration be delivered by end of 2023, with a report due in 2024.</p>
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Innovation and Commercialisation (I&C)			
Activity Milestones	By June 2023	By June 2024	Description of action(s) completed to date
Activity 1: Commercialisation Lab Pilot			
<p>To establish a program to identify commercially viable projects responding to TNQ Drought / Agtech challenges</p> <p>Design & development of a best-in-class commercialisation program for step change drought / ag-tech solutions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliver 2 commercialisation lab workshops as part of a Commercialisation Lab Pilot - Delivery findings and recommendations from the pilot 	N/A	<p>4 concepts/initiatives were delivered through Commercialisation Lab workshops as part of the pilot. These 4 concepts received valuable information and guidance on commercialisation pathways for their specific initiative.</p> <p>The pilot's key findings included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - pre, during and post workshop delivery, the integral measurements of success linked to having the right specialist skills set and knowledge/experience involved in specific initiative concepts. - Facilitation for the workshops didn't closely align participants expectations with desired outcomes - Follow-up after workshop delivery required improvement and this will be incorporated into future design and delivery of workshops. <p>A few recommendations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Having clearer defined processes (right people, right time etc) to enable increased impact - Ensuring that future lab's are sufficiently and effectively resourced to support each initiative through the next steps - More aligned facilitation skills required to meet workshop delivery outcomes (ie right experts linked with participants). <p>The outcomes of this pilot were reviewed and transitioned into the next phase of delivery under the Ag Innovation Hub. Whilst the Ag Innovation Hub has a separate reporting structure, it is integrated with the Drought Hub and is focussed on accelerated delivery from July 2022 – June 2023. Key successes and opportunities will then be delivered from July 2023 onwards through the Drought Hub.</p>
Activity 2: Hatch Pre-accelerator (TNQ Drought Hub Pilot)			
<p>Pre-accelerator programs and Incubation activities Node led to provide local potential solutions to improve drought resilience.</p> <p>Promote a localised pathway to assist in commercialising solutions</p> <p>Node partners to have direct pathway of program to local producers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recruitment of suitable participants into the Hatch Pre-accelerator Pilot - Run Hatch Program and report on findings 	N/A	<p>TNQ Drought Hub Hatch Program Pilot recruitment activities delivered by distributing through Hub networks to build interest in the Program. Recruitment gained a number of applications, and lessons learnt will be incorporated into future Program opportunities.</p> <p>TNQ Drought Hub Hatch Program Pilot delivered. In total there were 15 participants across 7 teams that undertook the Program to gain validation of their idea and approach. All teams received valuable feedback and guidance on next steps on their innovation and support mechanisms in place to support the teams moving forward.</p> <p>Program delivery deemed successful</p>
Activity 3: Drought Hub Agritech event virtual showcase			
<p>Showcase the opportunity for facilitated adoption of technologies on the ground in TNQ</p>	<p>N/A – refer to the TNQ Hub's Ag Innovation Hub website for all innovation and commercialisation opportunities.</p>	N/A	<p>This activity is currently postponed. There are many ways that all stakeholders can be involved in innovation and commercialisation activities with the TNQ Hub. Please refer to the TNQ Hub website here https://www.tnqdroughthub.com.au/ag-innovation-hub/.</p>
Activity 4: Innovation and Commercialisation stakeholder event			
<p>Event to engage with participating stakeholders of the hub to scan for problem sets to focus on technologies existing or non-existing</p>	N/A	N/A	<p>This activity is currently postponed. There are many ways that all stakeholders can be involved in innovation and commercialisation activities</p>

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Activity 5: Innovation and Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub			
Central location to make available on-demand capability building content from across all programs. Develops a key collation of reference tools to upskill a range of stakeholders with a key focus on producers.	N/A	N/A	This activity is currently postponed, but there is a growing resource base on the TNQ Hub website here: https://www.tnqdroughthub.com.au/resources/
There are many ways that all stakeholders can be involved in innovation and commercialisation activities with the TNQ Hub. Currently innovation and commercialisation activities are being delivered through the Ag Innovation Program. Please refer to the TNQ Hub website here https://www.tnqdroughthub.com.au/ag-innovation-hub/ .			

Building Human Capacity (BHC)			
Activity Milestones	By June 2023	By June 2024	Description of action(s) completed to date
Activity 1: Industry Placements and Associated Activities: AgForce Industry Engagement Program - School to Industry Partnership Program.			
The identified gap that this activity seeks to address is the lack of employment pathways for students to be exposed to the sector. This activity will contribute to the industry placements in the Northern Region. Building social resilience for resourceful and adaptable communities and creating pathways into agricultural careers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engage with Cape York Node to coordinate with schools and community groups - Deliver AgForce Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review of program and identification of further program delivery in other locations - Delivery program in other locations (if applicable) 	Program design completed and scheduled for Cooktown 17-19 April 2023. Schools and producers engaged to take part in the AgForce Program.
Activity 2: Industry Placements and Associated Activities: JCU Work Integrated Learning Programs through Regional Nodes.			
The identified gap that this activity seeks to address is the lack of employment pathways for students to be exposed to the sector. This activity will contribute to the industry placements in the Northern Region, and providing an increased applicant pool for future opportunities. Building social resilience for resourceful and adaptable communities and creating pathways into agricultural careers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continuing: identification of opportunities for Work Integrated Learning in each TNQ Hub Node region 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continuing: identification of opportunities for Work Integrated Learning in each TNQ Hub Node region 	All TNQ Hub Nodes expressed an interest in being involved in the JCU Work Integrated Learning programs. JCU working closely with each Node to identify opportunities for placement to have students placed in the regions and actively building capacity in agricultural service delivery.
Activity 3: Educational Pathways & Linkages: Build networks and relationships with training, educational, and extension organisations to contribute to educational pathways and identify opportunities to increase practical competencies.			
Establish an understanding of the agricultural offerings for both accredited and non-accredited learning/education. The Hub can be an advocate for learning opportunities which will contribute to resilience in the TNQ region. Position the Hub's understanding to be able to contribute into policy and other discussions. Grow the self-reliance and performance (productivity and profitability) of the agricultural sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proactively engage in industry forums and workshops - Develop relationships with APEN and DAF to review current educational priorities - Partner with TAFE and the Agriculture Centre of Excellence (in Bowen) to review the available and planned AgTech practical competencies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delivery of a report to detail sector priorities and key findings from the investigation 	TAFE, Bowen Agricultural Centre of Excellence, DAF, Canegrowers and Horticulture Innovation Australia engaged and workshops being undertaken to identify extension development opportunities. Findings will be collated and reported in 2 nd half of 2023.
Activity 4: Educational Pathways & Linkages: More regionally focused approach to scholarships.			
There are no specific scholarships aligned to the Hub's identified regional priorities. Scholarships offerings will build academic knowledge in the sector. Contribute to the educational pathways. Grow the self-reliance and performance (productivity and profitability) of the agricultural sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promoting a TNQ Hub scholarship and/or industry placement scheme to JCU Honours candidates and supervisors (other universities may be considered) - Advertise TNQ Hub Top-up scholarship opportunities - Interested students and supervisors may be linked in with the Nodes (through the DRCs) based on discussions with the Program Lead to identify where potential projects can be hosted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The outputs will be Honours project research papers January 2024 - Advertise TNQ Hub Top-up scholarship opportunities for 2024. 	Expressions of interest for Top-Up Honours Scholarship Applications advertised in November 2022. There are currently six Honours Students shortlisted, and project ideas being discussed and confirmed early in 2023.
Activity 5: Governance & Financial Literacy: Engage with industry partners to deliver governance skill workshops to build community capability.			

<p>An identified gap in TNQ is the further development required for governance skills in the region. This activity will aim to identify a cost-effective way to deploy governance workshops in Node regions that have identified a need for this training. This will contribute to the building of community capability. Strengthen the wellbeing and social capital of rural, regional, and remote communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact various organisations to identify options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliver one program in an identified Node location 	<p>Identification of options available continue with the aim to enhance governance skills by delivering a workshop/s. Finalising workshop delivery provider and location/s with delivery of workshop/s due at end of 2023.</p>
<p>Activity 6: Governance & Financial Literacy: Coordinate regional financial skill workshops.</p>			
<p>An identified gap (by some of the Nodes) is the further development required for finance skills in the region (both Nodes and community groups). This activity will aim to identify a cost-effective way to deploy finance workshops in Node regions that have identified a need for this training.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact various organisations to identify options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliver one program in an identified Node location 	<p>Identification of options available continue with the aim to enhance financial skills by delivering a workshop/s. Finalising workshop delivery provider and location/s with delivery of workshop/s due at end of 2023.</p>
<p>Activity 7: Governance & Financial Literacy: Explore opportunities to upskill small business or enterprise skills to increase community capability.</p>			
<p>An identified gap (by some of the Nodes) is the further development required for small business and enterprise management skills in the region (both Nodes and community groups). This activity will aim to identify a cost-effective way to deploy workshops in Node regions that have identified a need for this training.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact various organisations to identify options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliver one program in an identified Node location 	<p>In discussion with TAFE (Agriculture Centre of Excellence) to consider options through the Fee Free TAFE courses [Entrepreneurship and New Business]. A TAFE proposal currently under development.</p>
<p>Activity 8: Succession Planning & Leadership Skills: Engage with Community Foundation to deliver a regional leadership program to upskill regional capability.</p>			
<p>An identified gap (by Nodes) is the further development required for place-based and community orientated leadership programs. This activity will pilot a leadership program in the Gulf Savannah Node but explore opportunities to deliver other programs based on Node specific requirements.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engage with a community-based community leadership training provider - Engage with Node to coordinate an Influential Women leadership weekend at Mt Surprise - Coordinate program - Plan and organise event 	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Proposal from Blue Wren Connections approved and supported by the Gulf Savannah NRM. Marketing materials and communications in development to gain the most impact from the program. Program delivery taking place in April 2023.</p>
<p>Activity 9: Accessible Information & Data Analysis: Climate Mates Program.</p>			
<p>Contributing to building the inherent skills of Hub team members by increasing awareness of available programs and tools. Building social resilience for resourceful and adaptable communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Workshop coordinated and forum scheduled for November 2022 - Climate Mates delivering a three-hour training session 	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Two-day event held with 30+ participants. All attendee's gained valuable training from the Climate Mates Program team and are now better equipped to delivery activities within the TNQ region.</p>
<p>Activity 10: Accessible Information & Data Analysis: Increase understanding of Forage products, such as Longpaddock to increase service provider awareness.</p>			
<p>Contribute to the understanding of accessible information and data analysis to enable more future focused decision making. Building social resilience for resourceful and adaptable communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Workshop coordinated and forum scheduled for November 2022 - LongPaddock and Climate Services for Agriculture to deliver training sessions 		<p>LongPaddock and Climate Services for Agriculture (CSA) workshops delivered to 30+ participants. All attendee's now have enhanced understanding and usability of the LongPaddock and CSA tools.</p>
<p>Activity 11: Accessible Information & Data Analysis: Build success profiles and communication channels to increase adoption</p>			

behaviours. Develop training materials and information videos with industry experts.			
There is lack of knowledge transfer and legacy products by lead agencies when their professional industry experts retire. This activity will capture key skills, knowledge, expertise and career wisdom as a resource for landholders and the industry sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify key industry experts to interview - Develop interview questions - Develop and distribute video series, materials for capacity building 	N/A (potentially undertake additional video series)	<p>Professor Roger Stone has had over 35 years' experience in climate science and applications for drought preparedness and management systems, in Australia and globally.</p> <p>Bob Shepherd is an extension expert in the agricultural sector and has decades of working across a large number of primary industries.</p> <p>Video series under development with materials due for release early in 2023. These materials will be a very valuable resource for distribution through the TNQ Hub's Node and Partner networks, to give an insight into decades of experience.</p>
Activity 12: Social and Behavioural Change: Engage with Grazing Futures Program to identify gaps and potential future opportunities for the region.			
Identify gaps in the Grazing Futures and similar programs where the TNQ Hub can add value. Provide a regional lens for the Grazing Futures Program. Review the successful Grazing Futures Program including how their tools, products and services could support TNQ Hub outcomes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Initial investigations and research commenced - Analyse the Grazing Future Program - Engage with Nodes to discuss the development of potential regional initiatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement any identified regional initiatives 	Initial research undertaken to identify opportunities. These opportunities will be developed in collaboration with TNQ Hub Nodes to further develop and implement any regional initiatives that will add value to the region.
Activity 13: Internal Hub Capability: Build Hub extension capability and understanding of available tools.			
This activity will help develop hub extension capability and enhance co-ordination of activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordinate workshop and forum scheduled for November 2022 - Develop agenda for 2023 event 		Two-day event held with 30+ participants. The forum enhanced the extension capability throughout the Hub network and upskilled all attendee's with additional information on available tools (existing and emerging) that can assist land managers with their decision making.

Sustainable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Enterprise (SATSIE)			
Activity Milestones	By June 2023	By June 2024	Description of action(s) completed to date
Activity 1: Innovation in Community Resilience Queensland's 17 discrete Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities face important economic, social and environmental resilience challenges. These challenges are significantly exacerbated by drought, particularly in regard to water, food, infrastructure and digital security. There has previously been no regionalised approach to supporting individual councils to identify and address these issues and find innovative solutions. This activity will support, facilitate and promote regional approaches to planning, peer-to-peer learning and developing products, services and tools to address regionally identified gaps.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional Drought Strategy document - Clear business cases for community and regionally developed priorities in innovation to be supported through on-ground implementation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Innovation deployed, trialled and evaluated - Wider adoption of priority innovations 	The SATSIE Program supported by the Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance (TCICA), Cape York NRM and Gulf Savanna NRM to develop the region's Regional Drought Resilience Strategy. The strategy includes several strategies to improve innovation at the region, community and property scale, with resources for implementation of those strategies now being negotiated. To building drought resilience across Aboriginal and Torres Strait Councils across TNQ, this will include seeking innovative regional and local solutions to: (i) water security; (ii) digital and mobile access and capacity; (iii) food security through local agricultural development opportunities. The Program (in October) facilitated a major DATSIP sponsored meeting of all Queensland Councils to explore economic transitions in the face of climate change and decarbonation.
Activity 2: Innovation in Building Traditional Owner Enterprise Resilience Traditional Owners across the TNQ region are now entering the post-native title determination period with "whole of country" opportunities (including new and emerging water rights, access to land and ecosystem services) only just beginning to be identified and mobilised to contribute to drought resilience. Diversified business and income opportunities will help build resilience. This activity seeks to support regional collectives of TOs and individual TO institutions (e.g. Ranger Programs and Aboriginal Corporations) to access business opportunities through adopting innovative approaches to mobilising water, agricultural lands, natural resources and traditional knowledge.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water mobilisation case study defined and progressed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Case study developed and implemented for progressing delivery of water for economic, food security and drought resilience - Concept/manual extended across Traditional Owner institutions. - Human capacity program delivered and evaluated 	This milestone is well on track, but in accordance with the milestone. will be substantively progressed in 2022/23. Active partnerships (and actual strategy development for innovation adoption in the water and human capacity space) have already commenced with the following groups across TNQ: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cape York Land Council. SATSIE has supported CYLC to develop a significant CRCNA proposal for working out innovative ways to mobilise some 480 GL of water for consumptive use allocated to the Cape York Water Plan Indigenous reserve. CRCNA has accepted CYLC's EOI outlining a project to identify how to activate use of water in the Indigenous reserve, and SATSIE is now assisting CYLC to complete the CRCNA project application and to confirm partners for the project. 2. Dulabed Aboriginal Corporation. SATSIE Program has undertaken planning and reached agreement with Dulabed to support their innovation in decision making on whether water in their catchment meets their cultural and economic aspirations. SATSIE is now assisting Dulabed to engage with other Aboriginal corporations in the catchment to consider how to allocate water between the catchment's Aboriginal corporations, and suitable uses for the water. 3. Djabugay Aboriginal Corporation. SATSIE Program is exploring ways that it can support innovative potentials for the use of landscape thickening in their region to support economic and cultural aspirations. 4. Fitzroy Basin Association. The SATSIE Program has supported FBA to progress towards building a strong Indigenous voice across the Fitzroy Basin to increase cultural and economic outcomes from development, landscape management and water. A SATSIE-supported FBA meeting is planned for early 2023 so that Fitzroy Basin TO groups can prepare to engage in the review of the Fitzroy water plan with the aim of improving allocations for cultural flows and the Indigenous reserve.

			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Preliminary discussions have been held to help the Koinmerburra Aboriginal Corporation (Reef Catchments and Fitzroy Region) to explore their nation building, water and landscape management aspirations. Field visits have been conducted and SATSIE will continue to support Koinmerburra to develop capacity and establish a Ranger program over 2023. 6. NQDT Traditional Owner Management Group. Two meetings have been held with TOMG, and agreement reached that SATSIE will provide traditional owners with catchment scale advice and support regarding their strategic thinking about water's cultural and economic implications in the Burdekin. Over 2023 SATSIE will support TOMG to engage in the review of the Burdekin water plan with the aim of improving allocations for cultural flows and the Indigenous reserve. 7. Preliminary discussions have been held to help Yirendali Traditional Owners to explore their nation building, water and landscape management aspirations, with assistance from Southern Gulf NRM. visits have been conducted and over 2023 SATSIE will assist Yirendali with corporate development and developing agreement and capacity to be influential over management of their traditional country. 8. Kowanyma Aboriginal Land and Sea Management Office (Northern Gulf/South West Cape). Support arrangements have been established to assist the KALSMO (and increasingly Aak Puul Ngantam at Aurukun) to consider innovation in achieving their the future development aspirations (including pastoral, rangers and ecosystem services). 9. Wet Tropics Rainforest Aboriginal People's Think Tank (RAPTT). The SATSIE program has prepared an innovative approach for the RAPTT to build the economic resilience of some 24 tribal groups across the Wet Tropics via the targeted use of Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) processes. Innovation from this project will be developed as a guide for other traditional owner institutions across the TNQ region. A draft report has been provided to RAPTT outlining FPIC processes and other matters, and SATSIE is awaiting feedback.
<p>Activity 3: Facilitating innovation in Indigenous Business</p>			
<p>Indigenous Australians have lower rates of self-employment and entrepreneurship than non-Indigenous Australians. The greatest disparity occurs in very remote areas with Indigenous people being nine times less likely to be self-employed. The TNQ region has a large Indigenous population in very remote areas.</p> <p>Indigenous business opportunities for growth exist in agriculture, especially through accessing water, land and other opportunities. Supply Nation (https://supplynation.org.au/) have identified through their research that many large companies are wanting to invest into Indigenous supply chains and business to help create a new generation of entrepreneurs, to grow business knowledge and help remove barriers to employment for future generations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Co-designed system of events and networks to share innovation across Indigenous enterprises 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliver co-designed series of events and network support - Quarterly network updates - Long term plan for event and network continuation - Evaluation of event and network based system for innovation extension 	<p>The SATSIE Program has established linkages to and supported several key networks that it will tap into to share a range of process and technology innovations and innovative business opportunities (for Indigenous businesses in TNQ), including links with the Innovation and Commercialisation Program. These networks include: (i) The State Queensland Ranger Network via DES; (ii) The Northern Australian Pastoral Network via the ILSC; (iii) the Northern Australia Traditional Owners network (via NAILSMA); (iv) Queensland emerging Indigenous Small Business Network (via Tagai Management Consultants); (v) Australia's emerging Indigenous Trade Network (via Supply Nation); (vi) the Northern Australian Indigenous Reference Group (via the Office of North Australia); (vii) the Queensland Social Enterprise Network (QSEN); and (viii) Australia's First Nations Portfolio for Indigenous Led Development (via ANU). Work is</p>

This activity seeks to accelerate new business opportunities and build resilience by supporting improvement in Indigenous business structures, processes, technologies and innovation through collaboration and learning across networks.			now progressing the coordination of innovation-focussed contributions and support from the SATSIE Program across 2023 and 2024.
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