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Free property management planning resources go online

Cradle Coast Authority's (CCA) Natural Resource Management (NRM) team have a long history of helping farmers across our region to develop management plans for their properties. Property Management Planning (PMP) helps rural landholders better understand their property's assets, identify management limitations or problems areas and protect the natural values which exist on their property.

We are pleased to launch a free online PMP program for landholders. Regardless of property size, the free online PMP program helps landholders plan work on issues like soil fertility, weed management or infrastructure upgrades. The program consists of 9 online education modules each taking about 2-3 hours to complete. Landholders can receive hard-copy resources, including a planning template and property maps, to complement the online learning modules.

CCA's Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator, Dr Tom O'Malley, has been delivering the PMP project for 4 years and has received very positive feedback on the program.

"Having a property management plan allows farmers to see the bigger picture for their property and prioritise their actions to get the outcomes they want" said Dr O'Malley.

This program provides regionally relevant information for Cradle Coast rural landholders including on topics such as pasture management, biodiversity protection and how to look after your productive soils.

"We have seen some great outcomes from property management planning in the past, including improved carrying capacity of productive pasture and the development of diverse shelterbelts which double as biodiversity corridors," he said.

Offering the PMP program online will allow landholders to undertake the program at a time and pace that is suitable for them while still having the support of the Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator as needed. Landholders wanting to know more can contact Cradle Coast Authority Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator, Dr Tom O'Malley at tomalley@cradlecoast.com.

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