

Question on Notice

No. 1571

Asked on 31 October 2018

MR M HEALY ASKED MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND FISHERIES (HON M FURNER)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline the assistance that is available to producers through the Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate scheme?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

The Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate (EWIR) component of the Drought Relief Assistance Scheme provides a rebate of up to 50 per cent to drought declared primary producers in the grazing industry for the purchase and installation of water infrastructure necessary to meet the emergency water needs of droughted livestock.

The maximum amount of assistance is \$20 000 per financial year, but this amount can be increased up to a potential maximum of \$50 000 per year with an approved Drought Management Plan.

Examples of water infrastructure eligible for the rebate include pumps, pipes, tanks, troughs and new bores.

Further information on the EWIR program including eligibility criteria can be found on the website

www.daf.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/environment/drought/assistance-programs/guidelines-and-forms