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Update Regarding WTSIP Extension Team

We are writing to let you know about some changes regarding WTSIP's extension team for 2020.

Our extension officers have been providing extension services to growers across the Wet Tropics since 2016. They are based within our partner organisations and focused on developing customised whole farm nutrient management plans.

This service was funded by the Australian Government's Reef Trust III Program, which came to an end in November 2019.

However, the Great Barrier Reef Foundation (GBRF) has recently confirmed that they will continue to fund this service for Wet Tropics cane growers for another 12 months until November 2020.

What does this mean for you?

WTSIP's extension officers for the Herbert district are Leanne Carr, Jarrod Sartor and Meghan Zahmel, who are based within HCPSL. They will continue to provide extension support to growers in your district during 2020 and will be available to review nutrient management plans until November.

On behalf of the Wet Tropics Sugar Industry Partnership, I would like to thank you for your participation in the Reef Trust III Program and for your contribution towards enabling us to exceed our primary targets:

Wet Tropics	Target	Actual
Hectares of practice change	41,500	67,044
Reduction in DIN	260 tonnes	266 tonnes
Growers with practice change	425	321 (500 engaged)

This is a great achievement for our industry – please see attached information sheet for an overview of the results.

If you have any questions please contact HCPSL.

Regards,

Joe Marano

Chairman

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