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YOUNG FARMERS BUSINESS SCHOOL COMES TO MOREE NEXT MONTH

NORTHERN Tablelands MP and Minister for Agriculture Adam Marshall has today announced an exciting new course aimed at developing business skills in our next crop of farmers and fishers will be coming to Moree next month.

Mr Marshall said the NSW Department of Primary Industries' (DPI) Young Farmer Business Program School (YFBPS) would be run over six months and help young primary producers to grow and lead their business, wherever they wish to take it.

"The Young Farmer Business Program provides access to new business ideas, tools, products and relevant concepts for any young farmers and since the start of 2017 there has been 75 people take part in the YFBPS at Moree," Mr Marshall said.

"Those participants have received expert advice about running their business, setting goals and their own personal growth, development and motivation and I'm pleased to say the majority have gone on to run successful enterprises.

"The upcoming Business School includes two face to face workshops, one at the beginning and one a three quarters of the way through the program, as well as online learning modules, group coaching calls and webinars.

"It will cover the fundamentals of managing staff and contractors, monitoring cash flow and finance and time management and marketing – all topics suggested through consultation with the farming community."

The program is open to farmers and fishers aged 18-35 years old, who have an active ABN and their ABN is registered in NSW.

Mr Marshall added financial support is available to those wanting to take part.

"Conditions on farm may be tough because of the drought but when the season turns we will need to have business savvy operators who are able to make decisions which get productivity back on track quickly and efficiently," Mr Marshall said.

"I want to see as many young people as possible grabbing hold of this opportunity and that's why subsidies are available support those who live in remote areas for travel and accommodation."

The coaching program in partnership with the Agribusiness Development Institute will hold a two day workshop on Wednesday, 4 and Thursday, 5 September 2019.

Cost is \$499 per person with early bird rates \$399 per person (\$199 for second person in the same business). Limited spots available.

More information is available at www.farhtable.com.au/young-farmers-business-program/

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