

DAF Horticulture Systems Agronomy team looking for qualified individuals for Wet Tropics work

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Qld Dept. Agriculture and Fisheries are offering fulltime paid casual work on contracts for up to 2 years as part of Horticulture and Forestry Science research agronomy trials into sustainable agriculture. There are currently positions available within the horticulture systems agronomy team based at the DAF South Johnstone Research Facility and the Mareeba Research Facility. Work is horticulture industry focused (banana / avocado / mango), and encompasses field, lab and office desktop-based duties linked to understanding how agricultural production systems can become more sustainable and impacts to water quality entering the Great Barrier Reef can be reduced.

Job Description: Casual Research Support Officer based within Horticulture and Forestry Science division working on banana nutrient rate trials at South Johnstone Research Facility or mango and avocado production systems trials at Mareeba Research Facility. In this position you will be contributing to the field work (trial set-up; sampling and monitoring of soil, water and plant material; and trial removal) lab work (soil-water-plant-fertiliser sample processing, weighing, and analysis) industry communications (connecting and talking to growers and agronomists), data collection (recording, cross checking, entry, and analysis) report writing and presentation (literature reviews, reporting of results, sharing with industry) as part of a DAF research team conducting horticulture agronomic research trials into productivity, profitability and sustainability linked to improved reef water quality.

If you're interested in this type of opportunity apply via email with your resume and a brief introductory cover letter to Stuart Irvine-Brown stuart.irvinebrown@daf.qld.gov.au 0455083037