Risk and Action Template Extensive Beef Cattle

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1.	Do you have a list of contacts to be used in times of crisis, including: EMERGENCY; fire/police/ambulance, SUPPORT; personal contacts, neighbours, professional, personal & financial counselling, local government, industry organisations?		1.	1	 If No; Develop list of contacts using <u>List of</u> <u>Contacts Guide</u> provided for times of crisis guide provided and display in a prominent place.
2.	Do you understand your legal responsibility in relation to <i>Duty of Care</i> for animals, and possible legal consequences if you do not comply?		2.	2	. If No; Read; 1 Responsibilities, page 6 of Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Cattle and Land Transport of Livestock
3.	Do you have a list of past and possible future crises , and understand the risk of these crises occurring in your region and industry in the future?		3.	3	. If No ; Identify and document past crises and possible future risks in your region, using Possible Risks Resulting in Welfare Issues and local professional advice to assist.
4.	Do you have a Risk Mitigation or Crisis Management Plan in place?		4.	4	. If No ; Complete this Template and a simple <u>Crisis Contingency Management Plan</u> will be developed. Also consider registering with an industry <u>Quality Assurance Program ()</u> .
5.	Do you have a Business Plan in place, including farm map/plan?		5.	5	. If No ; Use this Crisis Management Plan developed as the basis of simple Standard Operating Procedures or a <u>Business Plan</u> and create farm <u>map/plan</u> .
6.	Is there agreed emergency finance available to manage future crises?		6.	6	. If No ; Discuss with <u>Rural Financial Councillor</u> and Financial Institution.
7.	Is there an animal health, disease management, parasite control, biosecurity and emergency		7.	7	. If No ; Seek veterinary advice and develop an <u>animal husbandry</u> , <u>disease</u> , <u>animal health and</u>

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disease management plan and vendor declaration program in place? Are veterinary advisors involved in the development and implementation of these plans and staff training programs?			welfare, biosecurity, emergency disease management plan (), parasite control (ticks, buffalo fly, internal parasites) and cattle vendor declaration program.
8. Are stock identified and animal health records (disease, reproduction, treatments etc.) kept?		8.	8. If No ; Implement NLIS identification system as a minimum as well as a health recording system ()
Are stock vulnerable to adverse environmental conditions and predation?		9.	9. If Yes ; Seek professional advice and implement extreme weather events and predation management plan (Key area 2, Page 10)
10. Are staff and personnel trained or experienced in animal husbandry and management, including care in times of crisis and acceptable stock humane killing procedures?		10.	10. If No ; Access <u>staff management</u> , <u>animal</u> <u>husbandry</u> , and <u>humane killing</u> (page 28) programs and <u>train staff</u> , including for management <u>in natural disasters</u> <u>and recovery</u> .
11. Do you have a destocking strategy in place with triggers for agistment, feeding and/or reduce stock numbers and eventual destocking?		11.	11. If No ; Develop a <u>destocking strategy</u> with feed supply and animal condition triggers, to reduce stock numbers early in a crisis and to eventually totally destock.
12. Do all staff understand the legal standards in A. managing cattle, especially in drought, and B. the health of cattle to be transported off farm in drought?		12.	12. If No ; Familiarise all staff with <u>Cattle Standards</u> and <u>Guidelines</u> and <u>Fit to Load Guidelines</u> .
13. Are stock monitored routinely and effectively, especially near calving?		13.	13. If No ; Upgrade cattle monitoring program, in collaboration with neighbours
14. Is there an agreed business intergenerational transition plan in place that will ensure uninterrupted farm viability and positive animal welfare outcomes?		14.	14. If No ; Access a <u>Rural Financial Councillor</u> and develop <u>a Succession Plan</u> .
15. Do you access long range weather forecasts?		15.	15. If No ; Gain access to the long range weather and climate variability information
16. Do you conduct land management, annual feed budgeting & Body Condition Scoring?		16.	16. If No ; Implement <u>Grazing Land Management</u> <u>Feed Budgeting Tools ()</u> and <u>Body Condition</u> <u>Scoring</u> to match future <u>feed availability</u> with

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			requirements, setting stocking rates () and
			forward feed purchasing options.
17. Are stock watering facilities reliable and well		17.	17. If No ; Ensure <u>watering facilities can cope with</u>
maintained and have the capacity to cope with dry times?			dry periods (managing farm water supplies)
18. Is the property secure from unwanted people		18.	18. If No ; Ensure fencing is appropriate and
entry and cattle escape?			valuable stock are away from public view
19. Are contingency plans in place for loss of		19.	19. If No ; Develop <u>a Human Resource Plan</u> that
management or operating personnel?			includes protocols for employing, inducting,
			communicating with, reviewing, rewarding, and
			motivating staff. Develop emergency plan (e.g.
			with neighbours) for sudden loss of staff.
20. Are you aware of the signs that will indicate that a		20.	20. If No ; Utilize this Crisis Management
crisis is developing?			Contingency Plan to develop a strategy that will
			flag that crisis is immanent or developing
21. Are you aware of signs of stress in yourself, family		21.	21. If No ; Read Managing Stress on Farms, be
members, staff and neighbours, and of actions to			aware of local counselling services, <u>rural</u>
take when stress is becoming an issue?			support services, national mental health
			services and implement actions as necessary.