

Farm Operations Manager – Stanthorpe

Permanent/full-time

Exciting hands-on fast paced role

Quality business

This progressive and vibrant cut flower and truffle farm is seeking a farm operations manager to work in the Stanthorpe region of Queensland. The scope of the position is to work with the owners to oversee all aspects of the farm operations to maximize production and ensure optimum quality of product while maintaining sound, environmental stewardship, and worker safety.

Key tasks will be focused on driving best production practices of the farm and leading a cohesive team working towards common goals to maximize efficiency.

The role will be vital in ensuring that the farm meets performance targets in terms of production, quality and safety. The farm operation manager will be responsible for management of all farm operations, including planting, irrigation, harvesting, processing, coordination of site contractors and staff and other duties as required for this role.

Reporting to the farm owners, you will be involved in key establishment, production, maintenance, harvesting, and operational aspects of the farm. This is a hands-on role working closely with the farm owners and workers to ensure business objectives are being met.

Duties include:

Implementing a comprehensive seasonal farm production plan, including new practices, techniques, and products to enhance general returns by way of yields and quality.

Oversee all general farming practices for the farm from ground preparation, establishment of crops, growing, harvesting, processing. This **hands-on roll** involves working with and supervising/training of the farm staff, contractors, labour, hire, and casual staff.

Manage irrigation infrastructure, soil monitoring, scheduling, and maintenance.

Carry out regular pest and disease inspections, leaf and soil test for plant nutrition.

Ensure the appropriate use and maintenance of farm plant and equipment.

Deliver and achieve a safe working environment.

Recording and reporting of key data: i.e. irrigation, nutrition, crop estimates, etc.

Implement production plans within time frames.

Reporting to the farm owners regularly on the above to ensure production, quality and targets are on track.

Essential knowledge and skills

Extensive experience in horticultural management.
Experience in coordinating and managing staff and contractors.
Experience in implementing farm maintenance plans.
Cost-effective implementation of horticultural programs.
Pest and disease identification and treatments.
Farm equipment and operation.
Yield estimation, harvesting, and processing of customers' orders.
Ability to use Microsoft Office and other industry software.
Current driver's license
Practical/technical horticultural skills.
Knowledge of irrigation systems.
Comprehensive communication skills.
Effective time management and organization skills.

Desirable

Degree or diploma in horticulture.
Occupational or remote first aid.

Attractive salary package available - including work vehicle. Accommodation can also be arranged.

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