ECO Destination Certification: Gympie site induction itinerary

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Venue for all sessions: Australian Institute of Country Music (26 Channon Street Gympie QLD 4570)

Day	Time	Item
22 August 2023	8.00 am	Doors open
	8.30 am	TOURISM RELATED BUSINESS: Presentation ECO Destination Program
	1 hour	Presentation
		"What eco-certification means for their business"
		What the process is and what will be required?
		What opportunities are involved?
		Presentation
		Incentives & certified business
		Q & A
	9.30am	Morning Tea (Sessions 2 & 3 are open to community stakeholders and interested business
		operators)
	10.00 am	Stakeholder: Presentation ECO Destination Program
	1.5 hour	Presentation
		Introduction of Ecotourism Australia (EA) and why Gympie Region has engaged EA and
		decided to go down the ECO Destination path.

	Presentation What is ECO Destination Certification? What does the certification mean for the region? What the process is and what will be required of attendees? What opportunities are involved? Overview of Preliminary assessment and findings Next steps Q&A 1:1 questions and networking
12.00 pm 2 hours Working lunch	 60mins - Communication and marketing discussion To discuss public communications strategies around the ECO Destination program for stakeholders, visitors and the broader market. 60 mins - Industry incentives and rewards discussion To ensure awareness/planning of opportunities/incentives/rewards for the destination and its ecotourism /sustainable tourism industry.
2.00 pm	Event close