

# Soil Improvement Plan project



**Are you a vegetable farmer in the Tweed Local Government Area?  
Looking for training and support to improve productivity on your farm?**

**Are you passionate about caring for your land, the food you produce  
and the wellbeing of your customers?**

**Then, this project is for you!**

**Tweed Shire Council is giving five commercial vegetable farmers the opportunity to participate in a training and extension program based on biological farming practices, with support from the National Landcare Program.**

Training and on-going extension support will be provided by renowned biological farmer and educator Dave Forrest. Dave is an organic grower, producer and supplier, Soilcare vice chair and a former TAFE NSW agriculture teacher.

The program will run from October 2019 to May 2021 and include training in biological farming practices relevant to your production system, soil tests and interpretation. It will also include funding for materials to implement a biological farming trial on your farm.

To be eligible for the program you must be:

- actively farming on a commercial basis
- willing to learn through participation in a series of short classroom and field sessions
- able to work with educator Dave Forrest to develop a soil improvement plan for your farm
- prepared to trial biological farming practices on up to 1ha of your farm; and
- willing to host a farm field day with all costs and support to be provided by Tweed Shire Council.



Dave Forrest

**For further information and to express your interest in participating, contact the Program Leader – Sustainable Agriculture on (02) 6670 2599. Expressions of interest will be accepted until Friday 11 October 2019.**

