


Biosecurity

Within the
Western Downs


OUR COMMUNITIES | OUR FUTURE



Pest Management Plan

- July 2012 – approved by Minister and adopted by WDRRC for implementation.
- Provides - Strategy, Protocols and Process
- Identifies targeted Class 1, 2 or 3 pests
- Identifies pests declared under WDRRC Local Law
- Applies to both public and private land
- www.wdrc.qld.gov.au

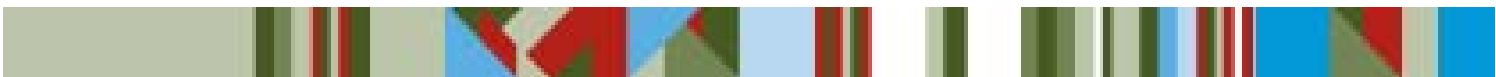
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Western Downs Regional Council -- Responsibility

- Surveillance
- Early Detection
- Eradication and Control
- Local Planning
- Mapping
- Awareness

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Promote a *COORDINATED* and *COOPERATIVE* approach to Pest and Weed Management.

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How Do We Achieve This?

- 8 Rural Service Officers
- NRM Officer
- Wild Dog Trapper – also maintains Wild Dog Check Fences
- 2 contracted Wild Dog Trapper
- Wild Dog Baiting Program – twice yearly
- Scalp Bounty
- Provision of Manufactured baits and 1080 to grain


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How Do We Achieve This?

- Wandoan Cattle dip and Spray Station
- Washdown Facilities
 - 2 Major – Wandoan and Chinchilla. Soon to be a Dalby facility
 - Smaller Washdown sites within each Service Centre.
 - Administer Permits for Temporary Washdown locations across the region.

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Issues

- In the past:
 - Land Access
 - Participation in Pest and Weed Control Programs
- Due to – Lack of consultation over the years
- Better communication and information sharing between council and industry groups now.

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Issues

- Current and Continuing:
 - Weed Seed Spread
 - The facilities are available ---- third party contractors
 - Temporary Washdown
 - We know that it happens.
 - 90% of time – don't know where it occurs.

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Needs and Expectations

- CONSISTENCY and LINKAGES
- Consistency = more participation in *appropriate* prevention and control of Pest Animals and Weeds
- Linkages = Partnerships with landholders, industry groups and other agencies in developing action plans
 - Extra resourcing more accessible and improved consistency across boundaries more achievable;.

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