

# **Land Protection Equipment Hire**

Bundaberg Regional Council loans a range of equipment to landholders for the management of invasive pest plants and animals within the Bundaberg Region.

## **Equipment for hire**



### **Wick wipers**

Four metre pressurised wick wipers attach to a tractor's three-point linkage and work by applying a concentrated application of glyphosate to the giant rat's tail grass plant and are effective in areas of light to moderate infestation. To achieve best results a series of three wipes will be required over an 18 month period.

### Indian Myna traps

Council has implemented a pest control program to reduce Indian myna bird numbers using specially made traps. Council has a number



of traps available for loan to the community. A bounty is paid for each Indian Myna trapped alive and in good condition.

### **Portable** pig traps

Portable pig traps are available to assist with control of feral pigs. Pigs will normally require pre-feeding prior to trapping.



## **Subsidy assistance**

#### **Chemical assistance**

Council has a chemical subsidy scheme which enables landholders to access the chemical Taskforce (Flupropanate). This chemical is a selective herbicide that only targets giant rat's tail grass (GRT), African love grass and a few other grass species at a greatly reduced price. Taskforce is currently the most effective herbicide available for the control of GRT.

### Property pest management plans

Property pest management plans help property owners manage pest weeds and animals on their properties by prioritising resources, complying with legislation and co-ordinating action with neighbours. For your convenience Council has produced a Pest Management Plan Template. Landholders must complete and return this form to access the chemical subsidy program.

Contact details overleaf.



## Additional equipment for hire, fees apply



### **Spray units**

400 litre Quikspray units with 100 metre remote controlled retractable hose reels are available. Units come on a high clearance trailer. Units are available for control of declared plants. These units can generally halve the time required to treat an area of infestation.



#### **Splatter guns**

Splatter guns have been proven to give exceptional control of lantana, particularly in steep terrain or otherwise inaccessible locations. These guns are carried on the operators back and are gas operated to deliver a small concentrated mix of glyphosate. Allow approximately 5-6 hours per cylinder dependant on infestation density.



### **Noxious plant inspections**

This service can advise prospective purchasers of any invasive plant infestations that may be present on a property prior to purchase.



### **Boomless spray attachments**

These attachments can be fitted to Council's spray units or any suitable high-volume pump for undertaking control of large infestations. The unit allows for a 16 metre spray swathe to be applied in a single pass, making control of large infestations a simple operation.



#### Aquatic weed control

Council has a range of equipment and an experienced contractor to help control aquatic pest plants in private dams. Contact a Land Protection Officer at Bundaberg Regional Council to discuss the hire charge.

### **BOOKINGS** and further information contact:

The Land Protection team on 1300 883 699 or visit bundaberg.qld.gov.au

