

Land Management Biodiversity Incentive Scheme

Land Management Rebate – Weed Control Priorities for 2016/2017

The spread of weeds can reduce natural biodiversity and lead to the potential loss of farm productivity. All landholders have a responsibility to control weeds.

This form outlines the weed control priorities for Bass Coast Shire. The priorities have been compiled through consultation with local Landcare Groups and other landholders in each area.

Please use the priority list as a guide when determining your weed control program on your Rural Rate Rebate Works Proposed Form.



Highest Priority weeds for control in the Bass Coast Landcare Network Area are:

- Blackberry
- Thistles species
- Ragwort
- Hawthorn
- Broom species
- African Boxthorn
- Watsonia
- Willow species
- Asparagus Fern
- Mirror Bush
- Pampas Grass
- Gorse
- Pittosporum
- English and Cape Ivy
- Bluebell Creeper
- Chilean Needlegrass
- Kikuyu
- Blue Periwinkle
- Spanish Heath
- Sea Spurge
- Polygala
- Capeweed

New and Emerging Weeds

It is important to act early when a weed is identified to prevent its establishment and spread. Any new and unusual plants that appear on your land or on a roadside should be reported to the Landcare Community Pest Plant and Animal Officer (PPA) on the contact details below or to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) on 136 186.

Do you carry out machinery hygiene practices?

Weed seeds transported on machinery and implements can be a major factor in weed spread. After working in weed infested areas, seed, soil and plant matter on machinery should be removed by:

- Scraping and brushing with a broom or spade on site
- Washing the machinery down with high pressure water or an air hose

Did you know there is Landcare assistance available?

The Landcare Pest Plant and Animal Officer is available to provide control and eradication advice for pest plants and animals, as well as assistance with weed identification. Landcare groups and the community can also receive advice and assistance with the control of priority weeds, priority roadside management and advice on Pest Plant and Animal Contractors.

The Bass Coast Landcare Network Works Crew also provides contractor services for works such as weed control, revegetation and pest animal control.

The Bass Coast Landcare Network coordinates funding programs aimed to assist landowners who wish to undertake improvement to natural resources on their property. Funding assistance is available for revegetation, remnant protection, erosion control and soil health works.

For more information:

For further information and advice regarding pest plant and animal control, Landcare funding programs and contractor services provided by the Works Crew please contact the Bass Coast Landcare Network on 5678 2335 or visit basscoastlandcare.org.au.