

Item 8.2

Surveillance Program - Biosecurity Act 2014

22 July 2021



Biosecurity Act 2014 responsibilities



Local Government

Tasked with undertaking property inspections to identify and respond to 'Invasive biosecurity matter'.



Landholder

General Biosecurity
Obligation – must take all reasonable and practical measures to prevent or minimise biosecurity risks.



Key target species

Weed species prioritised in the SCC Biosecurity Plan 2017 such as Fireweed, Groundsel bush, Hygrophila.

Property inspections 6 September 2021 – 5 September 2022

Properties land size equal to or > 4,000m² proactive inspection in:

Balmoral Ridge Beerwah Belli Park Bells Creek

Crohamhurst Diamond Valley Dulong Eerwah Vale

Flaxton Mapleton Montville Mt Mellum

North Maleny Obi Obi Peachester Verrierdale





Program Implementation

Authorised officers identify biosecurity matter during property inspections



Assistance offered including:

- Education material
- Access to hire equipment
- Local land care group links



Biosecurity orders issued for non-compliance

Last 12 months

28% - properties assisted with control actions for invasive pest species (weeds)

12% - required compliance actions for Biosecurity Act 2014 breaches



Biosecurity Surveillance Program 2020/2021





