

Feral pig control

Assistance for residents



Feral pigs are established across the Sunshine Coast region in areas that provide food, cover and a reliable water supply.

Due to their economic and environmental impacts, feral pigs are identified as a pest animal. Under Queensland legislation, residents have an obligation to control feral pigs on their property. By controlling feral pigs, residents can help the community to reduce the economic and environmental damage caused by this pest animal.

Council services

Sunshine Coast Council provides the following services to assist residents to control feral pigs:

- property assessments and advice on managing pig impacts
- provision of trapping equipment and monitoring cameras
- assistance to set up and operate trapping equipment
- coordination of neighbouring control programs
- control of pigs on council reserves.

Contact council if you would like assistance with the control of feral pigs on your property.

More information on pest animals and council services can be found on the Sunshine Coast Council website.

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Pigs captured in a panel trap at Kenilworth

Feral pig impacts

- Feral pigs uproot seedlings and eat or trample mature crops.
- Feral pigs prey on native animals, contribute to habitat damage and spread weeds.
- Feral pigs carry diseases that can infect humans and livestock including brucellosis and leptospirosis.

Evidence of feral pigs

Evidence of feral pigs includes fresh digging of the ground, tracks, hair at holes in fences, wallows, tusk marking and mud rubs on trees and nests in vegetation made by sows before farrowing.