

Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security

# Buffel Advisory Committee Meeting #3

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# Proposed Buffel Grass Strategy

- structure and content

# 9.2: Background and Purpose

## Background

- History of introduction
- Use in dust, erosion and pastoral
- Spread and impacts (fire & biodiversity)
- Weed Risk Assessment 2022
- Technical Working Group 2023
- Formation of the WAC

## Purpose (per ToR)

Prioritise areas and methods where direct management actions will be most valuable and effective

## Timeframe

2024 – 2030  
(2x WAC appointment periods)

# 9.3: Priorities for buffel grass management

- From Alice & Tennant Weed Regional Weed Strategies
- Map
- Priority areas
  - **IPA**
  - **SoCS**
  - **Parks/Reserves**
- Pathways of spread
  - Roads
  - Rail
  - Gas

# 9.4: Management Objectives

Management objectives & methods (land use/tenure based) – as workshopped in Meeting #2

e.g.

Land use purpose	Tenure	Land use goals	Objective of buffel management	Management Options/techniques
Conservation	Reserve Freehold Vacant Crown land	Maintain healthy, natural ecosystems  Protect high value conservation and cultural assets	Prevent establishment Reduce spread Reduce spread off-site Detection Early intervention Minimise impact Enhance capacity & commitment	Spray - on ground Spray - aerial Slash Burn Manual removal Grade

# 9.5: Reasonable Actions

Reasonable management actions (land use/tenure based) – as workshopped in Meeting #2  
e.g.

Objective	Outcomes	Reasonable Management Actions	Land tenure/use					
			Conservation	Aboriginal	Corridors	Recreation	Residential	Pastoral
Minimise impact	Protect assets from wildfire (conservation, cultural, built)	Maintain firebreaks around land area boundaries and infrastructure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Maintain firebreaks and reduce fuel loads in priority landscapes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Mosaic burning and treatment regime to intercept buffel growth cycle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

# 9.6: Activating the Strategy - workshop

E.g:

Direction	Opportunities
Oversight	WAC: 3 year appointments Strategy: 3 year review Annual update Declaration
Research and Innovation	Mapping & data analysis Chemical trials
Capacity Building	Herbicide assistance Community Projects Ranger Grants Community awareness campaign