

BUFFEL GRASS ACTION PROGRAM OPERATIONAL PLAN 2026/27

PRIORITIES 2026/27

Support land managers

Reduce spread along transport corridors

Protect priority environmental and cultural assets

Improve distribution mapping

Initiate research into buffel-fire interactions



PROGRAM AREAS AND PROPOSED ACTIONS

**COORDINATION AND PLANNING**

Manage overall buffel grass program.

Coordinate activities across the NT and with other jurisdictions.

Produce 2026/27 buffel grass status update and 2027/28 annual operational plan.

**PROTECTING PRIORITY ENVIRONMENTAL AND CULTURAL ASSETS**

Support conservation managers to meet their obligations under the Buffel Grass Weed Management Plan (WMP).

Deliver mapping, planning and operational support to 5+ priority areas.

Ensure buffel grass management is factored into relevant threatened species and/or biodiversity conservation projects.

**MONITORING AND RESEARCH**

Improve knowledge of buffel grass distribution across the NT.

Work with interstate partners to finalise buffel grass population genetic analysis.

Initiate research to investigate the interaction between buffel grass and fire.

**BUILDING CAPACITY AND SUPPORTING LAND MANAGERS**

Work with all interested stakeholders to improve buffel management:

- delivery of mapping, planning and operational support
- provide free herbicide and equipment loans
- delivery of targeted training.

Improve general community awareness and understanding of buffel grass management through targeted engagement and production of extension materials.

**PREVENTING SPREAD**

Work with transport corridor managers and users to reduce spread along transport corridors.

Support transport corridor managers to meet their obligations under the Buffel Grass WMP.



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**Building capacity,
reducing impacts and
minimising further spread.**