

Capricorn Pest Management Group

Introduction

The Capricorn Pest Management Group (CPMG) was established in 1999 for the purpose of developing a coordinated approach to pest management in the Central Queensland region.

The impact of pests in our region is significant, and manifests in social, economic and environmental detriment across the Fitzroy River Basin. Pest management remains a priority for the region and is addressed with care and skilled practice through CPMG.

About CPMG

The CPMG provides strategic and pest management activities, which are coordinated by a Management Committee made up from representatives from Regional Councils and other organisations.

The main objectives of CPMG are to:

- Identify and coordinate strategic on-ground pest control activities in the Central Queensland Region.
- Develop incentive programs for stakeholders to encourage weed and pest animal controls.
- Encourage and facilitate the development and implementation of pest management plans.

- Provide effective input into Commonwealth and State Government initiatives and policies to reduce impact and improve the management of weeds and pest animals.
- Facilitate the integration of pest management into natural resource management processes.
- Advocacy role for stakeholders in pest management issues.

CPMG actively engage and work with Local Government authorities within the Region, Queensland Government agencies, Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Gladstone Area Water Board, Landcare, Fitzroy Basin Association, industry and primary producer groups to explore opportunities to collaborate on regional projects to promote pest management techniques and coordinate shared training.



We are funded by annual memberships and by special project funding.

We utilise the resources and strategies of the Weeds of National Significance program and work in parallel and compliance with the *Biosecurity Act 2014*.

Our vision is to be regarded as the foremost authority on pest management in Central Queensland, addressing pest management priorities and establishing innovative strategies and protocols for regional pest management.

Pests are impacting on our environment, economy and will impact on our future. CPMG is working towards the elimination and management of pests within Central Queensland. CPMG's cooperative and holistic management is fundamental to achieving its goal.



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