



# Quilpie Shire Council Biosecurity Plan

## Pest Management

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The Biosecurity Act 2014 which has been effective since 1 July 2016, requires all local governments to prepare and adopt a Biosecurity Plan

A Biosecurity Plan provides the community with information on the strategic direction for the management of invasive pest plant and animal species identified as prohibited or restricted matter in the *Biosecurity Act 2014* and found within their Shire.

Quilpie Shire Council adopted the Quilpie Shire Council Biosecurity Plan 2018 -2022 at the Ordinary Meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018. You may view the plan at [www.quilpie.qld.gov.au](http://www.quilpie.qld.gov.au).

Quilpie Shire spans over 67,000km<sup>2</sup> and the goal of the Biosecurity Plan 2018 – 2022 is to ensure stakeholders:

- are informed, knowledgeable and committed to weed and pest animal management
- are strongly committed to implementing effective biosecurity management on their property.
- establish strategic directions that are maintained and owned by stakeholders.
- prevent the introduction, establishment and spread of new weeds and pest animals; And
- ensure integrated systems for managing the impacts of established weeds and pest animals are developed.

A working group developed the plan collaboratively and will act as an advisory body for Council, State Agencies, organisations and landholders on invasive plant and animal issues identified in the plan.

Residents and land owners are also reminded that once considerable rainfall is received within the Shire, dormant seeds will flourish and infestations of pest weeds will be rampant. Key pest weeds within the Quilpie Shire include:

- Parthenium
- Prickly Acacia
- Mesquite
- Parkinsonia
- Mother of Millions
- Coral Cactus

**ALL** pest weeds should be treated as soon as possible with the relevant chemical / method.

Please report any sightings of pest weeds within the Quilpie Shire to Council immediately on

07 46560500. Council may also be able provide assistance to control weeds.

Further information on the identification of restricted matter can be obtained at [www.daf.qld.gov.au](http://www.daf.qld.gov.au) or by viewing the Quilpie Shire Biosecurity Plan 2018 -2022.