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Incursion response for Foxes in Tasmania

Activity: Community Participation and Engagement

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Activity 1: Continue maintenance and use of the departmental website, ISB Facebook site, and FEP factsheets

Type: Community Participation and Engagement

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Event Details

Note that the target measure for 'No. of events' is calculated as the number of rows in this table. Please enter a separate row for each event.

Type of event:	Purpose of event:	Main industry type addressed:	Topics covered:	Event Duration (Hrs):
Other (specify in notes)	Other (describe in notes)	Other (specify in notes)	invasive species	0
			Total event hours for this activity:	0

Delivery partners:

No delivery partners

No. of groups supported financially:

0

Comments / Notes:

Website, Facebook and other literature has remained available for community awareness. 15 different brochures, fact sheets, posters and information sheets are kept in print and made available e.g on fox activity, wildlife at risk, detection probability, 1080,scat survey

and urban foxes.

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

0

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

Materials Provided to Participants

No. of written Materials and brochures:

0

No. of Material Recipients:

0

No. of Displays at the event:

0

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Incursion response for Foxes in Tasmania

Site: Fox Eradication Program - Tasmania

Activity: Project Administration

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Maintenance and implementation of the Tasmanian Invasive Animals Incursion Response Strategy and Framework for fox incursions: Activity 1: Maintenance of 24hr reporting hotline Activity 2: Assess, prioritise and allocate incoming reports for investigation Activity 3: Investigate incoming public reports for corroborative evidence Activity 4: Commence and manage Incursion Responses for suspected detection of fox presence Activity 5: Complete 'After Action Reviews' to review Incursion Responses

Type: Project Administration

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Administration Activities

Please list the numbers of people involved in undertaking each relevant type of administration activity and the average time spent per person:

Type of administration activity:	No. of people:	Ave. time per person (Hrs):	Ave. total time spent (Hrs):
Update / submit Project MERI Plan	0	0	0
		Total time spent undertaking project administration activities (Hrs)	0

Comments / Notes:

Activity 1: A staffed 24 hour hotline has been maintained throughout the reporting period. One staff member is on call 24/7

for urgent responses. Activity 2: Incoming reports assessed, prioritised and allocated for investigation as follows: 12 x Priority 1 (P1 – areas of core fox habitat behind the baiting front) 7 sightings, 1 scat, 1 animal print, 1 animal kill, 1 importation threat, 1 image 12 assessed and prioritised; 10 allocated for investigation 2 x Priority 2 (P2 – areas outside core fox habitat) 1 sighting, 1 carcass 2 assessed and prioritised; 0 allocated for investigation 22 x Priority 3 (P3 – areas of core fox habitat ahead of the baiting front) 14 sightings, 2 scats, 3 animal kills, 2 carcasses, 1 smell 22 assessed and prioritised; 21 allocated for investigation Activity 3: 36 public reports of possible fox activity were received during the reporting period. 31 reports were investigated for corroborative evidence. 0 reports found any corroborative evidence of fox. Five reports were not investigated due to the quality or quantity of reported information or long event to report timeframe. Activity 4: One incursion response initiated in the reporting period in the Cressy area from 14 to 21 March following a detection dog response to a carnivore scat collected during the scat survey on 06 March. The response comprised: 4 days field survey work, 1 detector dog and handler, 3 staff members, eleven 1 x 1 grid cells searched which was 48 km and 25 transects Activity 5: After Action Review to be completed for Cressy IR

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

0

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

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Activity: Community Participation and Engagement

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Activity 2: 1 1 'Invasive Species Community Partnership' forum / workshop on invasive species and the FEP

Type: Community Participation and Engagement

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Event Details

Note that the target measure for 'No. of events' is calculated as the number of rows in this table. Please enter a separate row for each event.

Type of event:	Purpose of event:	Main industry type addressed:	Topics covered:	Event Duration (Hrs):
Meeting	Awareness raising event (eg. demonstration, field day, or study tour)	Other (specify in notes)	all the activities of the ISB including vertebrate pests	5
			Total event hours for this activity:	5

Delivery partners:

No delivery partners

No. of groups supported financially:

0

Comments / Notes:

One meeting on the 13 May involving 10 stakeholder groups including representatives of Local Government, environment NGOs, TFGA and NRM groups. Although the meeting is only one day the conversations generated in that forum both formally and informally lead to other communications and meetings about the invasive pests programs including fox work.

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

1

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

Materials Provided to Participants

No. of written Materials and brochures:

0

No. of Material Recipients:

0

No. of Displays at the event:

0

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Activity: Community Participation and Engagement

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Activity 3: Publish and distribute 2 editions of the Eradicate newsletter

Type: Community Participation and Engagement

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Event Details

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Type of event:	Purpose of event:	Main industry type addressed:	Topics covered:	Event Duration (Hrs):
Other (specify in notes)	Awareness raising event (eg. demonstration, field day, or study tour)	Other (specify in notes)	invasive species programs	0
			Total event hours for this activity:	0

Delivery partners:

No delivery partners

No. of groups supported financially:

0

Comments / Notes:

2 issues of Eradicate were published (No 13, January 2014 Summer; No 14, May 2014 Autumn). The print run varies between 1,000

and 2,000. 13 - 1,000, 14-2,000. 559 physical copies of each issue was sent in the mail and 655 electronic copies of each issue were emailed to recipients. The May issue was distributed at Agfest .

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

0

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

Materials Provided to Participants

No. of written Materials and brochures:

1118

No. of Material Recipients:

1310

No. of Displays at the event:

0

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Incursion response for Foxes in Tasmania

Activity: Community Participation and Engagement

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Activity 4: Maintain contact with all properties with 'areas of operations' as per Monitoring Plans

Type: Community Participation and Engagement

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Event Details

Note that the target measure for 'No. of events' is calculated as the number of rows in this table. Please enter a separate row for each event.

Type of event:	Purpose of event:	Main industry type addressed:	Topics covered:	Event Duration (Hrs):
Planning session	Planning	Other (specify in notes)	progress of monitoring	0
			Total event hours for this activity:	0

Delivery partners:

No delivery partners

No. of groups supported financially:

0

Comments / Notes:

This is a very intensive activity consuming probably > 300 person hours in total for the period. Contact is made with the relevant local government and other identified interest groups or stakeholders to outline the intended plan for surveillance. Initial contact with land holders is undertaken via a bulk mail out to advise of the survey effort and request access to land and includes an information

brochure about why we are monitoring. Responses are recorded in the ISB information system and ongoing analysis of access and expected coverage of the landscape is undertaken to ensure adequacy of coverage and if additional areas or follow-up contact is needed. Where necessary, one on one follow-up is made with required landholders who have not responded to the bulk mail out. Recipients of the bulk mail out are determined using departmental and other databases to identify the Property Identification numbers (PID's) which are located in the region targeted for monitoring.

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

775

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

Materials Provided to Participants

No. of written Materials and brochures:

0

No. of Material Recipients:

492

No. of Displays at the event:

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Activity: Community Participation and Engagement

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Activity 5: Maintain contact with stakeholders and local landholders through 'Incursion Alerts' during incursion responses

Type: Community Participation and Engagement

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Event Details

Note that the target measure for 'No. of events' is calculated as the number of rows in this table. Please enter a separate row for each event.

Type of event:	Purpose of event:	Main industry type addressed:	Topics covered:	Event Duration (Hrs):
Project feedback / debrief	Awareness raising event (eg. demonstration, field day, or study tour)	Other (specify in notes)	fox report	0
			Total event hours for this activity:	0

Delivery partners:

No delivery partners

No. of groups supported financially:

0

Comments / Notes:

No physical evidence or dog sit in the period has prompted an incursion response. Only initial on-ground investigations have been conducted. For the period there has been 103 in total of initial reports and not all resulted in on-ground investigations.

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

0

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

Materials Provided to Participants

No. of written Materials and brochures:

0

No. of Material Recipients:

0

No. of Displays at the event:

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Activity: Community Participation and Engagement

Caring for Our Country 2 Target Area Grants - Expression of Interest 2013/14

Description: Activity 6: 1 x display at Agfest (state agricultural show) including FEP content

Type: Community Participation and Engagement

Starts: 07-02-2014

Ends: 30-06-2014

Project stage: Stage 2

Major theme:

Activity status: finished

Event Details

Note that the target measure for 'No. of events' is calculated as the number of rows in this table. Please enter a separate row for each event.

Type of event:	Purpose of event:	Main industry type addressed:	Topics covered:	Event Duration (Hrs):
Field day activity	Awareness raising event (eg. demonstration, field day, or study tour)	Other (specify in notes)	vertebrate pests	24
			Total event hours for this activity:	24

Delivery partners:

No delivery partners

No. of groups supported financially:

0

Comments / Notes:

1st week in May - Agfest over 3 days and messages incorporated in broader invasive vertebrate species programs

Participant Information

No. of participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of Indigenous participants (ie. not employed on project):

0

No. of new people attending project activities:

0

No. of farming entities participating in project activities for the first time:

0

No. of community groups (non delivery partners) participating:

0

No. of Indigenous on-country visits:

0

Materials Provided to Participants

No. of written Materials and brochures:

0

No. of Material Recipients:

3000

No. of Displays at the event:

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MERIT STAGE SUMMARY

Stage 2 : 01 Jan 2014 - 01 Jul 2014

Project Name	Tasmanian Fox Eradication Program (Stage 3) – Fox Incursion Response
Recipient	Department of Primary Industries Parks Water and Environment
Service Provider	
Funded by	Caring for Our Country 2
Funding	
Project Start	17 Jul 2013
Project finish	29 Jun 2017
Grant ID	X0000004452G
External ID	TAGEOI14P2 – 00279

Summary

Number of activities:

Planned	0
Started	0
Finished	7
Deferred	0
Cancelled	0

Supporting Documents Attached During This Stage

Document name

Outputs: Targets Vs Achieved

Output type	Output Target Measure	Output Achieved (project to date)	Output Target (whole project)
Pest Management Details	Area covered (Ha) by pest treatment actions	0.0	68,401 Ha

Project Outcomes

Outcomes

Project Goals

Summary of Project Progress and Issues

Project Risk

To help anticipate and determine management and mitigation strategies for the risks associated with delivering and reporting the outcomes of this Regional Delivery project, complete the table below. Risks identified should be those that the project team consider to be within the reasonable influence of the project team to anticipate and manage.

Risk/Threat Description	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Current Controls/Contingency	Residual Risk
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Project Against Each Activity

1. Activity Type

Status	finished
Activity Description	Activity 6: 1 x display at Agfest (state agricultural show) including FEP content
Major Theme	
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014

Community Participation and Engagement

2. Activity Type

Status	finished
Activity Description	Activity 5: Maintain contact with stakeholders and local landholders through 'Incursion Alerts' during incursion responses
Major Theme	
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014

Community Participation and Engagement

3. Activity Type

Status	finished
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Community Participation and Engagement

Activity Description	Activity 4: Maintain contact with all properties with 'areas of operations' as per Monitoring Plans
Major Theme	
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014
4. Activity Type	Community Participation and Engagement
Status	finished
Activity Description	Activity 3: Publish and distribute 2 editions of the Eradicate newsletter
Major Theme	
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014
5. Activity Type	Community Participation and Engagement
Status	finished
Activity Description	Activity 2: 1 1 'Invasive Species Community Partnership' forum / workshop on invasive species and the FEP
Major Theme	
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014
6. Activity Type	Community Participation and Engagement
Status	finished

Activity Description	Activity 1: Continue maintenance and use of the departmental website, ISB Facebook site, and FEP factsheets
Major Theme	
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014
7. Activity Type	Project Administration
Status	finished
Activity Description	Maintenance and implementation of the Tasmanian Invasive Animals Incursion Response Strategy and Framework for fox incursions:Activity 1: Maintenance of 24hr reporting hotlineActivity 2: Assess, prioritise and allocate incoming reports for investigationActivity 3: Investigate incoming public reports for corroborative evidenceActivity 4: Commence and manage Incursion Responses for suspected detection of fox presenceActivity 5: Complete 'After Action Reviews' to review Incursion Responses
Major Theme	
Site	Fox Eradication Program - Tasmania
Start Date	06 Feb 2014
End Date	29 Jun 2014

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Report submitted