

Reducing Weed Spread

Other Tools

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National	Australian Standard AS4454	Best Practice Guidelines for compost and vermicast. http://www.organicfarming.com.au/Uploads/Images/Australian%20Standard%20for%20fine%20compost.pdf	Quality compost or vermicast that will not spread plant propagules or pathogens
National	Best Management Practices/Guidelines for WONS	Guidelines etc for best practice management of 20 WONS weeds. Including codes of practice for industry and does include other none WONS weeds. Note: Many guidelines are still being developed or are in the final production stage. http://www.weeds.crc.org.au/publications/weed_man_guides.html	Best practice for the management of 20 WONS weeds including the prevention of further spread.
National	Strategy	Garden Plants Under the Spotlight program – draft program developed by the horticultural industry, Govt agencies and Weed CRC that educates the garden industry and the public on problem plants. Has a banned weeds list for use across Australia and an education and awareness program. http://www.weeds.crc.org.au/documents/draft_gppts.pdf	Prevent the selling of known weedy plants. Educate the public and horticultural industry on the impact of pest plants.
National	Research	Weed categories for natural and agricultural ecosystem management. Shows the potential of 9 sleeper weeds and emphasis the value of early intervention http://affashop.gov.au/product.asp?prodid=12663	Identifies potentially major pest plants for targeted management
National	Research	Prioritising sleeper weeds for Eradication publication. Details a methodology for evaluation of sleeper weeds and nominates the 10 where early eradication would be most effective. http://affashop.gov.au/product.asp?prodid=12672	Provides methodology for identifying potential major weeds.
National	Hotline	Exotic Plant Pest Hotline. A telephone service provided for members of Australia's plant production sectors and plant health services. http://www.planthealthaustralia.com.au/our_projects/display_project.asp?category=1&ID=107	Report suspect detections of unusual plant pests, weeds and diseases for early intervention
National	Strategy	The national weeds strategy Addresses weed problems of national significance and guides priorities. http://www.affa.gov.au/content/publications.cfm?ObjectID=C117755C-7C09-4221-83BE018505D256C5	Reduce the detrimental impact of weeds on the sustainability of Australia's productive capacity and natural ecosystems.
NT	Government Protocol	Protocol for managing an outbreak of an exotic weed in the NT http://www.nreta.nt.gov.au/whatwedo/weeds/	To allow rapid response of new incursions.
NT	Weed Management Procedure	Procedure written for the identification and control of weeds along NT Rail corridors. The rail network is seen as an important corridor for weeds. http://www.aarc.com.au/	Control of weeds on NT Rail land.
NT	Act – Quarantine areas	Quarantine - Tiwi Islands <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only serviced by one barge company. • This company has a washdown facility on site and it is a condition that all items are inspected and clean before shipment. • Major construction events (eg roadworks), DIPE inspect all machinery before loading. • Specific camping sites nominated for public entry • Specific items such as hay are not to be transported to the islands. http://www.tiwilandcouncil.net.au/Land/tiwi_quarntine.pdf	Prevention of weeds entering onto the Tiwi Islands and minimising the capacity of weeds to establish.

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NT	Extension	DIPE and Roper River Landcare Group – weed signage at public boat ramps and river access points along the Roper River and Gulf Rivers http://www.nht.gov.au/nht1/programs/bushcare/ntproj2.html	Prevent the spread of water weeds. Inform public on need for boat hygiene.
NT	Extension	DIPE (Parks and Wildlife) – Devils Claw Festival at Gregory National Park http://savanna.ntu.edu.au/publications/savanna_links30/devils_claw_festiv.html	Control of Devils Claw at Gregory National Park
NT	Buffer zone	Qld-NT Rubber vine buffer zone (100km within Qld border) – Rubber vine WONS Strategic Plan http://www.southerngulfcatchments.com.au/Website%20templates/Media/Appendix1.pdf	Prevent rubber vine entering NT.
NT	Aboriginal Land Management Facilitators	Working closely with aboriginal communities to implement policies to prevent the spread of weeds with pig harvesters, cattle agistment and recreational fishers. http://www.nreta.nt.gov.au/whatwedo/parksmasterplan-draft/draft_section_3_3.html	Manage weed spread and control infestations on Aboriginal land.
NSW	Agreement	Bushland Friendly Nursery Scheme Nurseries agree in writing to not sell designated plants and promote the scheme. http://www.fncw.nsw.gov.au/nursery.html	Prevent the selling of known environmental weeds.
Qld	Management Plans	Pest Management Plans are required from Govt agencies including Local Governments that manage State land. Plans need to include practices that control and limit the spread of weeds http://www.nrm.qld.gov.au/pests/management_plans/	Ensure planning occurs to best manage weeds in local government areas.
Qld	Environmental Management System - Training	Energex Training developed to assist company employees and contractors to comply with legislation and Weed Plans. Training includes requirements under Act, weed identification, minimising weed spread http://www.energex.com.au/pdf/environment/oil_spill_awareness_2.pdf	Employees and contractors don't spread weeds. Meets legislation and duty of care requirements.
SA	Policy	Protocol for Managing Exotic Plant Incursions - Animal and Plant Control Commission policy for reporting and acting on reports of new weed incursions http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/ecita_ctte/invasive_species/submissions/sub15.doc	Respond to new plant incursions.
Tas	Weed Alert Network	Network of people with good plant identification skills who spend a significant amount of time in the field. The network allows for early detection and eradication http://www.rpdc.tas.gov.au/soer/indicator/41/index.php	Early detection of new infestations and new weeds to allow rapid response.
Tas	Environmental Management System – Training	Aurora Training developed to assist company employees and contractors to comply with legislations and Weed Plans. Training includes requirements under Act, weed identification, weed spread, weed management and hygiene. http://www.auroraenergy.com.au/index.html	Employees and contractors don't spread weeds. Meets legislation and duty of care requirements.
Vict	Best Practice – Composting	Quality Control System for composting Info source Susannah Tymns Dept Natural	Ensure composts do not contain viable weed seeds.

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	Green Organics	Resources and Environment http://www.ecorecycle.sustainability.vic.gov.au/www/html/1035-best-practice-composting-green-organics.asp	
Vict	Best Practice – Quality Assurance	Guideline for the prevention of spread of serrated tussock (Weed Net). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Planning - Hygiene - Weed free products - Minimising soil disturbance - Education/Awareness - Grazing management http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/dpi/nreninf.nsf/childdocs/-9B2A7AB4FD562D03CA256BC800058E91-18953CC10B4D6BA3CA256BC800062A07-ECC844336D72F0634A256DEA00293F8A-1E34E6481EEA8E9DCA256D27001DCB74?open	Prevent the further spread of serrated tussock
Vict	Best Practice – Weed Stop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary vendor declaration • Education package 	Raise awareness and promote activities to prevent weed spread.