

# Declared Pest Rate 2023-2024

## DPRFS Final Report 2023-24

### Application No. RBG-DPR23-07 From Midlands Biosecurity Group

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## DPRFS Final Report Purpose

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The purpose of this Final Report is to summarise the Recognised Biosecurity Group's (RBG) achievements during 2023-24, including the activities undertaken and funding expended for purposes as detailed in the RBG's Funding Agreement.

Reporting submitted to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD), pursuant to section 170 of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*, must be published on DPIRD's electronic website. For enquiries regarding this report, please contact the Funding Schemes Team on [talkingrbg@dpiird.wa.gov.au](mailto:talkingrbg@dpiird.wa.gov.au).

## Consent Privacy

### Privacy Statement

Information provided by Recipients or collected by DPIRD in relation to the project, may be used in the administration of this Funding Scheme and in the acceptance of this report.

Any information provided (personal, financial or otherwise) will be solely used for this purpose of this Funding Scheme.

DPIRD will adhere to the legislative requirements of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*, and the *Privacy Act 1988* (cth) when storing information provided by Recipients or collected by DPIRD in relation to this Final Report.

DPIRD is also subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* and documents in our possession are subject to these provisions.

**I confirm that I have read and understood the Privacy Statement and I consent to and authorise such uses and disclosures \***

☒ Yes

## Recipient Details

**\* indicates a required field**

### RBG Name

Midlands Biosecurity Group

This question is read only.

### Contact Name \*

Mr Chris O'Callaghan

### Position \*

Executive Officer

### Phone Number \*

0429 446 515

Must be an Australian phone number.

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#### Email \*

[eo@mbg.org.au](mailto:eo@mbg.org.au)

Must be an email address.

## Funded Activities Budget

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### Funded Activities

The table below details the activities outlined in your DPRFS Application Form and/or Funding Agreement.

Please provide an Activity Update and include any additional activities undertaken, which were not detailed in your DPRFS Application Form or Funding Agreement.

If you have undertaken additional activities or had a variation approved for revised funded activities, please add rows as required.

Activity	Activity Measure	Final Activity Update
Name of program, e.g. Wild Dog Program. What activities will be undertaken, e.g. trapping, baiting, aerial culls.	How will success of the activity be measured, e.g. an increased survival rate of calves.	e.g. how many baiting days were completed, how many baits or traps laid, number of dogs destroyed.
Communications & Community Engagement	Activities including the distribution of a quarterly newsletter, local media updates, community baiting information, letters to landholders, Annual General Meeting, community expos and events, and in person workshops / engagement.	Quarterly newsletter distributed (Aug 23, Nov 23, Feb 24, Apr 24). 4 media releases published in local papers. Annual letter to landholder distributed in April 2024. Attendance and stand at Mingenew Expo August 2023. Annual General Meeting held.
Feral Pig Program	Activities including the distribution of baits and monitoring devices (Spring and Autumn programs), and aerial culling program (biannually).	1957 feral pigs culled across the region. 959 feral pigs culled through Aerial Shooting Program. 70 hours flying time completed in Aerial Shoots (in conjunction with CWBA). 10 Cameras established for monitoring purposes.
Wild Dog Program	Activities including the distribution of baits and monitoring devices (Spring and Autumn programs), and deployment of Licenced Pest Management Technicians.	5481 Wild dog baits distributed throughout the region. LPMTs deployed for monitoring of wild dogs.

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Rabbit Program	Activities including the distribution of rabbit baits, K5 virus release, and deployment of Licenced Pest Management Technicians.	6 Calicivirus release sites across the region. 13L of 1080 concentrate used for rabbit baiting program in Feb-April 2024.
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Please upload any relevant documents to support the achievement of Funded Activities

No files have been uploaded

Including minutes from meetings, photographs, social media posts etc. Please note the Annual Report upload is requested below.

Budget (GST Exclusive)

The table below details the anticipated expenditure included in the budget section of your DPRFS Application Form.

Please complete the **Actual Expenditure** column to detail the actual values which have been expended on funded activities.

Please only include funding from the Declared Pest Rate and State matched funding.

**All amounts should be GST exclusive.**

Please **do not add commas** to figures – e.g., type \$1000 not \$1,000 – this will ensure your figures for each table total correctly.

Funded Activity	Anticipated Expenditure (Ex GST)	Actual Expenditure (Ex GST)
Name of program, e.g. Wild Dog Program.	Must be a dollar amount.	Must be a dollar amount.
Wild Dog Program	\$101,000.00	\$71,264.00
Feral Pig Program	\$178,142.00	\$173,748.00
Rabbit Program	\$13,000.00	\$3,000.00
Community Engagement	\$16,680.00	\$6,083.00
Administration & Governance	\$78,000.00	\$38,531.00

Budget Totals

The values below are auto calculated based on the values entered in the Budget Table.

Anticipated Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$386,822.00	Actual Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$292,626.00
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	This number/amount is calculated.		This number/amount is calculated.

Variations

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**Did you request a variation for delivery of your 2023-24 funded activities? \***

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Annual Report & Independent Financial Audit

The provision of an Annual Report is necessary to meet the legislative requirements under the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*.

The provision of an Independently Audited Financial Report is necessary to meet the legislative requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015* and the DPRFS Funding Agreement.

The financial statement of income and expenditure in relation to the Funding, certified by an Independent Financial Auditor and completed to Australian Accounting Standards, including but not limited to the following:

- the total Declared Pest Account (DPA) Funding received for the financial year.
- any balance brought forward from the previous reporting year, including the intended purpose for those funds.
- the amount of interest earned by the Recipient on the DPA Funding for the financial year (if any)
- the amount of DPA Funding spent and unspent in respect of the Funded Activities.

Please upload your 2023-24 Annual Report and Independent Financial Audit using the appropriate upload options below.

### Please upload your 2023-24 Annual Report

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Filename: MBG Report.pdf  
File size: 4.2 MB

### Please upload your 2023-24 Independently Audited Financial Report

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Filename: MBG Financials Final.pdf  
File size: 2.4 MB

### Please upload your combined 2023-24 Annual Report & Independently Audited Financial Report

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Filename: MBG Annual Reportfinal.pdf  
File size: 6.4 MB

## Unspent DPR Funding

Please provide information about any unspent funding in 2023-24.

Unspent funding includes funds which have been transferred to RBGs which have not been expended in the financial year they were transferred. Unspent funds can be allocated or unallocated.

The value detailed, should be the same as what is reported in your Independently Audited Financial Report.

**What, if any, was the value of unspent DPR funding from 2023-24 \***

\$181,797.00

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#### Is the unspent value allocated or unallocated? \*

- ☒ Allocated  
☒ Unallocated  
☐ No unspent funds to report

Please note: Allocated unspent funding is funding held by RBGs in their bank account from the prior financial year which has been allocated to an activity or program. Unallocated unspent funding is funding held by RBGs in their bank account from the prior financial year which has not been allocated to an activity or program.

#### Please provide information about what operational activities the unspent funds have been allocated to within 2024-25.

Unallocated Funding from 2023/24: \$94,196

Allocated funding: ie funding provided to MBG as agreed by the Department for expenditure in Q1 2024/25 operational plan = \$87,601

As the unspent funds are unallocated, the value will be deducted from the second transfer from the DPR in 2024-25.

## Certification Declaration

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### Declaration

This section must be completed by the Chairperson, or appropriate delegate, on behalf of the Recipient organisation.

Once this form is submitted via SmartyGrants, it will be deemed as authorised by the below signatory, despite no signature provided.

By submitting this application, I acknowledge that:

- The information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete.
- If any personal details of a third party are included, the third party has been made aware of, and given their permission for, those details to appear in this Final Report.

#### I Agree \*

☒ Yes

#### Name \*

Mr Chris O'Callaghan

#### Position \*

Executive Officer

#### Phone Number \*

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Must be an email address.

**Date \***

31/10/2024

Must be a date.