

Declared Pest Rate 2023-2024
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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.

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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

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RBG Name

Peel Harvey Biosecurity Group

This question is read only.

Contact Name *

Ms Teele Hooper-Worrell

Position *

Executive Officer

Phone Number *

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Must be an Australian phone number.

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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.

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Communication & Community Engagement	<p>Communications including information sessions, workshops, demonstrations, newsletters, landholder letters, community mailouts and attendance at agricultural shows and events.</p> <p>Information on pests including plant pests, animal pests, registered pesticide permits, fruit fly, calicivirus release, and equipment demonstrations.</p>	<p>The PHBG delivered 22 events in the 2023/24 financial year with 522 attendees. The PHBG sent out 1,717 newsletters to stakeholders as part of the quarterly PHBG seasonal E-Newsletter. The PHBG sent out 501 landholder letters that include Initial Landholder Letters as a result of a positive weed report validation as well as targeted mail outs as part of invasive species hot spot reports. The PHBG attended a Community /Ag events in each of the five LGA areas that make up its operational area showcasing the equipment, services and information available to local landholders. The PHBG recorded 10,515 visits to the PHBG website and had a reach of 59,300 on Facebook during the 23/24 financial year. The PHBG also distributed 9,000 community postcards with a QR code that directed to a community survey on biosecurity services.</p>
Plant Pest Program	<p>Plant pests including Apple of Sodom, Cape Tulip, Bridal Creeper, Arum Lily, Cotton Bush, Blackberry, and Pater-son's Curse.</p> <p>Activities include weed identification and advice.</p>	<p>The PHBG delivered 2 Weed ID and Advice Workshops that had 31 attendees. There were 47 new reports to the PHBG and the PHBG made 104 weed validations of new and past weed reports. The PHBG loaned out 46 pieces of weed equipment to landholders.</p>

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Feral Pig Program	<p>Activities include demonstrations, workshops, and trapping.</p> <p>Number of animals trapped, and feedback from landholders about the impact of control measures.</p>	<p>Then PHBG ran a Pig Brig trail during 23/24 financial year and trapped 18 pigs. The PHBG loaned out 61 fox traps to landholders. The PHBG delivered its first Pest Bird event with 23 attendees. As part of the two day Vertebrate Pest Program the PHBG held a SW Feral Pig Forum that had 29 registrants. The PHBG delivered a Figure 6 Pig Trap workshop and filmed the event to create an instructional video for landholders.</p>
Rabbit & Fox Program	<p>Activities include baiting, provision of specialist equipment, and on-site expertise.</p> <p>Measures include stakeholder feedback, and the number of bait stations requested.</p>	<p>The PHBG loaned out 61 fox traps to landholders. The PHBG delivered its first Pest Bird event with 23 attendees. The PHBG delivered a two day Vertebrate Pest Forum that had over 82 attendees. The PHBG has started to trap and collect blood samples to test for rabbit biocontrol antibody testing and trapped 12 rabbits as part of this program during 23/24.</p>
Administration & Governance	<p>Activities include general administration duties, management of the office and supplies and recruitment of staff.</p>	<p>The PHBG delivered the 2023 6 month AGM in October 2023. This was due to the move from calendar to financial year. The PHBG recruited Five Staff members during this time period and had one staff member go on maternity leave and one return. The PHBG took on the commercial lease of an additional office in the Pinjarra townsite. The PHBG had an Audit delivered for the 6 months of 2023 and then again for the 23/24 financial year financial statements.</p>

Please upload any relevant documents to support the achievement of Funded Activities

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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.
Administration & Governance	\$70,307.00	\$70,307.00
Communications	\$59,182.00	\$76,495.00
Declared Animal Pest Programs	\$216,290.00	\$192,908.00
Declared Plant Pest Programs	\$210,221.00	\$216,290.00

Budget Totals

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

Anticipated Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$556,000.00	Actual Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$556,000.00
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	This number/amount is calculated.		This number/amount is calculated.

Variations

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*.

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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

Filename: 23-24 PHBG Annual Report_compressed.pdf
File size: 3.4 MB

Please upload your 2023-24 Independently Audited Financial Report

Filename: Updated_2024PHBG Financial Statements.pdf
File size: 445.7 kB

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

Filename: FINAL PHBG AR 23-24_modified.pdf
File size: 3.8 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 *

\$0.00

Must be a dollar amount.

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.

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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 *

Ms Teele Hooper-Worrell

Position *

Executive Officer

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Date *

18/09/2024

Must be a date.