

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

Pilbara Regional Biosecurity Group Inc.

This question is read only.

Contact Name *

Miss TANYA ARGENT

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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.
Communication & Community Engagement	Activities include community consultation through surveys, and annual data collection requests, information and training sessions and workshops, and website updates as required.	The PRBG covers a vast region with a large range of stakeholders. During 2023/2024 the PRBG committee has: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Delivered 2 regional updates electronically.- Held 3 face to face meetings, including an AGM, two committee meetings. Meetings have been held at the DBCA Offices and online via MS Teams.- Landholder surveys; and- Several newsletters.

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Wild Dog Program	<p>Activities include coordinated community aerial and ground baiting program.</p> <p>Numbers of baits laid, areas covered, animals culled and feedback from landholders and Licenced Pest Management Technicians about wild dog sightings and stock injury data.</p>	<p>The PRBG Committee is pleased to report that the 2023 Pilbara Aerial Baiting Program was completed successfully.</p> <p>Over 160,000 baits were distributed across the PRBG service area. A total of 58 Properties participated in the program with three new properties compared to 2022. The program ran from the end of August to mid-September. 54 of these properties participated in the Aerial Baiting program, with the remaining 4 opting for ground baits.</p> <p>The Bait Meat Supplier sourced meat from LFH across the Pilbara and Gascoyne regions. The Pilbara LFH numbers controlled are:</p> <p>Total LFH controlled.</p> <p>CAMELS HORSES 75 8</p> <p>The PRBG ran it's first year of an incentive-based program to control Wild Dogs. The goal for this program is the gathering of data and locations across the regions. A valuable requirement for Landholders to participate in this program is to capture DNA for DPIRD to be able to carry out research. Almost 70 samples have been submitted to DPIRD across the region.</p>
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Large Feral Herbivore Program	LFH including donkeys. Activities include aerial culls. Numbers of animal culled through control methods and landholder, and Licenced Pest Management Technician feedback on the aerial shoot success.	For the Wild Dog Program, The Bait Meat Supplier sourced meat from LFH across the Pilbara and Gascoyne regions. The Pilbara LFH numbers controlled are: Total LFH controlled. CAMELS 75 HORSES 8 The 9-day aerial activity began on Wednesday 01st November and concluded on Thursday 09th November 2023. Properties targeted were based on landholder permissions, known LFH locations, previous hotspots, topographical features & access to water. Total LFH controlled. DONKEYS 79 CAMELS 274 HORSES 400 TOTAL 753
Feral Pigs Program	Activities include identifying areas of concern, working with landholders on small scale initial program. Measures include the data collected.	Some research has been taken out, however a full program has not yet been decided on by the PRBG Committee.
Plant Pest Program	Plant pests including Mesquite, Noogoora Bur, Opuntia Species, Rubber Vine, Calotropis, Bellyache Bush, and Parkinsonia. Management activities include site visits to monitor and spray plant pests and record successful applications.	During 2023/2024 PRBG contributed a total of \$40,000 for operational control of declared weeds, throughout the region.

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

Filename: 4TH DECEMBER 2024 - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES.pdf

File size: 730.0 kB

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

Budget (GST Exclusive)

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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.
Community Wild Dog Program	\$561,200.00	\$380,250.00
Individual Wild Dog Program	\$49,900.00	\$12,009.00
Large Feral Herbivore Program	\$120,555.00	\$32,015.00
Declared Plant Pest Program	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Feral Pig Program	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Administration & Governance	\$88,000.00	\$46,022.00

Budget Totals

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

Anticipated Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$861,155.00	Actual Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$510,296.00
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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*.

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.

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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: FINAL PRBG ANNUAL REPORT.pdf
File size: 1.0 MB

Please upload your 2023-24 Independently Audited Financial Report

Filename: FY23_2024 Audited Financials From Westwood Accountants.pdf
File size: 556.6 kB

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

Filename: FINAL PRBG ANNUAL REPORT.pdf
File size: 1.0 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 *

\$47,318.00

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

Please refer to the Balance Sheet in the Audited Financial Report to confirm:

1. DPR Funds already received and are held for Q1 Activities in FY24/25 = \$285,000
2. FY23/24 DPR Retained Earnings Value = \$47,318 and will be taken off the Total of the second DPR Transfer in Q4 FY24/25.

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 *

Miss TANYA ARGENT

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Date *

31/10/2024

Must be a date.