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Determination under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* which was received by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) on 24 February 2026, seeking access to the following:

“All correspondence and documents between 14 March 2024 to present between PIRSA Principal Biosecurity Officer Brad Page and the following organisations:

- i. The National Wild Dog Action Plan Committee*
- ii. Coorong District Council*
- iii. Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee*
- iv. The Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA)*
- v. Agriculture Victoria*
- vi. Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board*

Regarding fox and/or wild dog aerial baiting in any of the following areas: Ngarkat, Billiat, Karte or Peebinga.”

Timeframe: 14/03/2024 to 24/02/2026

On 27 February 2026, PIRSA's Accredited Freedom of Information Officer invited you to refine your application. A response was received from you on 1 March 2026.

Following the consideration of your response, on 5 March 2026 your application was confirmed as being amended as follows:

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Regarding fox and/or wild dog aerial baiting in the following area: Ngarkat

Timeframe: 14/03/2024 to 24/02/2026”

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Act, your application became valid on 5 March 2026.

Pursuant to Section 14A of the Freedom of Information Act, the legislative timeframe in which to provide a determination was extended until 7 May 2026.

Accordingly, the following determination has been finalised.

I have located fourteen documents that are captured within the scope of your request.

Please note that no documents were located for the organisations identified in points i, ii and v of your application.

Determination 1

I have determined that access to the following documents is **granted in full**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
5	Microsoft Teams Meeting request dated 9/10/2025 re updated date and time for reducing impacts of dingoes and wild dogs meeting	1
6	Microsoft Teams Meeting request dated 15/10/2025 re updated date and time for reducing impacts of dingoes and wild dogs meeting	1
9	Acceptance email for meeting of 19/2/2025 from Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA to Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action re Fox baiting discussion	1

Determination 2

I have determined that access to the following documents is **granted in part**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
1	Email from Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board to Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA and other recipients dated 3/10/2025 re Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee Meeting No 39 - Agenda and Meeting Papers	1

1a	Attachment to Document 1 - Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee – Draft Minutes dated 17/3/2025	9
1b	Attachment to Document 1 - Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee – Meeting Report dated October 2025	3
1c	Attachment to Document 1 – Eradication of Wild Dogs from SA Sheep Country – Tracking progress of the 10-year eradication program – Program update March 2025	18
2	Email from Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA and other recipients dated 16/10/2025 re Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee re draft minutes of meeting 39	1
3	Emails between Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action and Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA dated 15/10/2025 re rescheduling meeting for reducing impacts of dingoes and wild dogs	1
4	Emails between Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action and Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA dated 8/9/2025 re meeting for reducing impacts of dingoes and wild dogs	1
7	Email thread between Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA and Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board dated 19/12/2025 and 5/2/2026 re wild dog baiting in Ngarkat Conservation Park	4
8	Email between Principal Biosecurity Officer - Pest Animals, Biosecurity, PIRSA and Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board dated 19/12/2025 re wild dog baiting in Ngarkat Conservation Park	2

The information removed from the above documents is pursuant to Clause 6(1) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

“6 - Documents affecting personal affairs

(1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).”

The information removed consists of the following:

- Document 1: Name and mobile telephone number of an individual
- Document 1a: Names of individuals and identifying locations
- Document 1b: Names of individuals
- Document 1c: Mobile telephone number of a Departmental officer
- Documents 2, 2a: Names and mobile telephone numbers of individuals
- Document 3: Names of individuals, an email address, mobile telephone number of a Departmental officer and personal information relating to an individual
- Document 4: Names of individuals and mobile telephone number of a Departmental officer
- Documents 7 and 8: Names, email addresses and mobile telephone numbers of Departmental officers and other individuals

The term 'personal affairs' has been held to involve 'matters of private concern to an individual' and the 'composite collection of activities personal to the individual concerned'.

Consent has not been provided to disclose the names of the individuals concerned and, accordingly, there would be an expectation that their personal information would not be released in this way.

As a mobile telephone number allows a person, including an officer of an agency, to be contacted outside of business hours and is information that is not ordinarily available to the public, the information is taken to concern the personal affairs of an individual.

Accordingly, it is considered that disclosure of this information would be an unreasonable intrusion into the privacy rights of the individuals concerned.

The remaining information removed from Document 1 is outside of the scope of your request.

Determination 3

I have determined that access to the following document is **granted in part**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
2a	Attachment to Document 2 – Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee - Draft Minutes dated 13/10/2025	2

The information removed from the above document is pursuant to Clause 6(1) and Clause 9(1) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act.

The information removed pursuant to Clause 6(1) consists of the names of individuals and location details.

Consent has not been provided to disclose the names of the individuals concerned and, accordingly, there would be an expectation that their personal information would not be released in this way.

Accordingly, it is considered that disclosure of this information would be an unreasonable intrusion into the privacy rights of the individuals concerned.

The information removed pursuant to Clause 6(1) consists of the names of individuals and location details.

Clause 9(1) states:

“9—Internal working documents

(1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter—

(a) that relates to -

(i) any opinion, advice or recommendation that has been obtained, prepared or recorded; or

(ii) any consultation or deliberation that has taken place, in the course of, or for the purpose of, the decision-making functions of the Government, a Minister or an agency; and

(b) the disclosure of which would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.”

The information removed pursuant to Clause 9(1) consists of detail relating to a matter for internal decision-making purposes.

In addressing the public interest test for the Clause 9(1) exemption, I have balanced the following factors:

In favour of the public interest:

- Meeting the objects of the Freedom of Information Act favouring access to documents.
- Ensuring optimal use of public resources.
- High level of interest in the accountability of public office holders.
- The importance of transparency and openness and the interest that the public has in the decision-making processes of Government.
- Providing members of the public with access to information of special interest to them.

Contrary to the public interest:

- The recent age of the information was considered and the continuing relevance of the matters.
- Providing an agency with the ability to undertake internal consultation without unnecessary interference.
- Protection of the deliberative processes of Government.
- Preserving the integrity of information gathering processes leading up to the finalisation of decisions.
- Disclosure may prejudice the agency’s ability to obtain similar information from other agencies in the future.
- Allowing internal communications to occur in a reasonably uninhibited manner, where the discussion may be sensitive.
- Disclosing this information may compromise the manner in which information is gathered in the future for the decision-making processes of Government to the detriment of the betterment for South Australia.

Having considered the various factors weighing for and against disclosure, I have determined that disclosure of this information would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Determination 4

I have determined that access to the following document is **refused**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
7a	Attachment to Document 7 – Proposal re wild dog control	7

Access to the above document is refused pursuant to Clause 9(1) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

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(a) that relates to -

(i) any opinion, advice or recommendation that has been obtained, prepared or recorded; or

(ii) any consultation or deliberation that has taken place, in the course of, or for the purpose of, the decision-making functions of the Government, a Minister or an agency; and

(b) the disclosure of which would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.”

The document consists of a proposal in its early stage of development and is currently in draft form for internal consultation and decision-making purposes.

In addressing the public interest test for the Clause 9(1) exemption, I have balanced the following factors:

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- High level of interest in the accountability of public office holders.
- The importance of transparency and openness and the interest that the public has in the decision-making processes of Government.
- Providing members of the public with access to information of special interest to them.

Contrary to the public interest:

- The recent age of the information was considered and the continuing relevance of the matters.
- Providing an agency with the ability to undertake internal consultation without unnecessary interference.
- Protection of the deliberative processes of Government.
- Release of this information would discourage the flow of free exchange of ideas during deliberative processes.
- Preserving the integrity of information gathering processes leading up to the finalisation of decisions.

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- Disclosure may prejudice the agency's ability to obtain similar information from stakeholders in the future.
- Disclosure would undermine the nationally coordinated approach to managing the negative impacts of wild dogs on primary production, environment and social assets throughout Australia.
- The release of such information could limit and hinder the intended purpose of negotiations between interstate counterparts in achieving satisfactory outcomes in delivering the National Wild Dog Action Plan.
- Disclosing this information may compromise the manner in which information is gathered in the future for the decision-making processes of Government to the detriment of the betterment for South Australia.

Having considered the various factors weighing for and against disclosure, I have determined that disclosure of this document would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you are entitled to exercise your right of review and appeal as outlined in the attached documentation [Making a Freedom of Information Application | State Records of South Australia \(archives.sa.gov.au\)](#), by completing the "FOI Application Form for Internal Review of a Determination" and returning the completed form to:

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Department of Primary Industries and Regions
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or via email PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published in PIRSA's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at http://dpc.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Log-Policy.pdf

If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing within fourteen calendar days from the date of this determination.

Should you require further information or clarification with respect to this matter, please contact Ms Lisa Farley, Senior Freedom of Information Advisor on 8429 0422 or email PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Michelle Griffiths
Accredited Freedom of Information Officer
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From: Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA)
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To: Out of scope; Page, Brad (PIRSA); Out of scope
Out of scope
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: BFWDC Meeting No 39 Agenda and Meeting Papers
Attachments: Meeting No 39 BFWDC Agenda and Papers.pdf

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Good Afternoon Everyone,

I hope you're all having a great week.

Please find attached the agenda and meeting papers to help you prepare for our upcoming meeting on Monday 13th October. If you have any questions or need anything clarified before then, feel free to reach out.

Kindest Regards,

Clause 6(1)

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Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee

Draft Minutes

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge Aboriginal people as the First Peoples and Nations of the lands and water we live and work upon, and we pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge and respect the deep spiritual connection and relationship that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have to Country.

Meeting Title: No 38	
Date:	17 March 2025
Time	1:30pm
Location:	Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board Lameroo Office
Attendees	<p>Members: Clause 6(1) (Chair) (Tatiara District Council), Clause 6(1) (Coorong District Council), Clause 6(1) (Southern Mallee District Council), Clause 6(1) (Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board), Clause 6(1) (Lim Landscape Board) and Clause 6(1) (PIRSA - Biosecurity SA) and Clause 6(1) (National Parks and Wildlife Service)</p> <p>Landscape SA Staff: Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1) and Clause 6(1) (Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board)</p>
Apologies:	<p>Clause 6(1) (Sheep Industry Fund), Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1) (Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board) Clause 6(1) (Limestone Coast Landscape Board), Clause 6(1) (Department Energy, Environment and Climate Action, Victoria) Clause 6(1) National Parks and Wildlife Service)</p>
Absent	

1. Welcome	
1.1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>The Chair, Clause 6(1) acknowledged Lands, welcomed all present, noted the apologies and checked the agenda.</p>
1.2	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>Clause 6(1) – Chair – Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee</p> <p>Minutes of the previous meetings held on 10 October 2024 were reviewed and were adopted as circulated.</p> <p>Moved – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>Seconded – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>All in favour</p>
1.3	<p>Business and Actions Arising</p> <p>Clause 6(1) – Chair – Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee</p> <p>Clause 6(1) discussed the Actions arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item 4.1 (35) – Clause 6(1) to draft information, provide to committee for comment, and then distribute to councils etc to get message out. – completed can be removed. Item 4.4 (35) – NPWS will update WildDogScan with the scheduled monitoring site information/results (Ongoing) – this will remain an ongoing item and will remain on the action items.

- **Item 4.5 (35) – Clause 6(1) and Clause 6(1) to look at communications strategy for the committee** – completed can be removed.

2. Reports

Victorian Report

Clause 6(1) – Senior Vertebrate Species Management Officer– Department, Energy, Environment & Climate Action

Clause 6(1) shared the Victorian Report with the committee before the meeting. Key points of this were:

Victorian Northwest Report.

- In the Northwest, the Wild dog/Dingo still remains protected as the population is critically low and there’s little evidence that Wild dogs/ Dingos are present in large numbers within this area of the state.
- 1080 Fox baiting has stopped within this area, and there has been no baiting since March 2024
- The Southern end of the Clause 6(1) (Clause 6(1)) Area) is still getting wild dog attacks. Since my last report:
- There has been 30 wild dog incident reports recorded for this area.
- With 57 stock reported as killed or maimed.
- This area is still getting monitored with remote cameras, with 4 different Dogs captured on camera now, with 11kms of exclusion fence being put up within this area it has brought three dogs together that now seem to be working in a pack.

2.1

Department for Environment and Water/National Parks and Wildlife Service Report

Clause 6(1) – District Ranger, Murraylands – National Parks and Wildlife Service

Clause 6(1) discussed her report with the committee, key points of this were:

NPWS staff continue to undertake the four rounds of baiting per year within Ngarkat with support from the M&R and LC Landscape staff.

Baiting is returning to a quarterly program baiting in February, May, August and November. We act as a point of contact for landholders and park neighbours relating to wild dog impacts.

WILD DOG REPORTS

Report received from Clause 6(1) when called in regarding to Kangaroo Permit, mentioned lambs being attacked/killed on the border road properties, after speaking with him he made an official report to Clause 6(1) from the MRLB.

A Dogger also trapped one wild dog within the park. An ear sample was collected for genetic testing and provided to PIRSA.

2.2

COORDINATION

National Parks continue to work with Landscape SA staff when issues arise.

FERAL SCAN

National Parks are continuing to work with Clause 6(1) on getting data into feral scan from previous monitoring surveys. Working towards establishing permanent monitoring sites within Wild Dog Scan so we can build on the information and data for each one rather than having to create a new site recording and data set for each site for each round of monitoring.

FURTHER INFORMATION

BAITING

DATE	LOCATION	AMOUNT	BAIT SUBSTRATE	COMMENTS
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05/02 – 09/02 2024	Ngarkat CP	1000	Manufactured Roo Bait	
23/4 – 04/05 2024	Ngarkat CP	920	Manufactured Roo Bait	
28/10 – 3/11 2024	Ngarkat CP	1080	Manufactured Roo Bait	
10/12 – 14/12 2024	Ngarkat CP	930	Manufactured Roo Bait	
Return to quarterly baiting program				
23/02 – 28/02 2025	Ngarkat CP	990	Manufactured Roo Bait	

MONITORING

LOCATION	LENGTH	RECORDINGS	COMMENTS
Ngarkat Conservation Park (12 Permanent Sites)	February 2024	2 Sites recorded a Dingo Presence 6 sites recorded fox sign. 3 sites recorded cat sign. 1 site recorded goat sign. 2 sites recorded deer sign. 6 sites recorded rabbit or hare sign.	The 2 sites with Dingo records are both on internal tracks.
Ngarkat Conservation Park (12 Permanent Sites)	November 2024	2 Sites recorded a Dingo Presence (McCallum Track). 4 sites recorded fox sign. 1 site recorded cat sign. 2 site recorded goat sign. 2 sites recorded deer sign. 4 sites recorded rabbit or hare sign.	7 out of 12 sites surveyed due to poor weather conditions making checks lot viable. Had issues loading into feral scan in the field and yet to load post survey.

Landscape Boards Report

Clause 6(1) – Murraylands District Team Leader - Murraylands & Riverland Landscape Board

Clause 6(1) – Northern Operations Team Leader – Limestone Coast Landscape Board (not present but provided report content via Clause 6(1))

Clause 6(1) updated the Committee with their reports. Key points of this were:

Murraylands and Riverland

• **WILD DOG REPORTS**

From October 2024 To March 2025

- **November 2024 (Meribah)** – Clause 6(1) reported the loss of a lamb to a suspected dog attack. Wild dog baits were provided by the Murraylands District team.
- Reports received of 3 domestic farm dogs eating a lamb on Clause 6(1) Meribah. Landholders suspected they were dogs owned by another landholder in the district.
- **February 2025 (Meribah)** - Clause 6(1) reported an additional 3 lambs and 4 ewes lost to dog attack. 2 domestic dogs found on the property with 1 shot.
- Further lamb and ewe losses occurred the following day with an additional 2 dogs were shot.
- Dogs were suspected to be a local farmer’s according to landholder accounts. They were taken to the local council, but no microchip was located.

2.3

- Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board staff coordinated with PIRSA to utilise the trapper at this site. No update received from the trapper at this time.
- **February 2025 (Ngarkat Clause 6(1) boundary)** - Clause 6(1) reported approximately 30 lambs lost to suspected dog attack on his property on the Clause 6(1) boundary of Ngarkat. Murraylands District staff offered to supply wild dog baits but Wade was already coordinating with the PIRSA dog trapper.

- **BAITING**

- Murraylands and Riverland District staff assisted NPWS staff to bait tracks within Ngarkat in both December 2024 and February 2025.
- Wild dog baits will continue to be provided to landholders who report wild dog activity.

Limestone Coast

- Only one dog sighting at Kangaringa



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Biosecurity SA Report

Clause 6(1) – Senior Biosecurity Officer – Pest Animals – PIRSA
 Clause 6(1) gave an update to the committee; key points of this update were:

General

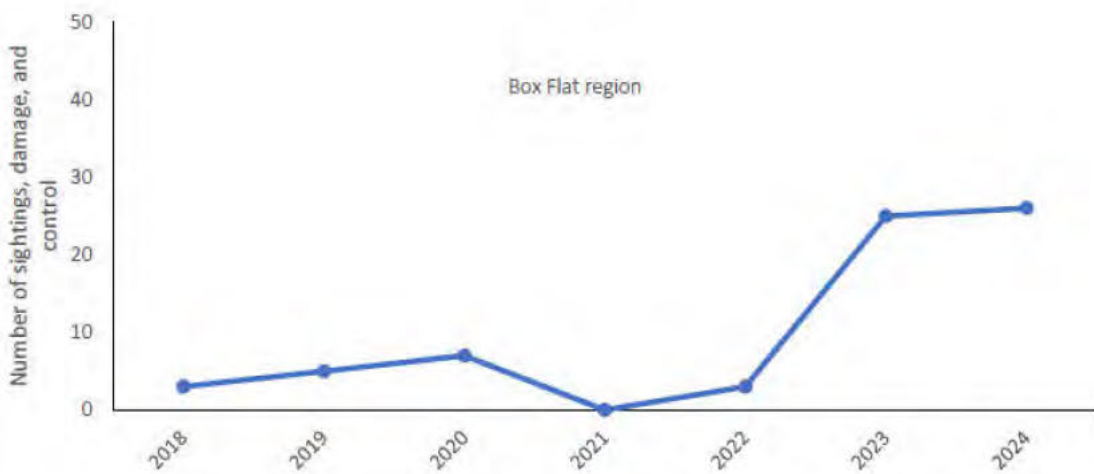
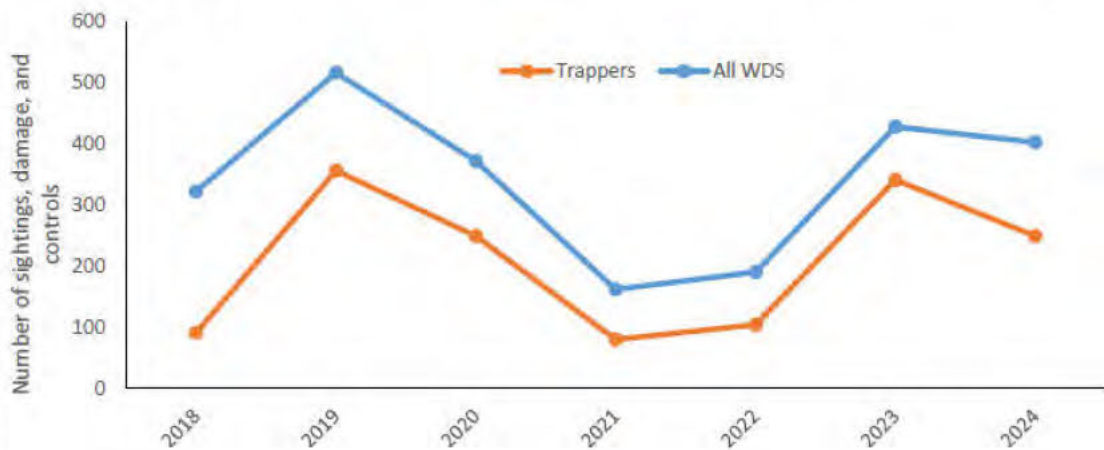
2.4

- Implementation of the SA Wild Dog Management Strategy 2023-2033 and the policy declaring wild dogs for destruction inside the Dog Fence continues. PIRSA and landscape boards respond to all reports of wild dogs, including those entering from northwest Victoria.
- Minister Scriven recently met with the Victorian ministers of environment and agriculture to discuss wild dog management. Since the decision, it is understood that 500-600 sheep have been lost in Victoria; a total of 27 reports of wild dog activity and impacts have occurred in the Box Flat region (including one this week). Victoria agrees that fox control is necessary.

PIRSA has proposed a cross-border, landscape-scale fox baiting program as a means for supporting producers and wildlife in the region.

Trapper program update:

- Funding secured from Livestock SA's Sheep Industry Fund, Commonwealth and State governments will see the program run until June 2026. Seven trappers are contracted to continue this free program; they also train landholders to control wild dogs and use WildDogScan (WDS). WDS is linked to a management response.
- The professional trapper program began in July 2018, they have now removed 878 wild dogs from inside the Dog Fence. The first graph below shows the number of sightings, damage, and control reported for all WildDogScan and for the trappers only among years. Activity was high in 2019 and 2020, dipped in 2021 and 2022, and recovered in 2023 and 2024. A similar pattern of increase in 2023 and 2024 is seen in activity recorded in the Box Flat region (second graph), which is probably also reflective of increased survey effort.
- A trapper worked in Ngarkat CP in February and March 2025, they recorded wild dog activity along the eastern boundary track and destroyed one wild dog there. They noted, like other trapper surveys in spring 2023 and 2024, that foxes were highly abundant in the park. Normally fox baiting occurs before wild dog trappers work in an area to remove foxes and increase efficacy of trapping efforts. Unfortunately, baiting occurred concurrently with trapping, and several traps caught foxes. Recommendation from the trapper is for large fox baiting programs in the area.



- Concerns in many regions this season, including Far West Coast where

- Many reports of wild dog activity were made recently, include three of livestock attacks
- Wild dogs are coming out of scrub areas and from outside the Dog Fence (crossing grids) looking for water/food; the numbers are very high outside the Dog Fence
- In response, producers, PIRSA trappers, and Dog Fence patrollers have destroyed at least 15 wild dogs since January 2025
- Tracking another 8 wild dogs now
- PIRSA staff are headed there this week to run a workshop with affected producers, which will include trialling 2 x AI cameras at two grids of concern; these cameras will provide instant email/text alerts to stakeholders when a wild dog is detected
- PIRSA staff are also working with the EP Landscape Board and NPWS to deliver 14,000 baits in an aerial baiting program to the region on 17-19 March 2025

Aerial Baiting Update

- PIRSA collaborate with multiple agencies and groups to deliver aerial baiting programs; partners include:
 - Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board
 - SA Arid Lands Landscape Board
 - National Parks and Wildlife Service
 - Dog Fence Board
- In 2024/25 a total of 100,000 baits will be delivered in aerial programs. It is the third year of a 3-year program funded by the Commonwealth and will have delivered 300,000 baits by June 2025.
- Currently applying for funding to deliver aerial baiting programs targeting wild dogs and foxes.

Ground Baiting Update

- PIRSA continue to support landscape boards in their ground baiting efforts, including notifications of wild dog reports within their regions. Around 100,000 baits distributed annually by the landscape boards.

Dog Fence Rebuild Update

- Progress as of 4 March 2025
 - 1,054 km of Dog Fence is rebuilt
 - 55 km underway
 - 491 km about to commence
 - All planning/procurement stages completed
- Rebuild is returning confidence to sector; 11 properties covering over 18,000 km² (1.8 million ha) have restocked with over 35,000 more sheep.

Dog Fence Update

- Work to maintain the fence and reduce risks of incursions
- Includes plant control initiatives, bespoke herbicide applicator and new tech for patrollers
- Long term planning, including sustainable funding models

Livestock Productivity and Predator Control Network

- \$2.9 million producer-led program, launched in 2023, have started delivering second year of 3 years of engagement activities. The network of 15 groups comprises:
 - 108 properties
 - > 11 million hectares
 - Combined experience > 2,200 years
 - Run > 270,000 sheep and > 100,000 cattle

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • So far in 2025, we have delivered 9 workshops on predator control and cyber security and connectivity for small agribusinesses. <p>Fox Bait Proposal – seeking feedback from BFWDC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIRSA is in the early stages of planning to deliver a large fox baiting program in areas adjacent to northwest Victoria. That program would include manufacturing 50,000 baits, delivering 30,000 baits in aerial programs to conservation parks (Ngarkat, Billiatt, Karte, and Peebinga), and providing 20,000 baits to private properties at risk (i.e. those north Bordertown and located within the LC and MR landscape bord regions and within designated distance from the border with northwest Victoria). • For discussion by BFWDC. Proposed roles and responsibilities: PIRSA administration (procurement, contracts, aviation etc.) and manufacture of baits. Landscape boards: coordinate the distribution of ground baits? NPWS and other landholders: signage and neighbour notifications? <p>Action: PIRSA to approach National Parks and Wildlife Service and Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board and Limestone Coast Landscape Board with a proposal to codesign an aerial baiting program of wild dogs in Ngarkat conservation park in an ongoing capacity, this is to include a supply of the baits and Buffer for emergency response purposes.</p> <p>Moved: Clause 6(1) [redacted] Seconded: Clause 6(1) [redacted] All in favour</p>
2.5	<p>SA Wild Dog Advisory Group report</p> <p>Clause 6(1) [redacted] – Councillor – Southern Mallee District Council</p> <p>Clause 6(1) [redacted] Gave a report on the SA Wild Dog Advisory Group, key points of this were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report from PIRSA Biosecurity SA was included in the meeting. • Mention of Victoria needing to install a Dog Fence along the border.
3.	<p>Financial Reports</p>
3.1	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>Clause 6(1) [redacted] – Murraylands District Team Leader – Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board</p> <p>Clause 6(1) [redacted] discussed the proposed 2024/25 budget with the committee.</p> <p>Decision: The Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee Approve the 2024/25 Annual Budget</p> <p>Moved – Clause 6(1) [redacted] Seconded – Clause 6(1) [redacted] All in favour - Yes</p>
3.2	<p>Funding 2025/2026 – Applications for funding from SIF, Boards and Councils</p> <p>Clause 6(1) [redacted] – Murraylands District Team Leader – Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board</p> <p>Decision: The Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee Approve the no increase for the 2025/26 Annual Budget</p> <p>Moved – Clause 6(1) [redacted] Seconded – Clause 6(1) [redacted] All in favour – yes</p>
4.	<p>Close</p>

4.1	Other Business <i>All</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is a degree of concern regarding changes to Wild Dog management in the biodiversity bill, however, advice received is that the bill will not change the way wild dogs are managed.• Will the rainfall deficit have an influence on wild dog numbers i.e. will they search for water outside the park? The rainfall deficit is affecting flora, so it is presumed fauna is also being effected.
4.2	Advice to the Boards NIL
4.2	Next Meeting Details Next Meeting will be 13 October 2025
4.3	The meeting closed at 3:17pm

Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee Actions

	Item (Meeting)	Actions	Timeframe	Person Responsible	Comment	Comple te
1	4.1 (35)	Clause 6(1) to draft information, to committee for comment, and then distribute to councils etc to get message out.	ASAP	Clause 6(1)	Letter has been drafted and will be sent in the coming months.	
2	4.4 (35)	NPWS will update WildDogScan with the scheduled monitoring site information/results.	Ongoing	NPWS		
3	4.5 (35)	Clause 6(1) and Clause 6(1) to look at Communications and Engagement strategy for the committee.	Feb 2024	Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1)	A Letter of advice to the Boards in regards to the Communications Strategy and if the committee can be included.	

**BOX FLAT WILD DOG COORDINATING COMMITTEE
MEETING REPORT**

ORGANISATION	National Parks and Wildlife service
REPRESENTATIVE NAME	Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1)
MEETING DATE	October 2025

Murraylands district staff continue to undertake the four rounds of baiting per year within Ngarkat with support from Landscape staff.

Baiting has returned to a quarterly program baiting in a February, May, August and November to cover the longest period of time with baits on the ground. We act as a point of contact for landholders and park neighbours relating to wild dog impacts.

WILD DOG REPORTS

Only reports of received were from Clause 6(1) Dog shot north of Pinnaroo body collected for DNA sampling, no stock attacked cane into mate domestic dog in heat.

DATE	LANDHOLDER	LOCATION	ACTION	COMMENTS
8/6/2025	Clause 6(1)	10km North of Pinnaroo	Animal shot coming into dog on heat	Didn't request any further baits as they believed it to be a once off. samples sent to PIRSA and Cairnes for testing

COORDINATION

We continue to work with Landscape when issues arise and have landscape board staff assist with the scheduled baiting program

FERAL SCAN

Continual issues with recording into feral scan manually for now, Continuing to work with Clause 6(1) on best approach.

Looking into doing smaller areas of monitoring each round with higher site intensity to see if we can more information out of the surveys and rotate between areas of the park observed each round.

FURTHER INFORMATION

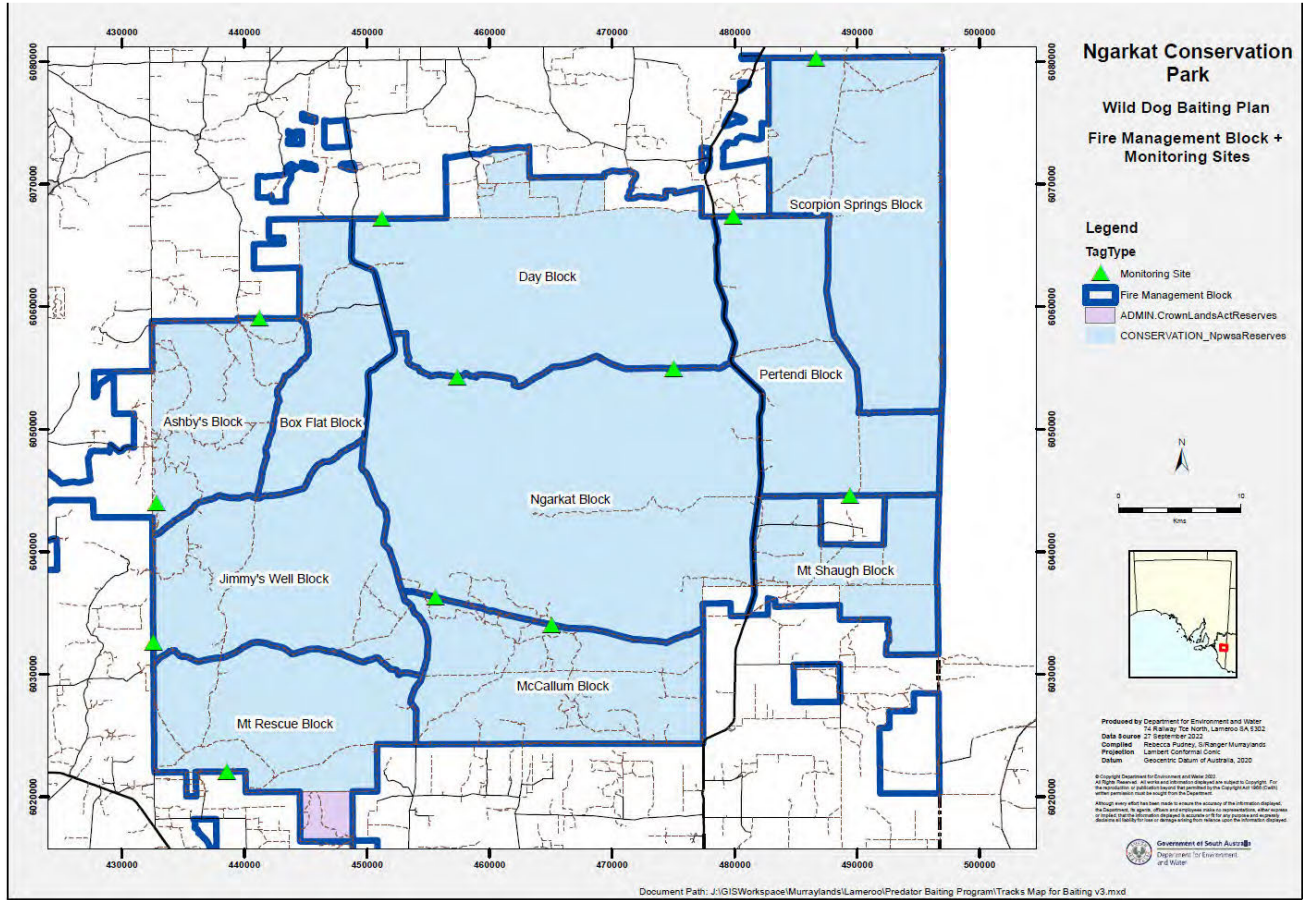
BAITING

DATE	LOCATION	AMOUNT	BAIT SUBSTRATE	COMMENTS
28/10-3/11/2024	Ngarkat CP	1080	Manufactured Roo Baits	
10/12-14/12/2024	Ngarkat CP	930	Manufactured Roo Baits	
Return to quarterly program				
23/2-28/2/2025	Ngarkat CP	990	Manufactured Roo Baits	
8/5-29/5/2025	Ngarkat CP	1060	Manufactured Roo Baits	
21/8-30/8/2025	Ngarkat CP	964	Manufactured Roo Baits	

MONITORING

LOCATION	LENGTH	RECORDINGS	COMMENTS
Ngarkat Conservation park (12 Permanent sites)	2 Nights	2 sites Recorded a Dingo presence 8 sites recorded fox sign 3 sites recorded cat sign 1 site recorded goat sign 2 site recorded deer sign 6 sites recorded rabbit or hare sign	3-6/5/2023 The presence of dingos has dropped across the park whilst cats have risen. the 2 sites with dingo records are both on internal tracks
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Ngarkat Conservation park (12 Permanent sites)	<u>June 2025</u>	No sites Recorded a Dingo presence) 6 sites recorded fox sign 1 sites recorded cat sign 1 site recorded goat sign	**2 sites recorded Australian Bustard tracks and one mature breeding male bird was seen on the bottom of

	<p>1 site recorded deer sign 4 sites recorded rabbit or hare sign</p>	<p>Baan Hill Track whilst doing the surveys</p>
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Eradication of Wild Dogs from SA Sheep Country

Tracking progress of the 10-year eradication program

Program update: March 2025



Eradication of wild dogs from SA sheep country: Tracking progress of the eradication program

Information current as of March 2025
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“We sold the station at the end of 2018 due to dogs taking everything”

Livestock producer, April 2025

Executive summary

This document provides an update on the implementation of the \$15 million, 10-year Wild Dog Eradication Program, inside the SA Dog Fence.

The government’s commitment to wild dog management in South Australia has increased dramatically since 2018. Through targeted promotion of industry needs, PIRSA secured the investment to rebuild the Dog Fence, as well as funding to ramp up other game-changing wild dog control activities. To realise the benefits of these investments to the state, wild dogs remaining inside the fence must be eradicated.

A program of activities required to achieve eradication was proposed by the livestock industry, landscape boards, the SA Wild Dog Advisory Group, and other stakeholders. This input is now encapsulated within the [SA Wild Dog Management Strategy 2023-2033](#) as Goal 1; the Strategy also includes activities to support the Dog Fence barrier in the buffer zone (Goal 2) and maintaining cultural and ecological values of dingoes outside the Dog Fence (Goal 3).

The \$15 million, 10-year Wild Dog Eradication Program is the most ambitious and complex part of the Strategy. Independent economic analyses by BDO EconSearch showed that the program is a worthwhile investment, with an overwhelmingly positive impact on the South Australian economy, including a net benefit of \$56.8 million and 49 FTE jobs over a 20-year period.

This report provides an update on the progress of eradication activities, including securing funding; deploying ground and aerial baits; running the trapper program; coordinating; and delivering workshops.

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“The goal must be eradication, nothing less”

Livestock producer, May 2021

Introduction

Background to the eradication program

The government's commitment to wild dog management in South Australia has increased dramatically since 2018. This commitment includes PIRSA support for the Dog Fence Board, to improve their governance, and for the Minister's Wild Dog Advisory Group (SAWDAG), to improve their focus on strategic priorities.

Through targeted promotion of industry needs, PIRSA secured the \$25 million (\$10 million each from State/Commonwealth governments and \$5 million from the livestock industry) investment to rebuild the Dog Fence (now \$29 million program), as well as funding to ramp up other game-changing wild dog control activities.

Following the \$29 million rebuild of the SA Dog Fence, wild dog incursions into South Australian sheep country will soon end. To realise the benefit (between \$56.4 million and \$112.9 million over 20 years) of these investments to the state, wild dogs remaining inside the fence must now be eradicated.

The program of activities required to achieve eradication was proposed by the livestock industry, landscape boards, the SA Wild Dog Advisory Group (SAWDAG), and other stakeholders. These activities form the backbone of the SA Wild Dog Management Strategy (the Strategy).



The infographic features a landscape photograph with sheep in the foreground and a dog fence line in the distance. The text 'Goal 1' is at the top left. Below it, the main heading reads 'Eradicate wild dogs inside the Dog Fence'. A small credit line says 'Image courtesy of Stefania Rossetti'. The bottom section contains a paragraph: 'The rebuilding of 1,600 kilometres of the ageing Dog Fence provides a once-in-a-generation opportunity to eradicate wild dogs inside the Dog Fence. Most critical for the success of the eradication program is the involvement of all land managers inside the Dog Fence. Baiting is the most effective landscape-scale method to control wild dogs and trapping is important for targeting wild dogs that do not take baits.' At the very bottom, it says '10 | SA Wild Dog Management Strategy'.

Economic impacts from eradicating wild dogs

Industry sector growth

Wild dogs cost livestock industries in Australia \$90 million per year. In 2018-19, it was estimated that wild dogs injured and killed 20,000 sheep, costing the South Australian livestock sector \$4 million.

The rebuild of the Dog Fence will prevent wild dogs moving into pastoral sheep country, but the wild dogs remaining inside the Dog Fence will continue to impact the industry. The economic benefits of the Dog Fence will be undermined if wild dogs inside the fence are not also eradicated. The program will:

1. Ensure sustainability of the \$1.5 billion sheep industry, which employs 15,000 people
2. Increase productivity and profitability of the sheep industry by reducing stock losses and the need for large-scale wild dog control activities
3. Increase capacity of land managers to control wild dogs via training programs, including the use of existing and emerging technologies
4. Alleviate negative social impacts in rural communities from wild dog attacks

Independent economic analyses

After proposing the \$15 million, 10-year Wild Dog Eradication Program, independent economic analyses were necessary to assess the program’s merit as an investment for government and industry. The analyses were conducted by BDO EconSearch in May 2021. They found that the program would have an overwhelmingly positive economic impact (see Figure 1). Specifically, they showed:

- Positive economic impacts will be greater if the program is implemented compared to no action
- The program is a worthwhile investment with a net benefit of \$56.8 million over a 20-year period
- The internal rate of return on capital invested is 96% (projects above 6% are considered viable)
- Economic impacts will be sustained for years following the completion of the program in 2032
- Expected impact on gross regional product is \$10.3 million over a 20-year period
- Implementing the program will generate 49 FTE jobs by the twentieth year

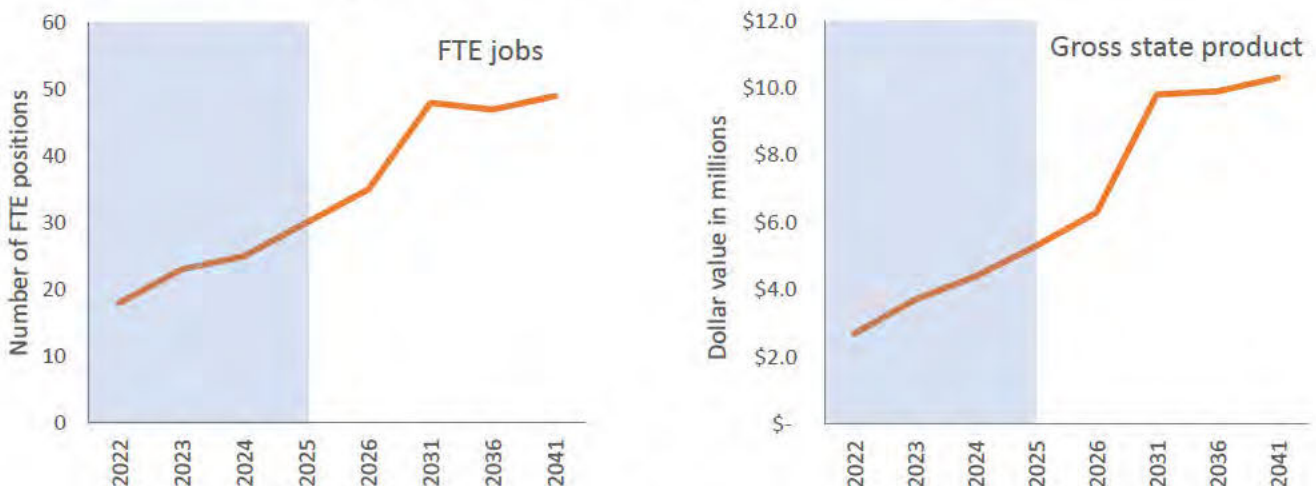


Figure 1 Projected economic impacts in FTE jobs (left) and gross state product (right) derived from implementing the \$15 million, 10-year eradication program. Shaded areas completed.

Activities to implement the eradication program

Secure funding

Goal: A \$15 million, 10-year budget is required to implement the eradication activities; the intensity of spending is greatest in the first five years, tapering to 2032.

Requires: \$15 million over 10 years to 2032.

Activities: PIRSA continues to work to secure funding from diverse sources, which includes the Commonwealth Government, State Government, and industry, including Livestock SA, Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA), and Australian Wool Innovation (AWI).

Outcome: \$5 million in funding (33% of program requirements) secured by 30 June 2025.

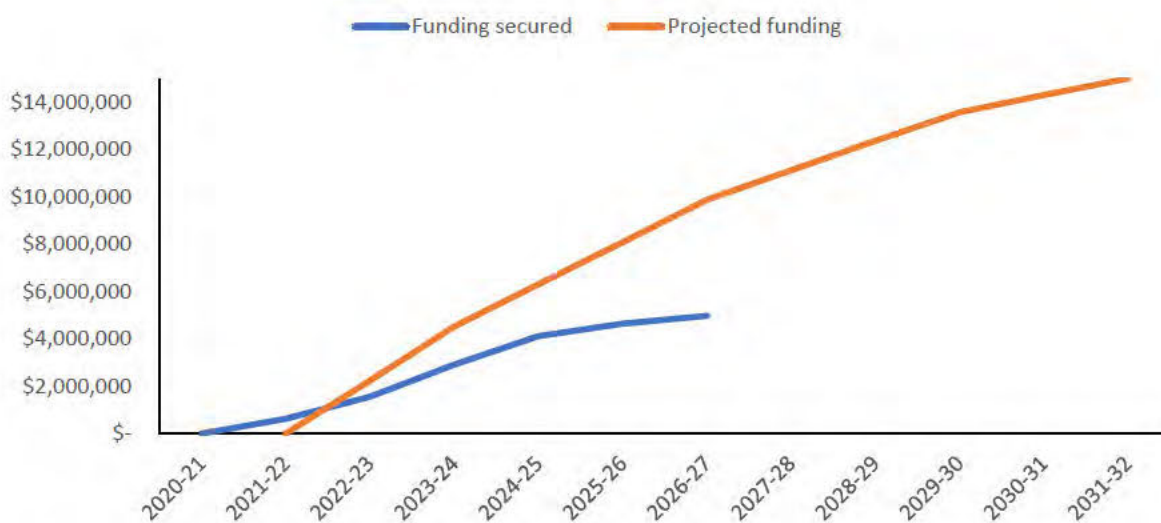


Figure 2 The secured funding and projected funding needs of the Wild Dog Eradication Program over 10 years to 2032.



Coordinated ground baiting

Goal: Coordinated ground baiting is an effective and efficient wild dog control tool. To achieve eradication inside the Dog Fence requires:

- An intensive, landscape-scale baiting program
- Focus on ensuring landholder compliance with new legislative requirements to bait is required
- Strategic ground baiting by landholders must be conducted twice per annum in pastoral areas, in autumn and spring, and quarterly in the Ngarkat area
- National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) will conduct baiting, at the same rates, within protected areas

Requires: 24 FTE agency staff over 10 years.

Activities: 2-3 FTE staff have been working across the state to deliver ground baits. Primarily, they include staff from the landscape board regions of the Arid Lands, Eyre Peninsula, Murraylands and Riverland, and Limestone Coast. PIRSA staff and NPWS staff are also involved in facilitating delivery of ground baits, including responding to incursions. Note that requirements decrease with time.

Outcome: 12 FTE (50% of program requirements) completed by 30 June 2025.

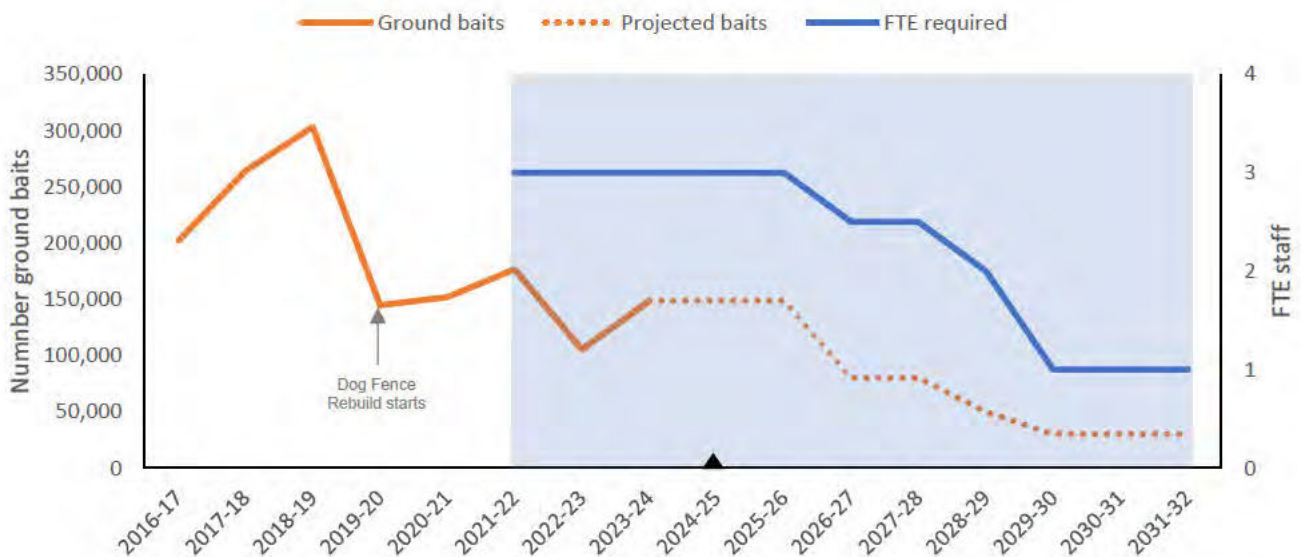


Figure 3 Number of baits laid in ground programs, projected number of baits in future programs, and the FTE requirements to deliver the activities of the Wild Dog Eradication Program over 10 years to 2032 (shaded area).

Coordinated aerial baiting

Goal: Aerial baiting programs involve the distribution of wild dog baits into inaccessible and rugged terrain and wild dog hot spots. Aerial baiting complements the broadscale, ground-baiting programs by targeting areas that would otherwise become wild dog safe havens.

Requires: 1 million baits delivered over 10 years.

Activities: PIRSA staff have been collaborating with staff from the landscape boards and NPWS to deliver aerial baiting programs. The number of baits being delivered had been declining since 2017-18. With the announcement of the Dog Fence Rebuild Project, a large effort was made in 2020-21, delivering over 150,000 baits. PIRSA received co-funding from the Commonwealth Government to facilitate the delivery of around 100,000 baits per year over 3 years to June 2025. A total of 460,000 baits have been delivered; the current application to SIF includes aerial baiting programs for the next 3 years (delivering 100,000 baits per annum), with funding to be matched by PIRSA. That initiative would enable delivery of a further 300,000 baits (total 760,000) by June 2028, which would comprise 76% of eradication requirements.

Outcome: 460,000 baits (46% of program requirements) deployed by 30 June 2025.

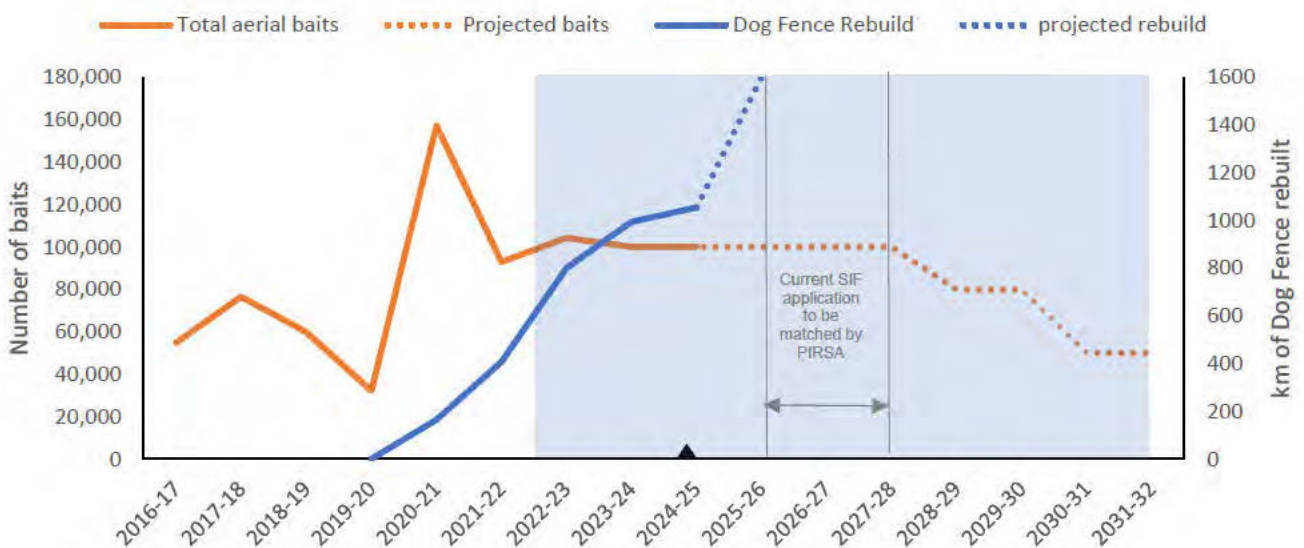


Figure 4 Number of baits deployed in aerial programs, projected number of baits in future programs, and tracking the Dog Fence Rebuild Project, for delivering the activities of the Wild Dog Eradication Program over 10 years to 2032 (shaded area; includes proposed SIF project over 3 years to June 2028).

“The baiting programs, professional trapper program and the Dog Fence renewal have had major impact on the wild dog numbers south of the Dog Fence and must remain a high priority to capitalise on the gains”

Livestock producer, April 2025

Professional Trapper Program

Goal: The statewide SA Wild Dog Trapping Program involves coordination and deployment of a team of professional wild dog trappers to areas experiencing persistent problems with wild dogs. Eligible properties must have participated in ground baiting programs in the past 6 months. Trappers target the elusive wild dogs that do not take baits. They work across all land tenures inside the Dog Fence, including private properties and municipal and protected areas.

Requires: 25 FTE over 10 years.

Activities: The SA Wild Dog Trapping Program was launched by PIRSA in 2018-19. A large trapping effort over the last 7 years has removed 881 wild dogs from inside the Dog Fence. The trappers were highly efficient in the first few years of the program when the numbers were very high, and the Dog Fence Rebuild Program was in its infancy. As wild dog numbers reduce the time and patience required to trap the remaining wild dogs increases. Trappers work with landholders and train them in wild dog detection and control techniques so that early detection and action occurs. The current application to SIF includes support to continue the trapper program over the next 3 years (delivering 2-3 FTE per annum), with funding to be matched by PIRSA. That initiative would enable delivery of 19.5 FTE by June 2028, comprising 78% of eradication requirements.

Outcome: 12 FTE (48% of program requirements) completed by 30 June 2025.

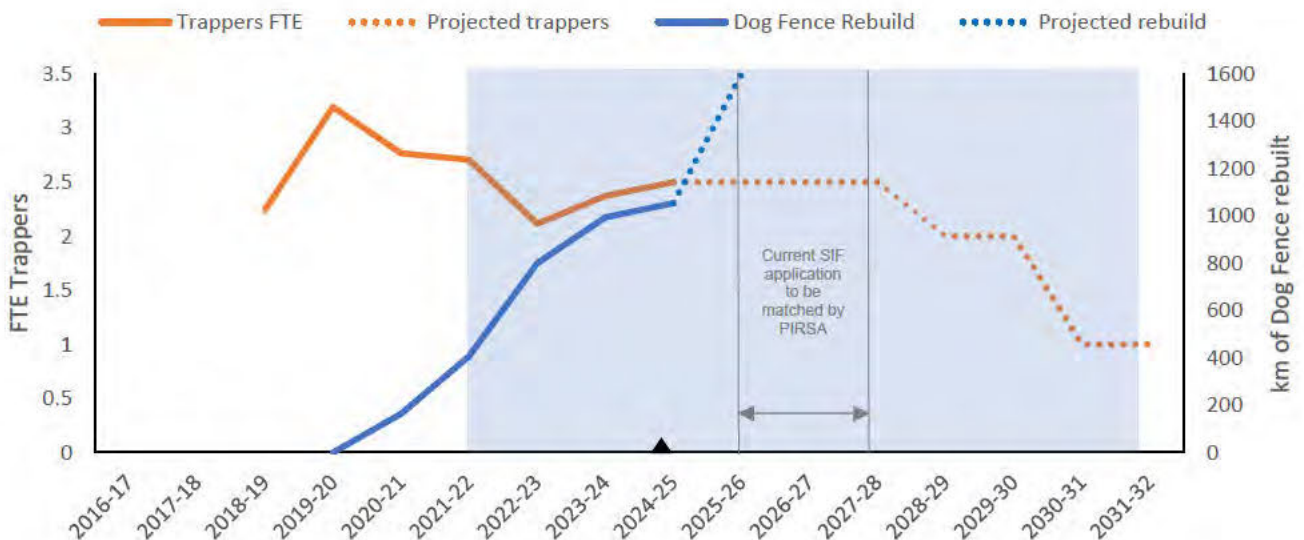


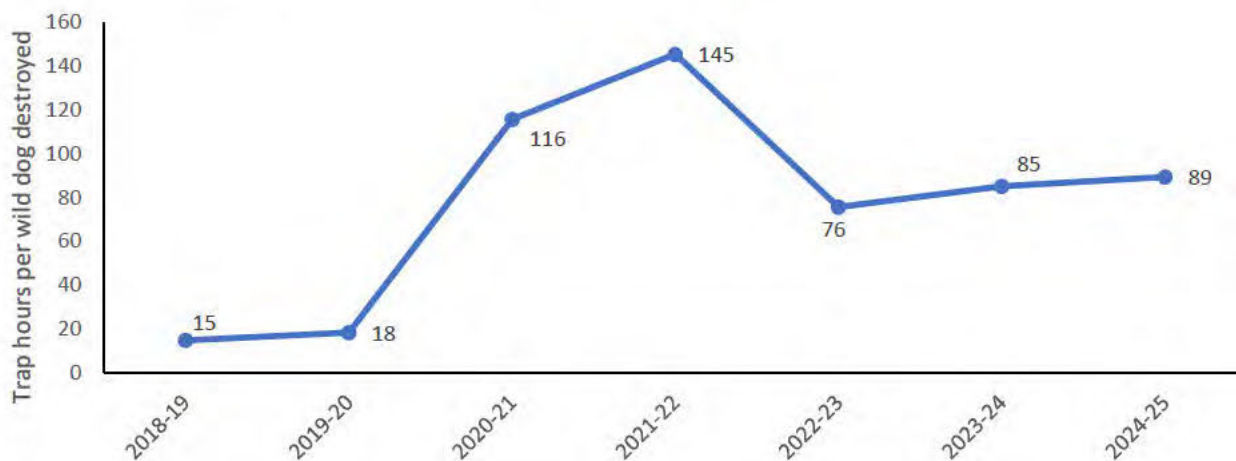
Figure 5 Number of FTE trappers, projected FTE trappers in future programs, and tracking the Dog Fence Rebuild Project, for delivering the activities of the Wild Dog Eradication Program over 10 years to 2032 (shaded area; includes proposed SIF project over 3 years to June 2028).

It is “really important not to drop the ball... don't let up control measures”

Livestock producer, May 2021

Other PIRSA trapper program statistics: the wild dog trappers are very highly regarded by producers. They work across the state, including in remote and challenging conditions. In addition to controlling the wild dogs that are difficult to get, they provide training for controlling and reporting of wild dogs. Since June 2023, they have worked across over 11 million hectares of properties, including pastoral properties, indigenous land, and public parks.

Initially the effort required to catch wild dogs was very low, with just 15 trapping hours per wild dog destroyed in 2018-19. As expected, the effort has increased with time, hitting 154 hours per wild dog destroyed in 2021-22. With some favourable conditions, wild dogs increased in 2022-23 and the effort required declined. The trend indicates how quickly wild dogs can rebound, and the need to keep trappers on the ground.



“Need to keep on with trapping and eradication of wild dogs as they will breed up again once the pressure is off.

Livestock producer, May 2021

Workshops

Goal: Workshops involve engaging with landholders on wild dog controls to build their knowledge and capacity to manage wild dogs. Over a 10-year period, employees and landowners will turn over, so some may not have been exposed to wild dog predation. Regular upskilling of these land managers, as well as introduction to new and emerging technology, is an important component of maintaining wild dog eradication into the future.

Requires: 24 workshops over 10 years.

Activities: PIRSA and landscape board staff have delivered workshops as required; topics included baiting on organic properties, trapper training, use of Canid Pest Ejectors (CPEs), and desexing dogs in remote indigenous communities. Those activities were associated with policy development and strategic planning.

A 4-year program is now working to deliver 45 wild dog workshops across the state by January 2027. This producer-led initiative is funded by PIRSA, Livestock SA, and MLA; it is delivering workshops and trials to 15 producer groups that experience impacts with wild dogs and includes 3 groups located outside the Dog Fence (see map). Over 100 properties are involved in the project; together they run over 11 million hectares, have a combined experience in livestock management that exceeds 2,200 years, and they run over 270,000 sheep and 100,000 cattle. Workshop and trial activities are focused on predator control and livestock productivity.

Outcome: 24 workshops (100% of program requirements) completed by 30 June 2025.



Figure 6 The number of workshops delivered and projected for delivery within the Wild Dog Eradication Program over 10 years to 2032 (shaded area).

Snap shot Images below provide a snapshot of workshops delivered in the last 18 months with 15 producer groups located across SA in wild dog risk areas.



State Coordination

Goal: Statewide coordination ensures the seamless management of wild dog control activities across agencies and land tenures of the State. For example, coordinators work with staff from landscape boards, Department for Environment and Water (DEW), NPWS, contractors, landholders, industry representatives, and other stakeholders.

Requires: 7 FTE over 10 years.

Activities: PIRSA provide coordination of wild dog eradication activities, including effective management of the statewide trapper program and aerial baiting programs, supporting all agencies to deliver wild dog eradication activities, engaging with producers and deliver wild dog control training (i.e., through workshops), providing reports on activities and progress to funding bodies.

Outcome: 4 FTE (57% of program requirements) completed by 30 June 2025.

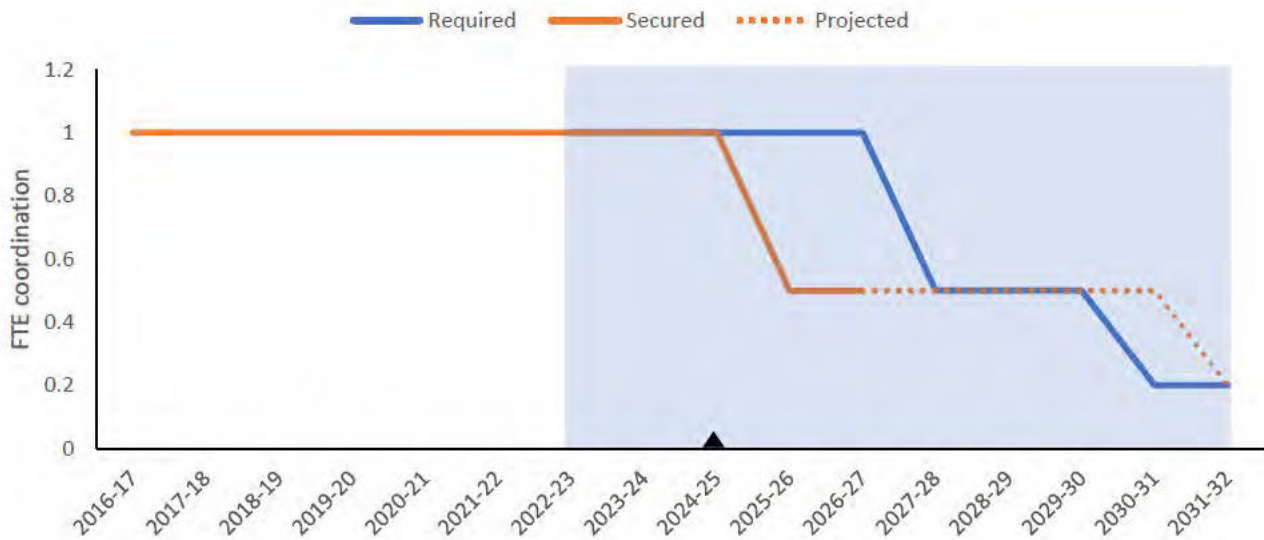


Figure 7 Number of FTE staff coordinators required, secured, and projected for delivering the activities of the Wild Dog Eradication Program over 10 years to 2032 (shaded area).

Summary of progress

The activities required to achieve wild dog eradication inside the SA Dog Fence are at varying levels of completion and resourcing (see Table and Figure below). A SIF application for \$300,000 per year for 3 years to June 2028 has been submitted to deliver aerial baiting and trapper program in line with other activities to support delivery of the eradication program.

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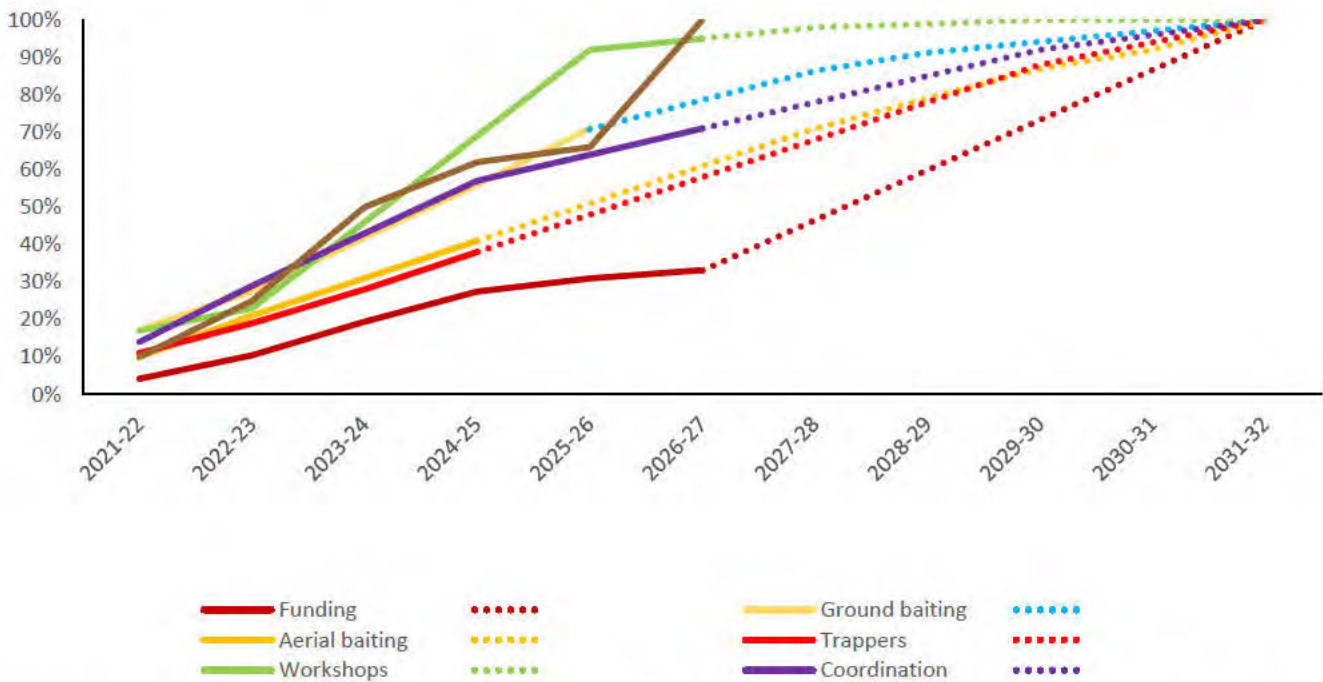


Figure 8 Activities to achieve eradication over 10 years; full line indicates activities are complete or due for completion; dashed lines indicate the effort required, but not yet resourced.

Economic and social benefits

Context: The economic and social benefits to producers and their communities from eradicating wild dogs are undeniable. We know that prior to the rebuild project and wild dog eradication activities, producers were losing over 20,000 sheep per annum to wild dogs, costing over \$4 million; the indirect costs, such as plummeting lambing percentages with wild dog presence, were costing millions more.

Recently, PIRSA received reports of at least 11 properties covering over 18,000 km² (1.8 million ha) restocking with over 35,000 more sheep in areas that were smashed by wild dogs just 5 years ago. That stock equates to around \$7 million gained and a \$11 million turnaround in the economic fortunes for those properties inside the Dog Fence. After landscape-scale aerial baiting programs in the region, one property in the Gawler Ranges also reported an increase in lambing percentages from 85-90% to 120% in the last 12 months. These gains are encouraging; as part of this initiative PIRSA staff have undertaken a systematic analysis of producer experiences.

In May 2021, during development of the eradication plan, PIRSA staff worked closely with producers to understand the impacts from wild dogs. That work included a survey of 30 producers and the calculation of 20,000 sheep being impacted annually. In March and April 2025, PIRSA staff repeated the survey of 11 producers running 18 properties and more than 100,000 sheep on country exceeding 23,000 km² (2.3 million ha) in area.

Economic gains from wild dog eradication activities: All producers reported a decline in impacts from wild dogs from 2018 to 2025, with an average decline of 95%. In 2018, producers reported 77 sheep were killed per 100 km² of country, that number is less than 1 sheep per 100 km². The average lambing percentage in 2018 with wild dogs present was 43%; at that time, producers estimated that without wild dogs their lambing percentage would increase to 106%. That prediction has unfolded, with the same producers reporting an average lambing percentage of 110% in the last 12 months.

In addition to direct benefits to producers from wild dog controls, over 45 SA-based businesses have been engaged in the rebuild project, including \$17 million to the suppliers to provide materials (\$9 million) and fencing services (\$8.3 million). Other SA businesses engaged include freight providers, cable locators, landholders, earthworks, engineers, and suppliers of peripheral materials, many of these businesses are regionally based.

Social benefits from wild dog eradication activities: In the first survey, at least 43% of respondents indicated severe emotional stress from wild dog attacks. A decrease in wild dog attacks was necessarily assumed to increase wellbeing, in addition to productivity gains. The recent survey found much improved outlooks, including optimism and opportunity, as well as importance to maintain the effort and not to return to previous times (see Table).

“Professional trappers are so valuable. We need them so badly to keep dog numbers controlled”

Livestock producer, May 2021

Impact	2021 Survey	2025 Survey
Financial losses	<i>"Whilst dogs kept impacting, we could never build our breeding ewes up... very frustrating"</i>	Experiencing <i>"significantly less impacts than in 2018"</i>
Mental health	<i>Wild dogs had. "Massive impact... didn't matter what we did they just kept coming... took and still has a huge impact on wellbeing... I chose to ignore it, so it doesn't get on top of me... even the kids are worried their pets are going to be attacked by dogs"</i>	<i>"The focus on wild dog control though the baiting programs, professional trapper program and the Dog fence renewal have had major impact on the wild dog numbers south of the dog fence and must remain a high priority to capitalise of the gains made in controlling wild dogs"</i>
Management	<i>It is "really important not to drop the ball... don't let up control measures" "The goal must be eradication, nothing less"</i>	<i>"The new Dog Fence is a massive improvement" "Since the renewal of the dog fence north of Mount Victor Plumbago, there has been significantly less dog activity seen, however we regularly bait" "Fence is a major improvement, but it was compromised with flooding rains and dogs came inside the fence and have bred up again. We've killed/trapped 50 dogs inside the fence in the last 24 months"</i>



"The dogs are not gone yet and won't be for a long time yet... we need to continue to eradicate these wild dogs and keep good control of the wild dog numbers like we have now... a couple of years with no control and we will back where we started. We couldn't face that again"

Livestock producer, 2021



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Thank you

Kind Regards

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Meeting Title: No 39	
Date:	13 October 2025
Time	1:30pm
Location:	Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board Lameroo Office
Attendees	<p>Members: Clause 6(1) (Chair) (Tatiara District Council), Clause 6(1) (Coorong District Council), Clause 6(1) (Southern Mallee District Council), Clause 6(1) (Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board), Clause 6(1) (Limestone Coast Landscape Board), Clause 6(1) (Department of Primary Industries and Regions-Biosecurity) Clause 6(1) (National Parks and Wildlife Service) and Clause 6(1) (Livestock SA)</p> <p>Landscape SA Staff: Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1) Clause 6(1) Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board Clause 6(1) (Limestone Coast Landscape Board)</p> <p>Guests: Clause 6(1) (Cross Border Commissioner), Clause 6(1) (National Parks and Wildlife Service)</p>
Apologies:	Clause 6(1) (Sheep Industry Fund), Clause 6(1) (Department Energy, Environment and Climate Action,
Absent	

1. Welcome	
1.1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>The Chair, Clause 6(1) acknowledged the Country, welcomed all present, noted the apologies and checked the agenda.</p>
1.2	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>Clause 6(1) – Chair – Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee</p> <p>Minutes of the previous meetings held on 17 March 2025 were reviewed and were adopted as circulated.</p> <p>Moved – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>Seconded – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>All in favour – Yes.</p>
1.3	<p>Business and Actions Arising</p> <p>Clause 6(1) – Chair – Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee</p> <p>Clause 6(1) discussed the Actions arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item 4.1 (35) – Clause 6(1) to draft information, provide to committee for comment, and then distribute to councils etc to get message out. – completed can be removed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item 4.4 (35) – NPWS will update WildDogScan with the scheduled monitoring site information/results (Ongoing) – this will remain an ongoing as NPWS continue to work with Clause 6(1) from Feral Scan and will remain on the action items. Item 4.5 (35) – Clause 6(1) and Clause 6(1) to look at communications strategy for the committee – this item will be re investigated.
<p>2. Reports</p>	
2.1	<p>Victorian Report Clause 6(1) – Chair – Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee</p> <p>The Chair discussed the written reports submitted by Clause 6(1) and Clause 6(1) with the committee.</p>
2.2	<p>DEW/National Parks and Wildlife Service Report Clause 6(1) – National Parks and Wildlife Service</p> <p>Clause 6(1) discussed the National Parks and Wildlife Service Report with the committee. Key items of this report included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wild Dog Report on 8 June 2025 10km North of Pinnaroo. Animal was shot. Baiting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 08/05/2025 – 29/05/2025 1060 Manufactured Roo Baits dropped. 21/08/2025 – 30/08/2025 964 Manufactured Roo Baits dropped. Monitoring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 2025 – No sites recorded Dingo Presence, 6 Sites recorded fox signs, 1 site recorded cat signs, 1 site recorded goat signs, 1 site recorded deer signs and 4 sites recorded rabbits signs.
2.3	<p>Landscape Boards Report Clause 6(1) – Murraylands District Team Leader – Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board Clause 6(1) – Northern Operations Team Leader- Limestone Coast Landscape board Clause 6(1) discussed the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board report with the Committee. Key points of this report were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District staff were contacted by a landholder from Clause 6(1) in late August. They were enquiring about the dog that had been shot in the area. They reported having lost a number of baby goats around the same time and after discussion, suspected that they had seen the same dog as the one that was shot. The landholder didn't require any further assistance or take up the offer of bait due to being confident the dog had been destroyed. There have been no further reports of wild dog impacts since the one reported was destroyed. <p>Clause 6(1) gave a verbal report about the Limestone Coast Landscape Board region with the committee. Key points of this report were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landholder has had 5 sheep mauled over a period of 4 to 5 weeks, they have seen a black animal heading across the paddock towards Dukes Highway. Landholder did not want to bait due to owning multiple high value working dogs.
2.4	<p>Biosecurity SA Report Clause 6(1) Principal Biosecurity Officer- Department of Primary Industries and Regions Clause 6(1) discussed the PIRSA Biosecurity SA Report with the committee. Key points of this report were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Trapper has reported signs of 9 to 10 dogs within their survey zone within Ngarkat. There has been a nomination by Dingo Advocates that the Wild Dogs in Big Desert and Ngarkat should be declared as an endangered species. The PIRSA dog trappes has noted a high density of foxes in Ngarkat.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clause 9(1)
2.5	<p>SA Wild Dog Advisory Group report</p> <p>Clause 6(1) – Councillor – Southern Mallee District Council</p> <p>Clause 6(1) let the committee know that SAWDAG have not met again since the last Box Flat meeting.</p>
3.	Financial Update and Report
3.1	<p>Financial Update and Report</p> <p>Clause 6(1) – Murraylands District Team Leader – Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board</p> <p>Clause 6(1) discussed the financial reports with the committee.</p> <p>Decision:</p> <p>Moved – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>Seconded – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>All in favour – Yes.</p>
4.	Close
4.1	<p>Other Business</p> <p>NIL</p>
4.2	<p>Advice to the Boards</p> <p>ACTION: PIRSA to approach National Parks and Wildlife Service and Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board and Limestone Coast Landscape Board with a proposal to codesign an aerial baiting program of full strength wild dog baits for foxes and wild dogs in and around the Ngarkat conservation park in an ongoing capacity, this is to include a supply of the baits and buffer for emergency response purposes. To clarify, this is a control measure of foxes, if fox numbers are not adequately controlled, wild dogs will have a reduced opportunity to access the baits.</p> <p>Moved – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>Seconded – Clause 6(1)</p> <p>All in Favour – Yes.</p>
4.2	<p>Next Meeting Details</p> <p>Next Meeting will be March 16, 2026, at 1pm in Lameroo.</p>
4.3	The meeting closed at 3:00pm

From: [Page, Brad \(PIRSA\)](#)
To: ["Trevor J Pisciotta \(DEECA\)"; Secomb, Nick \(PIRSA\)](#)
Subject: RE: reducing impacts
Date: Wednesday, 15 October 2025 8:56:00 AM

Hi Clause 6(1)

Thanks for letting us know

Regards, Brad

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-----Original Appointment-----

From: Clause 6(1) (DEECA) Clause 6(1) **On Behalf Of** Trevor J Pisciotta (DEECA)
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2025 8:52 AM
To: Page, Brad (PIRSA); Secomb, Nick (PIRSA)
Subject: Declined: reducing impacts
When: Wednesday, 15 October 2025 9:00 AM-9:30 AM (UTC+09:30) Adelaide.
Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Hi Brad, apologies to be doing this so last minute. Trevor Clause 6(1) and not working.

I'm declining this to save everyone joining but I will send through meeting slots separately for a reschedule.

Thank you for your understanding.

From: [Page, Brad \(PIRSA\)](#)
To: [Trevor J Pisciotta \(DEECA\)](#)
Cc: [Secomb, Nick \(PIRSA\)](#)
Subject: RE: Reducing impacts meeting 4/9/25 (1 week reminder)
Date: Monday, 8 September 2025 11:08:00 AM

Thanks for letting me know

Regards, Brad

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From: [Clause 6\(1\)](#) (DEECA) **On Behalf Of** Trevor J Pisciotta (DEECA)
Sent: Monday, 8 September 2025 11:02 AM
To: Page, Brad (PIRSA)
Cc: Secomb, Nick (PIRSA)
Subject: Declined: Reducing impacts meeting 4/9/25 (1 week reminder)
When: Monday, 8 September 2025 2:00 PM-2:30 PM (UTC+09:30) Adelaide.
Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Good morning,

Apologies, but Trevor won't be able to make this meeting today.

He has been asked to attend an in-person meeting, so I need to rejig his diary.
Apologies for the inconvenience!

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Hi Trevor

Changing the time of this meeting to avoid clash with your leadership team

Regards, Brad

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Cc: Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA); Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA); Secomb, Nick (PIRSA)
Subject: RE: wild dog baiting in Ngarkat Conservation Park
Date: Thursday, 5 February 2026 12:39:29 PM

OFFICIAL: Sensitive

Hi Brad,

For clarity sake, the Landscape Board would in fact like to remain a part of any planning process for aerial baiting program for foxes in the Ngarkat region. It is important that we continue to collaborate with all partners working in the Ngarkat region on Wild Dogs.

Regards,

Clause 6(1)

Manager Sustainable Landscapes
Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board
Ph 08 8532 9100
Mob Clause 6(1)

From: Page, Brad (PIRSA) <Bradley.Page@sa.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 5 February 2026 11:32 AM
To: Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (DEW) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (PIRSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) <Clause 6(1)>
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Subject: RE: wild dog baiting in Ngarkat Conservation Park

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Hi Clause 6(1)

Thank you for your considered response and for taking the time to review the proposal and outline the Landscape Board's current priorities and position. I appreciate the clarity you have provided regarding local risk levels, competing investment needs, and your focus on maintaining the existing ground-based program with NPWS and landholders.

I note the concerns raised about potential social and environmental risks associated with aerial baiting. For context, these risks are managed through the approved product label conditions and operational controls, as well as the use of GPS-tracked aerial baiting equipment that enables accurate and auditable bait placement. This technology supports precise application within defined treatment areas and reduces the likelihood of off-target impacts compared with broader or less controlled approaches. These safeguards are

incorporated into the proposed operating procedures and would be applied to any implementation.

I also acknowledge from your advice that the Landscape Board does not wish to participate in the planning of an aerial baiting program for foxes in the Ngarkat region at this time.

Please let me know if your circumstances or priorities change in the future and you would like to revisit the discussion. We will keep you informed of any developments relevant to the region.

Kind regards, Brad

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From: [Clause 6\(1\)](#) (LandscapeSA) <[Clause 6\(1\)](#)>
Sent: Tuesday, 27 January 2026 10:51 AM
To: Page, Brad (PIRSA) <Bradley.Page@sa.gov.au>; [Clause 6\(1\)](#) (DEW) [Clause 6\(1\)](#)>; [Clause 6\(1\)](#) (PIRSA) <[Clause 6\(1\)](#)>; [Clause 6\(1\)](#) LandscapeSA <[Clause 6\(1\)](#)>; [Clause 6\(1\)](#) (LandscapeSA) <[Clause 6\(1\)](#)>; [Clause 6\(1\)](#)>
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Subject: RE: wild dog baiting in Ngarkat Conservation Park

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Hi Brad,

As per your request, we have reviewed the proposal provided.

The Landscape board has an obligation to respond to landholder reports of wild dog sightings and incidents of attacks on stock. As such, we collate accurate records which are reported to the Box Flat Wild Dog Coordinating Committee. Our records indicated that wild dog sightings and incidents of attacks on stock have not increased in the last few years, and the significant investment required to undertake this aerial baiting program in our view is not commensurate with the risk. Given the challenges faced in our region by the Wine industry and broadacre farmers in managing failed crops and erosion impacts, the board has other priorities requiring our attention and investment.

We also have concerns that aerial baiting introduces broader social and environmental risks that are difficult to manage or monitor. This includes potential impacts on landholders' domestic dogs and increased off-target impacts on native species compared

with ground-based baiting in known, monitorable locations. Significant targeted baiting effort is already being undertaken by NPWS in Ngarkat under the approved baiting plan, and we are not confident an additional aerial program would deliver a clear net benefit that warrants the expense or risk. Maintaining baiting programs in Ngarkat in accordance with the approved plan and working closely with private landholders to ensure the existing program remains effective and responsive to stakeholder need remains our focus.

Thank you for the additional time to respond.

Cheers,

Clause 6(1)

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From: Page, Brad (PIRSA) <Bradley.Page@sa.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 19 December 2025 12:46 PM

To: Clause 6(1) (DEW) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (PIRSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) (LandscapeSA) <Clause 6(1)>; Clause 6(1) <Clause 6(1)>

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Hi Clause 6(1), Clause 6(1), Clause 6(1), Clause 6(1), Clause 6(1) and Clause 6(1)

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I aim to compile your feedback and arrange for us to meet in early Feb 2026 to discuss the draft proposal in detail, work through suggested refinements, and agree on key design elements of the aerial baiting program, including geographic scope, integration with wild dog baiting programs, operational constraints, and coordination arrangements

Would you please let me know if you will not be able to provide feedback by 16 January. We will book a meeting if early February to discuss the plan.

I hope you all have a well-deserved break over xmas and new year.

Regards, Brad

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Subject: RE: wild dog baiting in Ngarkat Conservation Park
Date: Friday, 19 December 2025 4:51:00 PM

Hi [Clause 6\(1\)](#)

Thanks for your email.

Happy to extend the timeline for everyone; please send me your feedback by 23 Jan.

Thanks, Brad

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Hi Brad,

Our relevant staff are taking a break starting today and we won't be able to consider this fully until we return. Can I suggest an extension of at least an additional week?

Much appreciated,

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Mon 17/02/2025 9:54 AM


Page, Brad (PIRSA)

Accepted: Fox baiting discussion

To Trevor I Pisciotta (DEECA)

When Wednesday, 19 February 2025 10:30 AM-11:00 AM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Location Microsoft Teams Meeting

 We couldn't find this meeting in the calendar. It may have been moved or deleted.
Page, Brad (PIRSA) has accepted this meeting.