

Canis lupis familiaris (Wild dog)

Description: Wild dogs include dingoes, wild domestic dogs and hybrids.

Distribution: Wild dogs are widespread in both the agricultural and natural landscape. They also frequently exist on the outskirts of towns and even within urban areas.

Impacts: Wild dogs can cause stock losses in calving season. They also often carry parasites and pathogens. Near towns they can cause nuisance and impact on domestic animals.

Key projects: In urban and settled areas Douglas Shire Council will respond to individual issues as they arise on a case by case basis. Wild dogs are generally not aggressive to people however they may display threatening behaviour in urban areas such as attacking domestic dogs, scavenging or stalking. Domestic pets and poultry are best protected by dog mesh fencing. Fencing also restrains your domestic animals and may assist in preventing other animals such as wallabies or pigs entering your property.

Biosecurity obligations and legal requirements

Obligations relating to restricted matter

Under the Act you must not move, keep, feed, give away, sell or release wild dogs into the environment. Penalties may apply.

The biosecurity plan does not include management of straying or problematic domestic dogs (including hunting dogs). These animals are domestic animals and are managed in accordance with Douglas Shire Councils Local Laws.

For domestic dog queries contact Council on 07 4099 9444.

General Biosecurity Obligation

The Act requires everyone to take all reasonable and practical measures to minimise the biosecurity risks associated with wild dogs under their control.

**In the asset
protection
zone**

Dog proof fencing is by far the most effective method of reducing the impacts of wild dogs on domestic stock and pets.

If you have grazing animals then targeting control activities to reduce wild dog numbers prior to calving is the best way to reduce impacts.

Property managers should coordinate control activities with neighbours.

For more information on using this biosecurity action plan fact sheet, and further information on control tools, refer to the Douglas Shire Biosecurity Management Plan available at douglas.qld.gov.au and customer service centres.



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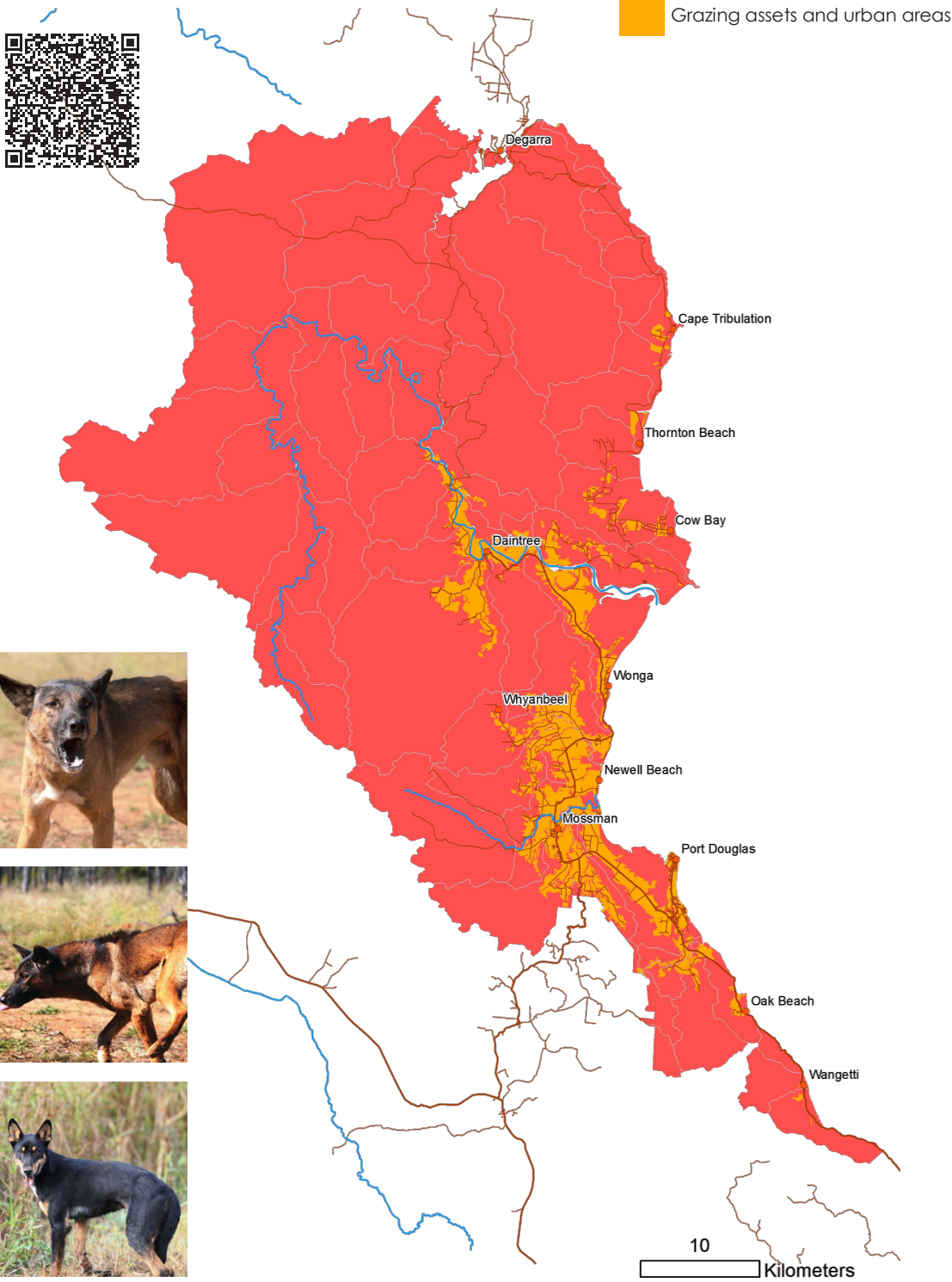
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Management objectives and actions



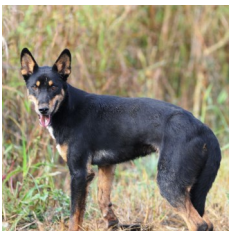
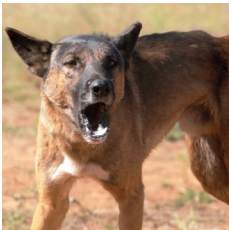
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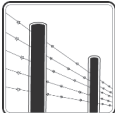
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Control



Prevention			Eradication				Containment			Asset protection		
Breeding												
Pups												
Trap												
Shoot												
Bait												
Fence												
Best time	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec

Key
Peak
First/last flush
Occasional
Optimal
Good
Marginal