

6.3 Request for Additional State Government Funding for Weed Control

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MOTION

That Council request the State Government increase funding to councils for weed control in local government areas.

Background

With the good seasons we have, we are getting many different noxious weeds growing and Council needs additional funding to get these weeds under control.

Officer's comments

Councils Biosecurity weed control function is partly funded through the Weeds Action Plan (WAP). The funding received by Council for 2021/22 was \$206,000.

The Central Tablelands Local Land Services (LLS) are allocated funding from the State Government that is distributed to Council's within that Local Land Services group.

Funding is generally allocated dependent on the weed control activities undertaken like private property inspection, roadside spraying, education etc.

Council staff can prepare a letter to the Minister for Agriculture the Hon. Dugald Saunders MP to advocate for additional funding.