

AGRICULTURE



Have your say on pest animal management in the North Coast region

Landholders and the community are invited to provide feedback on the draft 2024-2028 North Coast Regional Strategic Pest Animal Management Plan.

This plan outlines strategies for managing pest animals over the next 5 years, aiming to mitigate their impact on the environment, agriculture, and productivity. It will direct on-ground activities and programs accordingly.

Your input is valuable, please submit feedback before 8 July 2024.



[Have your say](#)



NSW Budget boosts biodiversity protection

The NSW Budget was announced in June and allocates significant funding for vital initiatives, notably in biosecurity protection, with a \$947.7 million investment over 4 years. Key focuses include:

- Feral pig control
- Eradication of red imported fire ants
- Enhanced resilience and support for beekeepers
- Investigations and response to white spot disease
- Weed control

[Find out more about the NSW Budget](#)



It's time to count your livestock

Accurate, up-to-date animal records are crucial, and the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) database is vital for tracing livestock and identifying disease sources and spread. Completing a Property Identification Code (PIC) reconciliation annually via the NLIS database is highly recommended.

All livestock owners must have a PIC for their property. This requirement applies if you have one or more cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, deer, bison, buffalo, camelids, equines (horses and donkeys), 100 or more poultry birds, or 10 or more emus or ostriches.

[Find out more](#)



Perpetual land activity calendar

For each new season, it is vital to check changes and address issues to maintain your property.

The perpetual land activity calendar provides a handy, monthly reference of general considerations and responsibilities landholders need to be aware of to care for and maintain their land, infrastructure and animals.

[See the helpful and handy tips](#)

Interested in agritourism?

Agritourism involves travel experiences that connect people directly to products and activities on farming lands. Here are a few examples:

- Farm tours and demonstrations
- Farm stays and accommodation

- On farm cafes and restaurants
- Pick your own produce

Let us know if you'd like to know more



Catch up on the Fall Armyworm webinar

To ensure that farmers have access to the latest information on Fall Armyworm (FAW), Local Land Services recently held a webinar to share management advice.

The last six months have seen ideal breeding conditions for FAW but understanding the rate at which they are developing through autumn and into winter will help with decision making.

If you missed the webinar, it is now available to view online

If you have any questions, please contact the Economic Development and Tourism Team on [02 6566 3200](tel:0265663200) or agriculture@kempsey.nsw.gov.au.

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Opportunities update

The Macleay Grant Hub is a free resource accessible to businesses, community groups, nonprofits, and individuals. It offers a comprehensive list of grant and funding opportunities. Receive email alerts for new grants, save your favourites and access tips to aid in your grant applications.

[Sign up to access these opportunities](#)

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