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Blayney Shire Council

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Yes

Can we contact you about your submission (if required)?

Q7

I am representing local government

What best describes you?

Q8

Central Tablelands

Which of the following regions best describes your location/area of interest?

Q9

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Q10

To what extent are the NSW environment, industries and communities currently impacted by invasive species?

Heavily impacted by rabbits and foxes in my current area of operations.

Q11

To what extent do you think existing programs in NSW are effectively managing invasive species?

Existing programs are not effectively managing the problem as best as they could. Too much emphasis is being placed onto the land owner rather than the Regulatory authorities taking control of the eradication and management of the problem.

Q12

What, if any, are the key barriers to effective management of invasive species?

Knowledge and information. Key stakeholders in government are not up to speed on current legislation and their obligations to properly manage this problem. Also, too much red tape and concerns what the minority groups might say if the problem is managed correctly and directly.

Q13

How has invasive species management changed since the introduction of the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015 legislation and associated programs and plans?

It has reduced the amount of resources that are available, ie: hunters to curb the problem. There should be more enforcement of and policing to ensure relevant key stakeholders are addressing the problem at hand, and where needed, following up with enforcement action to really hit home that this issue is being taken seriously and failure of stakeholders to properly address their responsibilities will result in proper and timely enforcements.

Q14

What are the future risks posed by invasive species to the NSW environment, industries and communities?

Environmental and industry disruption to start. The spread of disease which if not addressed can and will result in loss to agriculture and the follow on industries which rely on this.

Q15

What opportunities do you see to improve the outcomes of invasive species management in the future?

Allow more ground shooting to be conducted by licenced shooters. Utilise the resources of the SSAA by tapping into their large base of responsible shooters to provide more ground shooting programs which would be at a dramatically reduced costs than current standards.

Q16

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Any other comments?
