

2023 local annual achievement report

Central Tablelands region

I am pleased to present our milestones for 2023. Throughout the year, we delivered a wide range of programs that directly responded to needs of the Central Tablelands community.

The 2023 annual business plan, which was developed with input from community, stakeholders, board and staff, focused on what was emerging as a very dry season and an increased need for additional feral animal control.

The plan also ensured we centered on providing critical biosecurity and animal health advice and working with communities and other government agencies to care for our environment through natural resource management programs.

Our 2023 programs were very interlinked, providing an opportunity for everyone, whether on the land or in our urban communities to see, learn and grow.

I would like to thank my fellow board members and the entire Central Tablelands team for their work in ensuring we are focused on the region's needs.

Ian Rogan

Chair, Central Tablelands Board



717,315 ha

of vertebrate pest control



2,470

1:1 advice consultations



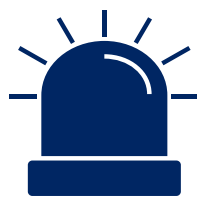
4,505

participants at awareness raising/capacity building events



412

animal disease surveillance investigations



51%

of staff trained for an emergency response

Collaborating to support biodiversity

Ecosystems rich in biodiversity are more resilient and healthier and can better recover from outside stresses such as drought, pests, wildfire and climate change.

Through the delivery of Orange Biodiversity Month in September 2023, we raised the profile of threatened species and the importance of biodiversity in a local context.

The initiative was a collaboration between multiple external partners and community groups, engaging with farmers, community members and school children through 8 different events in and around the Orange area.

Encompassing natural resource management, invasive species management and agricultural extension, the events worked to educate and upskill residents providing the ability to more effectively introduce small changes to their own properties and communities that improve the sustainability and health of our shared ecosystems.

Leveraging the skills and expertise of key stakeholders to help deliver the events, we also strengthened networking and partnership opportunities throughout the region.



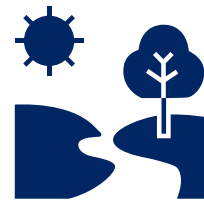
1,669 ha

of land managed for improved soil condition



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Aboriginal projects to protect Aboriginal cultural heritage and/or traditional ecological knowledge



156 ha

of native revegetation



513 ha

of TSRs actively managed



593 ha

of weed management for improved biosecurity, agricultural productivity and biodiversity