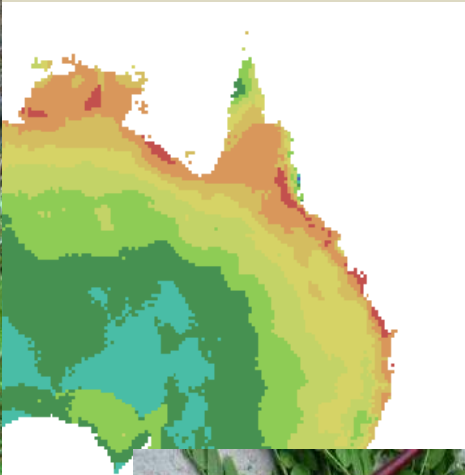


# **Invasive Animals in the Gympie Region**

**Gympie Regional Council  
Lands Protection Branch**



# High Risk Species



# What is a declared pest?

- Outlined in the Biosecurity Act 2014
- Classes include *restricted* or *prohibited* biosecurity matter
- Established in the State or new incursions; and
- Is causing, or has the potential to cause, an adverse economic, environmental or social impact.

# General Biosecurity Obligation - GBO

Everyone has a *GBO* and must take all reasonable and practical measures to prevent or minimise a risk

In this case, land occupiers must take all reasonable steps to ensure an invasive plant or animal does not spread

# Invasive Biosecurity Matter

## Prohibited

- Generally not present in Queensland
- Reportable to Biosecurity Queensland within 24 hours

## Restricted

- Found in Queensland, actions required to limit the impact of this restricted matter by landholders
- Must not sell, give away or release into the environment



# Declared Pest Animals



# Declared Pest Animals

- Already established and seriously threaten:
  - primary industries,
  - natural environment,
  - native wildlife, and
  - human and animal welfare.
- Must be managed by landowners on their property.
- Dependent on species, not be released/given, moved, kept or fed without a permit; penalties of up to \$44,000 apply.

# Feral Pig damage to Pasture





# Predation on a 'protected' threatened Mary River Turtle nest- Wild Dog



# Restricted Invasive animals

- Cat, other than a domestic cat (*Felis catus*)
- Dingo (*Canis familiaris dingo*)
- Dog, other than a domestic dog (*Canis familiaris*)
- European fox (*Vulpes vulpes*)
- European rabbit - domestic and wild breeds (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*)
- Feral deer species - chital (*Axis axis*); rusa (*Cervus timorensis*); fallow (*Dama dama*); red (*Cervus elaphus*); hog (*Axis porcinus*); sambar (*Rusa unicolor*).
- Feral pig (*Sus scrofa*)
- Goat, other than a domestic goat (*Capra hircus*)
- Red-eared slider turtle (*Trachemys scripta elegans*)
- Yellow crazy ant (*Anoplolepis gracilipes*)

# Challenges - Pest animal management

- Pest animals are mobile
- Control methods can be costly/skilled
- Pest animals are often nocturnal/cryptic

# What can be done?

- Exclusion – fencing and other barriers
- Trapping
- Free Shooting
- Poisoning
- Management of Stock & Crops
- Management of carcasses



# GRC & Pest Animal Management



- GRC manages pest animals on council land
- Provides advice and assists landholders
- Trap Loan Program
- Toxin 1080 Baiting Program (eligible landholders)



# Trap Loan Program

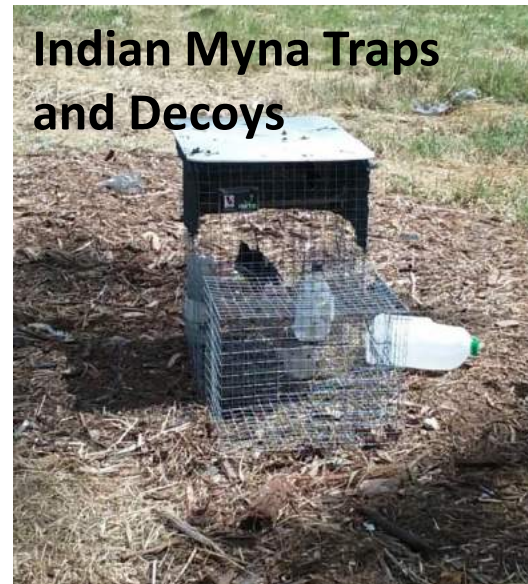
Cage Traps



Leg Hold Traps



Indian Myna Traps and Decoys



# Feral Pig Print





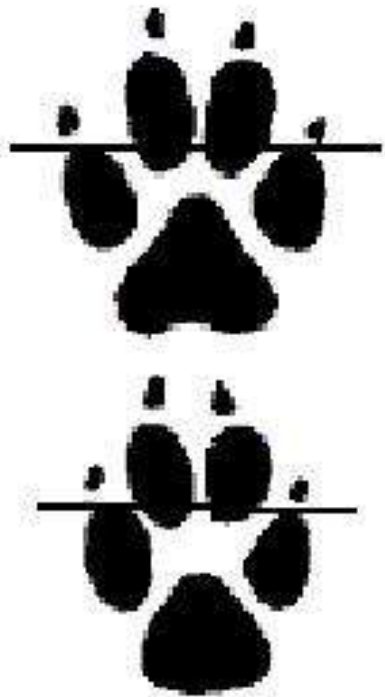
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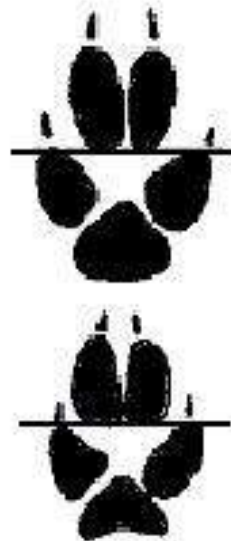
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# Paw Prints



**WILD DOG**



**FOX**

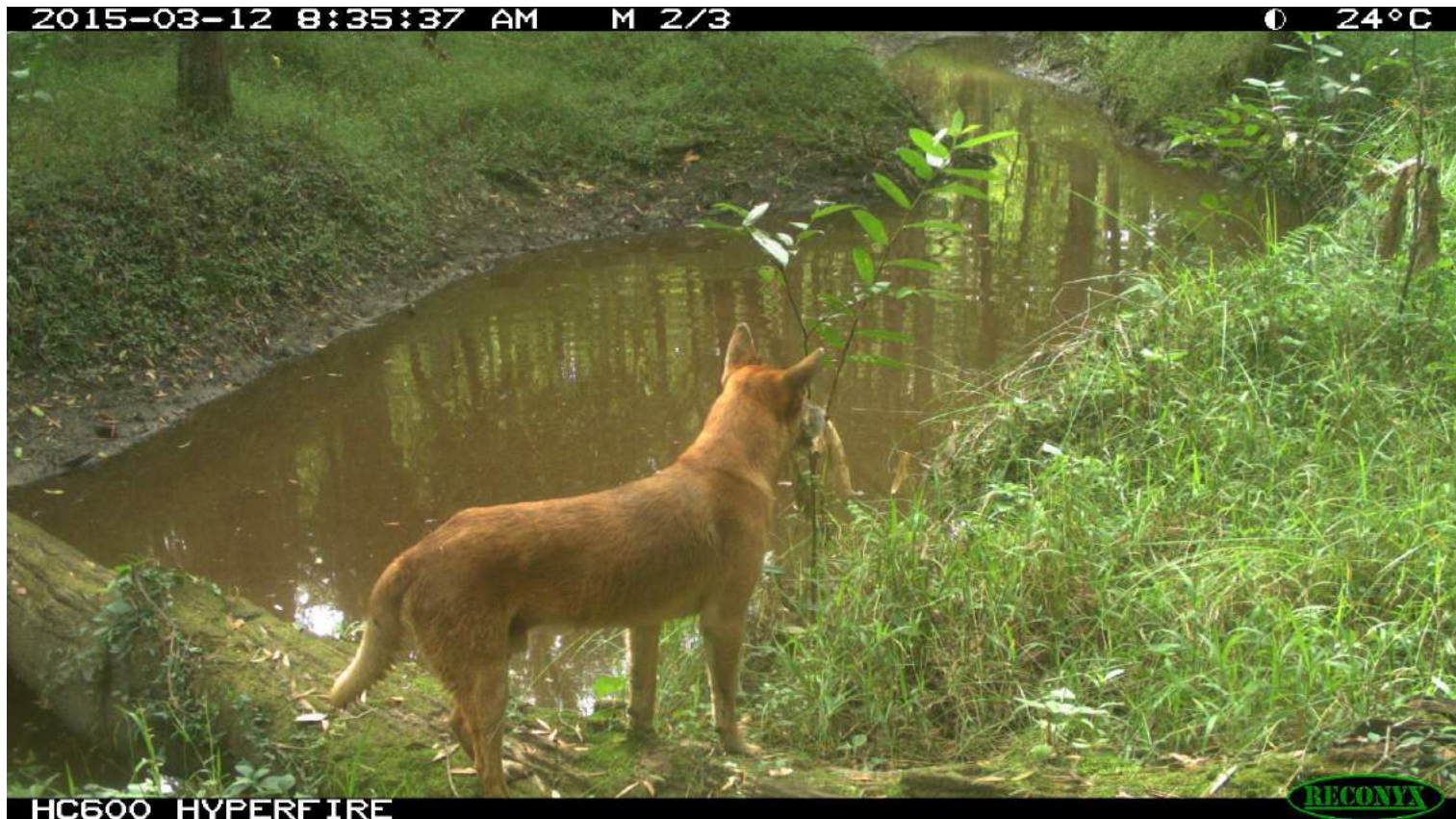


**QUOLL**



**CAT**

# Wild Dogs



# Fox





# Fallow Deer





# Feral Pigs

