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Round 3: 2007-2008

Successful Blackberry Projects

1. National Blackberry Best Practice Management Manual (\$83,700)

This project aims to consolidate all available information on the control and management of blackberry in a concise management guide, similar to those already developed for other Weeds of National Significance. The manual will contain clear information on the biology and ecology, options for management in various situations, and case studies highlighting real-life examples of how individuals and groups have been able to achieve success by implementing different management regimes.

2. Developing Blackberry Management Priorities from the Local to the National Level (\$63,089)

This project will develop a national priority setting decision support system for blackberry management that can be used at a state/regional scale. This priority setting approach will be used by each State, NRM and CMA region to determine the optimum blackberry management for their area in terms of prevention, eradication, reduction, impact reduction, containment, asset protection and biological control

3. National Blackberry Strategic Management (Eradication and Control) of Isolated and Outlier Infestations (\$94,500)

This project aims to eradicate and contain blackberry in outlying sites that threaten agricultural production and environmental values. The project will focus on remote sites in south-west Tasmania, Warwick and Stanthorpe shires in Queensland and regions of Western Australia which are experiencing an expansion of blackberry, particularly near Bunbury.

4. Increasing Public Awareness of WoNS through National Blackberry Species Identification Workshops (\$25,040)



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This project plans to run five blackberry species identification workshops in areas of demand nationally. This will lead to increased capacity of weed professionals and community members to identify the blackberry species in their area; increased community capacity to map blackberry species and more targeted and effective blackberry control programs.

5. Strategic Eradication of Key Kangaroo Island "Sleeper Weeds": Pro-active Management to Eliminate Future Costs (\$81,440)

The primary project outcome is to complete cost effective removal of all currently known infestations of athel pine, blackberry and gorse on Kangaroo Island, and control of the first generation of recruitment from the soil seed bank for each species

For further information on any of these projects please contact :

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