

2015

Standing Committee Meeting –
Policy and Planning



NORTH BURNETT
REGIONAL COUNCIL

MUNDUBBERA

North Burnett Regional Council

February 03, 2015

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN (LGIP)

*Responsible Officer: Lex Webster, Manager for Compliance and Development Services
Report prepared by: Connie Dyke, IDAS Coordinator / Administration Officer*

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview of the Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP), a requirement of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the *Sustainable Planning (Infrastructure Charges) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2014* (SPICOLA 2014),

2 BACKGROUND

Previously, under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* (SPA) all local governments were required to include a Priority Infrastructure Plan (PIP) in their planning scheme. With the introduction of the *Sustainable Planning (Infrastructure Charges) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2014* (SPICOLA 2014), should local governments wish to continue levying developers' infrastructure charges or impose conditions for trunk infrastructure, they are now required to replace the PIP with a Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP).

The intent of LGIPs is to identify Council's current and future plans for trunk infrastructure that is necessary to "*service urban development at the desired standard of service in a coordinated, efficient and financially sustainable manner*".

A grace period, commencing 4 July 2014 and concluding 30 June 2016, has been included in the legislation, during which time a local government planning scheme is not required to include a LGIP should it currently contain a PIP. From 1 July 2016 onwards, local governments will be required to include an LGIP in their planning scheme.

The purpose of an LGIP is to:

- integrate infrastructure planning with the land use planning identified in the Planning Scheme.
- provide transparency regarding a local government's intentions for the provision of trunk infrastructure.
- enable a local government to estimate the cost of infrastructure provision to assist its long term financial planning.
- ensure that trunk infrastructure is planned and provided in an efficient and orderly manner.
- provide a basis for the imposition of conditions about infrastructure on development approvals.

Infrastructure may only be identified in an LGIP if that infrastructure is development infrastructure in which Council has determined to be trunk infrastructure. Development infrastructure is defined in the SPA and is limited to land and/or works for the following five networks that provide essential services for development:

- water supply
- sewerage
- stormwater
- transport
- public parks and land for community facilities.

Whilst internal Development Services and Technical Services staff are able to complete a number of actions required to develop the LGIP, some of the processes will need to be outsourced externally, namely InsiteSJC.

3 CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

In accordance with the North Burnett Regional Council's Corporate Plan –

Outcome 1 – Infrastructure To have infrastructure facilities in place that are well planned, affordable and offers a safe environment to the community

Outcome 3 - Economic, Section 3.5 Land Use - Appropriate community, industrial, commercial and residential land is available to meet community needs and Item 3.5.3 Promote strategies for the infilling of vacant urban land.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Currently infrastructure charges for particular types of development are levied through an Adopted Infrastructure Charges Notice in accordance with North Burnett Regional Council's Resolution, 17 December 2013 at Council's General Meeting held in Biggenden. To be able to continue with the charging, Council will be required to adopt a new charges resolution.

Existing infrastructure charges resolution can remain valid until 30 June 2015. However, all local governments will be required to adopt a new resolution before 1 July 2015 if they want to continue to levy infrastructure charges.

5 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

LGIPs are developed in accordance with the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* (SPA) and administered through the *Sustainable Planning (Infrastructure Charges) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2014* (SPICOLA 2014).

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

David Newby, InsiteSJC has estimated that their fees will be approximately \$30,000 for the development of the LGIP.

Staff members of the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning staff have also offered to assist Council in various aspects of developing the LGIP free of charge. Council's staff involvement and costs have not yet been estimated.

7 RISK MANAGEMENT

Should North Burnett Regional Council not adopt the new infrastructure charges resolution prior to 30 June 2015, it will not have the authority to levy infrastructure charges to developers.

8 CONSULTATION

Consultation meetings have been held with representatives of the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDIP) who have provided advice on the implementation towards the Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP) and infrastructure charging.

Staff members from Council's Development Services and Technical Services are soon to hold a meeting to discuss a project plan, steps and responsibilities towards the implementation of the LGIP.

9 OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER

Council can consider this report and accept, reject or amend the recommendation.

10 ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Department of State Development Infrastructure and Planning; Conceptual Project Plan for Preparation of Infrastructure Charges Resolution and LGIP to meet SPA requirements

Recommendation

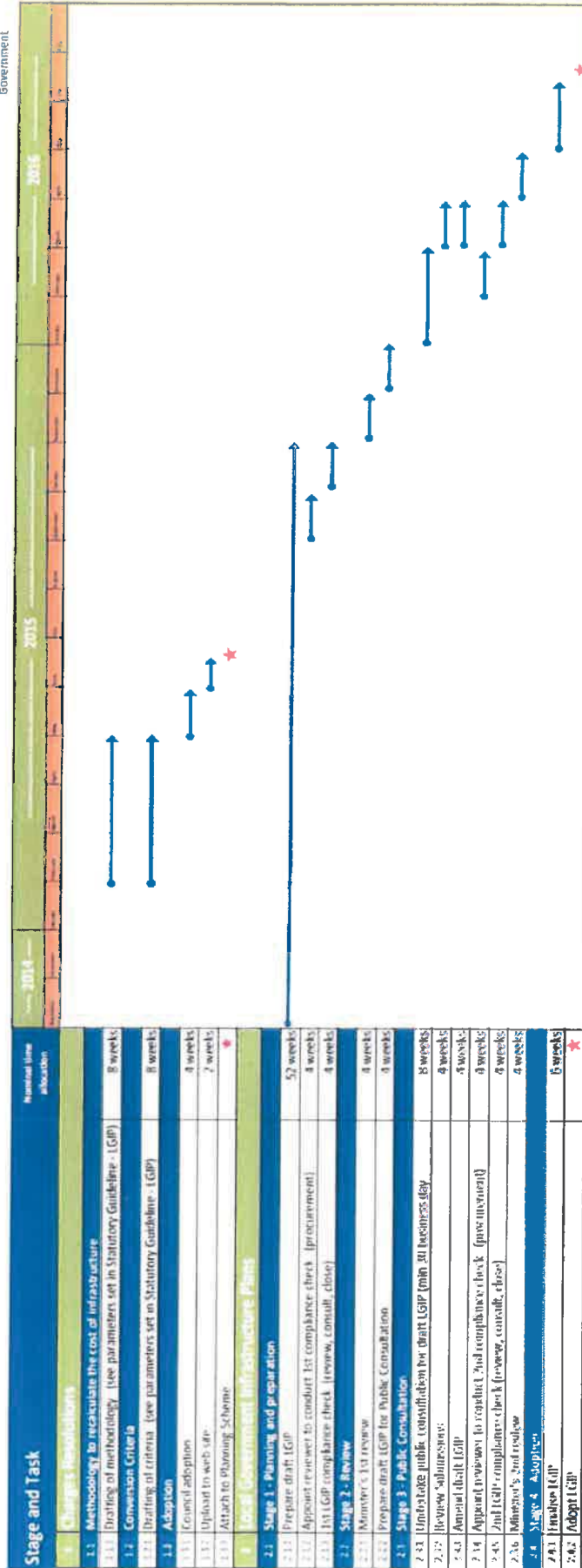
It is recommended that –

1. That North Burnett Regional Council's Adopted Infrastructure Charges Resolution, 17 December 2013 continues until its expiry date of 30 June 2015.
2. That North Burnett Regional Council adopts a new infrastructure charging resolution at its General Meeting to be held on 20 May 2015 to commence 1 July 2015.



Infrastructure Planning and Charges Reform Program

Conceptual Project Plan for the Preparation of Charges Resolutions and LGIP to meet SPA requirements.



**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR OPERATIONAL WORKS
(SIGNAGE) 12 SHALLCROSS ROAD, MUNDUBBERA**

File: 196-14
Responsible Officer: Lex Webster, Manager Compliance and Development Services
Report prepared by: Connie Dyke, IDAS Coordinator

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is to request Council's decision on a proposed Operational Works proposal (signage) to be located at 12 Shallcross Road, Mundubbera.

2 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Hy-Tec Industries lodged an application for Operational Works approval to construct a third party billboard. The proposed billboard is to be located at 12 Shallcross Road, Mundubbera. The applicant did not request that the proposal be considered under the Mundubbera Shire Superseded Planning Scheme, therefore the proposal was assessed against the North Burnett Regional Planning Scheme.

The sign face is to measure 3.6 metres in width and 2.4 metres in length, total area being 8.64 metres, and will be supported on three 5.6 metre high posts of which 1.2 metres is below ground level. The posts will be supported by two 75mm angled supports.

The proposed sign is positioned adjacent to the Burnett Highway at an angle to be viewed by motorists travelling in both the northern and southern direction along the highway. The proposal it did not require referral to the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

Initial assessment of the proposal indicated that it does not comply with the North Burnett Regional Planning Scheme and therefore is considered not to be consistent with the Scheme.

If the proposal had been assessed against the Mundubbera Shire Superseded Planning Scheme it would not have complied with the Advertising Devices Code and would have been considered inconsistent with the Superseded Planning Scheme.

3 CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

In accordance with Outcome 2 Economic Development and Tourism: Section 2.4 Land Use Planning

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

5 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

- *North Burnett Regional Planning Scheme*

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

7 RISK MANAGEMENT

N/A

8 CONSULTATION

N/A

9 OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER

Please refer to Officer's comments.

10 OFFICER'S COMMENTS/CONCLUSION

Site and Locality

The subject site is located at the intersection of the Burnett Highway and Shallcross Road. The sign will be located approximately 50 metres from the intersection. The surrounding area is rural grazing land. Three smaller signs are currently located in the northern corner of the subject site. This site is fenced with a 1 wire fence and a dwelling is located on the southern end of the site.

Assessment summary

The site is included within the Rural Zone (Intensive agricultural precinct) of the North Burnett Planning Scheme and the level of assessment for the proposal is defined as "Operational Work". The construction of an advertising device is self assessable against the Advertising devices code if:-

- (a) Not a minor sign;
- (b) Not in the Rural zone (Conservation precinct);
- (c) Not a moving sign or three-dimensional sign; and
- (d) Complying with all the self-assessable acceptable outcomes.

As the proposal was not able to comply with all the self-assessable acceptable outcomes of the Advertising devices code, it required a code assessable application to be submitted to Council to be assessed against this code and the Rural zone code.

Rural Zone Code

The proposal is able to meet all the performance outcomes contained in the Rural zone code as the proposal does not:-

- (a) Prevent the use of land for cropping; or
- (b) Have a detrimental impact on the use of adjoining premises for cropping; or
- (c) Restrict a full range of agricultural practices

Advertising Devices Code

The sign is not able to comply with Acceptable outcome AO2.1 of the Advertising Devices Code as set out below:-

Performance outcomes (PO)	Acceptable outcomes (AO)	
Visual amenity		
<p>PO2 Advertising devices in rural localities do not—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) adversely impact the visual amenity of adjoining premises; (b) dominate their landscape setting; or (c) detract from the scenic quality of the area including views and vistas; or (d) cause visual clutter. 	<p>AO2.1 In the Rural zone -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the advertising device complies with the dimensions and characteristics stated in Table 9.4.2 – Advertising devices: Acceptable dimensions and characteristics; (b) there is only one advertising device on the lot; and (c) the advertising device is a minimum of – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 1 km from any other advertising device, unless it is ancillary to and associated with a lawful use of the premises on the same land; and (ii) 200 metres from any existing dwelling house 	<p>The proposal complies with some of the criteria in Table 9.4.2 however does not comply with items –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) maximum length – 2.5m The proposed length is 3.6m (e) maximum sign face area – 6.0m² per face The proposed sign face area is 8.64 m² (f) maximum number – one pole or pylon sign per two tenancies There are currently three existing signs on the same lot as the proposed sign is to be placed There are currently three existing signs on the same lot as the proposed sign is to be placed The sign is located within 1 km of three existing signs on the site.

Pole or pylon sign	(a) Maximum height – 6 m; (b) maximum width – 0.3 m; (c) maximum length – 2.5 m; (d) minimum ground clearance – 2.7 m; (e) maximum sign face area – 6.0m ² per face; (f) maximum number – one pole or pylon sign per two tenancies.	Complies Complies Does not comply Complies Does not comply Does not comply
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Mundubbera Shire Superseded Planning Scheme Advertising Devices Code

Ground Base Sign	(i) free-standing; (ii) maximum length of 2 metres; (iii) maximum height of 1.8 metres above natural ground level; (iv) maximum ground clearance of 0.5 metres	Complies Does not comply – proposed sign is 2.4 metres Does not comply – proposed sign is 4.4 metres in height Does not comply – proposed ground clearance is 2 metres
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Adopted Infrastructure Charges

The Adopted Infrastructure Charges Resolution 2013 identifies Advertising Sign as “*Other Uses*” and that the charge is to be determined at the time of assessment.

11 CONCLUSION

Based on the above assessment against the North Burnett Regional Planning Scheme, the proposal is considered inconsistent with the intent of the planning scheme’s Advertising Devices Code.

Council should note however, that pursuant to Section 326(1)(b) of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*, the assessment manager’s decision may conflict with the Planning Scheme if there are sufficient grounds to justify the decision despite the conflict.

In response to the above, Council is required to determine if there are sufficient grounds to justify approval. Although the proposal does not comply with all the Acceptable Outcomes of the Advertising Devices Code, it can be argued that as the lot on which the proposal is to be placed is acreage (4.815 hectares) and is located in a rural area, it could be considered that the proposal generally complies with the purpose of the Advertising Devices Code.

Council needs to determine if the non-compliant Acceptable Outcomes: additional length, non-compliance with the overall sign face area and the excess number of signs on one lot are sufficient grounds to refuse the application.

12 RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Council or its delegate decide the application under and section 388 of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* by either approving or refusing it on the grounds stated above.
2. That the Council notify the applicant of its decision.

Attachment A

12 Shallcross Road (intersection of Shallcross Road and Burnett Highway)



Camping Strategy

Responsible Officer: David Wiskar – General Manager Corporate & Community Services

Report by: Melinda Jones - Community Development Officer

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to present an updated version of the NBRC Camping Strategy.

2 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The North Burnett Camping Strategy has been developed with dual purposes in mind;

- To enhance the economic outcomes to the North Burnett from the growing camping economy,
- To manage the impacts of camping in the North Burnett and ensure that it meshes effectively with other community activities.

3 CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

In accordance with

- Outcome 3 – Economic Development, 3.3 Caravan Parks, 3.2 Tourism 3.6 Effective engagement with the private sector, 3.7 New Business attraction, 3.8 Jobs and skills development, 3.9 Signage Strategy
- Outcome 4 – Environmental – 4.4 Environmental Health
- Outcome 5 – Governance, 5.2 Organisational Systems (Best Practice) 5.5 – Transparency and Performance, 5.3 – External Funding 5.6 – Community Engagement, 5.7 Workforce Development
- Outcome 1 - Infrastructure - 1.8 Streetscape Signage

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- General Policy - Graffiti Policy 104, Tourism Policy 208, Workplace Health and Safety 226, Environmental Nuisances 238

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This work will be implemented within the existing Council capital and operational budget envelopes.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

Appropriate risk management approaches will be undertaken throughout the implementation of this strategy to mitigate risks including; safety, procurement, contract management Governance, community engagement etc.

7 CONSULTATION

This strategy is the end result of two workshops with Council to identify implementation priorities. Consultation with Compliance, Tech Services and Key Stake Holders has commenced.

8 OFFICER'S COMMENTS/CONCLUSION

Council approve the amended NBRC Camping Strategy and Signage Audit recommendations

DRAFT North Burnett Regional Camping Strategy 2014

Target Group	What is this Group Looking For\Nature of the Group	What Are Council's Strategic Objectives
Traditional Campers	<p>Natural campers i.e. pitching the tent with limited the amenities and tend to be short term (weekend), and</p> <p>Caravan Park campers for some visitors, they need\ amenities and powered/unpowered sites</p>	Maximise Economic Benefit for the Community
RV and Motor Home Campers	<p>Generally have high cost Self contained rigs</p> <p>Looking for a Place on the side of the road/dumpsite/shower/rubbish/roads where they don't bottom out.</p> <p>Willing to spend \$10-\$15 at the most for a place to park.</p> <p>An important part of the experience is to Socialise via a circling of the wagon process at the end of the day.</p>	Maximise Economic Benefit for the Community
Seasonal Workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheap accommodation/free • Toilet block and somewhere to park – • Probably WIFI/power • Without Work they Won't or cant pay 	Provide Labour resources required by the Citrus Industry Manage Impacts Positively

Activity No	Activity	Strategic Approach	Elements	Actions	Start	Finish
1	Appoint 8 month (initially to Sept 2015) temporary officer to manage all elements of the camping strategy.	Resourcing		Appointment of Melinda Jones to deliver project	20 October 2014	06 January 2015
2	Establish Seasonal Camp workers camp at Mundubbera	Infrastructure		Commenced		
			Fencing of Site	Completed	Complete	Complete
			Advertise for Site Managers	Completed	Complete	Complete
			Enter into service contract with preferred managers from expression of interest. Sherrie – three Rivers – trial 12 month agreements to be developed and finalised.	Contracted drawn and is being reviewed by both parties.	January 2015	Mid Feb 2015
			Complete Audit of Camp Facilities with managers and Sherrie	Completed and listing of signage required developed and being review with compliance	Jan 2015	Feb 2015
			Implement Necessary changes to infrastructure and establish policy arrangements.	Specifications of Scope of works developed. Tech services obtaining quotes for budget	Jan 2015	March 2015
			Signage	Checking compliance of required signage and unification of signage	Feb 2015	March 2015





			<p>Permit Processes</p> <p>A discuss was held around seasonal workers registering with Council to receive a camping permit. This permit would be valid for up to 2 weeks allow seasonal worker time to either secure employment of move on.</p> <p>Linking in seasonal workers with community groups to undertake volunteer work to earn free accommodation, eg. Camper is given 1 nights pass from Council with group details, Camper does activity, group sign and date the pass, camper gives pass to caretaker, campers night's accommodation is free.</p> <p>Engage the Big Mandarin and Three Rivers to promote the benefits of camping in their facilities.</p> <p>Improve relationship between community and season workers through assisting with assimilation and engagement.</p>	<p>with other regional signs. Working with Compliance and Tech Services</p> <p>Draft plan of sessional passport for seasonal workers. Consultation with stakeholders commenced for the development and implementation of process.</p> <p>Three Rivers contacted. Big Mandarin to be contacted first week of February</p> <p>Drafting proposal to be discussed with local community groups to assist with this engagement through</p>	<p>Jan 2015</p> <p>March 2015</p>		






3	<p>Establish Partnership with local growers with the aim of;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. More on farm accommodation 2. Regulating the use of Seasonal camp arrangements. 3. Having the industry promote good practices 4. Industry funding for work program. 	Communication\ Marketing	Initial industry Consultation	volunteer participation Connecting with Industry Forum on the 24 th of February in Gayndah	Feb 2015
			Development of MOU with Growers.		March/April 2015
			Establishment of a Growers Liaison Group with Council to enhance communication and community co-operation regarding management of seasonal workers.	Outcome of Industry Forum in Gayndah	Feb 2015
4	Promote Local Businesses to the Travelling Public (RV's and Campers	Infrastructure	Apply for funds via R4R for Touch Screens, Signage and Ipavement. – Project Manager engagement. Capital budget for signage in North Burnett. Looking at implementing R4R Strategies	No action required at this time	June 2015
5	Promote Local Businesses to the Travelling Public		Establish Eidsvold Trial with Local Retailers to take a “tuck truck” to	Meeting held with Jamie Harris regarding	January 2015 March 2015

	(RV's and Campers		<p>Wuruma Dam to increase the retail economy of Eidsvold.</p> <p>Driven via a partnership with the local chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Consultation with Jamie Harris who has already established a grocery service to Wuruma Dam.</p> <p>Promote the use of Free WIFI at Local Libraries.</p> <p>Establish Signage at rest stops and other tourism spots around town.</p> <p>Links to no. 4 activities</p>	<p>Networking & Promotion of Eidsvold and Monto Businesses. Consultation date with Eidsvold Chambers of Commerce set for early February</p>	<p>December 2014</p>	<p>March 2015</p>
6	<p>Make our towns more attractive to Camping Market through IT access.</p>	<p>Infrastructure</p>	<p>This educational session would promote the different sectors and involve presentation from RV and Motorhome group and other stakeholders.</p> <p>Provide education about existing camping market. Invite Motor Home Associations and State Government to hold workshops about cost benefit analysis with Tourism.</p> <p><u>Workshop</u> Key People NBRC Government</p>	<p>Drafting of signed completed. Waiting approval.</p>	<p>January 2015</p>	<p>February 2015</p>
7	<p>Run a workshop for Local North Burnett Business to help them to understand the camping market and how to tap into this market.</p>	<p>Communication</p>		<p>Linking in with Bundaberg & North Burnett Tourism Business workshops to ensure the outcomes of Business workshops reflect proposed activity number 7</p>	<p>January 2015</p>	<p>February 2015</p>





				Motorhome Association <u>Suggested invites</u> BNBT – Local business can be a tourism advocate NBRF – Neil and Peta				
8	Ensure signage promotes appropriate camping behaviour.	Compliance		Complete Signage Audit Compliance – planning and implementation with Fraser. Consult local police regarding enforceable information Implement improvements identified via the signage audit	Initiated Signage Audit with Compliance Officer – draft report attached Consultation date with local police set. See report		March 2015	
9	Compliance Program during the season	Compliance		The caravan and camping officer to implement a compliance program during the period of the season in 2015 to manage unsocial behaviour from seasonal workers. Linked with Passport and Living in the North Burnett Information Booklet.	Being developed with Compliance Officer and local enforcement officers.	January 2015	February 2015 September 2015	
10	Implement a volunteering in the North Burnett Program to encourage RV visitors to contribute to the local community.	Communication \Marketing		Establish Partnership MOU with RV and Motorhome association. Motorhomes – Volunteering in the North Burnett. Look at establishing program within budget. Consultation with Motorhome Association Link in with Season passport consultation but clearly defining the two separate volunteer engagement	No action required at this time	Feb 2015	June 2015	

				activities: Seasonal and RV Implement business Plan – linking in with Balcaldon Regional Council initiative				January 2015	June 2015
11	Signage in each town to direct tourists to the available businesses and services in town. (2014-2015 Capital project)	Infrastructure	Links with activity 4	Identify photos and messaging using WBBROC perfect place at the Perfect Pace Material.	Connecting with local Chamber of Commerce/Business groups commenced for consultation of appropriate signage				June 2015
12	Economic Research into RV and Camping spend in the North Burnett undertaken by Southern Queensland University including research into how to increase spending.			Identify Sites for Signs. Install signage in all communities Southern Queensland University Implement research program.	No action required at this stage				June 2015 June 2015 On hold at this stage

Image	Location	Sign	Recommendations
Gayndah Signage			
1. 	Zonhoven Park Overnight camping permitted	NOTICE THIS AREA IS PROVIDED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC MAX STAY 20 HRS In any four (4) consecutive week period MAX PENALTY \$5,500.00 <small>North Burnett Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 4 Schedule 2, Section 1</small>	Make this sign the generic over night permitted sign for the region at all over night camping areas. Approximately 10 across the region
2. 	Zonhoven Park Laminated signs at each table	NO CAMPING ← → This is a rest area NOT a camping area. Staying for more than 1 night may result in a \$220 on the spot fine.	Installation of metal signs in all rest areas in the region. Approximately 30 across the region
3. 	Zonhoven Park Laminated signs at each table	TAKE NOTICE All items left unattended (including camping and cooking equipment) will be regarded as rubbish and disposed of accordingly. This is a rest area NOT a camping area. Staying for more than 1 night may result in a \$220 on the spot fine.	Installation of metal signs in all rest areas in the region. Approximately 30 across the region
4. 	Zonhoven Park Laminated signs on trees	WARNING  SURVEILLANCE CAMERA MAY BE IN USE	Installation of metal signs in all rest areas in the region. Approximately 30 across the region

<p>5.</p> 	<p>Pioneer Rest Area No Camping permitted. This is the only sign which is placed at the entrance</p>	<p>NO CAMPING ALLOWED</p>	 <p>Replacement of all old No Camping signs with this sign, with the incorporation of the</p>  <p>internationally recognisable symbol for no camping on each corner. Replacement numbers for the region are still being finalised as there is a number of known illegal camping areas. There is approximately 15 signs required for Gayndah and Mundubbera collectively</p>
<p>6.</p> 	<p>Rest Area Gayndah side of Claude Wharton Weir</p>	<p>NO CAMPING THIS PARK IS PROVIDED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC. NO OVERNIGHT PARKING OR CAMPING PERMITTED. MAX. PENALTY \$5,500.00 North Burnett Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 4 Schedule 2, Section 1</p>	<p>As per above recommendation. This sign does not need replacement, although the Internationally recognisable symbol can be installed below sign.</p>
<p>7.</p> 	<p>Jaycee Park</p>	<p>Sign as listed above. Other sign is an older Gayndah Shire Sign.</p>	<p>As per above with the No Camping Sign. Gayndah Shire sign – review and update. Look at adding more international symbols for identified issues such as Bathing/washing and drying of clothing.</p>

8.		Gayndah Show Grounds	<p align="center">NOTICE</p> <p align="center">No camping or use of grounds without permission of Gayndah Show Society Inc</p>	Look at working Show society to update sign and ensure that it is compliant with council regulations
9.		Jacob Moreland Memorial Park	<p align="center">NO CAMPING</p> <p align="center">THIS PARK IS PROVIDED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC. NO OVERNIGHT PARKING OR CAMPING PERMITTED.</p> <p align="center">MAX. PENALTY \$5,500.00</p> <p align="center"><small>North Burnett Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 4 Schedule 2, Section 1</small></p> <p>As well as NO CAMPING ALLOWED</p>	No signage at tables
10.		Hot spots Gayndah Sports grounds and Airport as they are left unlocked	No signs relating to camping/use of facilities	<p>Work with Sport & Rec committee to develop strong structures around security, signage for use of facilities.</p> <p>Airport: Facilities needs to be made secure as it is not lockable and has broken windows.</p>
11.		Claude Wharton Weir sign	<p align="center">CLAUDE WHARTON WEIR RECREATION AREA</p>	Incorporate 'Day use only' on signage
13.		Claude Wharton Weir	NO CAMPING	Standardise words for international symbol signage. Recommendation 'No Camping'
14.		Claude Wharton Weir	<p align="center">NO CAMPING</p> <p align="center">THIS PARK IS PROVIDED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC. NO OVERNIGHT PARKING OR CAMPING PERMITTED.</p> <p align="center">MAX. PENALTY \$5,500.00</p> <p align="center"><small>North Burnett Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 4 Schedule 2, Section 1</small></p>	No Signage at tables or correct disposable of rubbish (look at international symbols)

Mundubbera Signage			
<p>15.</p> 	<p>Black Stump rest area Mundubbera</p>	<p>NOTICE THIS AREA IS PROVIDED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC MAX STAY 20 HRS In any four (4) consecutive week period MAX PENALTY \$5,500.00 North Burnett Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 4 Schedule 2, Section 1</p>	<p>Possible installation of another sign but not a requirement if signs 2 & 3 are placed near tables and outside toilet facilities.</p>
<p>16.</p> 	<p>Harmony Park – Mundubbera – near information centre</p>	<p>NOTICE These bins are provided for the convenience of the travelling public NO HOUSEHOLD RUBBISH Fines may apply By order of the CEO</p>	<p>Recommendation to review signage in the region to incorporate 'may result in a \$220 on the spot fine' instead of 'Fines may apply'. This will ensure that all signs are consistent with message.</p>
<p>17.</p> 	<p>Harmony Park - Mundubbera</p>		<p>Standardise words for international symbol signage. Recommendation 'No Camping'</p>
<p>18.</p> 	<p>Harmony Park - Mundubbera Old Mundubbera Shire Council sign</p>	<p>NO CAMPING PERMITTED</p>	<p>As per number 5 recommendation</p>
<p>19.</p> 	<p>Harmony Park – Mundubbera – near information centre</p>	<p>NO CAMPING ALLOWED</p>	<p>As per number 5 recommendation</p>

NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT REPORTREPORTING PERIOD 26th November 2014 and 30th January 2015

Responsible Officer: Brendan Pearce, General Manager Engineering and Environmental Services
Report prepared by: Natural Resource Management Staff

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform Council of major activities undertaken by the Natural Resource Management Staff in the reporting period.

2 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Detail any background information relevant to the report – e.g. has it been an issue previously dealt with by Council

3 CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLANEnvironment

4.1 Pest Management

Implementation of the Pest Management Plan to ensure effective and efficient pest control.

4.2 Stock Routes

Well maintained and managed stock routes.

4.6 Natural Resource Management

Protecting areas of high ecological significance areas managed effectively

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

All relevant NBRC policies are adhered to where applicable.

5 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

All relevant Standards and Codes are applied where required.

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Part of the 2014/2015 Operational budget, as approved.

7 RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk management is an integral part of the planning and implementation of NRM Services as delivered by the NRM Stream.

8 CONSULTATION

Internal consultation occurs monthly through NRM Stream meetings and Fortnightly meetings with the Environmental Services senior staff.

9 OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER

For Information Only.

10 OFFICER'S COMMENTS/CONCLUSION

No comments

11 ATTACHMENTS

The detailed report of operations is attached.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the report be received.

Natural Resource Management Report

26th November 2015 to 30th January 2015

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Grant Funding

Under one bucket of flood funding from Burnett Mary Regional Group a contractor has just completed another inspection and treatment of the Auburn River. Large infestations have been found in the river and in areas quite difficult to access. Council will be following up with the relevant landholders to ensure management actions are put in place.

The contractor has commenced in Cheltenham Creek to inspect for flood weeds, especially Parthenium Weed. Large infestations will be followed up and will also be referred to Burnett Catchment Care for assistance with funding.

Statistics for the NRM Team

Figure 1: Total Number of Applications for Approval to Burn on Council Road Reserves.

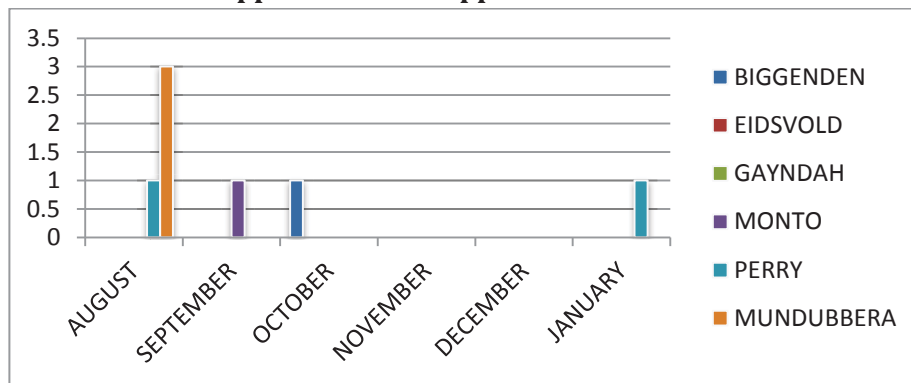


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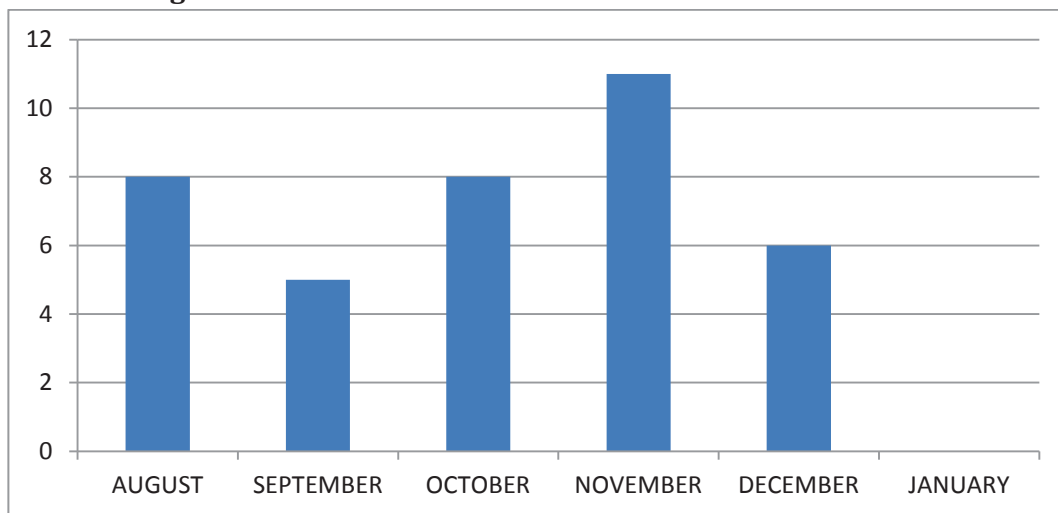


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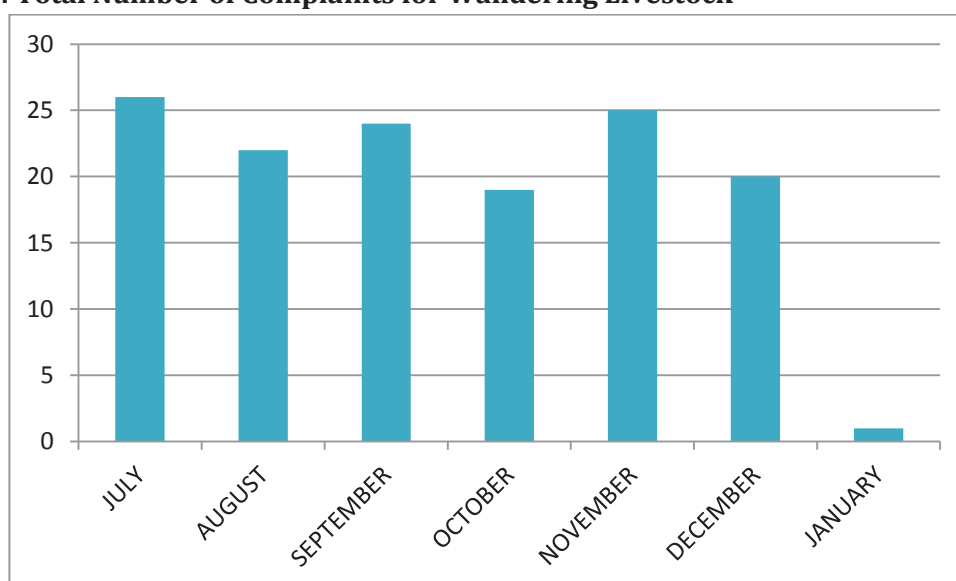


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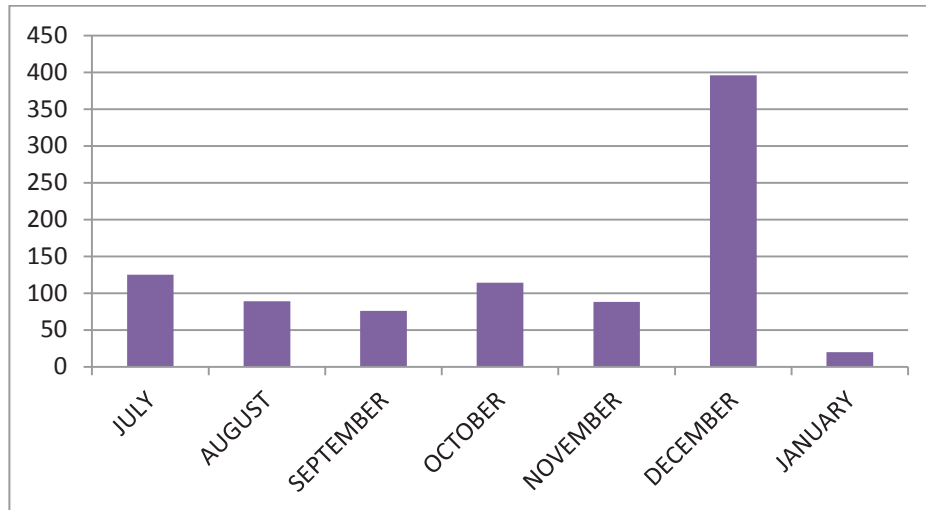


Table 1: Works Undertaken in the Council Region during December 2014.

AREA	WORK COMMENCED
BIGGENDEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with a landholder about wandering livestock with Council, Biggenden Police and Transport and Main Roads (TMR) • Wandering livestock call outs • African lovegrass and Giant Rats Tail Grass treated on part of Biggenden – Gooroolba road under Element 5. And councils roads- Eureka, Mount Goonaneman, Berries and Old Booyal • 2 properties inspections for GRT and spoke with owners about GRT control • Inspections for grazing permits • Spray main roads guide posts & Signs in Biggenden area • African lovegrass and Giant Rats Tail Grass treated on Biggenden Childers, Maryborough and Biggenden Gooroolba roads under Element 5. • Parthenium treated on Maryborough Road
EIDSVOLD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprayed guide posts and signs on state roads. • Control of African lovegrass on local and state roads.
GAYNDAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprayed guide posts and signs on state roads. • Inspection of properties with Prickly acacia • Inspection of roads with known infestations of Prickly Acacia, Parkinsonia and Parthenium. • Control of African lovegrass on Back Woodmillar Rd, and old Mundubbera Gayndah Rd. • Sprayed Council depot.
MONTO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprayed guide posts and signs on state roads • Sprayed Parthenium on local roads. • Sprayed Council depot.
MT PERRY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprayed guide posts and signs on state roads • Showgrounds and cemetery sprayed. • Wandering livestock • Inspections for declared weeds on Gayndah Mt Perry Rd above Mingo crossing.
MUNDUBBERA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprayed guide posts and signs on state roads • Parthenium inspection on old Gayndah Mundubbera Rd • Inspection and spraying of public wash down bay. • Sprayed Council depot.

Table 2: Works Undertaken in the Council Region during January 2015.

AREA	WORK COMMENCED
BIGGENDEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Element 5 spraying of African Lovegrass and Giant Rats Tail Grass on all Main Roads. • 1080 Baiting • Parthenium inspections in Degilbo Creek at Johnson Crossing and Fairview Creek where further infestations have been located. • Rubber vine found in some floodways and creeks within the Biggenden region. • Spraying GRT and ALG under Element 5 on the Maryborough road.
EIDSVOLD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spraying guideposts – Element 5 on Kirar Weir road, Spring Gully road, Grosvenor and Radio Station road. • Inspection of Shire Roads in Eidsvold. • Mother of Millions inspected on Racecourse road Eidsvold. • Element 5 – spraying African Love grass on Eidsvold-Theodore road, left hand side.
GAYNDAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Element 5 spraying Giant Rats Tail grass along both sides of the Burnett Highway. • Element 5 spraying African Love Grass on the Eidsvold-Theodore Road. • Parthenium weed inspections on Wilson Valley road, Mingo Crossing and Philpott Creek. • African Lovegrass inspections on Wilson Valley and Taylors roads. • Prickly Acacia inspections in Gayndah region.
MONTO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection and spraying of Parthenium weed on Yarrol road. • Parthenium inspections on Monto-Mt Perry road. • Spraying of African Lovegrass on Gladstone-Monto road.
MT PERRY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prep for reseal works and guideposts (spraying) • Spraying weeds at Mt Perry Showgrounds and grass at dump. • Spraying African Lovegrass on Bania & Swindon roads. • Sprayed grass in bitumen on Ray Powhall road and Spring Gully road. • Spraying African Lovegrass at the Wolca Trucking Yards and Paddock. • Spraying Partheium on Monto-Mt Perry road.
MUNDUBBERA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durong Road finished spraying African Love grass as Element 5. • 1080 Wild Dog Baiting • Myna birds located around the Mundubbera depot, inspections in place for the nesting areas. • African Lovegrass inspections on 'A' Creek Road, Malmoe and McCord's roads. Some infestations found on Malmoe road.

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1. Currently the LPO's are working on the highways for Element 5 (spraying and inspection for all declared weeds on the state roads)
2. Guide post spraying on Main Roads.
3. The council road network is being maintained with guideposts, signs and bitumen being sprayed for vegetation (grass)).
4. Spraying ready for Councils reseal program.
5. Maintenance spraying of Monto-Mt Perry Road for the construction being undertaken by TMR.