

NOTICE OF BAITING PROGRAM FOR WILD DOGS

The Eastern Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group advises that from January 1st 2018, heavy baiting programs (using 1080 meat baits) to control wild dogs will be carried out by Licensed Pest Management Technicians on Unallocated Crown Land to the east of the State Barrier Fence. In addition to 1080 baiting programs, technicians will be using foot hold traps treated with Strychnine to remove Wild Dogs that are currently impacting the livestock industry in the Eastern Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group region.

From January 1st 2018, the standard wild dog control methods will be ongoing and this may include setting of traps and dispersing of 1080 meat baits in the groups operational area.

The poison baits will remain toxic for a number of months or until substantial rainfall is received. People are advised to take care when working within or visiting these areas.

Warning signs have been placed where applicable on Unallocated Crown Land and main access roads.

Picnic sites and recreational reserves are **not** included within the baiting program; however, baiting may take place adjacent to such areas and domestic pets should be kept close and under control at all times.

1080 baiting is an integral part of the wild dog pest management program to protect livestock from death and injury caused by wild dogs.

If a wild dog is sighted, please report to the Eastern Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group immediately.

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (phone 13 11 26).

**For further details please contact, the Eastern Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group on
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