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Yes

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Q7

None of the above (I have a general interest in the topic)

What best describes you?

Q8

North Coast

Which of the following regions best describes your location/area of interest?

Q9

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Q10

To what extent are the NSW environment, industries and communities currently impacted by invasive species?

I deal with landholders on a regular basis and invasive species impacts represent a major part of the landholders high impact concerns. Whether their holding is in pastoral areas or in peri urban areas landholders report feelings of being under siege from invasive species.

Q11

To what extent do you think existing programs in NSW are effectively managing invasive species?

Some Existing programs are reasonably effective. However the breakdown in cooperation from some government agencies has a major effect on these programs as well as absentee landholders and apathy among landholders without stock or with differing views on invasive species control

Q12

What, if any, are the key barriers to effective management of invasive species?

Gaining true cross tenure control.

Adapting legislation like the Pesticide Control Order to reflect the expansion of invasive species like wild dogs and foxes into the peri urban landscape. The notification requirements for peri urban areas is the major reason landholders do not make use of fox and wild dog baits.

Lack of control options for feral deer will also continue to challenge accepted use of firearms in closely settled areas

Q13

How has invasive species management changed since the introduction of the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015 legislation and associated programs and plans?

The use of biosecurity orders has been reasonably slow in some areas however does give options for including more landholders in agreeing to undertake control

Q14

What are the future risks posed by invasive species to the NSW environment, industries and communities?

Feral deer pose a major threat to both landholders pastures, crops and the environment. The lack of control options and the ability of feral deer to adapt has allowed them to invade basically all areas.

The anti control groups seem to be combining and putting pressure on the use of products like 1080

Q15

What opportunities do you see to improve the outcomes of invasive species management in the future?

Insist all government agencies that manage lands to be committed to invasive species control.

Allow agencies who are involved in invasive species control to have more say in the forming of legislation like the pesticide control order, they have the expertise and techniques to make suggestions to allow control in areas that are presently almost impossible to consider

Q16

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Any other comments?
