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Yes

Can we contact you about your submission (if required)?

Q7

Other (please specify):

What best describes you?

I work for state government agency

Q8

Western

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?

Extensively

Q11

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

Failing

Q12

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

We lack the tools to control invasive species at scale and are ignoring the only potential method: gene drive.

Q13

Respondent skipped this question

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

Q14

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

Further native species extinctions and habitat degradation.

Q15

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

The only real option is using Crispr and gene drive technology.

Q16

Any other comments?

If we spent 1% of the current invasive species management budget on research into gene drive we might stand a chance of success in the future. Otherwise we are destined to continue the losing battle for eternity. Or at least until the public or the government of the day demands we stop wasting money on a losing fight.
