

# #102

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**Q1**

First name

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Organisation name (if relevant)

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Email address

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**Q5**

Phone number

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**Q6**

Yes

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

**Q7**

I am a private land manager/owner

What best describes you?

**Q8**

**South East**

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

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**Q9**

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**Q10**

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

With respect to our property, we are mostly impacted by invasive fauna, including foxes and deer. Our aim is to improve the local biodiversity on site, however, these efforts are currently being negatively impacted by the presence of foxes and deer.

On-site, foxes have been observed taking purple swamp hens and possibly, other ground-nesting native birds on our property. Deer have been recorded, using trail cameras, on-site grazing in the rainforest and vineyard.

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**Q11**

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

We are currently registered with the Illawarra Wild Deer Management program, operated by South East Local Land Services. The initiatives of this program are encouraging, however, lack of funding appears to have stymied its progress.

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**Q12**

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

In our situation, local government funding of programs.

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**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?

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**Q14**

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

Currently, deer do not appear to present a significant problem in our area, compared to neighbouring areas such as Jamberoo, West Dapto, and the Illawarra escarpment. However, lack of continued operation of the Illawarra Wild Deer Management program, in our area, could lead to significant deer-related problems in the future.

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**Q15**

Respondent skipped this question

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

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**Q16**

Any other comments?

Our property is also impacted by invasive flora species. However, the impacts are being, and will continue to be, actively addressed through collaborative regeneration and revegetation projects between ourselves, local land services, landcare and local bush regeneration contractors.

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