

Declared Pest Rate Funding Scheme 2025-2026 2025-26 DPRFS Progress Funding Report Application No. RBG-01-DPRFS2025 From Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association

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DPRFS Progress Report Purpose

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The purpose of this Progress Report is to detail the Recognised Biosecurity Group's (RBG) achievements to date, including the activities undertaken and funding expended, for purposes as detailed in the RBG's Funding Agreement.

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Yes

NAME OF RBG ("Recipient")

Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association Inc.

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Funded Activities & Budget to Date

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Funded Activities

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The table below details the activities outlined in your Declared Pest Rate Funding Scheme (DPRFS) Application Form and/or Funding Agreement.

Please provide an Activity Update covering the period from 1 July 2025 to the date of this report. Your update should describe what activities have been undertaken to date and any early results or outcomes achieved.

If you have undertaken additional activities which were not detailed in your DPRFS Application Form or Funding Agreement, please add rows as required.

-----Funded Activities (1)

Funded Program

Wild Dog and Foxes Program

This question is read only.

Name of Program, e.g. Feral Pig Program

Planned Program Activities & Measures

Activities including aerial baiting in hard-to-access areas, community bait rack events, procurement of poisons and traps, coordination of a Licensed Pest Management Technician (LPMT) program, contracting LPMTs for on-ground works, and facilitation of valid restricted chemical product (RCP) permits.

Measures including the number of bait rack events held, baits laid in priority locations, participation of landholders, deployment of traps and poisons, engagement of LPMT personnel, and administration of valid RCP permits.

This question is read only.

What activities will be done and how will success be measured?

Update on Activities & Results YTD for 2025-26

To 31 December 2025:

- 2 LPMTs contracted & 129 LPMT Days worked
- Average of 42 leg hold traps in the ground
- 7 wild dogs culled by trapping
- 11,300 baits made for ground baiting of wild dogs and foxes
- 9,950 baits laid
- 5,000 baits laid by aerial culling (September 2025).
- 6 RP Permits
- Monitoring and surveillance conducted using cameras, AI, and on-ground patrols.
- Stakeholder meeting with Joint Management Body and Traditional Owners to discuss future land access and permits for DBCA lands. (5 November 2025).

YTD update on activities and outcomes achieved (e.g. number of activities/pests controlled,

-----Funded Activities (2)

Funded Program

Feral Pig Program

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Name of Program, e.g. Feral Pig Program

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Planned Program Activities & Measures

Activities including coordination of feral pig control groups, implementation of ground control and aerial culling programs, use of traps and poisons, and administration of RCP permits.

Measures including landholder participation in control efforts, collection of landholder feedback, use of control methods (e.g. baiting, trapping, shooting), and administration of valid RCP permits.

This question is read only.

What activities will be done and how will success be measured?

Update on Activities & Results YTD for 2025-26

To 31 Dec 2025:

- 1 LPMT contracted, 16 LPMT days worked
- Aerial Cull 1 - 15th August 2025, 21.5hr flown, 42 feral pigs culled
- Aerial Cull 2 - 7th November 2025, 21hr flown, 49 feral pigs culled
- 4 priority properties with on-ground surveillance, including camera monitoring.
- 1 x Landholder Meeting to provide an update on operational plan, control programs, monitoring and reporting. (19th August 2025)

YTD update on activities and outcomes achieved (e.g. number of activities/pests controlled,

-----Funded Activities (3)

Funded Program

Rabbit Program

This question is read only.

Name of Program, e.g. Feral Pig Program

Planned Program Activities & Measures

Activities including delivery of a coordinated community baiting program and administration of RCP permits for rabbit control.

Measures including participation of landholders in the program, extent of baiting conducted, and administration of valid RCP permits.

This question is read only.

What activities will be done and how will success be measured?

Update on Activities & Results YTD for 2025-26

To 31 Dec 2025:

- Initial organising and promotion of community rabbit bait mixing for February/March 2026

YTD update on activities and outcomes achieved (e.g. number of activities/pests controlled,

-----Funded Activities (4)

Funded Program

Large Herbivore Program

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Name of Program, e.g. Feral Pig Program

Planned Program Activities & Measures

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Activities including a regionally coordinated community emu control program, including aerial control where required and administration of fauna take permits.

Measures including landholder participation and observations of reduced emu-related impacts, and administration of valid permits.

This question is read only.

What activities will be done and how will success be measured?

Update on Activities & Results YTD for 2025-26

To 31 Dec 2025:

- 20 landholders registered their interest in seeking support to cull emus that were causing damage.
- 13 landholders reported that they had 50-200 emus present on their property.
- 4 landholders reported that they had more than 200 emus present on their property
- 3 landholders reported that they had less than 50 emus present on their property.
- 7 landholders supported to obtain DBCA Damage Permits, all other landholders already had existing valid permits.
- Contracted engaged. Flight paths and aerial control program planned and delivered September 2025.
- Approximately 1,200 emus culled.

YTD update on activities and outcomes achieved (e.g. number of activities/pests controlled,

----- Funded Activities (5)

Funded Program

Communications and Community Engagement

This question is read only.

Name of Program, e.g. Feral Pig Program

Planned Program Activities & Measures

Activities including community consultation on proposed operational plan activities, provision of information to members, and promotion of humane control practices through field days, newsletters, online platforms, and direct engagement.

Measures including community engagement reach, landholder participation in pest control, and support for target species management across the region.

This question is read only.

What activities will be done and how will success be measured?

Update on Activities & Results YTD for 2025-26

To 31 Dec 2025:

- 1 x Annual Report produced
- 1 x Website maintained
- Social Media post on Facebook and LinkedIn platforms
- 2 x E-news updates to landholders
- 2 x E-news updates to stakeholders
- 1 x RBG Stand at the 2025 Dowerin Machinery Field Days (27 & 28th August 2025)

YTD update on activities and outcomes achieved (e.g. number of activities/pests controlled,

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-----Funded Activities (6)

Funded Program

Governance and Administration

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Name of Program, e.g. Feral Pig Program

Planned Program Activities & Measures

Activities including administrative leadership, financial management, meeting reporting obligations, and collection of program data to support decision-making. This includes delivering accountable governance and maintaining compliance with funding conditions.

This question is read only.

What activities will be done and how will success be measured?

Update on Activities & Results YTD for 2025-26

To 31 Dec 2025:

- 2 x Board of Management meetings.
- 1 x Annual General Meeting
- Final report for 2024/25 completed.
- Draft Operational Plan prepared for 2026/27.
- Other activities including general organisation of office and administrative tasks, collation of data to enable sound decision making, and meeting all financial and reporting obligations.

YTD update on activities and outcomes achieved (e.g. number of activities/pests controlled,

Budget (GST Exclusive)

The table below details the total anticipated budget included in your DPRFS Application Form.

Please complete the **Actual Expenditure** column to detail the actual values which have been expended on activities from 1 July 2025 to the date of this report.

Only include funding from the Declared Pest Rate and State matched funding.

All amounts should be GST exclusive.

Please **do not add commas** to figures – e.g., type \$1000 not \$1,000 – this will ensure your figures for each table total correctly.

Funded Program	Anticipated Expenditure (Ex GST)	Actual YTD 2025-26 Expenditure (ex GST)	Notes
Name of program, e.g. Wild Dog Program.	Must be a dollar amount.	Must be a dollar amount.	Use this to advise of any changes in budget item expenditure.
Wild Dog and Foxes Program	\$303,225.00	\$129,260.00	
Feral Pig Program	\$90,750.00	\$46,582.00	
Rabbit Program	\$15,325.00	\$500.00	

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Large Herbivore Program	\$20,000.00	\$21,125.00	
Communications and Community Engagement	\$11,870.00	\$3,982.00	
Governance and Administration	\$107,230.00	\$33,501.00	

Budget Totals

The values below are auto calculated based on the values entered in the Budget Table.

Anticipated Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$548,400.00	Actual Expenditure Total (ex GST)	\$234,950.00
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	This number/ amount is calculated.		This number/ amount is calculated.

If relevant, please attach any documents to support the achievement of Funded Activities

No files have been uploaded

Including minutes from meetings, photographs, social media posts etc.

2025-26 Operational Plan

Has your RBG published your 2025-26 Operational Plan on your website? *

Yes No

Variation

If required, this is an opportunity for you to formally request a variation to your 2025-26 Funding Agreement.

This is your final opportunity to request to use any *unplanned unspent* DPA funds from the previous year by adding them to your 2025-26 budget and funding agreement.

An amount equal to the value of any unplanned unspent funds not covered by a variation will be deducted from the planned second transfer, returning the funds to the RBG's DPA account for future use.

After this point, variations requesting the transfer of additional DPA funds (if available) can be submitted until mid-June.

Does your RBG require a variation? *

Yes No

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Declaration & Certification

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Declaration

This section must be completed by the Chairperson, or appropriate delegate, on behalf of the Recipient organisation.

Once this form is submitted via SmartyGrants, it will be deemed as authorised by the below signatory, despite no signature provided.

By submitting this application, I acknowledge that:

- The information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete.
- If any personal details of a third party are included, the third party has been made aware of, and given their permission for, those details to appear in this Progress Report.

I Agree *

Yes

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Date *

10/03/2026

Must be a date.