



**Repairs have started on the three major landslips on Lions Road which occurred during the 2022 floods. The road will be closed to heavy vehicles (trucks, trailers and caravans) while the work is undertaken. It will remain open to light local traffic under traffic control.**

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## SAVE WATER: save money, energy

Water is a precious resource and every drop of it counts.

That's the message Council wants people to take on board as it launches a new water saving program on the back of an unseasonably dry winter and in the countdown to what's predicted will be a long hot dry summer.

Already, river flows have reduced and ground water sources have started to dry up across the Kyogle local government area

"Many of us take water for granted. We expect it to flow out of our taps every day and we rarely give it a second thought," Kyogle Council Mayor Cr Kylie Thomas said.

"But it is a precious resource and one we need to use more wisely. Saving water helps our environment, our local re-

sources and our collective bank balances."

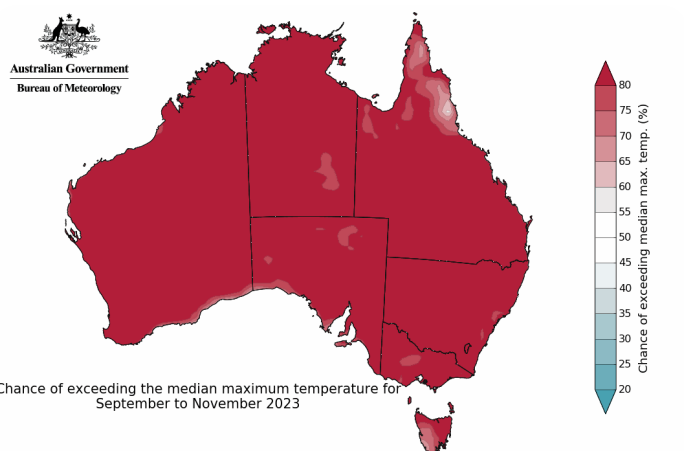
It costs Kyogle Council \$2 million a year to operate its water supply systems for Kyogle, Bonalbo, Woodenbong and Muli, with residents paying for that through their water rates.

But like all water supplies, they are limited and if river flows and water quality decrease even further in the coming weeks, water restrictions will be imposed.

"We all need to take responsibility for saving water, not just during dry periods," Council's Urban Services Manager Matt Sorenson said.

"Australia is the driest populated continent on earth, yet we are the world's highest water users per capita – we all need to take responsibility for changing that.

"Producing high-quality drinking water for a community takes a lot of resources and



energy – saving water doesn't just save money, it saves energy and reduces our impact on the environment."

Reducing water use around the house and garden can be as easy as fixing a dripping tap (a tap that leaks at one drop per second wastes 12,000 litres per year), turning off the tap when you brush your teeth, or installing a water efficient showerhead.

"These are all simple, com-

mon sense measures everyone can do that don't cost a fortune but can make a real difference," Mr Sorenson said.

To make it easier for everyone to save water, Council has a new Water Smart page on its website that contains fact sheets on how to save and reuse water in and around the home and garden. You can find it here [www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au/water-saving](http://www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au/water-saving).

## Check your property for RED FIRE ANTS

Kyogle Council is working alongside the NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI) to alert locals to the dangers of red imported fire ants, following detections of the invasive ants in Tallebudgera, just 5km north of the Queensland border.

The NSW Government, which is leading the charge against the invasive pest, announced in June it would spend an additional \$80 million to protect the state from the insect.

First detected at the Port of Brisbane in 2001, red imported fire ants have spread to Tallebudgera and follows the discovery of other nests at Mudgeeraba, Carrara, Worongary, and at Innisplain, just 13.5 km north of the Queensland border with the Kyogle LGA.

A comprehensive awareness campaign is underway by the NSW DPI, with DPI representatives holding meetings with Kyogle Council staff and Councillors in recent weeks, and a mailout to all Kyogle LGA households in August.

Fire ants cause serious social, economic and environmental harm and it is important to keep NSW and the Kyogle LGA free from the aggressive pest.

Kyogle Council Mayor, Kylie Thomas, is urging residents and businesses to check their properties for any evidence of fire ants.

"We cannot allow fire ants to take hold in the Kyogle LGA," Cr Thomas said. "We need your help to look out for this highly invasive species to help keep our community,



agricultural industry and important natural assets safe".

Fire ants can look similar to other ants but their nests are distinctive with mounds of loose, crumbly or fluffy looking soil with a honeycomb appearance, up to 40 centimetres high, with no obvious entrance holes.

Fire ants are dark reddish-brown with a darker black-brown abdomen and are from two to six millimetres long.

They are very aggressive and will swarm out of the nest if gently poked with a stick. If people are stung, the multiple stings fire ants inflict form white pustules within 48 hours.

Look for them in sunny open areas, including lawns, parks, school grounds, sports fields, golf courses, gardens, paddocks, disturbed soil and roadsides.

Fire ants may be found in areas where hay, turf, mulch, soil, potted plants, sand, gravel, or agricultural machinery have been used or stored, especially goods from southeast

Queensland.

They can spread up to 5km by flying and can be moved in nesting material, which includes mulch, woodchips, compost, sand, gravel, soil, hay, other baled products, and even pot plants.

Anyone bringing these goods into NSW from Queensland should check if they came from areas within 5km of a known fire ant infestation. Such goods are subject to strict entry conditions and must be accompanied by a certificate.

If you buy or bring these materials from Tallebudgera, Mermaid Waters, Mudgeeraba, Carrara, Worongary, Innisplain or the red imported fire ant biosecurity zone in southeast Queensland, you should check your requirements online at <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/insect-pests/fire-ants>.

If you see any sign of fire ants, please call NSW DPI on 1800 680 244. Finding them early and alerting NSW DPI will increase the chances of successful eradication.

## Grant targets dumping IN PARKS

Kyogle Council has received a grant of \$72,100 from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to combat illegal dumping in the Kyogle local government area.

The grant, through the EPA's Illegal Dumping Prevention Program, will allow Council to implement the priority actions in its *Illegal Dumping and Litter Prevention Strategy 2023 – 2027*.

The 'Parks for People' project will target the first key illegal

dumping challenge identified in Council's Strategy – the dumping of household waste in public bins.

It is illegal for people to place their household waste in public bins. Bins in our public spaces are provided so that people using our recreational spaces can dispose of litter and keep our parks clean and safe.

When residents fill up these bins with bags of household waste, they leave no room for litter generated by park users. This results in overflowing bins and unsightly litter scattered all over the ground which attracts

vermin and detracts from the appeal of parks as a clean and healthy place to spend time with our family and friends.

The 'Parks for People' project will specifically target illegal dumping in a number of parks in Kyogle which have been identified as hotspots. These include Anzac Park, the Skate Park, the Amphitheatre, Apex Park, the Kyogle Recreation Reserve and Reid Park.

The grant will be used to provide dedicated resources to combat illegal dumping in public park bins through increased surveillance by Council staff, as

well as increased enforcement and compliance action.

Funding has also been provided for infrastructure including park and bin signage and surveillance cameras to deter illegal dumping behaviours and catch people dumping their household waste in public bins.

Residents caught illegally dumping household waste in park bins will be fined \$250.

For more information about go to <https://www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au/waste-and-recycling-information/illegal-dumping-and-littering/>.

# SORTING WASTE

## is key to recycling right

With the introduction of the new 3-bin waste collection system it is now more important than ever to make sure you are sorting your waste correctly.

So far residents and businesses are doing a great job sorting their waste into the right bin. However, plastics bags are still going in food and garden organics bins (green-lid) and recycling bins (yellow-lid), which is BIG NO-NO!

Plastic bags contaminate green waste and recycling which means it has to be diverted to landfill.

Recyclables must be placed into your yellow-lid bin loose, not in a plastic bag.

The only bags that can go into your green-lid bin are Council-provided kitchen caddy liners or bags certified as meeting Australian Standard AS4736 which are available from supermarkets.

Check the label on the roll of bags to make sure they are certified AS4736, as not all products labelled 'biodegradable' meet the standard.

*What happens if I put the wrong thing in my bin?*

If you happen to put the wrong thing in any of your bins, an 'UH OH' sticker will be placed on the lid of the contaminated bin. If your bin has lots of things in it that

shouldn't be, or your bin is contaminated on multiple occasions, your bin won't be emptied.

If this happens, you will need to remove any items that shouldn't be in the bin and make sure your waste is sorted correctly. You can then call Council and request that your bin be emptied.

Or, you can take your bin to your nearest waste facility and pay for disposal and then start again trying to sort your waste correctly.

Remember to refer to the brochures and fridge magnets included in the information pack to help sort waste correctly, or go to Council's new waste webpage which includes an A-Z guide on what can be placed in each bin and videos about how to recycle right.

The waste webpage can be accessed at <https://www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au/infrastructure-environment/waste-water/waste-and-recycling/>.

If you still have questions about using

Please,  
**NO** plastic bags in your green waste and recycling bins.



your new 3-bin service, then visit Council staff at one of the upcoming information stalls.

You can also take part in the 3-bin or Recycle Right challenge for a chance to win a prize such as a \$50 IGA gift card! Stalls will be held at:

- Woodenbong Show – Saturday 2 September (9am – 4pm)
- Ritchies IGA Kyogle – Wednesday 13 September (9am – 1pm)
- Kyogle Show – Friday 6 and Saturday 7 October (9am – 4pm)

## Expanded services for NSW PORTAL

From 1 September 2023, all applications for Building Information Certificates and applications to upgrade, install or operate an onsite sewage management system (OSMS) must be submitted to Council via the NSW Planning Portal.

The Planning Portal has been in use since January 2021 when the NSW State Government made it compulsory for planning and building services to be provided online.

Since then, applications for development consent, complying development certificates, construction certificates, subdivision works certificates, subdivision certificates and

occupation certificates have all been lodged and processed electronically via the Planning Portal.

With the integration of Building Information certificate and OSMS applications, the Planning Portal will now be your one-stop shop for all applications for your development.

The shift to electronic planning and building services is designed to make the application process easier and deliver a more effective, efficient and transparent service for proponents of development.

Proponents will be able to track the progress of their application with Council, view and respond to communications from Council about their application and obtain copies of



relevant approvals and certificates.

To use the Portal you will need to register for a Portal account with the NSW Government.

Once you have registered, you will be able to log in to the Portal, complete an online application form and upload any documents required to support your application such as structural engineering reports, engineering plans and drawings, technical assessments and onsite sewage management system

reports.

You are still required to prepare and submit all documentation that would normally be required to accompany an application submitted to Council in hard copy – the only difference is now your application must be submitted electronically via the Portal.

For further information on the Planning Portal including instructions on how to lodge an application, please visit <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au>. If you have any difficulty using the Online DA Service, please contact the ePlanning support team at [eplanning@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:eplanning@planning.nsw.gov.au). Council looks forward to receiving your application via the Portal.

# Flood restoration enters new phase

Council is entering the next phase of the February/March 2022 flood restoration program with most of the damage to the unsealed road network having now been addressed.

Only minor works on the eastern side of the range remain to be completed and about six months' work for Council's West of the Range crew.

Initially, the West of the Range crew will be focusing on unsealed roads in the Duck Creek and Paddys Flat catchments.

While undertaking the flood repairs, Council has actively sought opportunities to increase the sealed road network by "building back better" and has supplemented natural disaster funding with Council funds to seal unsealed roads.

This has been the case on Terrace Creek Road, and Collins Creek Road, which is now sealed all the way to Tim's Lane.

Council is also looking at sealing a section of Sextonville Road and is currently proving up the project.

To date, Council has repaired 35 of the 106 landslides that occurred following last year's rain event. Most of the 35 that have been remediated have been in the low complexity/risk category.

The next phase of the flood restoration program will be to address flood damage to the sealed road network and the substantial landslides that have occurred across the local government area (LGA).

Council also is looking to "build back better" on its sealed road network.

Many sealed roads sustained saturation damage due to the floods and after an involved claims process, Council is starting to receive approvals for remediation works.

Using approved flood funding supplemented by Council and other grant funds, Council will be rebuilding large sections of the road network with the aim of improving resilience.

Roads already renewed or currently being renewed include Deep Creek Road, sections of Kyogle Road with more to complete, and Tunglebung, Theresa Creek, Bingebeebra, Fairburn Lane, Duck Creek, Collins Creek and Findon Creek roads.

Council has recently undertaken works within Kyogle township addressing damage eligible under the disaster recovery funding



*A council crew replaces a culvert on Kyogle Road damaged in the 2022 floods.*

arrangements and we thank residents for their understanding while the work was being completed.

## What to expect moving forward?

This next phase of the flood restoration will see Council employing stabilising crews to repair the existing damaged pavements.

This will necessitate an increase in construction traffic with trucks delivering materials to site and traffic delays as roads are reconstructed.

Where possible, Council will be detouring traffic around works to increase construction efficiency, reduce time of construction, improve public and staff safety and build back a better final product. Council will work with effected residents to try and minimize impacts as much as possible.

The sealed road restoration program is expected to take two years to complete with most roads getting some form of restorative works.

In tandem with the sealed roads restoration program, Council will be undertaking the complex landslide restorations which will result in long term traffic interruptions.

Two landslides will cost between \$15-20 million each to repair:

- Lillian Rock Road slip restoration will see the road closed to traffic during the works which are expected to take at least six months to complete;
- Kyogle Road landslip at Cawongola will see traffic reduced to one lane with long delays as works take place, these activities are also expected to take a minimum of six months

Now that the majority of flood restoration on the gravel road network has been completed, Council is resuming scheduled maintenance grading on its unsealed roads. This will be programmed on a catchment level, similar to Council's response to flood damage, and will be carried out in the following sequential order.

| East of the Range | West of the Range |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Boorabee Creek    | Woodenbong        |
| Collins Creek     | Duck Creek        |
| Gradys Creek      | Dyraaba           |
| Sextonville       | Theresa Creek     |
| Ettrick           | Tunglebung        |
| Roseberry Creek   |                   |

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# as capital works program ramps up

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## Capital works Program

While Council rolls out the response to the February 2022 natural disaster, it is also about to embark on the largest single roads project in its history with the reconstruction of Clarence Way from the Bruxner Highway through to Urbenville.

Work on this project is expected to start in September, will take at least 2 years to complete and will involve a complete renewal of the Clarence Way together with ancillary drainage works.

On top of this, Council has an election promise from the NSW Government for betterment funding that will see the flood immunity improved at Tunglebung and Culmaran Creeks. Council is still waiting to hear from the Minister on when this funding will be made available.

Once this project is completed, the Clarence Way will have received a complete rebuild and initial seal from the southern LGA boundary with Clarence Valley Council through to the township of Woodenbong.

The full project cost of works is expected to be just under \$50 million.

Meanwhile, Council also is progressing its largest ever civil works program, the replacement of 93 failing timber bridges for

a total value of \$55.2 million.

So far, Council has replaced 63 or the 93 bridges, with work about to start on the difficult job of rebuilding the bridge on Kyogle Road that traverses Back Creek near Taveners road intersection.

Construction of this bridge will cause significant traffic disruption due to its location and constraints from powerlines and sight distances. It will be under 24-hour traffic control as Council is only able to install a single-lane bypass at the site.

Major works are also to take place in the urban environment with \$7 million in improvements to various facilities and buildings around the LGA set to be undertaken.

These projects include reconstruction of the Fairy Mount summit trail, Woodenbong Sports Field redevelopment, and Mallanganee sports precinct upgrades.

Council also has external funding to deliver a series signature projects, the Mallanganee observatory lookout (\$1.9 million) the Kyogle health and wellbeing hub and aquatic centre (\$6 million), the Kyogle Civic Precinct activation (\$2.3 million) and the Kyogle Main Street revitalization (\$3.3 million). Due to the unprecedented scale of the works program ahead for Council, and the need to prioritise



*Pavement repairs are undertaken on Horseshoe Creek Road*

the flood reconstruction works, Council is putting a case to the State and Federal Governments seeking to extend the time periods for the construction of these signature projects. It is hoped that our funding partners will understand the challenges of trying to deliver these kinds of projects during this restoration period, and the added value that delivery towards the end of the restoration process will bring to the local economy and the local community.

## A little bit of pain for long-term gain

The next two years will be very challenging for Council and the community as unprecedented amounts of roadworks ramp up across the LGA.

Motorists can expect to encounter delays or detours as multiple projects are undertaken concurrently. Council will keep road users updated through the Live Traffic web site and app, as well as specific communications with directly affected residents. The scale of the road works being undertaken will mean Council resources available to undertake maintenance tasks such as pothole patching will be stretched. This will require the available resources to be prioritised across the whole road network, and there is likely to be considerable waiting times for repairs as a result.

Council has committed its resources to returning life back to normal as quickly as possible post floods.



*Drainage works and gravel road repairs were carried out on Gambleys Road as part of Council's flood restoration program.*



## EXHIBITION A

### tribute to WAG founder

The September exhibition at Council's Roxy Gallery will celebrate both the Woodenbong Arts Group (WAG) and the group's founder Jim Grasby.

Jim led the charge to establish WAG in 2010 with the aim of providing support and encouragement to artists from the Woodenbong area so they could develop and showcase their talents.

Over the intervening years, WAG welcomed associated members of the Bonalbo Artists Alliance (BAA) and together they formed a collective of like-minded people living West of the Range who have been able to share their interest in the arts and participate in their own exhibitions at the Roxy.

This year's exhibition, A Celebration of WAG 2010 – 2022, features a new body of work from both WAG and BAA members and acknowledges Jim Grasby's enormous contribution to the arts in the community.

The exhibition will be officially opened on Thursday, 31 August, from 1-3pm. The time of the official opening will allow WAG members to access public transport from

Woodenbong to Kyogle to attend.

Two free events involving WAG members will be held in conjunction with the exhibition at the gallery.

The first will be the launch of the children's book, *Kombi Kapers*, at the gallery on Saturday, 9 September at 11am.

Written by Gail Fay (AKA Fay Mars), *Kombi Kapers* is an adventure story based on a talking Kombi van named Felicity and was developed after Gail had a chance encounter with painter/illustrator Riki Mason. Riki had created a series of illustrations based on her honeymoon road trip from Sydney to far north Queensland 40 years ago.

The second event will be the screening of multidisciplinary artist JayneeAM's documentary *Bohemian Kings X Swan Song*. The film documents the last Kings Cross Arts Guild Festival held in 2004 that featured underground musical and theatrical artists, many of whom have since died.

It took Jaynee nearly 20 years to find the right post production editor – Andy Bambach – who had empathy for the time and the artists and was able to put the film into its correct perspective as a commentary on the gentrification of the Kings Cross and their swan song to the Bohemian fringe



*Diana Keene's still life titled Nan's Teapot will be on show at Council's Roxy Gallery as part of the exhibition A Celebration of WAG 2010–2022.*

known to Sydney's subculture up until the end of the 1990s.

The film will screen at the gallery on Saturday, 16 September at 1pm.

## COUNCIL OFFERS FREE

### cat desexing/microchipping program

The free cat desexing and microchipping initiative under the *Keeping Cats Safe at Home* project is again available for residents who live in the Kyogle Council area and who own or feed cats.

Places in the program are limited and bookings are essential. Bookings can be made through Kyogle-based veterinarians – Kyogle Veterinary Clinic 6632 1349 or Fairymount Veterinary Clinic 6632 1199.

To date a total of 209 cats have been de-sexed within Kyogle Council area under this project.

Kyogle Council is partnering with RSPCA NSW to help deliver a range of initiatives as part of the *Keeping Cats Safe at Home* project with funding from the NSW Environmental Trust.

Keeping Cats Safe at Home aims to encourage/support cat owners to prevent their cats from roaming from their properties both to keep cats safe and to protect native wildlife.

For more information about the project and to access free resources for all things cat related and for keeping them safe, visit RSPCA's website at: <https://www.rspcansw.org.au/safecats/>



## LIBRARY NEWS

### Pets are 'pawsome'

Call into Kyogle library to check out how you can become the most caring and responsible pet owner from the library's extensive selection of pet care items. The library even has 'pawsome' colour-ins.

### Kids programs

Free programs for juniors are run at Kyogle library during school term. They include:

- Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time for 0-3 years every Wednesdays at 10.30am;

- Playdough Playtime for pre-schoolers every third Wednesday of the month following Baby Bounce;
- LEGO Club for 5-12 years third Wednesday of the month from 3.30-4.30pm.

### Interlibrary loan

Are you looking for a book that the library does not hold in its collection? The library's Inter Library Loan Service is perhaps the answer. For a small fee, the library will search all over Australia for the book you require.

## Disposal cost of fridges SLASHED

In an effort to stop illegal dumping of refrigerators and freezers on roadsides and in bushland across the Kyogle local government area, Council has slashed the price to dispose of non-degassed fridges and freezers at

Council's waste facilities from \$45 to just \$20 per item.

Residents are reminded that it is FREE to dispose of degassed fridges and freezers.

Council urges all residents to do the right thing and dispose of their unwanted fridges and freezers at Council's waste facilities and keep our roadsides and bushland clean and safe for all.

## Northern Rivers Koala Count 24th-30th September 2023



**REPORT  
YOUR KOALA  
SIGHTING**

[friendsofthekoala.org](http://friendsofthekoala.org)



Spotted a sick or injured koala? 24HR RESCUE: 6622 1233



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Valley Council



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SHIRE COUNCIL

## Community Calendar

### Showtime

Dust off your Akubra, pull on your jeans and head to Woodenbong on 1 and 2 September and Kyogle on 6 and 7 October as the two towns host their annual agricultural shows.

For further details go to the events calendar on Council's website, the Woodenbong and Kyogle Show Facebook pages, or the Kyogle Show website at <https://kyogleshow.com.au>.

### Giant Pumpkin Festival

It's all systems go for the 2024 Summerland Giant Pumpkin and Watermelon Festival with the date now set for the event and packs of giant pumpkin and watermelon seeds available for competitive gardeners.

The festival will be held on Saturday 20 January 2024 in Stratheden Street, Kyogle.

As well as the competitions to find the largest giant pumpkin and watermelon, there will be a Still Life Art Prize, wood-working and craft competitions, and a home gardener competition.

Seeds in seed packs have been sourced from this year's winning giant Atlantic pumpkins and watermelons and are available from businesses throughout Kyogle and across the Northern Rivers.

### Benefit Concert

The Semitones, Kyogle's own community choir, will be combining with the Northern Rivers Conservatorium Chamber Strings of for its annual Benefit Concert on Saturday, September 9.

Guest performers the NRC Chamber Strings play composi-

tions by favorite Baroque composers Handel and Corelli. And dynamic choir director, Fiona Kerr, has some promising students to introduce to the public.

The program is fascinatingly varied, and includes a round for some audience participation.

The concert proceeds are to benefit Kyogle Public School and Kyogle Lions Community Food Pantry. Supper will cost a gold coin donation and a raffle will be drawn, with tickets available prior to the concert at Semitones Choir street stalls.

The concert will be held at the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall at 2.30 pm.

Admission is cash only and will cost \$10 a person (children are free).

### Stallholders wanted

Old Bonalbo Parents and Citizens Association is calling

for expressions of interest from anyone wanting to hold a stall at the Old Bonalbo School Fete.

Profit from the fete will go to supporting Old Bonalbo Public School and all of its students.

Stall holding fees start \$10 a for a standard unpowered 3x3m stall.

The fete will be held on 28 October, 2023 at Bonalbo Showgrounds.

Please phone Megan Huolohan 0423 783 494 or Gemma Brookes 0458 618 308 for further information.

### Farmers' Market

The Kyogle Farmers' Market is held on Saturday mornings in Stratheden Street, Kyogle (between the Summerland Way and the library).

To book a stall phone Robert on 0408 278 685 or Anne on 6632 1851.

## Parthenium weed is a MAJOR THREAT

Parthenium weed (*Parthenium hysterophorus*) is a fast-growing agricultural weed that poses a serious threat to community and agriculture in the Kyogle Local Government Area (LGA).

This highly invasive, rapidly growing weed can cause humans and livestock to suffer from respiratory and skin issues through exposure, and also taints the meat of livestock if consumed.

Parthenium weed, *pictured above right*, can produce seed 4-10 weeks after germination. It spreads through seed in contaminated soil, hay, chicken feed, and from machinery or vehicles.

Parthenium weed is currently not established in New South Wales, however there is a high risk of Parthenium entering the Far North Coast from established sites in Queensland.

"Parthenium weed is a serious concern for us at Rous (County Council), particularly for the Kyogle LGA that has a significant

agricultural industry," Weed Biosecurity Officer at Rous Morgan Whitlen said.

"Rous is concerned about Parthenium coming into the Kyogle LGA in feed and on machinery brought in from contaminated sites and known infestations in Queensland."

The impact would be significant to human health, livestock, crops, and the environment.

"Parthenium weed can harm both humans and animals. It spreads quickly, all year long, and readily outcompetes native vegetation," Morgan said.

Anyone seeing Parthenium weed, or who thinks they may have seen it, is asked to Rous County Council immediately on 6623 3800 or email [council@rous.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@rous.nsw.gov.au).

"Our Weed Biosecurity Officers will work with you, in partnership, on eradicating Parthenium weed," Morgan said.

"During expected dry seasons, people



with livestock are likely to purchase fodder from further afield. My advice is to consider where your fodder comes from, ask for a Vendor Declaration form and keep an eye out for unknown weeds in feed out areas."

For any assistance, please contact the Weed Biosecurity Officers at Rous County Council.

"We need to work together as a community to prevent Parthenium weed from establishing in the Northern Rivers and damaging our agricultural industry and precious environment," Morgan said.

### Council MEETINGS

The next two Ordinary Council meetings will be held on Monday 11 September and Monday 9 October 2023 at 2pm. Ordinary meetings are held on the second Monday of every month except January. Meetings start at 2pm and are held at the Kyogle Council Chambers, 1 Stratheden Street, Kyogle. The first item of general business is Public Forum, which provides a chance for the public to speak to Council on items of business on the agenda. To request to speak at Public Forum, you should email [council@kyogle.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@kyogle.nsw.gov.au) or phone 6632 1611 at least two hours before the start of the meeting.

### REGIONAL ROADS INFORMATION

<https://www.livetraffic.com/>

### Council contact and info

#### RECYCLING FACILITIES

All Council waste facilities have recycling capabilities (if separated) and can recover oil, paper, cardboard, steel, aluminium, glass, and plastic at no charge.

#### The waste facility hours of operation are:

**Kyogle: 7.30am-12pm Monday to Friday**

**9am-4pm Saturday & Sunday**

**Woodenbong: Tuesday & Saturday 9am-4pm**

**Bonalbo: Wednesday & Saturday 9am-4pm**

**Mallanganee: Thursday & Sunday 9am-4pm**

*\* Please note all Council waste facilities are closed on public holidays*



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