

PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of a Prevention and Control Program for Electric Ants

Biosecurity Act 2014

Department of Primary Industries

PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE PROGRAM

Purpose

The purpose of the program is to:

- a) prevent the establishment or spread of electric ants in Queensland that pose a significant biosecurity risk; and
- b) manage, reduce or eradicate any electric ants in Queensland that could pose a significant biosecurity risk.

Scope

The program applies to category 1 restricted matter that is electric ant (*Wasmannia auropunctata*) (declared under Schedule 2 of the *Biosecurity Act 2014*) within six Local Government areas within far north Queensland.

Authorised officers may enter land to take action to survey for and destroy the invasive biosecurity matter to which the program relates.

START DATE AND DURATION OF THE PROGRAM

The program will begin on 21 April 2025, and will continue until the nationally agreed response plan for the eradication of electric ant expires or there are no National Electric Ant Eradication Programs operating in Queensland.

AVAILABILITY AND PRICE OF A COPY OF THE PROGRAM AUTHORISED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

A copy of the program (including its Authorisation Document) is available for inspection at the Department of Primary Industries' head office at 275 George Street Brisbane and regional offices. A copy of the program is also available to view and print at no cost on the Department of Primary Industries' website at www.daf.qld.gov.au. A copy of the Program Authorisation will be provided on request by contacting the Department of Primary Industries' Customer Service Centre on 13 25 23.