

NATIONAL FERAL PIG



MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Commonwealth, state and territory governments, together with the agricultural sector, environmental bodies, indigenous groups and local communities, are committed to reducing the impacts of feral pigs in Australia.

The National Feral Pig Action Plan will enable a coordinated national framework to be implemented for feral pig management in Australia. All feral pig activities, including research and development programs, will fall under the strategic umbrella of the Plan.

The Australian Federal Government is investing \$1.4 million to develop and implement a National Feral Pig Action Plan. The project is being managed by Australian Pork Limited.



Modelling indicates there are up to 24 million feral pigs across Australia, with endemic populations covering 45 per cent of the national landmass.



Feral pigs are hosts for pathogens such as brucellosis and leptospirosis, and wild populations have spread African swine fever across Asia and Europe, killing millions of domestic pigs. A large-scale outbreak of ASF in Australia could cost nearly \$2 billion over five years.



The National Feral Pig Action Plan will be driven collaboratively by a wide range of stakeholders, who share the goal to reduce the environmental, environmental, agricultural, cultural and social threats caused by feral pigs.



Feral pigs cost Australian agriculture more than \$100 million a year by destroying crops and pasture, spreading weeds and disease and preying on livestock.

\$100+
MILLION
DAMAGE TO AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURE

The Plan will support land managers to effectively and humanely apply combinations of best practice feral pig control methods.



By creating links between localised control efforts, the national Plan will help address feral pig impacts, by applying improved knowledge of population dynamics and cross-regional issues such as downstream environmental damage to catchments.

