

Regional NRM Bugle



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Regional Arrangements at the Annual LGAO conference

The annual Local Government Association Queensland (LGAQ) conference was held in Mackay this week. More than 800 delegates from councils throughout Queensland attended the conference. Strategic Policy and Regional Arrangements (SPRA) teamed with the Land Protection unit to display the integration of local government pest management planning within the regional NRM planning process. The display served as a reminder of last year's successful conference that focused on regional NRM planning. The display also acted as an awareness raising tool for new councillors elected in the past year.

The NRM display became a focus for the conference, with part of the Land Protection display, a fox, becoming the talk of the conference as pest management featured in many of the tabled items. This was the most successful display NR&M has had at the conference, with most of the councillors seeing the display material and the staff at the booth answering over 200 enquires.

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Annual Landcare conference

This week the Queensland Landcare conference is being held in Toowoomba and again Strategic Policy and Regional Arrangements (SPRA) has a display featuring the regional NRM planning process. Both the Condamine Alliance and QMDC also have displays at the conference.

Two new brochures are featuring at the regional NRM planning process display. The first brochure highlights local partnerships in natural resource management and the second brochure focuses on community NRM volunteers. Both brochures are available to regional NRM bodies for distribution to their local groups. For copies of the brochure or more information about the conference please contact

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\$25 Million in NRM grants now available

Regional Landcare groups can apply for a share of more than \$25 million in grants recently released through the National Landcare Program. The bulk of funding, up to \$25million for 2004-2005, is available as Community Support Grants, while a further \$1.5 million is available in Innovation Grants.

The Community Support Grants are for one, two or three year projects with matching funds required. The Community Support component will fund Landcare investments that complement priorities identified in accredited regional NRM plans and investment strategies.

Further information featuring guidelines, eligibility criteria etc for both grants is available on the web at <http://www.landcare.gov.au/nlpcommunitysupport> or by telephoning 1800 657 220.

We welcome your input and feedback on this newsletter. If you have any contributions, comments or suggestions please contact Carl.Glen@nrm.qld.gov.au or Shona.Strachan@nrm.qld.gov.au