



# GLEN INNES SEVERN COUNCIL

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## Management Plan for African Boxthorn

(*Lycium ferocissimum*)

**Declaration:** African Boxthorn is classified as a Class 4 noxious weed in the Glen Innes Severn Council Area, under the Noxious Weed Act 1993. Declaration of this weed is for a **5-year** period **Starting** 1-3-2006 and **Finishing** 1-3-2011.

### **Why African Boxthorn** is a Class 4 Noxious Weed:

- It invades pastures and waste areas, reducing access and causing difficulty in stock movement
- The sharp spines protect the plant from being grazed allowing growth over large areas and form impenetrable dense thickets
- Dense patches provide harbour for pest animals, particularly rabbits

### **Class 4 noxious weeds control objectives:**

- They must be managed in such a way as to 'minimise the negative impact of the weed on the economy, community or the environment of New South Wales'.
- The growth and spread of the plant must be controlled according to the measures specified in this Management Plan published by the Glen Innes Severn Council

## **REQUIREMENTS & CONTROL MEASURES**

The Glen Innes Severn Council will control African Boxthorn growing on all land for which it has responsibility under the *Noxious Weed Act 1993*, using herbicides registered for the control of African Boxthorn.

Owners/Occupiers of land are obligated and required to actively control African Boxthorn to prevent it from spreading, and its numbers and distribution must be reduced.

Owners/Occupiers of infested land are obligated and required to control African Boxthorn using all or any of the following methods:

- Chemical-** African Boxthorn is to be treated effectively with a herbicide registered for its control, in the manner specified on the label.
- Mechanical-** At anytime of the year African Boxthorn maybe removed using a tractor and blade.

For any **further assistance** with this weed contact council's Noxious Weeds Officer at the Church Street Office, phone 67302358 or mobile 0427669871.