



GLEN INNES SEVERN COUNCIL

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Management Plan for Long style feather grass (*Pennisetum villusum*)

Declaration: Long style feather grass 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 Long style feather grass is a Class 4 Noxious Weed:

- It is very invasive producing large dense clumps which, over a period, tend to dominate infested pastures and reduce the available grazing area.
- The long serrated leaves of mature plants are unpalatable and rarely grazed by stock.

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 Long style feather grass growing on all land for which it has responsibility under the *Noxious Weed Act 1993*, using herbicides registered for the control of Long style feather grass.

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

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

- Chemical-** Long style feather grass is to be treated effectively with a herbicide registered for its control, in the manner specified on the label;
- Cultivation-** Cultivate each time new growth appears to exhaust the root system. Better results are obtained with combining winter cropping or perennial pasture.

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