



# GLEN INNES SEVERN COUNCIL

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## Management Plan for Prickly Pear (*Cylindropuntial* & *Opuntia spp* except *O.ficus-indica*)

**Declaration:** Prickly Pear species are classified as a Class 4 Noxious Weeds 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 Prickly Pear species** are a Class 4 Noxious Weed:

- They can form dense impenetrable thickets.
- They invade productive pasture.
- They cause management difficulties for livestock, humans and working dogs

**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 Prickly Pear species growing on all land for which it has responsibility under the *Noxious Weed Act 1993*, using herbicides registered for the control of Prickly Pear species.

Owners/Occupiers of land are obligated and required to actively control Prickly Pear species to prevent it from spreading, and their numbers and distribution must be reduced.

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

- Chemical-** Prickly Pear species is to be treated effectively with a herbicide registered for their control, in the manner specified on the label.
- Mechanical-** All prickly pear root material must be removed during this process. All plant material should be disposed of in a manner not to allow re-establishment.
- Cultural-** A suitable biological control agent is to be placed on or in close proximity to healthy plants and encouraged to establish

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