



Efficiency and Effectiveness Review Steering Committee Response

The Steering Committee for the National Red Imported Fire Ant Eradication Program welcomes the recommendations of the independent Efficiency and Effectiveness Review.

The review, carried out by independent consultant Bernard Wonder, has 37 recommendations to enhance the existing response to eradicating fire ants in South East Queensland.

The Steering Committee commissioned the review two years into the Program to ensure it is in the best position to achieve its goal of eradication.

The Steering Committee has worked with the program to carefully consider the review's recommendations and has accepted the vast majority.

While the Steering Committee recognises there are promising signs in the eradication program, the review's recommendations will enable the program to be more efficient and effective, and demonstrate its effectiveness more clearly.

Staff and volunteers working on the program have shown a sustained commitment to eradicating this pest, and implementing these recommendations should help them and the community to reach a point at which fire ants are no longer a problem.

For more information about the program, the review or the Steering Committee, please visit daf.qld.gov.au/fireants

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