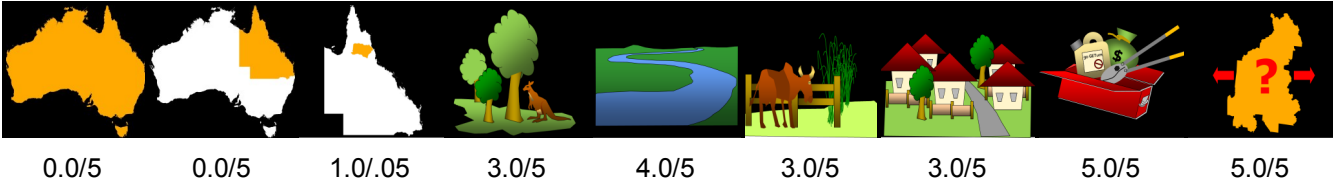


Lions Tail *Leonotis nepetifolia*

Priority

National priority State priority Previous local Conservation Water resources Agriculture and industry Community and residential Feasibility of control Current extent



Details

Description Lions Tail is an erect, sparsely branched annual herb up to 2m tall with four angled stems, opposite leaves and distinctive orange flowers. The dead seed heads remain visible well into the dry season.

Distribution Discovered on the Tablelands in 2014, localised infestations occur at Millstream, Ravenshoe and Innot Hot Springs.

Impacts A weed of environment and production, Lions Tail outcompetes native grasses and pastures. It can form dense stands in native pasture and disturbed sites.

Key projects An ongoing management program removes known infestations.

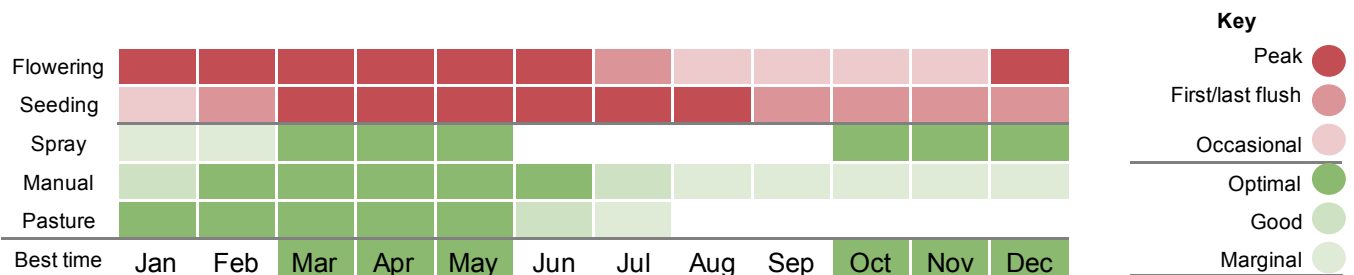
Background

Lions Tail can form dense stands in open savannah, grasslands and along watercourses. Careful follow up after disturbance, such as earthworks, fire or heavy grazing, will limit the establishment of dense infestations and spread to new areas.

Restricting stock movement to and from infested areas and maintaining weed hygiene practises regarding the movement and wash down of machinery is essential to reduce spread to new locations.

Ongoing mapping of infestations will help to identify key assets at risk and identify priority management zones.

Control calendar



For more information on using this biosecurity action plan fact sheet, and further information on control tools, refer to the [Tablelands Biosecurity Plan](#) available at trc.qld.gov.au and customer service centres.

1300 362 242 (24hr Customer Service)

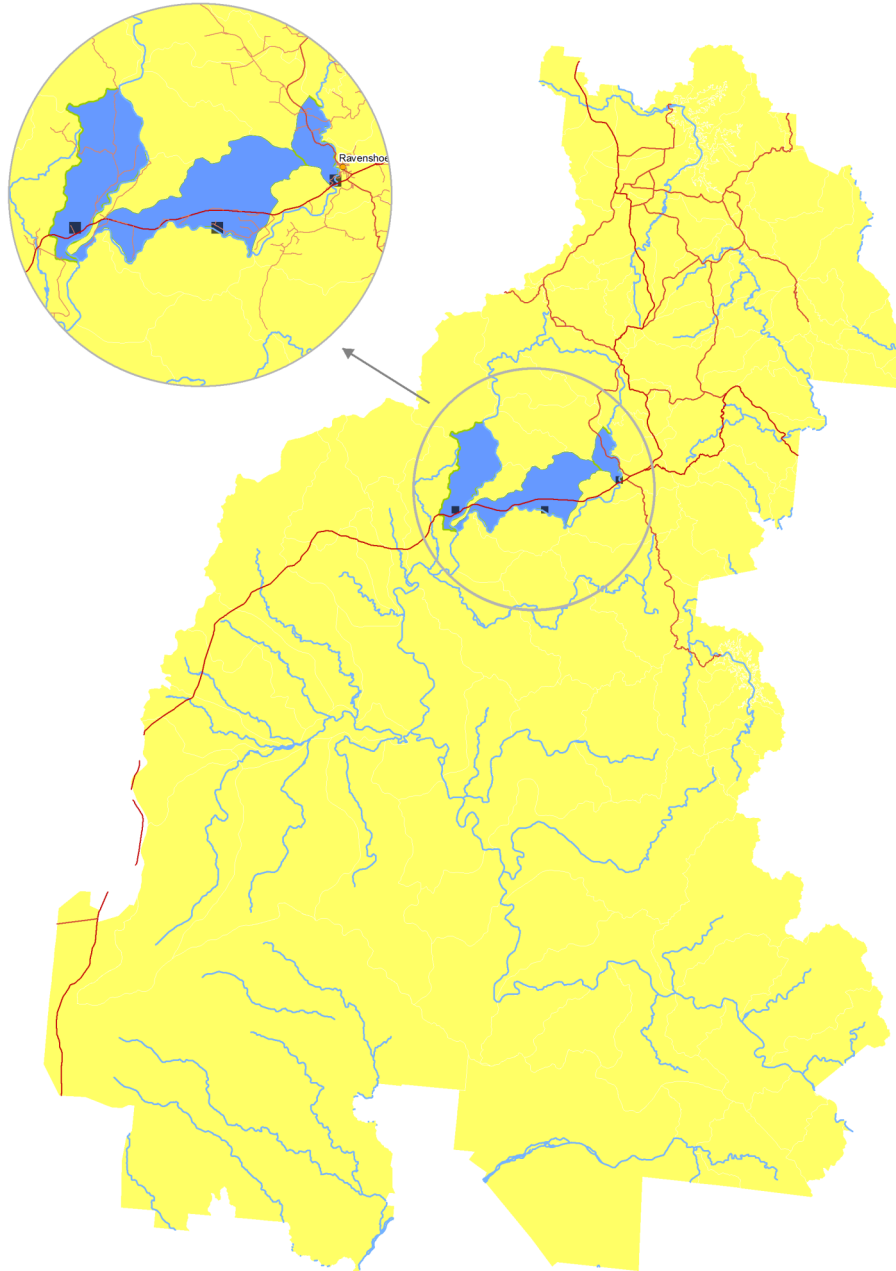
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Herb

Terrestrial

Annual

Biosecurity Act Restricted matter category

2
Must be reported

3
Do not distribute

4
Do not move

5
Do not keep

6
Do not feed

Control



What is my biosecurity obligation?

In the delimitation zone

Report locations and new detections to Tablelands Regional Council on 1300 362 242.

In the prevention zone

Lions Tail is not a prohibited or restricted invasive plant however everyone has a general biosecurity obligation to take reasonable and practical steps to minimise the risks associated with invasive plants and animals under their control.

In the intensive control zone

Ensure best practice weed hygiene measures are in place to reduce risk of spread to new locations. Maintain weed free areas. Identify high value assets and protect them from impacts where possible. Spell stock for at least seven days prior to moving from infested areas.

Spread

