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(STABLE FLY) MANAGEMENT
PLAN 2013**

Western Australia

Biosecurity and Agriculture Management (Stable Fly) Management Plan 2013

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Issued by the Minister under section 45 of the Act.

1. Citation

This management plan is the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management (Stable Fly) Management Plan 2013*.

2. Commencement

This management plan comes into operation as follows —

- (a) clauses 1 and 2 — on the day on which this management plan is published in the *Gazette*;
- (b) the rest of the management plan — on 2 September 2013.

3. Terms used

In this management plan —

approved pesticide means a chemical product that —

- (a) is intended for use in eradicating, destroying or preventing the presence and spread of Stable fly; and
- (b) is approved by, and registered with, the APVMA;

APVMA means the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority continued by the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Administration) Act 1992* (Commonwealth);

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poultry means chickens, ducks, emus, geese, ostriches, turkeys, waterfowl and any other birds bred or kept for commercial purposes (other than for the purpose of sale as pets);

relevant land means land in an area described or set out in clause 4;

Stable fly means *Stomoxys calcitrans*.

4. Area to which management plan relates

This management plan relates to the following areas —

- (a) the portion of the Shire of Murray described in the Harvey Coastal Plain Catchment State Planning Policy No. 2;
- (b) the local government districts set out in the Table.

Table

City of Armadale	Shire of Chittering
City of Cockburn	Shire of Gingin
Shire of Harvey	City of Joondalup
Shire of Kalamunda	Town of Kwinana
City of Rockingham	Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale
City of Swan	City of Wanneroo

5. Purpose of management plan

The purpose of this management plan is to provide for the control of Stable fly in each area to which this management plan relates.

Note: By virtue of the declaration made under section 22 of the Act published in the *Gazette* on 25 September 2012 p. 4500, Stable fly is a declared pest for the areas to which this management plan relates.

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6. Measures to be followed under management plan

The measures set out in clauses 7 to 10 are —

- (a) the prescribed control measures to control Stable fly to be taken, under section 30(2) of the Act, by the owner or other person in control, in an area for which Stable fly is a declared pest, of an organism or thing infested with Stable fly; and
- (b) the prescribed control measures to control Stable fly to be taken, under section 30(3) of the Act, by the owner or occupier of land in an area for which Stable fly is a declared pest, or a person who is conducting an activity on the land; and
- (c) the measures to be taken by a person who is directed under a pest control notice under section 31(1) of the Act to take the measures to control Stable fly required under this management plan.

7. Storage, use and transportation of commercially derived untreated poultry manure

(1) In this clause —

commercially derived untreated poultry manure means poultry manure, whether or not mixed with other materials, that —

- (a) is the result of a commercial poultry undertaking, including egg production through layer farming and meat production through broiler farming; and
- (b) has not been treated by means of a process that is intended to prevent Stable fly from breeding in the manure.

(2) Commercially derived untreated poultry manure must not —

- (a) be stored or used on relevant land that is used for an agricultural activity; or
- (b) be transported in an area to which this management plan relates.

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- (3) Subclause (2) does not apply to —
- (a) the storage of commercially derived untreated poultry manure, at the place where it is produced, for the purpose of treating the manure by means of a process that is intended to prevent Stable fly from breeding in the manure; or
 - (b) the temporary storage of commercially derived untreated poultry manure, at the place where it is produced, that is to be transported to —
 - (i) relevant land that is not used for an agricultural purpose; or
 - (ii) an area to which this management plan does not relate;
- or
- (c) the transportation of commercially derived untreated poultry manure to —
 - (i) relevant land that is not used for an agricultural purpose; or
 - (ii) an area to which this management plan does not relate.

8. Cultivation and harvesting of annual fruits and certain vegetables

- (1) In this clause —
- approved measure*** means a measure that —
- (a) is intended for use in eradicating, destroying or preventing the presence and spread of Stable fly; and
 - (b) is approved by the Director General; and
 - (c) is published on the department's electronic site;
- fruit*** does not include tomatoes or perennial fruits;
- vegetables*** does not include —
- (a) beans; or

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- (b) capsicums (except paprikas); or
 - (c) cucumbers; or
 - (d) parsley; or
 - (e) potatoes; or
 - (f) spinach.
- (2) The measures set out in this clause apply to the commercial cultivation of fruit or vegetables on relevant land.
- (3) A crop of fruit or vegetables that has reached maturity must be either —
- (a) harvested as soon as is practicable for that type of fruit or vegetable; or
 - (b) as soon as is practicable, dealt with in accordance with subclauses (4) and (5) as if it had been completely harvested.
- (4) Within 3 days after a crop of fruit or vegetables has been completely harvested, any part of the crop that remains in or on the soil must —
- (a) be broken up into pieces with a high speed mulcher, flail mower, slasher or a similar device (but not incorporated into or covered by the soil); and
 - (b) be treated with an approved pesticide or an approved measure.
- (5) After the remains of a crop has been broken up and treated in accordance with subclause (4) —
- (a) it must be left undisturbed and unirrigated (except to the extent necessary to prevent wind erosion) for at least 7 days; and
 - (b) after it has been left in accordance with paragraph (a), be thoroughly incorporated into the soil with a rotary hoe or a similar device.

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- (6) Harvested fruit or vegetables that are not for human consumption, or are for any reason unsuitable for sale, must not remain on relevant land for more than 7 days after they are harvested unless they —
- (a) are dealt with in accordance with subclauses (4) and (5); or
 - (b) are fed to stock in accordance with clause 10(2); or
 - (c) are treated with an approved pesticide or an approved measure and buried under at least 30 cm of soil.

9. Olive pressing

- (1) In this clause —
olive pomace means the residue left after pressing olives for olive oil.
- (2) Olive pomace must not be placed on relevant land unless the olive pomace is —
- (a) monitored at intervals of not less than 14 days for the presence of Stable fly and Stable fly larvae; and
 - (b) unless dealt with in accordance with subclause (3), treated with an approved pesticide within 30 days of being placed on the land.
- (3) Any olive pomace on relevant land that is found to be infested with Stable fly or Stable fly larvae must be immediately —
- (a) treated with an approved pesticide; and
 - (b) buried under at least 30 cm of soil.

10. Keeping stock

- (1) The measures set out in this clause apply to the keeping of stock for commercial purposes on relevant land, including the operation of a feedlot on relevant land.

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- (2) Fruit or vegetables must not be fed to stock except —
 - (a) in a trough; or
 - (b) by being spread thinly on the ground.
- (3) Any animal manure, soiled straw animal bedding, poultry litter or spilled grain feed that accumulates in an enclosure where stock are kept, and is not infested with Stable fly or Stable fly larvae, must be either —
 - (a) monitored at intervals of not less than 7 days for the presence of Stable fly or Stable fly larvae; or
 - (b) dealt with in accordance with subclause (4) as if it were infested with Stable fly or Stable fly larvae.
- (4) Any animal manure, straw animal bedding, poultry litter or spilled grain feed on relevant land that is infested with Stable fly or Stable fly larvae, must immediately —
 - (a) if found in an enclosure, be removed from the enclosure; and
 - (b) be spread thinly on open ground so that it can dry out completely; and
 - (c) after being spread in accordance paragraph (b), be treated with an approved pesticide; and
 - (d) after being treated in accordance with paragraph (c), be covered completely with plastic sheeting; and
 - (e) be kept covered in accordance with paragraph (d) until such time that it is not infested with Stable fly or Stable fly larvae.

Date: 30 June 2013.

K. BASTON, Minister for Agriculture and Food.