



WEED CONTROL CLASS 4 MANAGEMENT PLAN

The control objective for weed control class 4 is to minimise the negative impact of those plants on the economy, community or environment of NSW.

NAME OF WEED: Rhizomatous bamboo

Common name: Rhizomatous bamboo **Scientific name:** *Phyllostachys spp.*

The above mentioned weed is a noxious weed declared under section 7 of the Noxious Weeds Act 1993.

AREA OF OPERATION & PHONE NUMBERS FOR LOCAL CONTROL AUTHORITIES:

Blue Mountains 4780 5000

CONTACT PERSON(S)

Weeds Officer: Ian Lett, Dave Whiteman **Council:** Blue Mountains City Council

PLAN PERIOD

Starting date: 10 November 2006 **Completion date:** 28 February 2011
(Unless otherwise revoked)

CONTROL MEASURES FOR THE WEED AS PER ORDER 19

The growth and spread of the plant must be controlled according to the measures specified in this management plan. The plant may not be sold, propagated or knowingly distributed.

The Blue Mountains City Council specifies the following measures to control this weed:

Any part of this weed must be prevented from growing within 3 metres of the boundary of adjacent property.

On public lands Bamboo will be strategically controlled and reduced according to priority and available resources

CONTROL REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS WEED IN THE AREA OF OPERATION

General information on control methods for this weed can be found at <http://www.weedsbluemountains.org.au> and in the most recent edition of the annual Noxious and Environmental Weed Control Handbook or at www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

All herbicide use is to be undertaken with a registered herbicide as specified on the herbicide product label or relevant off-label permit published by the Australian Pesticides & Veterinary Medicines Authority. Herbicide use must comply with the Pesticides Act 1999, all relevant legislation, and Blue Mountains City Council's Pesticide Notification Plan as of February 2007 where works are carried out

on public lands.

Manual control.

Physically remove by hand or machine. Make sure every part of the rhizome (underground stem) system is removed (including any fragments) to the depth required. Rhizomes generally grow quite shallow, so this will usually be within the top 30cm of soil. Dispose of all rhizomes in bags to avoid further spread. Watering the area deeply a few days before digging can make physical removal easier. Monitored the site over the next few seasons for the occasional shoot where root fragments may have been missed

Chemical control.

Cut each stem with loppers within 150 mm from the ground. Within 15 seconds, paint the cut stem with a registered herbicide. Apply herbicide immediately so that the herbicide is drawn down into the rhizome. Cut stems should be mulched after the stems have fully dried out and turned brittle, or placed in green waste for recycling. Monitor the site as repeated chemical treatments may be required.

Note: For infestations in sensitive areas (i.e. Significant vegetation – Endangered Ecological Communities other scheduled vegetation, steep slopes, and creek line vegetation) the landholder will be required to develop a Weed Management Plan (WPM) that will stipulate the control measures. The WMP is to be endorsed by Council.

LINKAGES TO OTHER PLANS, STRATEGIES (Local, Regional, State and National):

Sydney North Regional Weeds Strategy
Sydney Metropolitan Weeds Strategy (currently being developed)
Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Weeds Strategy (currently being developed)

SECTION 12 OBLIGATIONS (from the Noxious Weeds Act 1993)

Private occupiers of land must control noxious weeds on land.

An occupier (other than a public authority or a local control authority) of land to which a weed control order applies must control noxious weeds on the land as required under the order.

Failure to comply with a weed control order will incur a penalty.

Note: If an occupier fails to comply with obligations under a weed control order, those obligations may be enforced against the owner of the land as well as the occupier by a weed control notice issued under section 18.

PLAN ENDORSEMENT

This plan is endorsed by the Blue Mountains City Council.

Signed by: _____ Position: General Manager

Dated: _____

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