

# Erosion Control Grader Workshops



The Desert Channels Group invites you to a Feral Pig Control Project Community Consultation and Erosion Control Grader Workshop that is funded by the Queensland Government's Blueprint for the Bush and the Australian Government's Caring for our Country programs on:

*Wednesday 1 June at Mt Leonard station, Betoota*  
*Friday 3 June starting at Town Hall in Jundah*

Workshops will start at 9am and finish at approximately 5pm. Smoko & lunch provided.  
Call 07 4658 0600 to reserve your spot, or go to [www.dcq.org.au](http://www.dcq.org.au) for more information.

## Feral Pig Control Project



"What may seem time-consuming in the short-term will alleviate many costly repairs in the future." Darryl Hill, presenter



Darryl Hill is highly recognised throughout Australia for his practical knowledge and experience using graders and other earth-moving machinery. For more than 40 years he has studied soil erosion from a variety of viewpoints; as a ringer, head stockman, property manager and landcare officer.

Darryl travels widely, running grader workshops across Australia's rangeland areas. He acts as a consultant to station managers, rural communities and government departments. Darryl also goes to properties to help station staff peg fence lines and roads. He visits stock camps on larger properties to teach those learning to grade and guide those who are more experienced.

Register on 07 4658 0600

The workshop includes practical guidelines & demonstrations using a grader in the paddock

#### WORKSHOP CONTENT

Design & maintenance of:

- Fire plough track
- Property access road
- Fence lines
- Formed roads

How to best treat:

- Washouts
- Eroded fence lines

"Most new erosion is not due to uncontrolled stocking, but pastoral property access tracks and fence lines." Darryl Hill, presenter

#### LEARN HOW TO ACHIEVE

- More effective fire breaks
- Effective fence line erosion control leading to better stock handling and fewer fencing repairs
- Reduction of between 30-50% in maintenance time for access tracks
- Reduced travelling time along property access roads by up to 10%
- Limited levels of soil and silt flowing into stock waters and watercourses
- A safer working environment



## Pig Control Project Community Consultation...

Peter Spence is the NRM Facilitator for the Desert Channels Group based in Longreach. He will be talking about a new Caring for our Country funded Feral Pig Control Project that will be implemented in wetland areas along three river systems within the Desert Channels region.

The project will focus on the lower Barcoo River from Yaraka to Windorah, Cooper Creek from Windorah to the South Australian border and the lower Diamantina River from Diamantina Lakes National Park to the South Australian border. The project aims to work with land managers to control feral pig numbers along these sections of the three river systems.

This project will yield significant benefit for participating landholders, including:

- Subsidised property pig control;
- Decreased pasture degradation and in turn increased agricultural production on these pastures;
- Decreased calf/lamb mortality;
- Reduction in risk of disease transmission on property; and
- Reduction in fouled drinking holes.

Peter will be gathering information from channel country land managers about feral pig numbers and distribution, control timing and methods used (shooting, trapping, baiting etc) and any ideas and suggestions that could assist in the implementation of this project.

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