

Greater Sydney RWC Meeting 14: BUSINESS PAPER

Agenda Item 11	Corrections or additions to GS RSWMP
ATTACHMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outcomes GS RWC Technical Subcommittee Teleconference • TSC Recommendations - Draft strategic responses for proposed amendments to Greater Sydney RSWMP
BACKGROUND	<p>At GS RWC meeting 13 (Agenda item 6), RWC members agreed to re-establish the technical subcommittee (TSC) to consider proposed amendments to Appendix 1.2 of the RSWMP.</p> <p>Five species (Broom asparagus, Groundsel bush, Common pampas grass, Rhus Tree and Tiger pear) have been identified for addition to Appendix 1.2 of the Greater Sydney RSWMP due to either being omitted through an oversight or because of the risk posed by the weed to either human health or the environment.</p> <p>A further amendment (African olive) has been proposed by Paul Marynissen (Central Coast Council) to remove Central Coast LGA from the exclusion zone.</p> <p>The TSC convened by teleconference on 19 November 2018. Consensus was reached in relation to four species (Groundsel bush, Common pampas grass, Tiger pear and African olive), and further information and assessment needed for Broom asparagus and Rhus tree. The outcomes of the teleconference are attached.</p> <p>After further deliberation, TSC members agreed to recommend that Broom asparagus shall be included in appendix 1.2 with a “containment” objective, and that Rhus tree shall remain in appendix 2 of the RSWMP. Note that the common name for “Broom asparagus” has been amended to “Asparagus fern” for consistency with WeedWise.</p> <p>The TSC’s recommendations are outlined in the attached document <i>TSC Recommendations - Draft strategic responses for proposed amendments to Greater Sydney RSWMP</i>.</p> <p>In accordance with the endorsed procedure for amending the RSWMP, it is recommended that the RWC endorsed the TSC recommendations. Once endorsed, the proposed amendments will be referred to Rod Ensbey (NSW Invasive Species Officer) for quality assurance review prior to a public consultation process.</p>
FOR ACTION/DECISION/NOTING	Decisions
DECISIONS REQUIRED BY RWC MEMBERS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Endorsement of the TSC recommendations in relation to proposed amendments to the Greater Sydney RSWMP.