



SUSTAINABLY DEVELOPING THE OUTBACK

PUBLIC NOTICE

Weed Spraying

Over recent days, Council staff have been spraying weeds around Birdsville and Bedourie using a glyphosate based herbicide mixed with water and a wetting agent.

Council has in the past used backpack type sprayers to apply herbicide but has recently purchased larger mechanical sprayers to control weeds on a larger scale.

Given recent rain, Council has taken the opportunity to spray weeds/buffell grass and the like in public areas (along fencelines, around buildings, kerb and channel etc). This is a cost effective way to kill weeds in these locations and weather conditions are favourable. If left uncontrolled, they will require significant time to whipper snip or when mature will drop seeds and burrs and become a fire hazard and a haven for snakes and rodents.

Glyphosate is a safe chemical used in this situation. Residents may be able to smell the herbicide if you are in close proximity to the spraying however this will quickly dissipate.

Weed spraying will continue on an as required basis.

Council apologises for any inconvenience.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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