

# Latrobe Catchment Integrated Pest Plant and Animal Initiative

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## Tuesday 10 September, 2024

Regional, multi-stakeholder Forum | 8.30am–4.30pm

To be held at Kernot Hall followed by a networking evening at Waratah Restaurant in Morwell

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**Register your seat NOW:** [2024PestForumRegistration](#)

**(registrations close 31 August)**

### Agenda overleaf...

Bring your challenges, concerns, questions and recommendations to help strengthen our region's capacity to deliver better weed and pest control at this fully catered day.

Hear from and work alongside fellow land management agencies and community leaders to build better outcomes for our landscapes, wildlife and industries:

- Agriculture Victoria
- Baw Baw Shire Council
- Centre for Invasive Species Solutions
- Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action
- Department of Transport and Planning
- Federation University
- Gippsland Food & Fibre
- Gippsland Tafe
- Gippsland Water
- Latrobe Catchment Landcare Network
- Latrobe City Council
- Parks Victoria
- ProCon Pest & Wildlife Management
- Victorian Deer Control Community Network
- Victorian Rabbit Action Network
- Wellington Shire Council
- West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority

***A joint, landscape-wide approach is critical to safeguarding our agricultural systems, landscapes and native plants and animals.***

The [2024 Latrobe Integrated Priority Pest Plant and Animal Initiative](#) is supported by the Victorian Government through the [Partnerships Against Pests Program](#).



# Forum Agenda

Time	Item	Details
8.30am	Forum Registration	Sign in, grab a cuppa and find a seat
9.00am	Forum Welcome	Welcome and housekeeping
9.20am	Speaker 1	Peter Kennedy Biosecurity Manager Agriculture Victoria
9.45am	Q&A panel 1	Peter Kennedy – Agriculture Victoria Karla Rutherford – Latrobe City Council Ben Gebert – Gippsland Food & Fibre Jane Fontana – Gippsland Water Michelle Hanslow – DEECA (Deer control program) Ross Gillies – HVP Jo Castile-Roberts - Dept of Transport and Planning
10.15am	Session 1 introduction	Our region's starting point
10.45am	Morning tea	
11.00am	Session 1	Facilitated working group session 1
11.45am	Session 1 discussion	
12.15pm	Afternoon introduction	
12.30pm	Lunch	
1.15pm	Speaker 2	Karen Gregory Digital Platforms and Communications Manger Centre for Invasive Species Solutions (CISS)
1.40pm	Q&A Panel 2	Karen – Gregory CISS (WeedScan) Andrew Murray – DEECA (Southern Ark project - foxes) Tim Bloomfield – VRAN (Rabbit control) Peter Jacobs – Vic Deer Control Cmty Network Sally Lambourne – DEECA (Central Highlands Eden Project - weeds) Carolyn Ferguson – ex Council (Ragwort eradication) Simone Louwhoff/Wendy Wright – Federation Uni Brad Blake – ProCon (Pest contractor specialising in cats)
Time	Item	Details
2.10pm	Session 2 introduction	Where to next?
2.25pm	Afternoon tea	
2.40pm	Session 2	Facilitated working group session 2
3.20pm	Session 2 discussion	
3.50pm	Participant feedback	
4.10pm	Forum reflections	
4.30pm	Forum close	
5-7pm	Networking event	Drinks and canapes held at <a href="#">Waratah Restaurant</a> , Gippsland Tafe, Morwell Campus (a short 2min walk from Kernot Hall)

