

TRAINING CALENDAR 2012

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Course	Dates	Location	Cost ★
1 Legal Stage 1 (Pre-requisite to Legal stage 2 and 3) Non certificate course Stage 1 introduces and provides an interpretation of the Act (how the law is made, introduction to the Act and Regulations, powers of inspectors, elements of offences).	Will be available or Assignment based,		\$135
Legal Stage 2 (PSPREG401C, PSPREG405B) 3-day workshop at Certificate IV level Stage 2 studies powers and responsibilities of inspectors and offences under the Act (interpreting legislation, understanding inspector's powers, points of proof, elements of offences, gathering and managing evidence, interview techniques). (Legal 1 must be completed prior to Legal 2)	Jun 2013 offered once only per year	Canberra	\$780
Legal Stage 3 (PSPREG410B) 2-day workshop at Certificate IV level Stage 3 brings the Officer and their prepared case into a courtroom to be cross examined (preparation for court proceedings, presentation of evidence, outcomes of proceedings).	Jun 2013 ◆ offered once only per year	Canberra	\$780
2 Weed Officer Induction 3-day workshop at Certificate II level and Certificate III level The Weeds Officer Induction Program provides recently employed staff with a well rounded appreciation of their roles and responsibilities, as well as familiarising them with the support network available within the weeds industry. The workshop will cover 1 additional on-demand course from the list on page 5.	May 2013 offered once only per year	ТВА	TBA
3 Weed Movement, Machinery Inspection and Cleaning (AHCBIO201A) 1-day workshop Certificate II level Designed for people working with plant and machinery and provides an understanding of the threat of weeds, identification of weeds, and ways to reduce the risk of spreading weeds. Participants will be required to formally inspect machinery for material that may contribute to the spread of weeds, pests or disease. The course also covers options for the best location and equipment needed for cleaning machinery and plant.	7 September 16 October 30 October 31 October 1 November 13 November 15 November 29 November	Tamworth Dubbo Moulamein Barham Yanco Cooma Goulburn Coffs Harbour	\$365
4 Control Weeds 2-day workshop at Certificate III level (AHCPMG301A) Pilot course in this round - NEW course for 2012. The objective of the course is to lift the capacity of weed mangers to effectively control weeds in a sustainable manner. Topics include: herbicide application techniques, adjuvants, spray drift, herbicide resistance, herbicide choices, planning, monitoring, weeds ID and ecology, aquatic and woody weeds.	9 & 10 October	Bungendore	\$ TBA
5 Photography for field officers 1-day non-Certificate workshop The workshop is designed for people required to take digital photographs in the undertaking of their work duties. The course will help people understand the functionality of their digital cameras leading to better quality photographs and the type of photos required for plant identification, vegetation assessment and compliance matters.	19 July 1 August 2 August 11 September 13 September 29 November	Camden Tamworth Tamworth Dareton Wagga Wagga Orange	\$280
6 Recognising Water Weeds (AHCPCM201A, AHCILM202A) 1-day workshop at Certificate II level This workshop is designed for people interested in acquiring practical skills to recognise aquatic weeds. Focusing on distinguishing features of aquatic plants, impacts on the environment, methods of spread and details survey protocols for early detection. This is a hands-on course using live plant specimens to distinguish between native look-a-likes and noxious weeds	11 September 13 September 17 October 18 October	Tamworth Wellington Central Coast Tocal	\$315







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7 Recognising Grasses (AHCPCM201A, AHCPCM202A) 1-day workshop at Certificate II level Designed to help people recognise common weedy, native and desirable introduced grasses within an area and understand what they may indicate about the environment and management of a site. Participants will develop the skills and knowledge to recognise 12-16 grasses using only a few features and collect useful samples for identification.	4 October 11 October 15 October 12 November 20 November	Camden Dareton Yanco Dubbo Tamworth	\$225
8 Identifying Grasses (AHCPCM502A) 1-day workshop at Diploma level Designed to extend participants' knowledge and skills beyond the basic recognition and collection techniques developed in the Recognising Grasses workshop. It is suitable for officers who wish to identify grasses anywhere in NSW using botanical keys and/or be able to develop a professional quality reference herbarium. Recognising Grasses is a pre-requisite for this course.	5 October 12 October 16 October 13 November 21 November	Camden Dareton Yanco Dubbo Tamworth	\$295 fee includes Grasses of NSW & hand lens
9 Identifying Environmental Weeds (What pesky plant is that?) (AHCPCM502A) 1-day workshop at Diploma level Plant Identification is a key step in the control of weeds and the protection of valuable native flora. This hands-on workshop aims to develop skills in plant identification by utilising the Environmental Weeds of Australia DVD. This DVD is another tool in the plant identification kitbag and can assist in accessing information on more than 1000 environmental weeds.	14 August 7 September 26 September 21 November	Tocal or Central Coast Tamworth Wagga Camden	\$225 Plus \$55 DVD
10 Vegetation Survey and Assessment (AHCNAR502A) 2-day workshop at Diploma level This course is designed for land managers looking to accurately define the scale of a weed problem and determine its impact on the surrounding vegetation.	30-31 October	Tamworth	\$370
11 Planning for Pest Management (AHCPMG502A, AHCPMG503A, AHCPMG504A) Diploma level workshop (Also run as an external study option) This course is designed for people interested in developing a plan to manage weeds or vertebrate pests in their region. It outlines the three step process of developing a regional plan for pest management: define the	Venues and dates TBA	ТВА	\$380
pest problem; develop a regional plan to manage the pest; and outline a monitoring system for the plan. This course is suitable for officers involved with either weeds or vertebrate pests.	option		\$175
12 Weed Risk Management (BSBRSK401A) 1-day workshop at Certificate IV level This course covers the WRM system developed by NSW DPI. The NSW WRM system provides a standard, nationally accepted and transparent process to help make decisions about the introduction, declaration and prioritisation of weed species.	18th July ◆ offered once only per year	Camden	\$225
13 Performance Management and MERI Training (AHCPMG505A) 2-day workshop at Diploma level This workshop is designed to lift understanding of project management and to meet the Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement requirements for outcomes based projects. It will provide participants with the skills and knowledge to develop a MERI plan. This course is suited to project managers who submit and manage WAP or CFOC funded projects.	15 &16 August ♦ offered once only per year	Paterson Tocal or Camden (depends on expressions of interest)	\$380







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SMARTtrain AQFIII Chemical Application - accreditation (AHCCHM303A, AHCCHM304A) A 2-day workshop or those who use pesticides with powered and hand-held application equipment. The course meets the minimum requirements for training commercial users of pesticides as specified in the NSW Pesticides Act 1999 as well as training for those using and exposed to hazardous substances under the NSW OHS Regulation 2001. To register check PROFARM WEBSITE	Check profarm website		\$365
http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/courses/smarttrain3			
SMARTtrain AQFIII Chemical Application – reaccreditation Required every five years for holders of SMARTtrain III 1-day workshop for people who have previously been accredited in an AQFIII chemical application course such as SMARTtrain or a similar course, includes SMARTtrain® card issue	Check profarm website		\$290
SMARTtrain AQFIV For Weeds Program (AHCOHS401A, AHCCHM401A, AHCCHM402A) This course customises the AQF4 chemical competencies for weed professionals. Re-accreditation will be offered on day 1, for those already with AQF4. For those upgrading from AQF3, an extra half day is required. The practical session run on the afternoon of day 1 has been mapped against the AQF3 application equipment competency and this will be added to the statement of attainment for both re-accrediting and full course participants.	Check profarm website		\$335
SMARTtrain AQFIV Chemical Risk Management - accreditation (AHCOHS401A, AHCCHM401A, AHCCHM402A) This 1 ½-day workshop trains and reaccredits those who supervise employees using substances classified as hazardous. The workshop is also suitable for all those who make decisions about the application of chemicals. Includes SMARTtrain® card issue. SMARTtrain® AQF3 is a prerequisite. To register CHECK PROFARM WEBSITE http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/Courses/smarttrain4	Check profarm website		\$335
SMARTtrain AQFIV Chemical Risk Management – reaccreditation This 1-day course trains and reaccredits those who supervise employees using substances classified as hazardous. The course is also suitable for all those who make decisions about the application of chemicals. Includes SMARTtrain® card issue.	Check profarm website		\$305
SMARTtrain AQF V Chemical Application (AHCOHS501A, AHCCHM501A) This 3-day workshop is for weeds managers and covers IPM, spraying aquatic and woody weeds, risk management, residues, spray drift, environmental risks, area wide weed management, preparing environmental weed permits and training and supervision. SMARTtrain® AQF4 is a prerequisite.	November 2012	Orange	\$350
Chainsaw - Fall trees manually - (basic), Chainsaw - Trim & cross-cut felled trees, Chainsaw operation and maintenance http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/aqriculture/profarm/	Check profarm website		







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Off-road Four Wheel Drive (4X4) (RIIVEH305A) 2-day workshop for basic and intermediate users of 4X4 vehicles. It covers: operation in off-road and adverse conditions, including water crossings; pre-start checks; operating vehicles on or across a slope, including stall recovery; operating a jack; operating the vehicle in rugged terrain; and recovery using snatch block, snatch strap and winch. http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/	Check profarm website		\$480
Quad bike Handling (AHCMOM212A) Quad bike Handling (AHCMOM212A) A 1½-day practical introduction to safe and efficient riding skills under varying conditions for four-wheel all terrain vehicles. Covers both novice and advanced technical skills and riding strategies. Instruction on how to conduct basic maintenance checks included. http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/	Check profarm website		\$455
Advance Diploma in Conservation and Land Management ELECTIVE UNITS AHCBUS602A Review land management plans and strategies AHCBUS608A Manage risk BSBFIM501A Manage budgets and financial plans BSBMGT617A Develop and implement a business plan BSBHRM604A Manage employee relations PSPPOL603A Manage policy implementation PUAFIR601B Develop and administer agency policy, procedures and practices AHCCCF601A Map regional issues and stakeholders AHCILM601A Manage cultural processes in an Indigenous organisation AHCLPW601A Coordinate the preparation of a regional resource management plan AHCWRK511A Develop workplace policy and procedures for sustainability AHCWRK601A Monitor projects in a program	2012-2013	Anywhere in NSW	TBA*
Diploma in Conservation and Land Management /Pest Mgt The Diploma of Conservation and Land Management reflects the role of personnel working in management positions with technical level skill in land management roles. Job roles and titles vary across different industry sectors. Possible job titles relevant to this qualification include: Lands, parks and wildlife manager Senior Ranger Pest management manager	2012-2013	Anywhere in NSW	ТВА
Certificate IV in Conservation and Land Management This qualification allows individuals to develop post-trade skills and knowledge to become specialists within the conservation and land management industry. This qualification enables a selection of units from indigenous land management, natural area restoration, conservation earthworks or lands, parks and wildlife to create a general qualification as a job focus. * Depends on Funding – To obtain subsidised courses we need	2012-2013	Anywhere in NSW	TBA

* Depends on Funding – To obtain subsidised courses we need to apply for each individual region. This happens mid year and in February. Register your interest to be placed on the waiting list for the next round of funding.







Courses held on demand		Cost #
Certificate III in Weed Management traineeship for new employees – for new employees – ring for the brochure – funding available.	Anywhere in NSW in 2012	TBA
Biological Control of Weeds (AHCPMG303A, AHCPMG304A) 1-day workshop including a field trip at Certificate III level This workshop is designed for people interested in biological control of weeds. It covers the history of biological control in Australia and methods used. It concentrates on the practice behind site assessment, maintaining and releasing biological control agents and establishing a nursery site for bio-control agents with a view to harvesting the agent.	Training held on demand	\$315
What does your garden grow? – Train the Trainer 1-day workshop - Non-certificate A trainer-the-trainer course to equip weeds professionals to educate their community how weeds spread; how to manage weeds in their garden and the importance of growing less weedy plants for the benefits of the environment.	Training held on demand	\$225
Native Plant and Weed Look-alikes (AHCPCM201A) A Certificate II level 1-day workshop on how to recognise and distinguish between common native plants and environmental weeds of coastal NSW. Includes copies of books <i>Native Plant or Weed?</i>	Training held on demand	\$220
Paddock Plants (AHCPCM201A) This non certificate half to 1-day workshop involves a field walk with a district agronomist and/or senior weeds officer where different plants are identified and their importance and management discussed	Training held on demand	\$30-\$60
Vertebrate Pest Management (AHCVPT306A, AHCPMG402A, AHCVPT303A) The five-day workshop provides entry level training in vertebrate pest management for both agricultural protection and conservation. The course includes pest animal biology, behaviour and control. Participants will work through practical pest control issues, problem solving and control techniques. Participants are also instructed in the development of a pest animal management plan. Prioritised for Vertebrate Pest Authorised Control Officers.		\$1485

- ★ Cost is based on minimum course numbers. Course may be cancelled if insufficient numbers of enrolments occur. Cost may vary in the second half of 2012.
- # Cost may vary on number of participants and the location training is held.

To register please email the <u>registration form</u> to: <u>weeds.training@dpi.nsw.gov.au</u>

If you have specific training needs for your organisation, we can tailor training to meet your requirements.

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