

## Issue: 2.7 Cat Management (Domestic and Feral)

### Objective(s):

- Develop and implement a holistic cat management plan for the city

Strategy	Lead Agency and Key Partners	Timeframe	Performance Indicators/ Desired Outcomes
<p>2.7.1</p> <p>Develop a cat management plan in collaboration with stakeholders to: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• improve the community's awareness of the direct and indirect effects of cat ownership</li> <li>• promote responsible pet ownership to cat owners in Townsville</li> <li>• link to the local pest management planning and feral cat control program with priority on areas with tourism and ecological significance e.g. Town Common and Wetlands.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Environmental Health</b></li> <li>• Environmental Protection Agency</li> <li>• National Parks and Wildlife</li> <li>• RSPCA</li> </ul> <p><u>Stakeholders</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of Natural Resources and Mines</li> <li>• HESROC NQ</li> <li>• Pet shops</li> <li>• Feline Associations</li> <li>• Breeding associations</li> <li>• Landcare</li> <li>• NaREF</li> </ul>	<p>Short</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cat Management Plan endorsed and accepted by the community.</li> <li>• Health promotion programs implemented - new cat local laws</li> <li>• Plan developed to increase awareness cat owners of obligations</li> <li>• Feral cats considered for declaration as a Class 2 Pest Species within a Local Pest Management Plan</li> <li>• Implementation of a Local Pest Management Plan for feral cats</li> <li>• Reduction of feral cat numbers in priority areas</li> <li>• Reduction of predation of wild life in the priority areas</li> </ul>
<p>2.7.2</p> <p>Research feral cat populations across geographical and measure the ecological impacts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Environmental Health</b></li> <li>• <b>Townsville City Council Environmental Management Services</b></li> <li>• James Cook University</li> </ul>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on feral cat impacts and status of zero tolerance policy</li> </ul>





# HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS Issue: 2.7 Cat Management (Domestic and Feral)

Strategy	Lead Agency and Key Partners	Timeframe	Performance Indicators/ Desired Outcomes
2.7.2			

- Department of Primary Industries Stakeholders
- Environmental Protection Agency
- National Parks and Wildlife
- Department of Natural Resources and Mines
- Land protection board
- RSPCA and refuges
- Feline Associations
- Breeding associations
- HESROC Councils
- Local Government Association of Queensland
- Landcare
- NaREF
- Department of Defence
- Environment Australia