# Protecting Biodiversity & Enhancing Remnant Vegetation



Sponsored group, Wellington Vale Pest Control Group, will undertake this project with the sponsorship of GLENRAC Incorporated. This project will reduce threats to biodiversity in the local area, especially areas of significant roadside vegetation, by undertaking control of weeds on roadsides and some areas of private land. This project will reduce the threats to threatened and endangered species and ecological communities in the project area. Work will be undertaken to control weeds such as Tree of Heaven, Broad Leaf Privet, Pyrocanthus and feral fruit trees to prevent their further spread.

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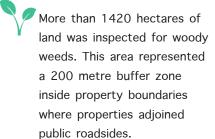
#### PROJECT OUTCOMES

- 1. To maintain and improve services through sustainable management of local and regional landscapes and;
- 2. Increase engagement and participation of the community, including Landcare, farmers and Indigenous people, in sustainable natural resource management.



### **BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT**

Weed control works will contribute to protecting the identified high & medium conservation value areas of roadside native vegetation (as per Glen Innes Severn Shire Council's Roadside Vegetation Survey). Many of these areas contain Threatened Ecological Communities including Yellow-White Box Grassy Woodlands.



Control of woody weeds was undertaken across Summer and Autumn 2016.

24 landholders attended Pests & Weeds Field Day at Tent Hill on 18th November 2015, with presenters from New England Weeds Authority, Northern Tablelands Local Land Services and GLENRAC.

The project engaged 17 landholders in the Wellington Vale area in weed control activities.

20 road side signs distributed to raise awareness of woody weeds.



### **LESSONS WE LEARNT**

GLENRAC will continue to engage landholders in activities to protect and enhance the roadside areas of high and medium conservation value native vegetation.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**



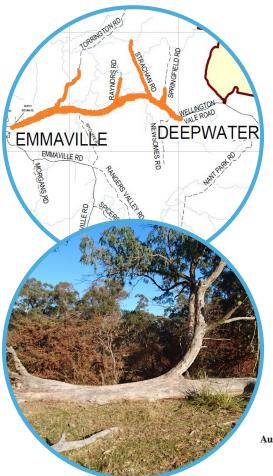
New England Weeds Authority



Phillip Duddy - weed site inspections



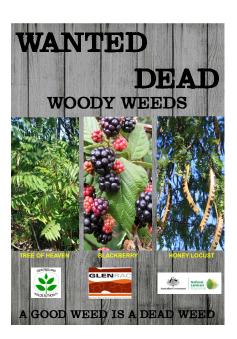
Richo's Spraying & Shooting – weed control activities



## NEXT STEP?

An Action Plan for the next 12 months will be developed for the Wellington Vale Pest group to continue to address priority issues such as weed control and pest animal management.

GLENRAC will continue to seek funding to assist landholders with weed and pest animal management to maintain a buffer between private land and roadside areas of high & medium conservation value



Road side signs – ongoing community awareness raising



Glenrac shared Christine Davis's post.

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