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9 February 2013

SFAG representatives attended a Public Information Forum at Woodridge convened by the Shire of Gingin and Dr David Cook.

Dr Cook demonstrated stable fly traps and various methods of stable fly control measures, particularly in a domestic situation.

SFAG Chairman Bob Wilson also addressed the gathering on the SFAG's participation in the RRG for input into the draft Stable Fly Management Plan, and the concerns SFAG has regarding the role of local government.

Shire of Gingin Cr Alderson reminded the gathering to keep reporting their infestations to the Shire.

17 January 2013

SFAG representatives met with new Shire of Gingin CEO Jeremy Edwards, Ranger Alan Brown and EHO Ron Boucher to discuss:

- The Stable Fly Management Plan under the BAM Act and the intended role of local government under the Plan
- Reporting procedures and dealing with sf complaints in the Shire of Gingin, particularly over the Christmas holiday period
- Transfer of sf management to Shire Rangers from Dr Cook
- Public liability insurance

Sh of Gingin CEO undertook to :

- Improve reporting via the Shire website and provide better responses and feedback to complainants
- Improve communication to the community by providing quarterly reports to all the community newsletters, including the SFAG RAG
- Provide a public education forum on the sf issue and what the Shire is doing to alleviate it
- Training of shire rangers in sf identification, management and control

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SFAG wrote to Megan Hevron, Senior Policy Office Invasive Species, Agricultural Resource Risk Management, DAFWA citing concerns regarding the role and responsibilities of Local Government in the implementation of the Stable Fly Management Plan under the BAM Act, and how offences and penalties will be provided for in the legislation.