



Media Release

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DEAD TREE REMOVAL PROGRAM TENTERFIELD RU 5 AREA

Council, at the Ordinary Council Meeting held Wednesday, 24 June 2020, resolved that quotations be sought for the removal of 155 trees out of the 1,034 Expressions of Interest (EoI) received by Council for the Dead Tree Removal Program, Tenterfield RU5 area.

"Grant funding of \$85,000 provided under the *National Bushfire Recovery Grant* meant that not all EoI's were successful", Mayor Peter Petty said.

"Councillors and staff carefully considered all applications with the trees nominated for removal meeting the following criteria:

- Within a bushfire prone area;
- Height of the tree; and
- Risk Factors.

Council will now proceed to seek quotations for removal of the selected trees and determine a contractor. Once awarded the project, the contractor will liaise directly with the owners of the selected trees to arrange removal and disposal leaving the stump (and in some instances the felled trees) as advised by the owners', Mayor Petty added.

Quotations will be evaluated and should the budget is exhausted prior to the full list of 155 trees being completed or if there is additional budget allocated, the next tree on the list will be added or removed as required, until such time that all monies have been spent.

Applicants who have registered their interest for the Dead Tree Removal Program will receive correspondence from Council by August 2020, confirming the status of their tree/s.

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