Management Plan

In conjunction with the actions outlined in this brochure Council has prepared a management plan for the 2013—2014 season.

This plan outlines how Little Corellas impact the community and provides details on the proposed future management of these impacts.

In particular the plan details previous actions undertaken by Council and the new actions to be trialled by Council in 2013—2014

This plan will evolve as actions are trialled and new information becomes available.

The Flinders Ranges Council Little Corella Management Plan 2013—2014 can be viewed on the Council web site.



This brochure has been produced to provide our community with information regarding the management of Little Corellas and actions being undertaken by The Flinders Ranges Council.

For further information please contact the Council on the details listed below.

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Little Corella Management



Council Actions



Little Corellas can cause damage, distress and frustration for some residents when the birds form large flocks. In recent years Council has become more pro active in addressing management of this issue along with lobbying of the State Government..

Management actions continue to evolve and are dependent upon the community being involved.

The Flinders Ranges Council will be continuing to coordinate the management of Little Corellas in areas where they are causing damage and distress. The actions within this brochure are being used by Council staff to manage Little Corellas. These will work more effectively if private landholders coordinate actions on their land with the actions taken by Council.

SURVEY DATA SHEETS

Council staff will monitor the feeding and roosting areas as the birds arrive in the district. An important part of any Little Corella control program is understanding their behaviour.

To have an effective management approach it is necessary to know where the flocks are roosting, where they are feeding, and how they move about during the day. All of this information will help determine if the current management approach is having an effect.

The Flinders Ranges Council has Little Corella Survey Sheets available for residents to record information. The information gathered will be used to refine and improve the Little Corella management program.

Residents are encourage to complete the survey sheets and return to Council to ensure the collection of accurate data.



GAS GUN

Council will use a gas gun to scare the birds away from certain locations.

The gas gun is similar to the type used in vineyards and orchards. It periodically fires and startles any birds that are nearby. The gas gun is not lethal as it fires no projectiles. The gas gun will be placed in non urban areas where flocks of birds are causing disturbance.



STROBE

LIGHTS and high po

Strobe lights, flashing white lights and high powered torch lights have been found to be an effective deterrent for the birds. Residents are encouraged to disturb roosting areas with the use of the flashing lights are they make the birds uncomfortable and will leave the roosting site.

DISTURBANCE EVENTS

Subject to volunteer and SAPOL involvement Council will coordinate disturbance events in an attempt to move the flocks from traditional roosting and feeding areas.

Please contact the Council office if you are able to be involved.

(please refer to contact details in brochure)