MEDIA ALERT

21 May 2018

FORBES AREA RESIDENTS INVITED TO HAVE THEIR SAY ON NATIONAL CARP CONTROL PLAN

Community Briefing Meeting to be held on Wednesday 30 May 6pm-8pm

What: The National Carp Control Plan (NCCP) team, together with NSW DPI Fisheries and Central West Local land Services, will host an information evening for Forbes residents next week to discuss carp control options, focusing on the use of a species-specific virus known as Cyprinid herpesvirus 3 (the carp virus) as a biocontrol agent.

The evening will provide residents with an opportunity to contribute feedback on the proposed plan and to ensure risks associated with carp biocontrol are identified and mitigated.

Australian Government to make well-informed decisions on carp control in late 2018.

This event is one of more than 40 community briefing sessions that will be held in NSW, Victoria, South Australia, the ACT, Queensland and Western Australia in coming months.

When: 6pm-8pm, Wednesday 30 May

Where: Forbes Inn Hotel, 43 Rankin Street, Forbes

Why: The event is an opportunity for Forbes residents to hear about proposed carp biocontrol measures first-hand from the NCCP and Victoria’s NCCP state lead as well as contribute feedback to the plan.

Interview Opportunities: Interview Opportunities are available in the lead up to the event and on the day. Media are also invited to attend the Community Briefing Meeting. Interviewees include:

- Matt Barwick, National Carp Control Plan, National Coordinator
- Craig Ingram, National Carp Control Plan, State Director (Victoria)

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