



## Parliamentary Budget Office - Election Policy Costing

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Referred By: Australian Labor Party

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Proposal Title: War on Weeds and Pests

Cluster: Industry

### General Government Sector Impacts

	2018-19 \$'000	2019-20 \$'000	2020-21 \$'000	2021-22 \$'000	4 year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)	-	12,500	12,500	12,500	37,500
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Operating Balance:</b>	-	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(37,500)</b>

Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Capital Expenditure:</b>	-	-	-	-	-

<b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b>	-	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(37,500)</b>
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### Total State Sector Impacts

<b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b>	-	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(12,500)</b>	<b>(37,500)</b>
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### Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes to allocate \$50 million over four years from 2019-20, for public land management agencies to manage weeds and pests, and to establish an Independent Weeds Committee. The policy specifies that the allocation will be evenly spread between 2019-20 and 2022-23.

The PBO estimates that the total cost of the policy is \$37.5 million over the forward estimates and \$50.0 million by 2022-23. In addition, the costing assumes the allocation will be to the Department of Primary Industries, which is the lead agency for coordinating pest and weed management across NSW.