

# City of Joondalup Staff and Contractors Pathogen Hygiene Procedure

All City staff and contractors are responsible for avoiding the spread of pathogens to protect the natural environment. This procedure is in accordance with the City of Joondalup *Pathogen Management Plan* and applies to City parks, urban landscaping areas and natural areas.

# Clean-down procedures should be undertaken when conducting

- · Works that disturb soil
- Tree pruning

# Clean-down procedures consist of the following steps

- 1. Before entering the site, clean footwear, clothing, tools, equipment and vehicle to remove all soil and plant materials.
- 2. Conduct site activities.
- 3. Brush-down footwear, clothing, tools, equipment and vehicles within the site compound area or in the immediate vicinity of construction works to remove all soil and plant materials.
- 4. Exit the site.

Note: A vehicle washdown bay is available for use at the City of Joondalup Works Operation Centre. Contact your City representative for access.

## General pathogen hygiene principles for on-site activities:

### Parks and Urban Landscaping Areas

- In pathogen identified areas, avoid pruning trees during wet conditions where possible.
- Avoid damaging the trunk of trees when mowing or trimming.
- When walking on site, remain on paths and avoid bushland or vegetated areas where possible and/or practical.
- If accessing site with a vehicle, remain on formalised tracks or areas demarcated for vehicle access.
- Avoid water draining into bushland and vegetated areas.

 Use mulch that is certified pathogen free to the relevant Australian Standard (AS4454) and source plants from nurseries compliant with Nursery Industry Accreditation Scheme Australia (NIASA), where possible.

#### **Natural Areas Bushland**

- Works should commence in non-pathogen identified areas first and in known or suspected pathogen identified areas last.
- Avoid conducting works and accessing site in wet conditions, where possible.
- If accessing site with a vehicle, remain on formalised tracks or areas demarcated for vehicle access.
- When walking on site, remain on paths and avoid bushland or vegetated areas where possible and/or practical.
- In pathogen identified area, avoid pruning trees during wet conditions, where possible.
- Minimise water use in bushland and vegetated areas.
- Avoid water draining into bushland and vegetated areas.
- Use mulch that is certified pathogen free to the relevant Australian Standard (AS4454) and source plants from nurseries compliant with Nursery Industry Accreditation Scheme Australia (NIASA), where possible.

For any queries, please contact the Environmental Development Coordinator or email enviro@joondalup.wa.gov.au.