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Trapping knowledge for wild dog and fox control

A one day workshop on wild dog and fox trapping will be held by the Queensland Murray-Darling Committee (QMDC) and Biosecurity Queensland in Roma on 3 November.

The workshop, which will include information about satellite tracking data, animal behaviour, trap types, preparing and setting traps, and lures, will be held at the RSL Hall to help communities address rising wild dog and fox numbers.

"There has been a lot of on-ground research over the past few years, looking at wild dog behaviour and the most effective trapping methods for the region," said QMDC's Shane Cartwright.

"The workshop will use a lot of this information, and provide some practical demonstrations for setting traps, to help the community control wild dogs and foxes," he said.

Dog and fox numbers have been increasing over past years, preying on stock and native fauna in the region. "We've also heard anecdotal reports that a lot of the knowledge about which trapping methods work best is getting lost, impacting on our ability to control these problem animals," said Shane.

"As a result, QMDC and Biosecurity Queensland organised this workshop for property owners and members of the public to rebuild knowledge and skills in trapping vertebrate pests," he said.

The workshop will start at 8.30am on 3 November, at the Roma RSL Hall. Registration will be \$190 per person, for materials and catering. People interested in attending can contact Angela Betts at QMDC's Roma office on 07 4622 8446.

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