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Cane Toad Trap Rebates Near 500

Parks and Wildlife Minister Marion Scrymgour today asked Territorians to continue to Save Our Suburbs by purchasing a Cane Toad Trap and claiming the \$30 Territory Government rebate.

Ms Scrymgour said 500 Territorians had claimed their \$30 rebates for purchases of approved cane toad traps since the rebate scheme was introduced 12 months ago – a pre election promise.

“The NT Government is committed to protecting our wonderful biodiversity and natural environment which Territorians enjoy so much – and which form the basis of our brilliant lifestyle,” Ms Scrymgour said.

Ms Scrymgour said the support from the public in taking advantage of the \$30 cane toad trap rebate had been outstanding, with around \$15,000 handed back to Territorians.

“But more Territorians can join the fight to help Save Our Suburbs by taking advantage of this \$30 rebate scheme.

“The rebate is available when Territorians purchase a cane toad trap that’s approved by the Parks and Wildlife Service.

“Trapping is one of the best ways to reduce toad numbers and help Save Our Suburbs from invasion of this unwanted pest.”

Ms Scrymgour said the continuation of the \$30 rebate scheme was part of the recently launched SOS: Save Our Suburbs campaign to stop the toads’ advance this Wet season.

As part of the SOS: Save Our Suburbs campaign, local toad busting organisation FrogWatch has also been given a further \$150,000 to continue its community based awareness campaigns.

“The NT Government has spent more than \$1.2 million in funding the fight against cane toads, including funding Frogwatch for community based awareness programs, and the Island Ark program” Ms Scrymgour said.

“Top End residents should heed FrogWatch’s call for Toad Muster volunteers in your local area and reduce the numbers of toads around our water bodies.”

“Territorians from all walks of life have demonstrated their determination in preventing the further spread, and possibly eradicating this toxic pest – but the fight isn’t over.

The rebate is available of approved cane toad traps, which can be purchased through several suppliers around Darwin and in remote areas.

Rebates can be claimed at offices in Palmerston, Katherine and Nhulunbuy.

For more information on where to purchase traps and how to claim the rebate visit www.canetoads.nt.gov.au

