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**SLOPES: Greening Australia - Volunteer alpine weed program summer 2019-20**


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SLOPES &lt;slopes.au@gmail.com&gt;

1 October 2019 at 16:49

Bcc: frank.zipfinger@gmail.com

Dear SLOPES Members and Associates

The emails below from Greening Australia are forwarded for your information.

Also below is an email which SLOPES sought from NPWS confirming in respect of the program that:

*This is a continuation of the Alpine Weed detection program that NPWS have been in partnership with Greening Australia (GA) since 2013*

Any Club or individual interested in participating (whether as a volunteer or providing accommodation) is asked to contact the email senders.

Regards

Frank Zipfinger  
President  
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**GREENING AUSTRALIA EMAIL #1**

From: **Ben Hanrahan** <BHanrahan@greeningaustralia.org.au>  
Date: Tue, Aug 27, 2019 at 2:46 PM  
Subject: Attn Lucille: Volunteer alpine weed program summer 2019-20  
To: [slopes.au@gmail.com](mailto:slopes.au@gmail.com) <[slopes.au@gmail.com](mailto:slopes.au@gmail.com)>

Hi Lucille,

Following on from our conversation last Thursday (22/8), I am writing to let you know about a volunteer weed control program we are delivering this year in conjunction with NSW NPWS in the alpine areas of Kosciusko National Park.

Since 2013 we have been taking volunteers up to survey and control weeds in the alpine areas of Kosciusko National Park. The program initially focussed on surveying the walking tracks and service roads that provide the most common routes for dispersal of weeds in the alpine areas. Since this time volunteers have been undertaking weed control (using chemicals) often along the main range trail and summit road and surveying for Mouse Ear Hawk Weed in the Strzelecki catchment. We will be continuing the program for the 2019-20 season taking a couple of teams of volunteers up every month looking to continue the weed control and surveying works.

We are hoping you might be able to assist us in two ways:

1. Promotion of the program amongst your members to possibly be involved in the program as volunteers – This year we are planning one trip every month (December – March) for a week. Volunteers will likely be involved in weed control and some surveying work. We will be able to provide more detail for this by the end of September, and let people know the dates of trips, what their commitments would be and other details of the trips.
2. Assistance with sourcing accommodation – NPWS have a lot of work occurring in the park this summer and the usual accommodation is not available. We will have a number of groups of staff and volunteers working each month from December -March, there would be a total of 12 people per month spread over 1-2 weeks per month. Some months groups may be camping or staying in backcountry huts so there may be less people requiring accommodation.

If you would be able to discuss this with your team and let me know what other information you may need to share amongst you members that would be most appreciated.

Regards,

Ben Hanrahan

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\*\*Please note our new office number\*\*



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**GREENING AUSTRALIA EMAIL #2**

From: **Ben Hanrahan** <[BHanrahan@greeningaustralia.org.au](mailto:BHanrahan@greeningaustralia.org.au)>  
Date: Thu, Sep 5, 2019 at 9:05 AM  
Subject: RE: Attn Lucille: Volunteer alpine weed program summer 2019-20  
To: SLOPES <[slopes.au@gmail.com](mailto:slopes.au@gmail.com)>

Thanks Lucille,

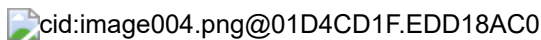
The Chemical is glyphosate (Roundup). We use very small volumes of it (average of 100ml a day watered down to 10L), participants will be offered training (Basic Chemcert) and all Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be supplied , with a big focus being on safe handling.

Feel free to let me know if you have any other questions.

Regards,

Ben

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**NPWS EMAIL**

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**From:** Mel Schroder <[Mel.Schroder@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Mel.Schroder@environment.nsw.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 6 September 2019 10:55 AM  
**Cc:** Ben greeningaustralia <[bengreeningaustralia@gmail.com](mailto:bengreeningaustralia@gmail.com)>; Tim Greville <[Tim.Greville@environment.nsw](mailto:Tim.Greville@environment.nsw).

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**Subject:** RE: Attn Lucille: Volunteer alpine weed program summer 2019-20

This is a continuation of the Alpine Weed detection program that NPWS have been in partnership with Greening Australia (GA) since 2013. Most of the work will involve re-survey (walking) for high priority weeds in the main range/other remote high altitude areas. All volunteers will have a GA supervisor and be provided with training. Only volunteers who are interested, are provided with training and receive appropriate qualifications will use herbicides. The work will be linked in with some of our other weed control programs for Hawkweed and Willow control.

Regards

Mel



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