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The Department of Conservation and Land Management carries out 1080 fox baiting operations on around 3.5



million hectares of land it manages under the wildlife recovery program Western Shield. This program is working to bring native animals back from the brink of extinction by controlling introduced predators such as the European Red Fox. The baiting operations extend from Karratha to east of Esperance.

1080 is poisonous to humans and will kill domestic cats and dogs.

Dog owners please be aware that all State Forest, national parks and nature reserves are baited four or more times a year and must be considered dangerous areas for pet dogs and cats at all times.

Please leave your pets at home or prevent them from entering baited areas. Pets are not allowed in national parks. 1080 baits are made of meat and are extremely attractive to dogs. The baits will tempt both well-trained dogs and fussy eaters. If you suspect your dog has taken a bait, induce vomiting and immediately seek veterinary attention.

Neighbours please be aware that it is legal for the Department or other neighbours to bait as close as 20 metres from your boundary and as close as 100 metres from your dwelling. Dogs can travel these distances very quickly.

All baited areas are signposted and advertisements are placed in local newspapers - please observe 1080 warning signs.

For further information please contact your local Department of Conservation and Land Management office.

