



DOG FENCE B O A R D

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Quarterly Report from the Dog Fence Board on the activities of the Inspector of Dog Fences

August 2017-November 2017

Fence inspection

Inspections of the fence were conducted in both the Frome and Marree sections during this period (Figure 1). The Inspector of Fences also spent considerable time coordinating the movement of containers (see below under Assets).

Fence maintenance

Unless stated below, the fence in the Frome and Marree sections is in good condition and will keep wild dogs from crossing to the south.

Muloorina fence

- The upgrade is progressing well but still to be completed. This will be done by contractors.

Marree fence

- General maintenance undertaken.
- The fence section 2 kilometres east of the mail road required more extensive repairs:
 - Cattle had been pushing under the fence at the watercourse;
 - Sand had accumulated in places, and was cleared by a contractor;
 - The damaged fence was removed;
 - A re-build of the fence was completed by a contractor.
- The fence section 2.2 kilometres west of the Old Crow's Nest Bore was too low:
 - The top of the fence was extended to increase the height – completed by a contractor;
 - Wild dogs had been digging under the fence opposite the BHP camp. A trench was dug under the fence by a contractor, mesh attached to the bottom of the fence and buried into the ground.

Moolawatana fence

- The upgrade to the Moolawatana fence is progressing well and has reached the Frome Gate. The upgrade should be completed by the end of November.

The location of these fence sections is shown in Figure 1.

Baiting

- Baiting was undertaken at Roxby Downs, Wilgina, Coober Pedy, Farina and Wertaloona.



Personnel

- A contractor has been replaced to do extra work on the Frome section of the fence.
- There is a new patrolman for Marree.

Assets

- Four containers of mesh were received at the end of August. The containers were transported to Moolawatana over a three week period.
- Three empty containers were collected, one each from Moolawatana, Muloorina and Wooltana. One of these was re-stocked with materials and transport to Penong.
- A container was delivered to Wertaloona with materials for an upgrade to the fence in this area.
- Container huts were delivered to Mabel Creek and Mt Eba. These are containers that have been converted to provide refuge for patrolmen and other people working along the fence. They are supported by a water tank and fuel supplies, but also allow for storage of fencing materials. The Mt Eba container hut will serve two patrolmen.



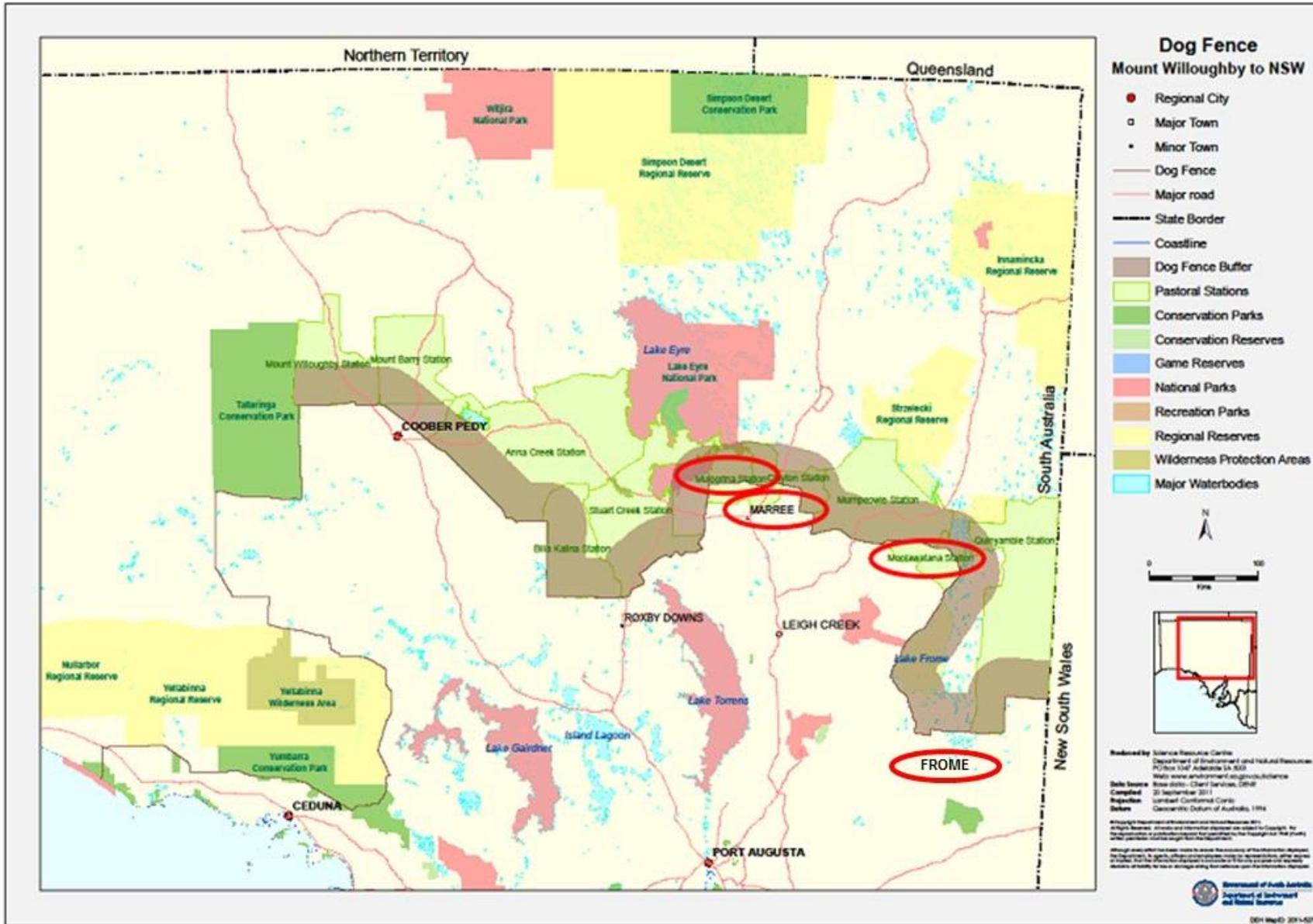


Figure 1: Sections of the Dog Fence mentioned in this report are circled in red.

