

Guideline for Consents & Permits

PII Resource Kit for Invasive Plant Management



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PURPOSE

- These Guidelines are to be used by Project Managers conducting invasive species management projects based on the PII Project Process.
- The Guidelines cover advice on securing legal consents and other permits to undertake operations on project sites.
- You may also need informal permissions or consents from landowners or others.

1. GENERAL

- You may need legal approvals from government or regulatory departments/agencies (for example, importation and use of hazardous goods (toxicants/herbicides)), and non-legal approvals from others (for example, accessways, wharves, etc.).
- Some approvals can take a long time, i.e. many years, start applying for approvals as soon as possible.
- Some consents and permits will involve fees and you will need to budget for them.
- And make sure you get the correct consents with some flexibility around conditions, as reapplying for consents can take extra time and more costs.
- You will need to consider National and district/local laws when seeking approvals.
- The legal approvals and application process will vary from country to country, and even among districts within a country
- Legal approvals will vary from project to project and will depend on the details of the target species and management techniques.
- Given the differences from country to country and between projects it is difficult to produce a definitive list of consents required before a project starts – seek advice from other implementing agencies and technical advisors on their experiences.
- Non-legal consents from communities and landowners etc will be included in the stakeholder engagement part of the project.