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Call for national management plan on wild dogs

For the first time, agriculture research body ABARES has compiled an integrated report on the economic, social and environmental costs of increasing wild dog numbers.

The study's been welcomed by the Invasive Animals Co-operative Research Centre, which is developing a national strategy to deal with the problem.

Wild dog facilitator Greg Mifsud says the study formally acknowledges how tough wild dog management can be for farmers.

Chief scientist Kim Ritman says it paints a significant picture of the wider impact wild dogs have on communities.



IMAGE: THE SCALPS OF WILD DOGS KILLED BY DOGGER, DON SALLWAY, HANG FROM A FENCE ON A PROPERTY IN SOUTH-WEST QUEENSLAND, AUGUST 2013. (ABC NEWS: GIULIO SAGGIN)

<http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/busstelegraph/wild-dogs/5418456>