

# Genetically Modified Organisms Policy

## 1 Document Information

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## 2 Summary

Cabonne Council as a policy statement strongly disagrees with growing Genetically Modified crops.

## 3 Approvals

Title	Date Approved	Signature
Director of Environmental Services		

## 4 History

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## 5 Reason

Pursuant to an information night held in 2001 the majority view of farmers and graziers present was that Council oppose Genetically Modified Organisms Field Trials of Canola being held in Cabonne LGA and recommend that Cabonne Council say no to Trials in this district.

## 6 Scope

Council has no regulatory powers in relation to what crops are grown therefore its resolved opposition is limited to making opposing submissions to the regulatory body and lobbying.

## 7 Associated Legislation

## 8 Definitions

LGA – Local Government Area

## 9 Responsibilities

### 9.1 General Manager

The General Manager is responsible for the overall control and implementation of the policy.

### 9.2 Directors and Managers

Directors and Managers are responsible for the control of the policy and procedures within their area of responsibility.

## 10 Related Documents

Document Name	Document Location

## 11 Policy Statement

That Cabonne Council as a matter of policy reject the field trialling of genetically modified crops until:

- (i) Further research is undertaken on the science of genetic modification and its broader implications.
- (ii) Regulations are developed for any Fields Trials.
- (iii) A full community Consultation and Debate is undertaken by the State and Federal Governments.