Title	Describe, prepare for, and carry out inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring		
Level	3	Credits	15

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe workplace procedures and contract requirements for inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring; prepare for inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring; undertake a rural pest animal population monitoring field inspection, record results, and submit reports; and collect, maintain, and store equipment from the inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring operation.

Classification	Pest Management > Pest Monitoring

Available grade	Achieved

Guidance Information

1   Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
- Animal Welfare Act 1999;
- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
  and any subsequent amendments.

2   Definitions
Contract – the monitoring contract that the monitoring contractor is engaged under. The contract will specify a range of requirements that have been agreed between the monitoring contractor and the principal or client. The principal or client may be a local authority, government department, or a private organisation.
Predator – mustelid, rodents, and feral cats.
Rural pest animal refers to possums, rabbits, predators and avian pests.
Workplace procedures – the documented policies and practices for safety and procedures within a particular worksite and are consistent with equipment manufacturers' guidelines; site signage; and company health and safety plans. This includes all best practice guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) as set out by industry groups such as - Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), and Department of Conservation (DOC).

3   For the purposes of assessment:
- evidence for the practical components of this unit standard must be supplied from the workplace.
- evidence must be presented in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe workplace procedures and contract requirements for inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring.

Performance criteria

1.1 Describe workplace procedures and contract requirements in terms of the purpose in inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring.

1.2 Describe inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring in terms of a selected inspection technique.

Outcome 2

Prepare for inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring.

Performance criteria

2.1 Prepare materials as required for the inspection type and contract requirements.

2.2 Arrange access to and obtain permits for the field site.

2.3 Determine prevailing weather conditions and implications for pest monitoring operations.

Outcome 3

Undertake a rural pest animal population monitoring field inspection, record results, and submit reports.

Performance criteria

3.1 Collect observational and inspection data.

3.2 Record monitoring information.

3.3 Complete and submit reports in accordance with contract requirements.

Outcome 4

Collect, maintain, and store equipment from the inspection based rural pest animal population monitoring operation.

Performance criteria

4.1 Collect all equipment from the inspection based monitoring operation.

4.2 Check and carry out any required maintenance on equipment.

4.3   Store equipment.

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Comments on this unit standard

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