



City of Blue Mountains

The City within a National Park

A new weed control & education project was launched today in the Blue Mountains through the CRCs Weed Warriors program. 18 school children from the Megalong Valley (that's the entire school ages 5-12 years) went out & collected about 1,000 crown boring weevils from an established colony in nearby Lithgow to attack the Paterson's Curse plague in their valley.

The collection & release is followed up with relevant lessons & classroom participation from local weed officers & landowners. Ongoing monitoring of the site by the school will gauge the success of the bugs as a weed management tool.

The kids are really engaged & we now have another potential weed management technique operating in the valley.

At the end of the program we have a presentation of certificates to participants from the school & local community & a sign for the school gate.

This is a great program!