

Equine Influenza Outbreak

Community Information Meeting



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Overview of Meeting

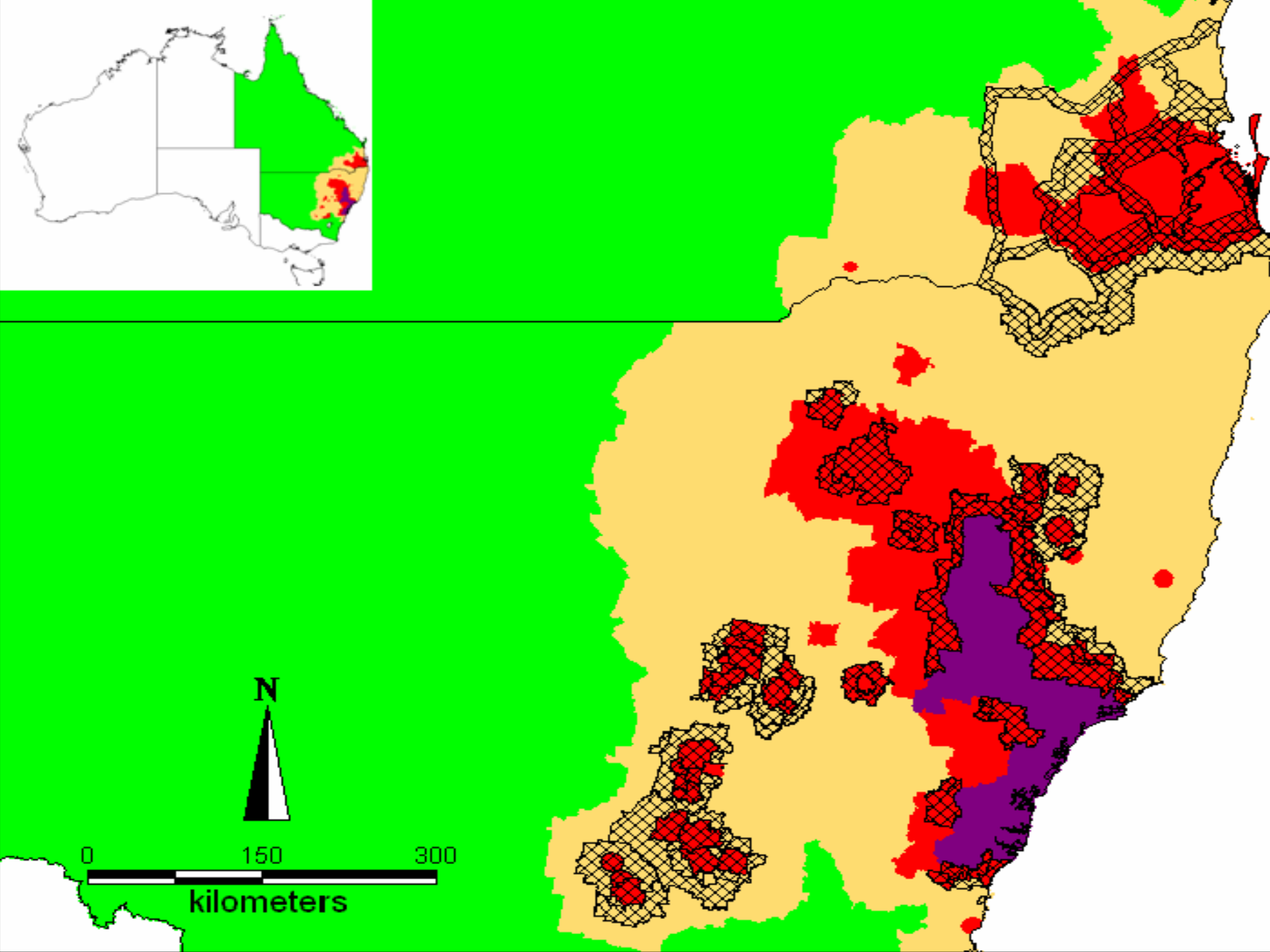
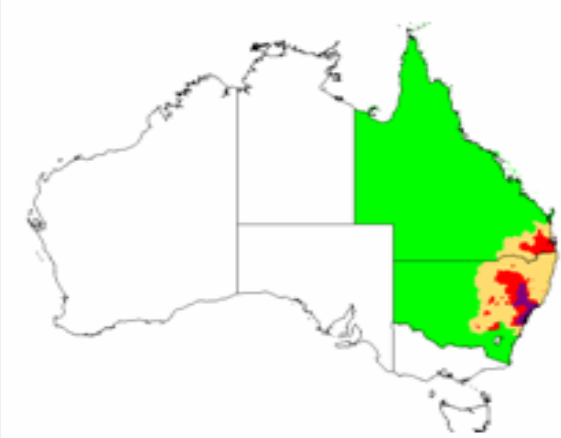
- **EI – what is it?**
- **How did it get here & how does it spread?**
- **Clinical signs and effects**
- **Testing for EI & caring for sick horses**
- **EI Response – State & National**
- **Current status of spread**
- **Current zoning**
- **Vaccinations**
- **Disinfection & on-farm biosecurity**
- **Q&A**

The Meetings

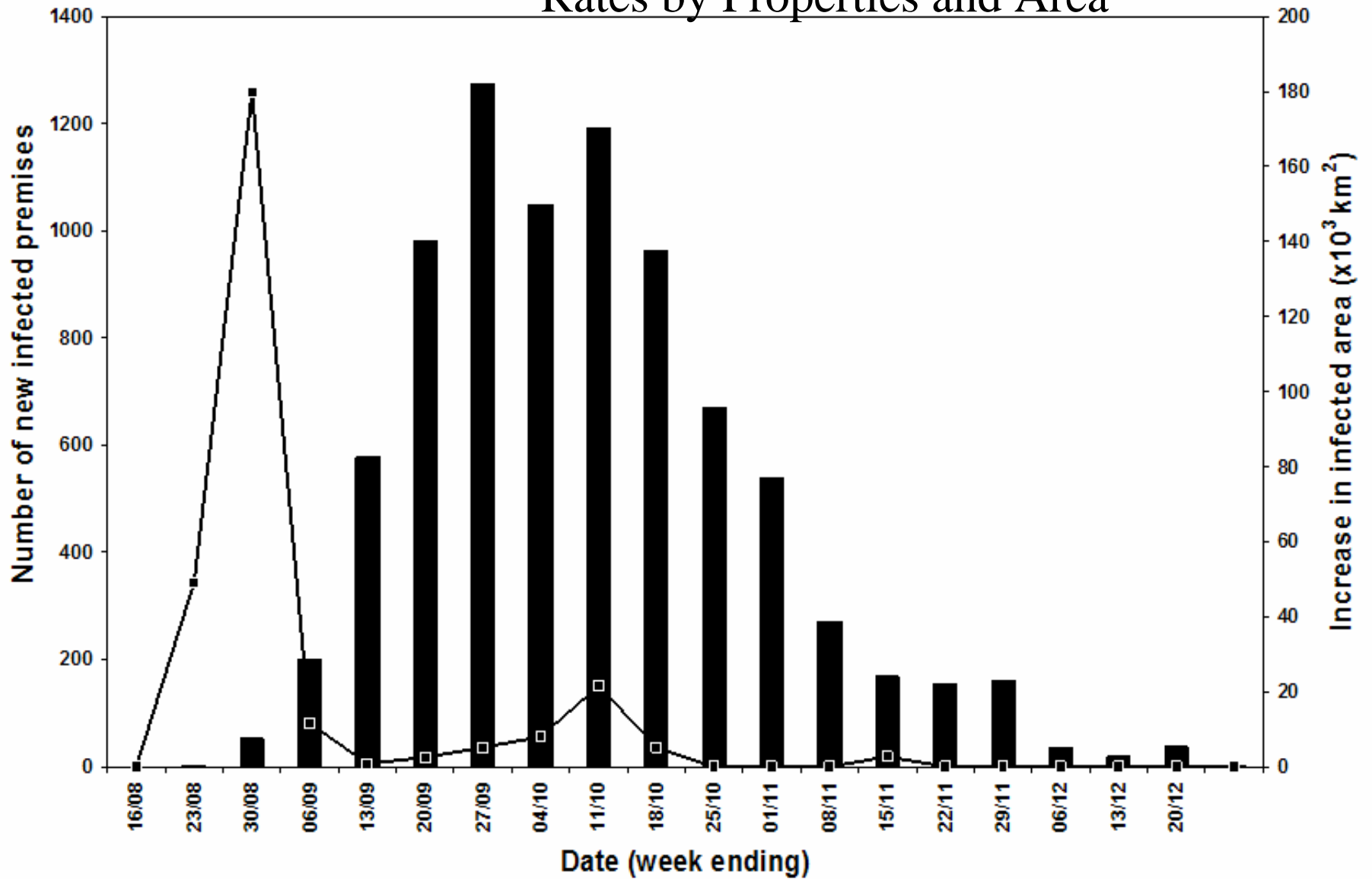
- **60+ community meetings held**
- **Provided a valuable method of keeping local communities informed**
- **Opportunity to get information first hand**
- **Interaction**
 - Questions of DPI
 - Local situation to DPI
- **Obtain BIG PICTURE**
- **Peer Pressure Control**

The Meetings cont.

- **Utilised local disease response personnel where possible**
- **Veterinary practitioners from the area commented on their local experiences in dealing with the disease.**



Rates by Properties and Area



Attentive Audiences



Acknowledgements

- **Bill McKiernan**
- **Community Education Officers**
- **Local Arrangements Committees**