



EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected.

Information on the coverage of this report and qualifications on data supporting this report are contained in the caveat at the end of the report.

Information is available about [Environment Assessments](#) and the EPBC Act including significance guidelines, forms and application process details.

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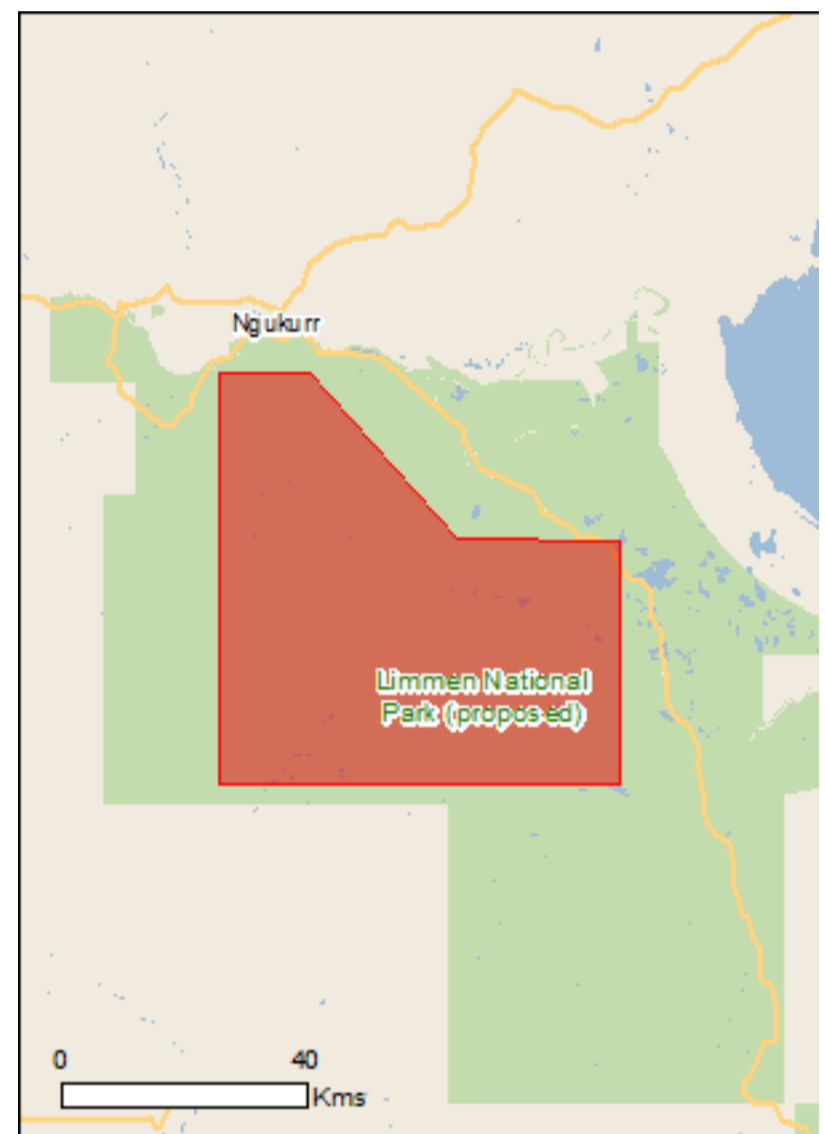
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Summary

Matters of National Environmental Significance

This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the [Administrative Guidelines on Significance](#).

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| World Heritage Properties: | None |
| National Heritage Places: | None |
| Wetlands of International Importance: | None |
| Great Barrier Reef Marine Park: | None |
| Commonwealth Marine Area: | None |
| Listed Threatened Ecological Communities: | None |
| Listed Threatened Species: | 25 |
| Listed Migratory Species: | 28 |

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at <http://www.environment.gov.au/heritage>

A [permit](#) may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species.

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| Commonwealth Land: | None |
| Commonwealth Heritage Places: | None |
| Listed Marine Species: | 27 |
| Whales and Other Cetaceans: | 1 |
| Critical Habitats: | None |
| Commonwealth Reserves Terrestrial: | None |
| Australian Marine Parks: | None |

Extra Information

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have nominated.

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| State and Territory Reserves: | 2 |
| Regional Forest Agreements: | None |
| Invasive Species: | 12 |
| Nationally Important Wetlands: | 1 |
| Key Ecological Features (Marine) | None |

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

| Listed Threatened Species | | [Resource Information] |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
| Birds | | |
| Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Erythrotriorchis radiatus Red Goshawk [942] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Erythrura gouldiae Gouldian Finch [413] | Endangered | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Falco hypoleucos Grey Falcon [929] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Falcunculus frontatus whitei Crested Shrike-tit (northern), Northern Shrike-tit [26013] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Grantiella picta Painted Honeyeater [470] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Rostratula australis Australian Painted Snipe [77037] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Tyto novaehollandiae kimberli Masked Owl (northern) [26048] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Mammals | | |
| Dasyurus hallucatus Northern Quoll, Digul [Gogo-Yimidir], Wijingadda [Dambimangari], Wiminji [Martu] [331] | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Macroderma gigas Ghost Bat [174] | Vulnerable | Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus Bare-rumped Sheath-tailed Bat, Bare-rumped Sheath-tail Bat [66889] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Trichosurus vulpecula arnhemensis Northern Brushtail Possum [83091] | Vulnerable | Species or species |

| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Reptiles | | |
| Acanthophis hawkei Plains Death Adder [83821] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Caretta caretta Loggerhead Turtle [1763] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Chelonia mydas Green Turtle [1765] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Dermochelys coriacea Leatherback Turtle, Leathery Turtle, Luth [1768] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Elseya lavarackorum Gulf Snapping Turtle [67197] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Eretmochelys imbricata Hawksbill Turtle [1766] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Lepidochelys olivacea Olive Ridley Turtle, Pacific Ridley Turtle [1767] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Natator depressus Flatback Turtle [59257] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Sharks | | |
| Glyphis glyphis Speartooth Shark [82453] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Pristis clavata Dwarf Sawfish, Queensland Sawfish [68447] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Pristis pristis Freshwater Sawfish, Largetooth Sawfish, River Sawfish, Leichhardt's Sawfish, Northern Sawfish [60756] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Pristis zijsron Green Sawfish, Dindagubba, Narrowsnout Sawfish [68442] | Vulnerable | Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Listed Migratory Species | | [Resource Information] |
| * Species is listed under a different scientific name on the EPBC Act - Threatened Species list. | | |
| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence |
| Migratory Marine Birds | | |
| Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Migratory Marine Species | | |
| Anoxypristis cuspidata Narrow Sawfish, Knifetooth Sawfish [68448] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Caretta caretta Loggerhead Turtle [1763] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Chelonia mydas Green Turtle [1765] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur |

| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence within area |
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| Crocodylus porosus Salt-water Crocodile, Estuarine Crocodile [1774] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Dermochelys coriacea Leatherback Turtle, Leathery Turtle, Luth [1768] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Eretmochelys imbricata Hawksbill Turtle [1766] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Lepidochelys olivacea Olive Ridley Turtle, Pacific Ridley Turtle [1767] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Manta alfredi Reef Manta Ray, Coastal Manta Ray, Inshore Manta Ray, Prince Alfred's Ray, Resident Manta Ray [84994] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Manta birostris Giant Manta Ray, Chevron Manta Ray, Pacific Manta Ray, Pelagic Manta Ray, Oceanic Manta Ray [84995] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Natator depressus Flatback Turtle [59257] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Pristis clavata Dwarf Sawfish, Queensland Sawfish [68447] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Pristis pristis Freshwater Sawfish, Largetooth Sawfish, River Sawfish, Leichhardt's Sawfish, Northern Sawfish [60756] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Pristis zijsron Green Sawfish, Dindagubba, Narrowsnout Sawfish [68442] | Vulnerable | Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Sousa chinensis Indo-Pacific Humpback Dolphin [50] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Migratory Terrestrial Species | | |
| Cecropis daurica Red-rumped Swallow [80610] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Cuculus optatus Oriental Cuckoo, Horsfield's Cuckoo [86651] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow [662] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail [644] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Migratory Wetlands Species | | |
| Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874] | | Species or species habitat may occur within |

| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence area |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Charadrius veredus Oriental Plover, Oriental Dotterel [882] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Glareola maldivarum Oriental Pratincole [840] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Pandion haliaetus Osprey [952] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Listed Marine Species [\[Resource Information \]](#)

* Species is listed under a different scientific name on the EPBC Act - Threatened Species list.

| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Birds | | |
| Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Anseranas semipalmata Magpie Goose [978] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Ardea ibis Cattle Egret [59542] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Charadrius veredus Oriental Plover, Oriental Dotterel [882] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Chrysococcyx osculans Black-eared Cuckoo [705] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |

| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Glareola maldivarum Oriental Pratincole [840] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Haliaeetus leucogaster White-bellied Sea-Eagle [943] | | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Hirundo daurica Red-rumped Swallow [59480] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow [662] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail [644] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Pandion haliaetus Osprey [952] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Rostratula benghalensis (sensu lato) Painted Snipe [889] | Endangered* | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Reptiles | | |
| Caretta caretta Loggerhead Turtle [1763] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Chelonia mydas Green Turtle [1765] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Crocodylus johnstoni Freshwater Crocodile, Johnston's Crocodile, Johnstone's Crocodile [1773] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Crocodylus porosus Salt-water Crocodile, Estuarine Crocodile [1774] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Dermochelys coriacea Leatherback Turtle, Leathery Turtle, Luth [1768] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Eretmochelys imbricata Hawksbill Turtle [1766] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Lepidochelys olivacea Olive Ridley Turtle, Pacific Ridley Turtle [1767] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Natator depressus Flatback Turtle [59257] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |

Whales and other Cetaceans [\[Resource Information \]](#)

| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
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Mammals

[Sousa chinensis](#)

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| Indo-Pacific Humpback Dolphin [50] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
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Extra Information

State and Territory Reserves [\[Resource Information \]](#)

| Name | State |
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| Limmen | NT |
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| St Vidgeon | NT |
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Invasive Species [\[Resource Information \]](#)

Weeds reported here are the 20 species of national significance (WoNS), along with other introduced plants that are considered by the States and Territories to pose a particularly significant threat to biodiversity. The following feral animals are reported: Goat, Red Fox, Cat, Rabbit, Pig, Water Buffalo and Cane Toad. Maps from Landscape Health Project, National Land and Water Resources Audit, 2001.

| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
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Frogs

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| Rhinella marina Cane Toad [83218] | | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
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Mammals

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| Bos taurus Domestic Cattle [16] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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| Bubalus bubalis Water Buffalo, Swamp Buffalo [1] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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| Canis lupus familiaris Domestic Dog [82654] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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| Equus asinus Donkey, Ass [4] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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| Equus caballus Horse [5] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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| Felis catus Cat, House Cat, Domestic Cat [19] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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| Sus scrofa Pig [6] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
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Plants

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| Acacia nilotica subsp. indica Prickly Acacia [6196] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
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| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
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| Jatropha gossypifolia | | |
| Cotton-leaved Physic-Nut, Bellyache Bush, Cotton-leaf Physic Nut, Cotton-leaf Jatropha, Black Physic Nut [7507] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Parkinsonia aculeata | | |
| Parkinsonia, Jerusalem Thorn, Jelly Bean Tree, Horse Bean [12301] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |

Reptiles

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| Ramphotyphlops braminus | | |
| Flowerpot Blind Snake, Brahminy Blind Snake, Cacing Besi [1258] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |

Nationally Important Wetlands

[Resource Information]

| Name | State |
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| Limmen Bight (Port Roper) Tidal Wetlands System | NT |

Caveat

The information presented in this report has been provided by a range of data sources as acknowledged at the end of the report.

This report is designed to assist in identifying the locations of places which may be relevant in determining obligations under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999. It holds mapped locations of World and National Heritage properties, Wetlands of International and National Importance, Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves, listed threatened, migratory and marine species and listed threatened ecological communities. Mapping of Commonwealth land is not complete at this stage. Maps have been collated from a range of sources at various resolutions.

Not all species listed under the EPBC Act have been mapped (see below) and therefore a report is a general guide only. Where available data supports mapping, the type of presence that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. People using this information in making a referral may need to consider the qualifications below and may need to seek and consider other information sources.

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are derived from recovery plans, State vegetation maps, remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Threatened, migratory and marine species distributions have been derived through a variety of methods. Where distributions are well known and if time permits, maps are derived using either thematic spatial data (i.e. vegetation, soils, geology, elevation, aspect, terrain, etc) together with point locations and described habitat; or environmental modelling (MAXENT or BIOCLIM habitat modelling) using point locations and environmental data layers.

Where very little information is available for species or large number of maps are required in a short time-frame, maps are derived either from 0.04 or 0.02 decimal degree cells; by an automated process using polygon capture techniques (static two kilometre grid cells, alpha-hull and convex hull); or captured manually or by using topographic features (national park boundaries, islands, etc). In the early stages of the distribution mapping process (1999-early 2000s) distributions were defined by degree blocks, 100K or 250K map sheets to rapidly create distribution maps. More reliable distribution mapping methods are used to update these distributions as time permits.

Only selected species covered by the following provisions of the EPBC Act have been mapped:

- migratory and
- marine

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in reports produced from this database:

- threatened species listed as extinct or considered as vagrants
- some species and ecological communities that have only recently been listed
- some terrestrial species that overfly the Commonwealth marine area
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in small numbers

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:

- non-threatened seabirds which have only been mapped for recorded breeding sites
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent

Such breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

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