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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.

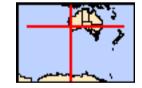
Information is available about <u>Environment Assessments</u> and the EPBC Act including significance guidelines, forms and application process details.

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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 <u>Administrative Guidelines on Significance</u>.

| 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: | 1 |
| Listed Threatened Species: | 24 |
| Listed Migratory Species: | 6 |

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 <u>permit</u> 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.

| Commonwealth Land: | None |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Commonwealth Heritage Places: | None |
| Listed Marine Species: | 12 |
| Whales and Other Cetaceans: | None |
| 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.

| State and Territory Reserves: | 2 |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Regional Forest Agreements: | None |
| Invasive Species: | 16 |
| Nationally Important Wetlands: | None |
| Key Ecological Features (Marine) | None |

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

Listed Threatened Ecological Communities

[Resource Information]

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.

| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt | Critically Endangered | Community likely to occur within area |
| Listed Threatened Species | | [Resource Information] |
| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
| Birds | | |
| <u>Calidris ferruginea</u> Curlew Sandpiper [856] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Calyptorhynchus latirostris Carnaby's Cockatoo, Short-billed Black-Cockatoo [59523] Leipoa ocellata | Endangered | Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Malleefowl [934] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Rostratula australis Australian Painted-snipe, Australian Painted Snipe [77037] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Mammals | | |
| Dasyurus geoffroii Chuditch, Western Quoll [330] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Phascogale calura Red-tailed Phascogale, Red-tailed Wambenger, Kenngoor [316] | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Other | | |

Idiosoma nigrum Shield-backed Trapdoor Spider, Black Rugose Vulnerable Trapdoor Spider [66798]

Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

| Plants | | |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Acacia cochlocarpa subsp. velutinosa Velvety Spiral Pod Wattle [65112] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Acacia sciophanes Wundowlin Wattle, Ghost Wattle [17877] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| <u>Acacia volubilis</u> Tangled Wattle, Tangle Wattle [6476] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |

| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
|--|---------------------------|--|
| Cyphanthera odgersii subsp. occidentalis Western Woolly Cyphanthera, Western Cyphanthera [14002] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Dasymalla axillaris Native Foxglove [38829] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Daviesia euphorbioides Wongan Cactus [3477] | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <u>Eremophila resinosa</u> Resinous Eremophila [11735] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| <u>Eremophila viscida</u> Varnish Bush [2394] | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Eucalyptus recta Silver Mallet [56430] | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <u>Frankenia conferta</u> Silky Frankenia [6074] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Grevillea dryandroides subsp. hirsuta Hairy Phalanx Grevillea [64577] | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <u>Grevillea pythara</u> Pythara Grevillea [64525] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Gyrostemon reticulatus Net-veined Gyrostemon [8491] | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Pityrodia scabra Wyalkatchem Foxglove [6421] | Endangered | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Roycea pycnophylloides Saltmat [21161] | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Verticordia staminosa subsp. staminosa Wongan Featherflower [55825] | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Reptiles | | |
| Egernia stokesii badia Western Spiny-tailed Skink, Baudin Island Spiny-tailed Skink [64483] | Endangered | Species or species habitat known to occur within area |
| Listed Migratory Species * Species is listed under a different scientific name on t | the EPBC Act - Threatened | [<u>Resource Information</u>] d Species list. |
| Name Migratory Marine Birds | Threatened | Type of Presence |
| Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Migratory Terrestrial Species Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Migratory Wetlands Species | | |

Migratory Wetlands Species

| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 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 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 |

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

| Listed Marine Species | | [Resource Information] |
|--|----------------------------|--|
| * Species is listed under a different scientific nan | ne on the EPBC Act - Threa | tened Species list. |
| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence |
| Birds | | |
| Actitis hypoleucos | | |
| Common Sandpiper [59309] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Apus pacificus | | |
| Fork-tailed Swift [678] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Ardea alba | | |
| Great Egret, White Egret [59541] | | 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]

Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]

<u>Chrysococcyx osculans</u> Black-eared Cuckoo [705]

Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670]

Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642] Critically Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area

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| Name | Threatened | Type of Presence |
|---|-------------|--|
| <u>Rostratula benghalensis (sensu lato)</u> | | |
| Painted Snipe [889] | Endangered* | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| <u>Thinornis rubricollis</u> Hooded Plover [59510] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |

Extra Information

| State and Territory Reserves | [Resource Information] |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Name | State |
| Dukin | WA |
| Unnamed WA22176 | WA |

Invasive Species

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 Resouces Audit, 2001.

| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
|---|--------|--|
| Birds | | |
| Columba livia | | |
| Rock Pigeon, Rock Dove, Domestic Pigeon [803] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Streptopelia chinensis | | |
| Spotted Turtle-Dove [780] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Streptopelia senegalensis | | |
| Laughing Turtle-dove, Laughing Dove [781] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |

Bos taurus Domestic Cattle [16]

Mammals

Canis lupus familiaris Domestic Dog [82654]

Capra hircus Goat [2]

Felis catus Cat, House Cat, Domestic Cat [19]

Mus musculus House Mouse [120]

Oryctolagus cuniculus Rabbit, European Rabbit [128] Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

[Resource Information]

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| Name | Status | Type of Presence |
|--|--------|--|
| Sus scrofa Pig [6] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Vulpes vulpes Red Fox, Fox [18] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Plants | | |
| Asparagus asparagoides Bridal Creeper, Bridal Veil Creeper, Smilax, Florist's Smilax, Smilax Asparagus [22473] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Carrichtera annua Ward's Weed [9511] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Cenchrus ciliaris Buffel-grass, Black Buffel-grass [20213] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Chrysanthemoides monilifera Bitou Bush, Boneseed [18983] | | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Tamarix aphylla Athel Pine, Athel Tree, Tamarisk, Athel Tamarisk, Athel Tamarix, Desert Tamarisk, Flowering Cypress, Salt Cedar [16018] | | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |

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.

Coordinates

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