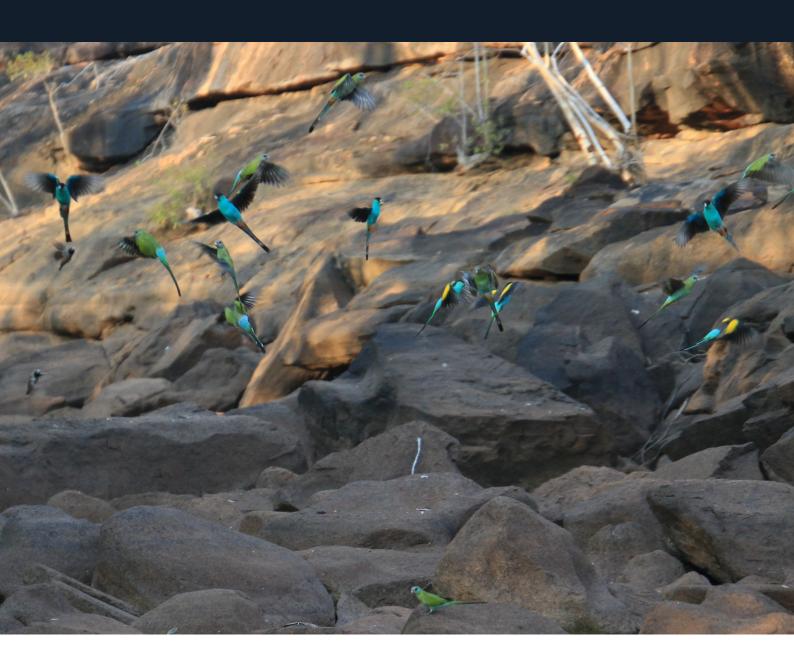
# Wongalara Wildlife Sanctuary Ecohealth Report 2021





# **Summary**

Australian Wildlife Conservancy (AWC) has implemented an Ecological Health Monitoring Program (Ecohealth) across Wongalara Wildlife Sanctuary to measure the changes in the status and trend of conservation assets, and threats to those assets. Metrics from the program are reported in annual Ecohealth Reports and Scorecards. This is the Ecohealth Report for 2021. Values of metrics derived in this report were based on data collected during surveys carried out between 2020 and 2021. The complete set of metrics and their values are summarised in the accompanying Ecohealth Scorecard.

In implementing the Ecohealth program in 2021, AWC undertook a comprehensive camera trap survey of 80 sites in lowland savanna and riparian habitats across Wongalara and collected incidental observations throughout the year. Over 2,300 camera trap nights were undertaken which detected 41 species of native vertebrates (including 13 mammals; 5 reptiles; 21 birds and 2 frogs) and 7 introduced vertebrates. Camera traps also detected macropods, Dingoes (*Canis dingo*), cattle (*Bos taurus*), feral cats (*Felis catus*) and introduced black rats (*Rattus rattus*) and cane toads (*Rhinella marina*).

When combined with incidental observations made on the sanctuary in 2020 and 2021, a total of 17 mammals, 85 birds, 22 reptiles, and 15 frogs were detected, comprising 47% of all species thought to exist on Wongalara. One of these, the Gouldian Finch (*Chloebia gouldiae*), is a nationally listed threatened species (Endangered) and two (Merten's Water Monitor, *Varanus mertensi*; and Mitchell's Water Monitor, *Varanus mitchelli*) are listed as Vulnerable in the Northern Territory. This is the first time Mitchell's Water Monitor has been detected on Wongalara, as populations of both monitor species declined considerably after the arrival of cane toads between 1995–2000. Incidental observations from sanctuary ecologist and managers provide ongoing information on a range of significant species across the property (such as those listed as Near Threatened in the Northern Territory). These include large birds such as Australian Bustard (*Ardeotis australis*), Bush Stone-curlew (*Burhinus grallarius*) and Emu (*Dromaius novaehollandiae*).

Recent climatic variability is likely to strongly affect detectability and habitat occupancy of many species. The 2020–21 wet season rainfall was above average, and the first wet year following failed wet seasons in 2018–19 and 2019–20. The Northern Brown Bandicoot (*Isoodon macrourus*) was detected for the first time in 3 years despite targeted surveys in 2019 and 2020. Northern Brushtail Possum (*Trichosurus vulpecula arnhemensis*) activity was also higher in the reporting year than in the previous dry years. Contrary to this pattern, Gouldian Finches and Hooded Parrots (*Psephotellus dissimilis*) were found in larger numbers in the prior dry years likely because of regional seasonal availability of water and food resources rather than a true decline in population. Both of these bird species can range widely and in dry conditions are concentrated on smaller areas of remaining surface water.

In 2021, a Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey was conducted: Small-medium mammals were present at 19% of sites and macropods of four species were present at 40% of sites, with Agile Wallabies (*Macropus agilis*; activity metric of 5.3±1.5/100 trap nights) and Northern Nailtail Wallabies (*Onychogalea unguifera*; 1.27±0.5/100 trap nights) the most common. Dingoes were present at 11.3% of all sites. At Wongalara, small-medium mammal numbers are low, likely as a result of decades of decline across northern Australia, with small increases in populations (and detectability) after wetter than average wet seasons which generate more ground cover and food resources.

This survey data was also used to report on feral animal status. Feral cats were widespread across the savanna at 18.8% of sites, which is a decrease in occupancy from 2020, although at a higher activity (0.21 in 2020 compared to 3.4 in 2021). At time of reporting 17 individual cats had been identified from camera trap images. Black rats were detected at 10% of all sites. Cane toads are ubiquitous across the landscape, detected at 47.5% of all sites surveyed.

Active fire management began in 2009. Since then, the extent of late dry season fires has been substantially reduced, with 28% of the sanctuary being impacted by late dry season fires before 2008 vs 8 % in 2021. Fire management has also reduced distances to unburnt vegetation from within fire scars, which are important features that offer refuge and resources to wildlife. These results highlight the success of AWC's fire management strategy.

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# Introduction

Australian Wildlife Conservancy (AWC) currently owns, manages, or works in partnerships across 31 properties in Australia, covering almost 6.5 million hectares, to implement our mission: the effective conservation of Australian wildlife and their habitats. AWC relies on information provided by an integrated program of monitoring and research to measure progress in meeting its mission and to improve conservation outcomes.

AWC's Ecohealth Monitoring Program has been designed to measure and report on the status and trends of species, ecological processes and threats on each of these properties (Kanowski et al. 2018). Data from the monitoring program are used to address the following broad questions relevant to our mission:

- 'are species persisting on a property?',
- 'are habitats being maintained?'
- 'are threats below ecologically-significant thresholds?'

For threatened and iconic species, including reintroduced species, AWC's monitoring program aims to obtain more detailed information related to their conservation management; for example, data on survival, recruitment, condition, distribution and/or population size.

The structure of the Ecohealth Program is as follows. AWC's Monitoring and Evaluation framework provides guidance on the development of the Ecohealth Monitoring Plans for each property managed by AWC: these plans describe the conservation values and assets of each property, the threats to these assets, and the monitoring program that will be used to track their status and trend, and to evaluate outcomes. Annual survey plans and schedules are developed to implement these plans. The outcomes of these surveys are presented in annual Ecohealth Reports and summary Ecohealth Scorecards.

This document is one of a series of annual Ecohealth Reports for Wongalara Wildlife Sanctuary (referred to here as Wongalara). The companion Ecohealth Scorecard presents the indicators and their metrics in a summary format.

# Wongalara Wildlife Sanctuary

Covering over 190,000 hectares on the southern edge of Arnhem Land, Wongalara is situated in the 'Gulf Fall and Uplands' Bioregion. Wongalara is within the traditional lands of the Ngalagkan and Rembarrgna people. The property is divided by three major drainage systems; from north to south by the Wilton River, along the north-western floodplain by the Mainoru River, and in the central/south-western region by the Jalboi River (Figure 1).

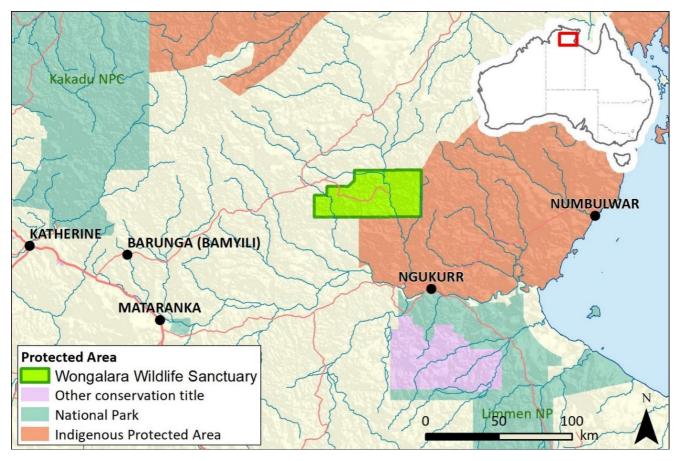


Figure 1. Location and regional context of Wongalara.

The centre of the sanctuary is dominated by a deeply dissected sandstone plateau that supports the most southerly occurrence of Arnhem Land sandstone ecosystems. Soils on Wongalara include alluvial and coarse-textured loams, red earths/red clayey loams and sands. The ecosystems on Wongalara form an intricate and complex pattern, with fine-scale variation and numerous refugial habitats for wildlife. Wetlands, sandstone communities and patches of monsoon rainforest and heathland, alongside blacksoil plains and alluvial flats, provide a contrast to the drier, spinifex-clad ranges and sandstone plateaus that dominate much of the sanctuary. A range of soil types support diverse eucalypt and acacia-dominated woodlands (Figure 2). Shallow soils carry stringybark, woollybutt and acacia scrub with spinifex, annual sorghums and spear grass; whereas the valley floors carry silver box (*Eucalyptus pruinosa*), bloodwood, ti-tree, quinine (*Petalostigma* spp.), bauhinia (*Lysiphyllum cunninghamii*), coolibah and paperbarks. Snappy gum (*E. leucophloia*) and lancewood (*Acacia shirleyi*) are found on escarpment edges. The sanctuary has over 560 plant species recorded, including many rare species and plants endemic to the Top End of the Northern Territory.

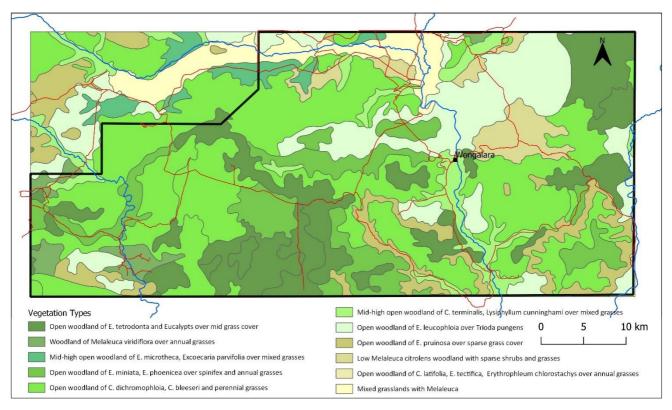


Figure 2. Extent and distribution of broad vegetation types of Wongalara.

The diversity of habitats on Wongalara and its location on the edge of Arnhem Land and the Gulf bioregions make it a hotspot for Top End wildlife including endemic species such as the Hooded Parrot (*Psephotellus dissimilis*). At reporting, 296 native vertebrates have been confirmed; 31 mammals, 167 birds, 76 reptiles and 18 amphibians, with another 70 very likely or likely to occur. Wongalara is home to 5 threatened and multiple declining species including the Gouldian Finch (*Chloebia gouldiae*), Orange Leaf-nosed Bat (*Rhinonicteris aurantia*), Spectacled Hare-wallaby (*Lagorchestes conspicillatus leichardti*), Northern Brown Bandicoot (*Isoodon macrourus*), Emu (*Dromaius novaehollandiae*), Australian Bustard (*Ardeotis australis*), Merten's and Mitchell's Water Monitors (*Varanus mertensi* and *V. mitchelli*) and the Northern Brushtail Possum (*Trichosurus vulpecula arnhemensis*).

The mammal fauna includes a suite of macropods including Wilkins' Rock-wallaby (*Petrogale wilkinsi*), Agile Wallaby (*Macropus agilis*), Northern Nailtail Wallaby (*Onychogalea unguifera*), Common Wallaroo (*Macropus robustus*) and Antilopine Wallaroo (*Macropus antilopinus*). This is in addition to smaller marsupials and native rodents including Long-tailed Planigale (*Planigale ingrami*) and Grassland Melomys (*Melomys burtoni*). Rock Ringtail Possums (*Petropseudes dahli*) inhabit the isolated rocky outcrops and sheltered spring areas support Water Rats (*Hydromys chrysogaster*) and Rufous Owls (*Ninox rufa*).

With over 55 kilometres of two major rivers – the Wilton and the Mainoru – the property is home to both Saltwater (*Crocodylus porosus*) and Freshwater Crocodiles (*Crocodylus johnstoni*), at least one unidentified shark species (most likely Bull Sharks, *Carcharhinus leucas*), turtles, water monitors and a large number of freshwater fish species.

In 2012, AWC established a large feral herbivore-exclusion fenced area on Wongalara, the largest on mainland Australia at the time. The fenced area has a perimeter of 160 km of fencing enclosing 100,000 ha of the sanctuary. Over one thousand feral herbivores were removed from inside the fence. A similar exclusion at Mornington-Marion Downs Wildlife Sanctuary, together with appropriate fire management, has resulted in a significant increase in the population of small-medium sized mammals (Legge et al. 2019). An increase in ground cover and the recovery of riparian habitats within the exclusion area should provide additional food and cover for small mammals. Outside the fenced area, feral herbivore densities are generally low, although management is needed to control ongoing re-invasion from surrounding properties.

# Climate and weather summary

Wongalara is within the 650–1,200 mm annual rainfall zone of the monsoonal wet-dry tropics of central northern Northern Territory (Bureau of Meteorology 2022a). Rembarrgna people describe seven distinct seasons (Mimal Land Management 2021, pers. comm.). These seven seasons are:

Juwalkka January into March: Wet season

• Wularri March and April: Knock 'em down

Marlawurru end April to July: Cool season

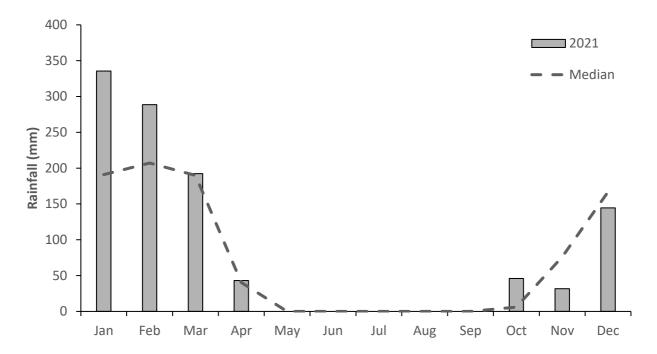
Warlirr August to mid-September: Hot season

• Warlirr bultjjarn late September and October: Middle of the hot season

Ga ngol-gaba October and November: Build-up clouds

• **Gepjalk** December: New growth.

Rainfall records for Wongalara have been collected since 1999, but there are gaps in the series. Only 8 years have complete records, and the totals in these ranged from 411 to 1,257 mm (annual median 876 mm). In 2021, rainfall was above the median (Figure 3): 1082 mm compared to the annual median of 876 mm. While 2019 and 2020 rainfall were well below the median, 2021 was the wettest year since 2000, with most rain falling in January and February (335 mm and 289 mm respectively; Figure 3).



**Figure 3. Monthly rainfall from 2021 compared with the median monthly rainfall, 1999–2021.** Data sourced from Bureau of Meteorology 2022b, Wongalara Station Number 14602, with additions from Chris Whatley (Wongalara Sanctuary Manager).

Temperature data are taken from the Bulman weather station, approximately 55 km north of Wongalara. This station has collected temperature data since 2002, although some years have incomplete data. The 2021 mean maximum temperature was 0.1°C higher than average (Figure 4). Minimum temperatures were 0.5°C above average.

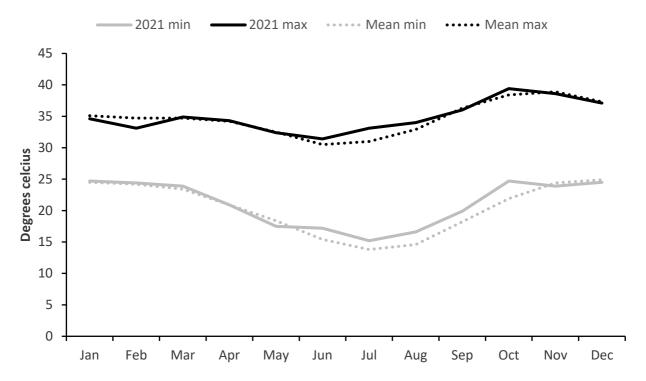


Figure 4. Mean monthly minimum and maximum temperatures in 2021 compared with averages 2002–2021 (Bulman, weather station number 14627; Bureau of Meteorology 2022c, 2022d).

# **Methods**

# Monitoring and evaluation framework

Wongalara's Ecohealth Monitoring Program has been designed to measure and report on the status and trends of selected biodiversity and threat indicators on the property, using metrics derived from data collected through a series of purpose-designed surveys. Where possible, outcomes will be evaluated against performance criteria relevant to each species, guild or assemblage.

# Key threatened and iconic vertebrates

The Ecohealth program is focused on species of high conservation value, including threatened and 'iconic' species (e.g., regional endemics, species with high public profile and other species of conservation importance because of the role they play in an ecosystem, etc). Where relevant, reintroduced species are also in this category. AWC will aim to develop *Conservation Plans* for the extant threatened and iconic species to ensure early detection of any serious issues that arise and to trigger timely responses. These plans will specify metrics to monitor outcomes for target species against nominated performance criteria.

# Vertebrate assemblages and surveillance species

AWC's mission involves the conservation of all wildlife, not only threatened or reintroduced species. For this reason, AWC's monitoring program extends to surveillance monitoring of faunal assemblages (mammals, birds, reptiles, frogs). The monitoring program aims to address questions relevant to the conservation of assemblages.

At the most basic level, the program seeks to establish whether all species that are known to occur on the property are persisting on the property (i.e., 'are all species present?').

With increasing information, the monitoring program can address more detailed questions relating to conservation of assemblages, such as 'have species maintained their distributions or abundance?' However, the boom/ bust conditions of most Australian environments can lead to large variations in the numbers of individuals in a population and the habitats or sites occupied by a species – these variations may not necessarily be informative in relation to the conservation of a species at a property over the long term.

AWC is currently working on developing an evaluation framework for surveillance monitoring of faunal assemblages. At present, we will continue to present data on a range of metrics relating to indicator species and guilds.

# **Indicators and metrics**

On Wongalara 36 biodiversity (species and guilds) indicators have been selected for monitoring (Table 1) of which 24 are reported on in 2021.

Threat metrics are selected to monitor the status and trends of weeds, introduced predators and herbivores, and fire regimes. Nine threat indicators have been selected for monitoring (Table 2) and five are reported on in 2021.

Table 1. Biodiversity indicators and metrics for Wongalara.

#### Key threatened and iconic vertebrates

Indicator	Survey name	Survey method	Metric/s
Mammals			
Northern Brown Bandicoot, dunggah (Isoodon macrourus)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Northern Brushtail Possum, rduh ( <i>Trichosurus vulpecula arnhemenis</i> )	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Birds			
Gouldian Finch, gurluwitjwitj (Chloebia gouldiae)	Targeted Bird Survey in 2020	Waterhole count	Abundance, occupancy
Hooded Parrot, mardabulbara (Psephotellus dissimilis)	Targeted Bird Survey in 2020	Waterhole count	Abundance, occupancy
Reptiles			
Merten's Water Monitor (Varanus mertensi)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Occupancy
Mitchell's Water Monitor (Varanus mitchelli)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Occupancy

#### Vertebrate assemblages and surveillance species

Indicator	Survey name	Survey method	Metric/s
Mammals			
Assemblage richness	All mammal surveys	Compilation of all records	Number of species
Small-medium mammals – savanna	and riparian		
Assemblage richness	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Spring and Riparian Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Number of species
Small-medium mammal – savanna and riparian guild	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Richness, Activity
Delicate Mouse ( <i>Pseudomys</i> delicatulus)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Water Rat (Hydromys chrysogaster)	Spring and Riparian Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Small-medium mammals – rocky ha	bitat		
Assemblage richness	Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Number of species
Small-medium mammal – rocky habitat guild	Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Richness, Activity
Rock Ringtail Possum, jorrkkun (Petropseudes dahli)	Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Wilkins' Rock-wallaby, garndawulh (Petrogale wilkinsi)	Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy

Indicator	Survey name	Survey method	Metric/s
Common Rock-rat ( <i>Zyzomys</i> argurus)	Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Short-beaked Echidna, battahyi (Tachyglossus aculeatus)	Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Bats	1	T =	T
Assemblage richness	Opportunistic Surveys Incidental Records	Compilation of all records	Number of species
Macropods	1	T	
Assemblage richness	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Spotlighting, Incidental Records	Camera trapping, observation	Number of species, occupancy
Macropod guild	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Spectacled Hare-wallaby Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Richness, Activity
Spectacled Hare-wallaby (Lagorchestes conspicillatus)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Spectacled Hare-wallaby Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Agile Wallaby (Macropus agilis)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Northern Nailtail Wallaby, wurlarla ( <i>Onychogalea unguifera</i> )	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Predators	1		
Dingo (Canis dingo)	Small-medium Mammal Camera survey, Rocky Area Camera Survey	Camera trapping	Activity, occupancy
Birds	,		1
Assemblage richness	All surveys and incidental records	Compilation of all records	Number of species
Red-backed Fairy-wren ( <i>Malurus</i> melanocephalus)	Savanna Bird Survey	Call playback	Occupancy
Rufous Whistler ( <i>Pachycephala</i> rufiventris)	Savanna Bird Survey	Call playback	Occupancy
Grey-crowned Babbler (Pomatostomus temporalis)	Savanna Bird Survey	Call playback	Occupancy
Striated Pardalote ( <i>Pardalotus</i> striatus)	Savanna Bird Survey	Call playback	Occupancy
Australian Bustard ( <i>Ardeotis</i> australis)	Bustard Survey, Incidental Records	TBD	TBD
Buff-sided Robin ( <i>Poecilodryas</i> cerviniventris)	BSR Call Playback Survey	Call playback	Occupancy
Reptiles	T .	T	T
Assemblage richness	Reptile Trapping Survey, Incidental Records, Spotlighting	Compilation of all records	Number of species
Small-medium reptiles – savanna			
Assemblage richness	Reptile Trapping Survey, Incidental Records, Spotlighting	Compilation of all records	Number of species
Small-medium savanna reptile guild	Reptile Trapping Survey	Pitfall and funnel trapping	Abundance, occupancy, richness
Large reptiles – savanna			
Assemblage richness	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Incidental Records, Spotlighting	Camera trapping, observation	Number of species
Frogs	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Assemblage richness	Wet Season Opportunistic Surveys	Compilation of all records	Number of species

Table 2. Threat indicators and metrics for Wongalara.

Indicator	Survey name/methods Metric		Performance criteria
Pest animals – predators			
Feral cat (Felis catus)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Rocky Area Camera Survey	Activity Occupancy	TBD
Pest animals – large feral herbivore	es		
Large feral herbivores	Aerial Feral Herbivore Survey	Density (head / km), population/density estimate (head / ha)	TBD
Feral cattle (Bos taurus)	Aerial Feral Herbivore Survey	Density (head / km), population/density estimate (head / ha)	TBD
Swamp buffalo ( <i>Bubalus bubalis</i> )	Aerial Feral Herbivore Survey	Density (head / km), population/density estimate (head / ha)	TBD
Feral donkeys ( <i>Equus asinus</i> )	Aerial Feral Herbivore Survey	Density (head / km), population/density estimate (head / ha)	TBD
Pest animals – other			
Feral pigs (Sus scrofa)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Aerial Feral Herbivore Survey	Activity Occupancy	TBD
Black rat (Rattus rattus)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Rocky Area Camera Survey	Activity Occupancy	TBD
Cane toads (Rhinella marina)	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, Spring and Riparian Camera Survey	Activity Occupancy	TBD
Fire			
Fire	Fire Scar Analysis	Early dry season fire extent, late dry season fire extent (1 year and 3 years), distance to unburnt vegetation.	Area burned by late season fires

# Survey types and history

To report on the Biodiversity and Threat Indicators, our survey teams conduct a variety of surveys repeated on a schedule of 1–5 years, as required to obtain timely information on each indicator. These include:

For threatened and iconic species, a range of targeted surveys including:

- Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey
- Rocky Area Camera Survey
- Waterhole Bird Survey
- Spring and Riparian Camera Survey

For surveillance monitoring of assemblages, these include:

- Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey
- Reptile Trapping Survey
- Rocky Area Camera Survey
- Spectacled Hare-wallaby Survey

- Targeted Bird Survey (Red-backed Fairy-wren, Rufous Whistler)
- Spotlighting
- Opportunistic Frog Surveys
- Incidental Records

To monitor threats, a range of surveys are used, including:

- Spring and Riparian Camera Survey
- Rocky Area Camera Survey
- Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey
- Aerial Feral Herbivore Survey
- Fire Scar Analysis

One of the ecological surveys was conducted at Wongalara in 2021: Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey (Table 3). The results for one of the surveys undertaken in 2020 (Waterhole Bird Survey) are also presented in this report. The Fire Scar Analysis was completed using satellite data from 1999 (eight years prior to acquisition) to 2021. The methodology is described and results of these surveys and computations are reported on here.

Table 3. Survey effort for Ecohealth surveys on Wongalara presented in this report.

Survey name	Effort (2021)	Description/comment	Previous surveys
Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	2,080 camera trap nights	80 sites, 2 cameras per site, minimum 13 nights.	2020 – 34 sites, 2 cameras per site, 21-54 nights, 1,477 camera trap nights
Waterhole Bird Survey	-	2-hour point counts with observers at independent waterholes for concurrent 2 hr surveys.	2020 – 30 point counts

# Survey design and methods

# **Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey**

The major component of ecological health monitoring in 2021 was a sanctuary-wide camera trap survey targeting small and medium-sized mammal species. These mammals have historically been surveyed through live trapping (e.g. pitfall and small aluminium box traps). Captures have historically been extremely low, often with less than 10 individual mammals captured per survey of approximately 3,000 trap nights (AWC, unpublished data). Using camera traps allows us to spread survey effort more broadly across the sanctuary for a longer detection period.

The Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey was conducted in September and early October 2021 in two rounds with cameras collected and redeployed at a second set of sites (Figure 5). Two cameras were placed at each site, in the north-east and south-west corners of a 1 ha plot to detect small and medium-sized mammals, macropods and dingoes (*Canis dingo*). The cameras were left in place for a minimum of 13 nights.

Reconyx Hyperfire HP2W white flash camera traps were baited with a mixture of peanut butter, oats, vanilla and sardines, in a canister and attached to stable trees or star pickets with bungee cords. Both cameras were set 70 cm from the ground and angled to capture the bait container placed 150 cm away (Figure 6). The camera traps were pre-set to the following customised settings: Motion pictures were turned on, three pictures per trigger, 'Rapidfire' picture interval, a 'NO DELAY' quiet period and 'high' sensitivity.

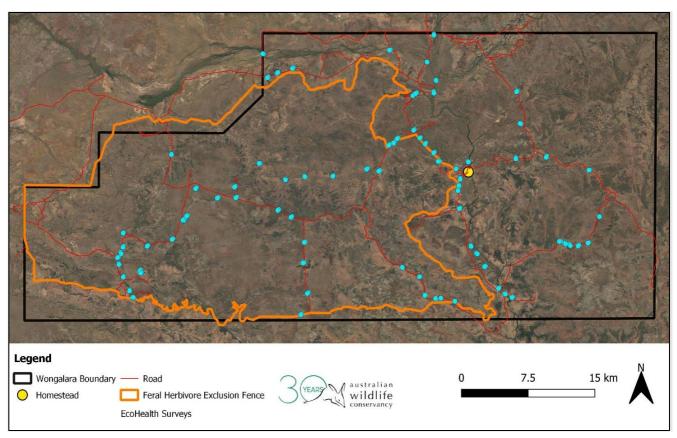


Figure 5. Locations of camera traps for the Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey.

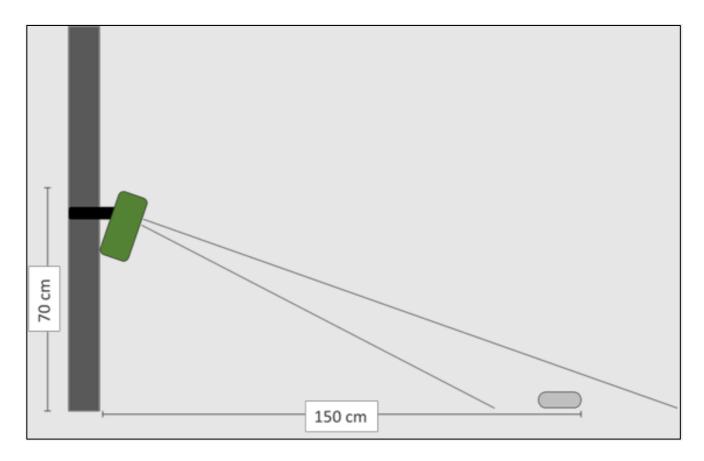


Figure 6. Configuration of camera traps for the Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey.

#### **Waterhole Bird Survey**

In 2020, two indicator species, the Hooded Parrot and the Gouldian Finch, were surveyed at waterholes. A total of 30 waterholes were surveyed for these species using a two-hour observational survey between 5.45–7.45 am. This survey has been conducted annually for 2 years in 2019 and 2020 in October/November (late dry season). Exact waterhole locations and sampling effort changes from year to year due to water availability, suitable drinking holes, and logistical constraints (e.g. access).

# **Analysis methods**

Most Ecohealth metrics are common across the indicator species for Wongalara. Unless noted otherwise, the metrics are calculated as set out in Table 4.

For the purpose of the reporting, species and sites are assigned to one (or more) of the following guilds: savanna and riparian woodland (savanna) and rocky gorges (rocky). This requires that all sites surveyed, and all species reported on, are correctly assigned to a particular guild (or guilds) prior to undertaking these calculations. The full lists of the species guilds to which they have been assigned for the purposes of metrics calculations are included with the sanctuary species list (Appendix 1).

Table 4. Metrics and associated calculations for Wongalara.

Indicator	Metric	Survey data sources	Description	Analysis summary/calculation
Assemblage richness	Number of species	All surveys and incidental records	A measure of intactness for the whole sanctuary	The number of species detected on the sanctuary within the last 2 years is compared to the number of species listed as 'confirmed', 'very likely' or 'likely' on the sanctuary species list.
Various	Abundance/ activity	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey Waterhole Bird Survey	A measure of activity, either number of detections per 100 trap nights, or per site Where, 'number of detections' is individuals captured for live trapping data; and independent 'visits' for camera traps. In a sequence of images of a single species, a single camera 'visit' is defined as occurring when there is at least a 12 hour period between the species' first capture and subsequent image, unless otherwise stated.  For targeted bird surveys, abundance is the average number of individuals recorded per site.	Per 100 trap nights: For individual species: Calculate the average over all survey sites of: ((No. individuals of that species recorded at survey site/ total number of trap night at survey site) x 100) For guilds: Calculate the average of: ((Total no. individuals of the guild recorded at each survey site/ total number of trap night at each survey site) x 100) Here, trap nights are only included where a trap type targets the indicator appropriately. For example, funnel trap nights are excluded for small to mediumsized mammals, and cage and Elliott traps are excluded for small reptiles.

Indicator	Metric	Survey data sources	Description	Analysis summary/calculation
Mammals, reptiles, birds	Occupancy	Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey	A measure of distribution; the proportion of sites where the species was recorded using a particular technique	For individual species: (Number of sites at which the species was recorded/ number of sites surveyed) [x 100 if reporting as a %]  For guilds: (Number of sites at which any species within the relevant guild was recorded/ number of sites surveyed) [x 100 if reporting as a %]  Note that animals identifiable to guilds, but not to species are included in guild occupancy and abundance and are not included in species richness or number of species counts.
Mammals, reptiles, birds	Richness	Small-medium Mammal Camera survey	A measure of diversity; average number of species per site	Average number of species recorded at each site

#### **Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey**

Camera data were downloaded and categorised as "animal present" or "animal absent" using the Artificial Intelligence (AI) software (Microsoft Azure and Postman). Once categorised, images with animals present were uploaded into the program 'Timelapse' (Greenberg et al. 2019) and animals were identified to species level where possible. A file containing all species captures was exported from Timelapse into Microsoft Excel and activity, occupancy and richness metrics were calculated as per Table 4.

Same-species detections within a 12-hour period were removed (i.e. one record of a species per 12-hour period per camera was retained). Records that occurred after the set period of deployment for that set of sites were excluded (e.g. any records on day 14 or later were excluded when the set deployment time was 13 nights). For sites with multiple cameras, data from multiple cameras were pooled.

The activity and occupancy metrics were then calculated as described in Table 4.

#### **Fire Scar Analysis**

Fire scar data were derived from Landsat satellite imagery, and in later years supplemented by Sentinel-2 satellite imagery. 'Hotspot' data from the North Australian Fire Information (NAFI) website were used to help identify the month of the fire when the Landsat satellite imagery interval extended across two months. Each scar was attributed by year, month and season. Fire scars detected from January to July (inclusive) were attributed as 'Early', whereas those detected August to December were attributed as 'Late'. For each year, unburnt areas were created by erasing the recorded fires from the entire boundary area. The maps and statistics for the analyses were created using ArcGIS (Environmental System Research Institute Inc., Redlands, CA, USA) with Spatial Analyst, and were semi-automated using Python scripting. Graphs were produced using Microsoft Excel. Detailed methods are provided in Webb et al. (2021).

# **Results**

# Key threatened and iconic vertebrates

#### **Northern Brown Bandicoot**

In 2021, Northern Brown Bandicoots were detected at five of 80 (6.3%) sites and had an activity metric of 1.65±0.9 individuals/100 trap nights. This is the first time bandicoots have been detected at Wongalara since 2018 when one individual was caught in 280 traps nights (occupancy 2.1%, abundance 0.02±0.02 individuals/100 trap nights), despite targeted cage trapping (2019) and camera trap surveys (2020), likely due to a number of very dry years between 2019 and 2021, and the increased number of sites in riparian areas surveyed in 2021.

#### **Northern Brushtail Possum**

Northern Brushtail Possums were detected at four locations in 2021 across 80 sites (occupancy of 5%), the same as occupancy from 37 sites surveyed in 2020. The average activity of Northern Brushtail Possums in 2021 (2.75±2.18 individuals/100 trap nights) was higher than 2020 (0.19±0.1 individuals/100 trap nights). Brushtail Possums likely persist in low numbers at Wongalara, at riparian sites with mature hollow-bearing trees and diverse mid-storey vegetation.

#### **Gouldian Finch**

The 2020 Waterhole Bird Surveys results showed Gouldian Finches detected at 2 of 30 sites surveyed, giving an occupancy of 6.7%. In total 15 individuals were observed resulting in an abundance of 0.27±0.17 birds per site. In comparison, Gouldian Finches were far more abundant in 2019 when 119 individuals were observed and they were recorded at four of 18 sites (occupancy 22%). This difference is due to the highly nomadic nature of Gouldian Finches and the regional seasonal availability of water and food resources.

#### **Hooded Parrot**

Hooded Parrots were detected at 5 sites (occupancy 16.7%) spread across Kangaroo Valley and the northern Wilton River and associated drainage during 2020 surveys. A total of 121 individuals were observed resulting in an average abundance of 4 birds per site. During 2019 waterhole surveys, Hooded Parrots were detected at five of 18 sites (occupancy 16.7%), with 37 individuals seen (abundance 4.0±3.0 individuals/site). Hooded parrots are also regularly sighted incidentally across the sanctuary, usually at water points or in association with their preferred nesting habitat.

#### **Merten's Water Monitor**

Merten's Water Monitor is listed as Vulnerable in the Northern Territory and was detected on camera trap at Wongalara in 2021 with an occupancy of 1.3%. Merten's Water Monitor was sighted by staff at Wongalara at one location in 2020, and one location in 2019.

#### Mitchell's Water Monitor

Mitchell's Water Monitor is listed as Vulnerable in the Northern Territory and Critically Endangered under the IUCN criteria of the Lizard and Snake Action Plan (Chapple et al. 2019). It was detected for the first time at one site on Wongalara in 2021, as an incidental record from the Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey (occupancy of 1.3%).

# Vertebrate assemblages and surveillance species

#### **Mammals**

In 2020–21, 23 species of mammal were recorded from 33 species known or likely to occur on Wongalara. We recorded 2 arboreal mammals, 7 of 13 bats, 6 of 11 small-medium sized mammals (savanna and riparian guild), 3 of 3 small-medium sized mammals (rocky habitat guild), and 5 of the 6 macropods. The 7 bats and 5 small-medium sized mammals (savanna and riparian guild) that have not been detected in the past two years are all microbats and small rodents and dasyurids which would require more targeted surveys to detect. The 1

missing macropod was the Spectacled Hare-wallabies that occurs in very low density across northern Australia (see section below).

#### Small-medium mammals – savanna and riparian

Six of 11 species of savanna and riparian small mammals were detected, with this guild having an overall occupancy of 19% and an activity of 3.4±1.1/100 trap nights. The average number of small-medium mammals per site (richness) was 0.2±0.05. This was the first year of an extensive camera trap survey for this guild.

#### Delicate mouse

One of the most commonly detected small mammals at Wongalara, Delicate Mice (*Pseudomys delicatulus*) were detected at 3.8% of sites with an activity of 0.82±0.48. The species was not detected in 2020 and further data is required to detect trends.

#### Water Rat

Water Rats were detected at 5% of sites with an activity of 0.72±0.38. This species is restricted to riparian habitats and is usually detected on camera traps in the course of other surveys. The species was not detected in 2020 and further data is required to detect trends.

#### Small-medium mammals - rocky habitat

In 2020, all three species were detected of those known or likely to occur on Wongalara within this assemblage.

No surveys were conducted for this guild in 2021.

#### **Bats**

During 2020-21 six of 13 confirmed and likely bat species were detected through targeted surveys and incidental records. Bats were only detected through some incidental harp trapping in limited habitats using one methods, thus precluding detection of high-flying and obligate cave-dwelling species.

#### Macropods

Four macropod species were detected in the 2021 Small-medium Mammal Camera Survey, with site richness of 0.5±0.09 species per site, and activity of 9.0±1.7. It is important to note the 2021 survey covered different areas of the sanctuary to 2020 and didn't include rocky areas, where Common Wallaroos were most common that year. Below, we report on three indicator species from 2021 surveys.

#### Spectacled Hare-wallaby

Spectacled Hare-wallabies were not detected on cameras in 2021 and further targeted survey work is needed to understand the ecology and appropriate monitoring methods for this species. They were incidentally recorded at one site during 2020 camera trap surveys.

#### **Agile Wallaby**

In 2021, Agile Wallabies were the most common species recorded (occupancy 18.8%, activity 5.0±1.5). They are widespread across Wongalara and commonly detected on camera trap. In 2020 they were detected at 16% of sites and activity of 0.4±0.2. Populations appear stable across the sanctuary.

#### Northern Nailtail Wallaby

Camera trap surveys revealed Northern Nailtail Wallabies had an 8.9% occupancy of all sites, with an activity of 1.27±0.5. This makes them the second most common macropod species recorded in 2021. Occupancy at 34 sites surveyed in 2020 was 16% with an activity of 0.75±0.4. This higher occupancy is likely to have been recorded as most sites surveyed in 2020 were in open savanna preferred by this species.

# Dingo

In 2021, Dingo were detected at 11.3% of sites with an activity of  $2.77\pm1.3$ . This species was not detected in savanna on Wongalara in 2020 due to drought conditions.

#### **Birds**

Of the 165 species known from Wongalara (from sightings and surveys 2007–2021) 85 species were recorded in the last 2 years; 50% of the total inventory. The species recorded were skewed towards larger, easy to observe diurnal species. Missing species included those which visit during the wet season when fewer incidental records are collected and those which require dedicated survey effort in various habitats. The last comprehensive dry season savanna bird surveys were conducted in 2014.

# **Reptiles**

Reptile assemblage data was compiled from all incidental records from 2020 and 2021 in combination with a small number of records of large reptiles, such as Eastern Blue-tongued Skink (*Tiliqua scincoides*), from camera traps. Of the 77 species known to occur on Wongalara, 22 were recorded in 2020 and 2021.

The last comprehensive live trapping survey targeting reptiles was conducted in 2018 so the majority of species missing from the current assemblage are small, cryptic, fossorial and nocturnal. This group will be surveyed in 2022. Despite no comprehensive surveys, camera trap and incidental records provided data on large reptiles in savanna habitats, which are not surveyed in any other way. It was found that 14 of 22 (64%) of the species in this assemblage were detected using these methods.

# **Frogs**

Frog records are compiled from opportunistic wet season acoustic and spotlight surveys combined with incidental observation. This is a successful surveillance monitoring method, with 15 of 18 known frogs recorded in 2020–2021. The three missing species are two burrowing frogs and a toadlet, all of which have short periods of activity around first wet season storms and are found in habitats difficult to access during the wet season.

# **Threat indicators**

#### **Feral cats**

Feral cats (*Felis catus*) in savanna habitats were detected at an occupancy of 18.8% and activity of 3.4±0.97 (Table 5). This was a higher activity level with a comparable occupancy to the 2020 result for savanna habitats, noting that fewer (34) sites were surveyed in 2020 compared to 80 sites in 2021. The rocky habitat was last surveyed in 2020 and during this survey cat occupancy was 33% and activity was 0.21±0.09 for this habitat.

Table 5: Feral Cat metrics for Wongalara for 2020 and 2021.

Indicator	Metric	2020	2021	Performance/comments
Feral predators				
Feral cat - savanna	Activity Occupancy	0.6±0.2 22%	3.4±0.97 18.8%	↑ Higher activity and comparable occupancy to 2020, broader area of sanctuary surveyed in 2021.
Feral cats - rocky	Activity Occupancy	0.21±0.09 33%	N/A	Next surveyed again in 2022-23 wet season

#### Pest animals - other

Black rats (*Rattus rattus*) were detected at 10% of sites with an activity of 4.35±2.1 (Table 6). Cane toads were widespread at 47.5% of all 80 sites with activity of 33.2±8.7 (Table 6). Cane toads (*Rhinella marina*) arrived at Wongalara from 1995–2000 (Shine 2010) and are usually detected at all but the driest savanna sites. Feral pigs (*Sus scrofa*) were detected at 11.3% of sites, concentrated around riparian sites as would be expected. Activity was 17.6±13.6, the large SE due to varying group sizes with some groups having up to 10 piglets.

Table 6: Metrics for pigs, black rat and cane toad on Wongalara in 2021.

Indicator	Metric	Current value	Year	Performance/comments
Pest animals – other				
Digg	Activity	17.6	2021	
Pigs	Occupancy	11.3%	2021	
Black rat	Activity	4.35	2021	
BIACKTAL	Occupancy	10%	2021	
Cane toads	Activity	33.2	2021	
Calle toaus	Occupancy	47.5%	2021	

#### **Fire**

During 2021, ground-based and aerial prescribed burning was conducted by the Wongalara Sanctuary Manager. All 2021 metrics indicate improvements considered to be beneficial for ecological health since the commencement of AWC fire management (Table 7). The area burnt in 2021 early dry season prescribed burns was 5% less than 2020 and the mean distance to unburnt and long-unburnt vegetation has decreased substantially compared to baseline values. The first late dry season fire in seven years was ignited by lightning in 2021, burning 8% of the sanctuary.

Table 7. Fire metrics for Wongalara for 2021.

Metric	Baseline	AWC	2021	Trend	Trend
	average	average	result	(AWC vs	(2021 vs
				baseline)	baseline)
Area burnt by early dry season (EDS) fire (%)	9	20	15	<b>↑</b>	<b>↑</b>
Area burnt by late dry season (LDS) fire (%)	28	3	8	<b>+</b>	<b>\</b>
Cumulative extent burnt by LDS fire in past 3 years (%)	65	9	8	<b>+</b>	<b>T</b>
Mean distance to unburnt vegetation (km)	1.5	0.6	0.6	<b>+</b>	<b>\</b>
Mean distance to vegetation unburnt by LDS fire for 3 or more years (km)	1.8	0.6	0.6	<b>→</b>	<b>+</b>

#### Notes:

**Baseline** values for metrics are the average for the years immediately prior to acquisition of Wongalara by AWC: i.e., 2000–2007, for annual metrics, and 2002–2007, for 3 year metrics.

**AWC management** values for metrics are the average for the years following acquisition of Wongalara by AWC: i.e., 2008 onwards, for annual metrics, and 2010 onwards, for 3 year metrics.

**Trend**: change in metric compared with baseline, considering (i) average across AWC management; (ii) current year. Change in magnitude shown by arrows: increase  $\uparrow$ , no change  $\leftrightarrow$ , reduction  $\downarrow$ ). Inferred consequences for ecological health depicted by colour: improving in green (e.g.,  $\uparrow$  or  $\downarrow$ , depending on the metric); deteriorating in red (e.g.,  $\uparrow$  or  $\downarrow$ ); no change, or if the change cannot be interpreted in terms of ecological

# **Discussion**

health, in black.  $(\leftrightarrow, \uparrow \text{ or } \downarrow)$ .

The largest camera trap survey to date in savanna and riparian habitats on Wongalara was conducted in 2021. This provided monitoring data for all the small-medium savanna mammals and macropods, including those nominated for specific monitoring including Northern Brushtail Possum and Northern Brown Bandicoot. Threat metrics for pigs, cane toads and black rats were also generated from these data.

Northern Brown Bandicoots are detected intermittently in very low numbers at Wongalara and are often not detected for a number of years. These gaps in the data correspond with periods of dry conditions across the property such as those experienced in 2018–2020, suggesting that bandicoot numbers are too low to detect during those times. As we develop more targeted surveys, our understanding of the dynamics of this species at Wongalara will improve.

The Northern Brushtail Possum has declined across much of its range in northern Australia, especially the more semi-arid parts, and was recently listed as Vulnerable by the Australian Government (2020). They are

reliant on mature tree hollows and a well-developed shrub density for protection from feral cat predation (Stobo-Wilson et al. 2019). Northern Brushtail Possums persist at a small number of sites at Wongalara, currently all associated with riparian vegetation with mature River Redgums (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*) and shrubby understorey.

Both the Endangered Gouldian Finch and the Northern Territory endemic Hooded Parrot were systematically surveyed through waterhole counts in the late dry season in 2020. More birds of both species were observed in late 2019 during heatwave conditions across much of the top end Northern Territory (Bureau of Meteorology 2022c) which could indicate that birds were more reliant on whatever remaining water was available. These birds may have then been dispersed across a broader area of the sanctuary (and regionally) with more water available away from survey areas. Both species were also observed incidentally through 2019, 2020 and 2021, indicating that Wongalara continues to provide important habitat for these species.

Continued detection of Merten's Water Monitor and the first record of Mitchell's Water Monitor are encouraging signs given the ubiquitous presence of cane toads in riparian areas across the property. Cane toads were the cause of a sharp decline in both these species across northern Australia and has resulted in them both being listed as Critically Endangered in the Lizard and Snake Action Plan (Chapple et al. 2019). Continued removal of large feral herbivores and pigs assists with maintaining integrity of riparian vegetation and water quality and persistence through the late dry season, both of which are critical factors in water monitors having shelter and food sources alternative to toads.

The 2020–21 wet season rainfall was above average, and the first wet year following failed wet seasons in 2018–19 and 2019–20. This meant that there was still water available in many riparian areas at the time of surveys, and may have allowed us to capture a 'boom' in small-medium mammal populations. The numbers of small mammals detected increased between 2020 and 2021, however given different survey types and sites it is not yet clear whether this reflects survey design or local conditions. These numbers are still very low compared to historical small native mammal populations and are reflective of landscape scale decline of small and medium mammals across northern Australia (Ziembiecki et al. 2015). Timing of future surveys within a 3–5 year cycle will take climate conditions into account to allow for highest detectability of target species and guilds.

Feral cats continue to be the major threatening process for all native fauna at Wongalara (Frank et al. 2014; Tuft et al. 2021). In the absence of adequate landscape-scale control measures for cats, continued fire and large feral herbivore management are critical to the persistence of native fauna at Wongalara. These land management actions also help us to reduce the ongoing impacts of other widespread introduced species including pigs, black rats and cane toads. As omnivores, pigs and black rats in particular compete directly with native species for food and water resources, can prey upon native animals directly and consume eggs/young and may carry parasites and diseases.

Fire management by AWC has been ongoing at Wongalara for 14 years (2007-2021) since acquisition and changed the fire regime from one primarily dominated by hot, late dry season wildfire to a pattern of widespread mosaic of fire scars of various ages, through delivery of prescribed burning in the early dry season. This fire program is designed to directly benefit the native fauna reported on in this report, through the creation and retention of increased grown cover (for small-medium mammals and reptiles), promotion of grasses diversity and seeding (for finches and parrots) and protection of riparian areas (for bandicoots, possums, water rats and water monitors).

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# Appendix 1. Wongalara species list with groups/guilds

# Mammals

Family	Scientific name	Common name	Likelihood	Group/guild	EPBC	State	Action plan
	Lagorchestes						
Macropodidae	conspicillatus leichardti	Spectacled Hare-wallaby (mainland)	Confirmed	Indicator		N Thr	N Thr
Peramelidae	Isoodon macrourus	Northern Brown Bandicoot	Confirmed	Indicator		N Thr	
Phalangeridae	Trichosurus vulpecula arnhemensis	Common Brushtail Possum (northwestern)	Confirmed	Indicator	Vul	N Thr	
Pseudocheiridae	Petropseudes dahlii	Wogoit, Rock Ringtail Possum	Confirmed	Indicator			
Tachyglossidae	Tachyglossus aculeatus	Short-beaked Echidna	Confirmed	Indicator			
Petauridae	Petaurus ariel	Savanna Glider	Confirmed	Mammals - arboreal			
Emballonuridae	Saccolaimus flaviventris	Yellow-bellied Sheath-tailed Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Emballonuridae	Taphozous georgianus	Common Sheath-tailed Bat	Likely	Mammals - Bat			
Hipposideridae	Hipposideros ater	Dusky Leaf-nosed Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Hipposideridae	Rhinonicteris aurantia	Orange Leaf-nosed Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat		N Thr	
Megadermatidae	Macroderma gigas	Ghost Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat	Vul	N Thr	Vul
Miniopteridae	Miniopterus orianae		Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Molossidae	Chaerephon jobensis	Northern Mastiff Bat	Likely	Mammals - Bat			
Molossidae	Ozimops lumsdenae	Northern Free-tailed Bat	Likely	Mammals - Bat			
Pteropodidae	Macroglossus minimus	Northern Blossom Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Pteropodidae	Pteropus alecto	Black Flying-fox	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Pteropodidae	Pteropus scapulatus	Little Red Flying-fox	Very Likely	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Chalinolobus gouldii	Gould's Wattled Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Chalinolobus nigrogriseus	Hoary Wattled Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Myotis macropus	Large-footed Myotis	Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Nyctophilus arnhemensis	Northern Long-eared Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Nyctophilus bifax	Eastern Long-eared Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Nyctophilus daedalus	Pallid Long-eared Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Nyctophilus geoffroyi	Lesser Long-eared Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Nyctophilus walkeri	Pygmy Long-eared Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat			

Family	Scientific name	Common name	Likelihood	Group/guild	EPBC	State	Action plan
Vespertilionidae	Scotorepens greyii	Little Broad-nosed Bat	Confirmed	Mammals - Bat			
Vespertilionidae	Vespadelus caurinus	Northern Cave Bat	Possible	Mammals - Bat			
Macropodidae	Macropus agilis	Agile Wallaby	Confirmed	Mammals - macropods			
Macropodidae	Macropus antilopinus	Antilopine Wallaroo	Confirmed	Mammals - macropods			
Macropodidae	Macropus robustus	Euro, Common Wallaroo	Confirmed	Mammals - macropods			
Macropodidae	Onychogalea unguifera	Northern Nailtail Wallaby	Confirmed	Mammals - macropods		N Thr	
Macropodidae	Petrogale wilkinsi	Wilkin's Rock-wallaby	Confirmed	Mammals - macropods			N Thr
Dasyuridae	Dasyurus hallucatus	Northern Quoll, Digul	Possible	Mammals - Predator	End	Cr End	End
Dasyuridae	Phascogale tapoatafa kimberleyensis	Kimberley Brush-tailed Phascogale	Possible	Mammals - Predator			N Thr
Muridae	Hydromys chrysogaster	Water-rat, Rakali	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium riparian			
Dasyuridae	Pseudantechinus bilarni	Sandstone Antechinus	Possible	Mammals - Small-medium rocky			
Muridae	Zyzomys argurus	Common Rock-rat, Djoorri	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium rocky			
Muridae	Zyzomys maini	Arnhem Rock-rat, Kodjperr	Possible	Mammals - Small-medium rocky	Vu	Vul	Vul
Dasyuridae	Planigale ingrami	Long-tailed Planigale	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			
Dasyuridae	Planigale maculata	Common Planigale	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			
Dasyuridae	Sminthopsis bindi	Kakadu Dunnart	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			N Thr
Dasyuridae	Sminthopsis virginiae	Red-cheeked Dunnart	Possible	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			
Muridae	Leggadina lakedownensis	Northern Short-tailed Mouse, Kerakenga	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			
Muridae	Melomys burtoni	Grassland Melomys, Loolong	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			
Muridae	Pseudomys delicatulus	Delicate Mouse, Molinipi	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna			
Muridae	Pseudomys johnsoni	Central Pebble-mouse, Ilyema	Confirmed	Mammals - Small-medium savanna		N Thr	

Family	Scientific name	Common name	Likelihood	Group/guild	EPBC	State	Action
							plan
				Mammals - Small-medium			
Muridae	Pseudomys nanus	Western Chestnut Mouse, Moolpoo	Confirmed	savanna		N Thr	
				Mammals - Small-medium			
Muridae	Rattus tunneyi tunneyi	Pale Field-rat (north-western)	Confirmed	savanna		Vul	
				Mammals - Small-medium			
Muridae	Rattus villosissimus	Long-haired Rat, Mayaroo	Possible	savanna		N Thr	
Canidae	Canis dingo	Dingo	Confirmed	Predator			N Thr

# Notes:

For Mammals and Birds the threatened species listings are given for federal (EPBC), State and relevant Action Plan (Woinarski et al. 2012; Garnett and Baker 2021).

Listings are abbreviated as follows:

Near Threatened = N Thr Vulnerable = Vul Endangered = End Critically Endangered = Cr End

#### Birds

Family	Scientific name	Common name	Likelihood	Group/guild	EPBC	State	Action plan
Aegothelidae	Aegotheles cristatus	Australian Owlet-nightjar	Confirmed	Birds - nocturnal			
Caprimulgidae	Caprimulgus macrurus	Large-tailed Nightjar	Possible	Birds - nocturnal			
Caprimulgidae	Eurostopodus argus	Spotted Nightjar	Confirmed	Birds - nocturnal			
Podargidae	Podargus strigoides	Tawny Frogmouth	Confirmed	Birds - nocturnal			
Burhinidae	Burhinus grallarius	Bush Stone-curlew	Confirmed	Birds - nocturnal		N Thr	
Strigidae	Ninox connivens	Barking Owl	Confirmed	Birds - nocturnal			
Strigidae	Ninox rufa	Rufous Owl	Confirmed	Birds - nocturnal			
Tytonidae	Tyto javanica	Eastern Barn Owl	Very Likely	Birds - nocturnal			
Tytonidae	Tyto longimembris	Eastern Grass Owl	Possible	Birds - nocturnal		N Thr	
Tytonidae	Tyto novaehollandiae kimberli	Northern Masked Owl	Possible	Birds - nocturnal			
Accipitridae	Haliaeetus leucogaster	White-bellied Sea Eagle	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Accipitridae	Haliastur indus	Brahminy Kite	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Pandionidae	Pandion cristatus	Eastern Osprey	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			

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Anatidae	Anas gracilis	Grey Teal	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Anas superciliosa	Pacific Black Duck	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Aythya australis	Hardhead	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Cygnus atratus	Black Swan	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Dendrocygna arcuata	Wandering Whistling Duck	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Dendrocygna eytoni	Plumed Whistling Duck	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Malacorhynchus membranaceus	Pink-eared Duck	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Nettapus pulchellus	Green Pygmy Goose	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anatidae	Radjah radjah	Raja Shelduck	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anseranatidae	Anseranas semipalmata	Magpie Goose	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Charadriidae	Charadrius ruficapillus	Red-capped Plover	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Charadriidae	Charadrius veredus	Oriental Plover	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Charadriidae	Elseyornis melanops	Black-fronted Dotterel	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Charadriidae	Erythrogonys cinctus	Red-kneed Dotterel	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Charadriidae	Pluvialis fulva	Pacific Golden Plover	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Charadriidae	Vanellus miles	Masked Lapwing	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Glareolidae	Glareola maldivarum	Oriental Pratincole	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Glareolidae	Stiltia isabella	Australian Pratincole	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Jacanidae	Irediparra gallinacea	Comb-crested Jacana	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Laridae	Chlidonias hybrida	Whiskered Tern	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Laridae	Chlidonias leucopterus	White-winged Tern	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Laridae	Gelochelidon macrotarsa	Australian Tern	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Laridae	Hydroprogne caspia	Caspian Tern	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Laridae	Larus pacificus	Pacific Gull	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Recurvirostridae	Himantopus leucocephalus	Pied Stilt	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Rostratulidae	Rostratula australis	Australian Painted-snipe	Possible	Birds - riparian	End	Vul	End
Scolopacidae	Actitis hypoleucos	Common Sandpiper	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Calidris acuminata	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Calidris ferruginea	Curlew Sandpiper	Possible	Birds - riparian	Cr End	Vul	Cr End
Scolopacidae	Calidris ruficollis	Red-necked Stint	Possible	Birds - riparian			N Thr

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Scolopacidae	Calidris subminuta	Long-toed Stint	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Gallinago hardwickii	Latham's Snipe	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Gallinago megala	Swinhoe's Snipe	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Limosa lapponica	Bar-tailed Godwit	Possible	Birds - riparian		Vul	
Scolopacidae	Limosa limosa	Black-tailed Godwit	Possible	Birds - riparian		N Thr	N Thr
Scolopacidae	Numenius minutus	Little Curlew	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Tringa glareola	Wood Sandpiper	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Tringa nebularia	Common Greenshank	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Scolopacidae	Tringa stagnatilis	Marsh Sandpiper	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Ciconiidae	Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus	Black-necked Stork	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Columbidae	Ducula spilorrhoa	Torresian Imperial Pigeon	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Columbidae	Ptilinopus regina	Rose-crowned Fruit Dove	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Alcedinidae	Ceyx azureus	Azure Kingfisher	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Alcedinidae	Ceyx pusillus	Little Kingfisher	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Rallidae	Fulica atra	Eurasian Coot	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Rallidae	Hypotaenidia philippensis	Buff-banded Rail	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Rallidae	Poliolimnas cinerea	White-browed Crake	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Rallidae	Porphyrio melanotus	Australasian Swamphen	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Rallidae	Zapornia pusilla	Baillon's Crake	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Acanthizidae	Gerygone olivacea	White-throated Gerygone	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Ardea alba	Great Egret	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Ardea intermedia	Intermediate Egret	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Ardea pacifica	White-necked Heron	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Ardea sumatrana	Great-billed Heron	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Bubulcus coromandus	Eastern Cattle Egret	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Egretta garzetta	Little Egret	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Egretta novaehollandiae	White-faced Heron	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Egretta picata	Pied Heron	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Ixobrychus dubius	Black-backed Bittern	Possible	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Ixobrychus flavicollis	Black Bittern	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Ardeidae	Nycticorax caledonicus	Nankeen Night-Heron	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			

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Pelecanidae	Pelecanus conspicillatus	Australian Pelican	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Threskiornithidae	Platalea flavipes	Yellow-billed Spoonbill	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Threskiornithidae	Platalea regia	Royal Spoonbill	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Threskiornithidae	Plegadis falcinellus	Glossy Ibis	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Threskiornithidae	Threskiornis molucca	Australian White Ibis	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Threskiornithidae	Threskiornis spinicollis	Straw-necked Ibis	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Podicipedidae	Poliocephalus poliocephalus	Hoary-headed Grebe	Likely	Birds - riparian			
Podicipedidae	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	Australasian Grebe	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Anhingidae	Anhinga novaehollandiae	Australasian Darter	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Phalacrocoracidae	Microcarbo melanoleucos	Little Pied Cormorant	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Phalacrocoracidae	Phalacrocorax carbo	Great Cormorant	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Phalacrocoracidae	Phalacrocorax sulcirostris	Little Black Cormorant	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Phalacrocoracidae	Phalacrocorax varius	Pied Cormorant	Confirmed	Birds - riparian			
Columbidae	Petrophassa rufipennis	Chestnut-quilled Rock Pigeon	Confirmed	Birds - rocky		N Thr	
Accipitridae	Accipiter cirrocephalus	Collared Sparrowhawk	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Accipiter fasciatus	Brown Goshawk	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Accipiter novaehollandiae	Grey Goshawk	Possible	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Aquila audax	Wedge-tailed Eagle	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Aviceda subcristata	Pacific Baza	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Circus approximans	Swamp Harrier	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Circus assimilis	Spotted Harrier	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Elanus axillaris	Black-shouldered Kite	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Elanus scriptus	Letter-winged Kite	Possible	Birds - savanna		N Thr	N Thr
Accipitridae	Erythrotriorchis radiatus	Red Goshawk	Likely	Birds - savanna	Vul	Vul	N Thr
Accipitridae	Haliastur sphenurus	Whistling Kite	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Hamirostra melanosternon	Black-breasted Buzzard	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Hieraaetus morphnoides	Little Eagle	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Accipitridae	Lophoictinia isura	Square-tailed Kite	Confirmed	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Accipitridae	Milvus migrans	Black Kite	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Apodidae	Apus pacificus	Pacific Swift	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Casuariidae	Dromaius novaehollandiae	Emu	Confirmed	Birds - savanna		N Thr	

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Turnicidae	Turnix castanotus	Chestnut-backed Buttonquail	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Turnicidae	Turnix maculosus	Red-backed Buttonquail	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Turnicidae	Turnix pyrrhothorax	Red-chested Buttonquail	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Columbidae	Geopelia cuneata	Diamond Dove	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Columbidae	Geopelia humeralis	Bar-shouldered Dove	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Columbidae	Geopelia placida	Peaceful Dove	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Columbidae	Geophaps plumifera	Spinifex Pigeon	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Columbidae	Geophaps smithii smithii	Eastern Partridge Pigeon	Possible	Birds - savanna		Vul	Vul
Columbidae	Ocyphaps lophotes	Crested Pigeon	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Columbidae	Phaps chalcoptera	Common Bronzewing	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Alcedinidae	Dacelo leachii	Blue-winged Kookaburra	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Alcedinidae	Todiramphus macleayii	Forest Kingfisher	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Alcedinidae	Todiramphus pyrrhopygius	Red-backed Kingfisher	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Alcedinidae	Todiramphus sanctus	Sacred Kingfisher	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Coraciidae	Eurystomus orientalis	Oriental Dollarbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meropidae	Merops ornatus	Rainbow Bee-eater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Cacomantis pallidus	Pallid Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Cacomantis variolosus	Brush Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Centropus phasianinus	Pheasant Coucal	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Chrysococcyx basalis	Horsfield's Bronze Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Chrysococcyx minutillus	Little Bronze Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Chrysococcyx osculans	Black-eared Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Cuculus optatus	Oriental Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Eudynamys orientalis	Pacific Koel	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Cuculidae	Scythrops novaehollandiae	Channel-billed Cuckoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Falconidae	Falco berigora	Brown Falcon	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Falconidae	Falco cenchroides	Nankeen Kestrel	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Falconidae	Falco longipennis	Australian Hobby	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Falconidae	Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Falconidae	Falco subniger	Black Falcon	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Phasianidae	Coturnix ypsilophora	Brown Quail	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			

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Gruidae	Antigone antigone	Sarus Crane	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Gruidae	Antigone rubicunda	Brolga	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Otididae	Ardeotis australis	Australian Bustard	Confirmed	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Acanthizidae	Smicrornis brevirostris	Weebill	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Alaudidae	Mirafra javanica	Horsfield's Bush Lark	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Artamus cinereus	Black-faced Woodswallow	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Artamus leucorynchus	White-breasted Woodswallow	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Artamus minor	Little Woodswallow	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Artamus personatus	Masked Woodswallow	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Artamus superciliosus	White-browed Woodswallow	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Cracticus argenteus	Silver-backed Butcherbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Cracticus nigrogularis	Pied Butcherbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Gymnorhina tibicen	Australian Magpie	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Artamidae	Melloria quoyi	Black Butcherbird	Possible	Birds - savanna			
Campephagidae	Coracina maxima	Ground Cuckooshrike	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Campephagidae	Coracina novaehollandiae	Black-faced Cuckooshrike	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Campephagidae	Coracina papuensis	White-bellied Cuckooshrike	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Campephagidae	Edolisoma tenuirostre	Common Cicadabird	Possible	Birds - savanna			
Campephagidae	Lalage leucomela	Varied Triller	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Campephagidae	Lalage tricolor	White-winged Triller	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cisticolidae	Cisticola exilis	Golden-headed Cisticola	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Climacteridae	Climacteris melanurus	Black-tailed Treecreeper	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Corcoracidae	Struthidea cinerea	Apostlebird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Corvidae	Corvus bennetti	Little Crow	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Corvidae	Corvus orru	Torresian Crow	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Dicaeidae	Dicaeum hirundinaceum	Mistletoebird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Dicruridae	Dicrurus bracteatus	Spangled Drongo	Possible	Birds - savanna			
Estrildidae	Bathilda ruficauda	Star Finch	Likely	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Estrildidae	Chloebia gouldiae	Gouldian Finch	Confirmed	Birds - savanna	End	Vul	N Thr
Estrildidae	Heteromunia pectoralis	Pictorella Mannikin	Confirmed	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Estrildidae	Lonchura castaneothorax	Chestnut-breasted Mannikin	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			

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Estrildidae	Neochmia phaeton	Crimson Finch	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Estrildidae	Poephila acuticauda	Long-tailed Finch	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Estrildidae	Poephila personata	Masked Finch	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Estrildidae	Stizoptera bichenovii	Double-barred Finch	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Estrildidae	Taeniopygia guttata	Zebra Finch	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Falcunculidae	Falcunculus frontatus whitei	Northern Crested Shriketit	Possible	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Hirundinidae	Petrochelidon ariel	Fairy Martin	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Hirundinidae	Petrochelidon nigricans	Tree Martin	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Locustellidae	Cincloramphus mathewsi	Rufous Songlark	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Locustellidae	Cincloramphus timoriensis	Tawny Grassbird	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Maluridae	Malurus assimilis	Purple-backed Fairywren	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Maluridae	Malurus melanocephalus	Red-backed Fairywren	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Cissomela pectoralis	Banded Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Conopophila albogularis	Rufous-banded Honeyeater	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Conopophila rufogularis	Rufous-throated Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Entomyzon cyanotis	Blue-faced Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Gavicalis virescens	Singing Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Lichmera indistincta	Brown Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Manorina flavigula	Yellow-throated Miner	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Melithreptus albogularis	White-throated Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Melithreptus gularis	Black-chinned Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Myzomela obscura	Dusky Myzomela	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Philemon argenticeps	Silver-crowned Friarbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Philemon buceroides	Helmeted Friarbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Philemon citreogularis	Little Friarbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Ptilotula flavescens	Yellow-tinted Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Ptilotula plumula	Grey-fronted Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Ramsayornis fasciatus	Bar-breasted Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Meliphagidae	Stomiopera unicolor	White-gaped Honeyeater	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Monarchidae	Grallina cyanoleuca	Magpie-lark	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Monarchidae	Myiagra alecto	Shining Flycatcher	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			

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Monarchidae	Myiagra nana	Paperbark Flycatcher	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Monarchidae	Myiagra rubecula	Leaden Flycatcher	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Motacillidae	Anthus australis	Australian Pipit	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Neosittidae	Daphoenositta chrysoptera	Varied Sittella	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Oriolidae	Oriolus sagittatus	Olive-backed Oriole	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Oriolidae	Sphecotheres vieilloti	Australasian Figbird	Possible	Birds - savanna			
Pachycephalidae	Colluricincla harmonica	Grey Shrikethrush	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Pachycephalidae	Colluricincla megarhyncha	Arafura Shrikethrush	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Pachycephalidae	Colluricincla woodwardi	Sandstone Shrikethrush	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Pachycephalidae	Pachycephala rufiventris	Rufous Whistler	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Pachycephalidae	Pachycephala simplex	Grey Whistler	Possible	Birds - savanna			
Pardalotidae	Pardalotus rubricatus	Red-browed Pardalote	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Pardalotidae	Pardalotus striatus	Striated Pardalote	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Petroicidae	Melanodryas cucullata	Hooded Robin	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Petroicidae	Microeca fascinans	Jacky Winter	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Petroicidae	Microeca flavigaster	Lemon-bellied Flyrobin	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Petroicidae	Poecilodryas cerviniventris	Buff-sided Robin	Confirmed	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Pomatostomidae	Pomatostomus temporalis	Grey-crowned Babbler	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Ptilonorhynchidae	Chlamydera nuchalis	Great Bowerbird	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura albiscapa	Grey Fantail	Likely	Birds - savanna			
Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura dryas	Arafura Fantail	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura leucophrys	Willie Wagtail	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura rufiventris	Northern Fantail	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cacatuidae	Cacatua galerita	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cacatuidae	Cacatua sanguinea	Little Corella	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cacatuidae	Calyptorhynchus banksii	Red-tailed Black Cockatoo	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cacatuidae	Eolophus roseicapilla	Galah	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Cacatuidae	Nymphicus hollandicus	Cockatiel	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Psittaculidae	Aprosmictus erythropterus	Red-winged Parrot	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Psittaculidae	Melopsittacus undulatus	Budgerigar	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Psittaculidae	Platycercus venustus	Northern Rosella	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			

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Psittaculidae	Psephotellus dissimilis	Hooded Parrot	Confirmed	Birds - savanna		N Thr	
Psittaculidae	Psitteuteles versicolor	Varied Lorikeet	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Psittaculidae	Trichoglossus rubritorquis	Red-collared Lorikeet	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			
Strigidae	Ninox boobook	Australian Boobook	Confirmed	Birds - savanna			

# Notes:

For Mammals and Birds the threatened species listings are given for federal (EPBC), State and relevant Action Plan (Woinarski et al. 2012; Garnett and Baker 2021).

Listings are abbreviated as follows:

Near Threatened = N Thr Vulnerable = Vul Endangered = End Critically Endangered = Cr End

# Reptiles

Family	Scientific name	Common name	Likelihood	Group/guild	State	Action plan
Crocodylidae	Crocodylus johnstoni	Freshwater Crocodile	Confirmed	Crocodiles		
Crocodylidae	Crocodylus porosus	Saltwater Crocodile	Confirmed	Crocodiles		
Acrochordidae	Acrochordus arafurae	Arafura File Snake	Confirmed	Reptiles - Aquatic Snakes		
Homalopsidae	Pseudoferania polylepis	Macleay's Water Snake	Very Likely	Reptiles - Aquatic Snakes		
Agamidae	Chelosania brunnea	Chameleon Dragon	Very Likely	Reptiles - large	N Thr	
Agamidae	Chlamydosaurus kingii	Frilled Lizard	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Boidae	Aspidites melanocephalus	Black-headed Python	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Boidae	Liasis fuscus	Water Python	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Boidae	Liasis olivaceus	Olive Python	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Boidae	Morelia spilota	Carpet Python	Likely	Reptiles - large		
Colubridae	Boiga irregularis	Brown Tree Snake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Colubridae	Dendrelaphis punctulatus	Green Tree Snake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Colubridae	Stegonotus australis	Slaty-grey Snake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Elapidae	Demansia olivacea	Olive Whipsnake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Elapidae	Demansia papuensis	Greater Black Whipsnake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Elapidae	Demansia vestigiata	Lesser Black Whipsnake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		

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Elapidae	Pseudechis australis	Mulga Snake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large	N Thr	
Elapidae	Pseudonaja nuchalis	Northern Brown Snake	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Scincidae	Tiliqua scincoides	Eastern Blue-tongued Lizard	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Varanidae	Varanus acanthurus	Ridge-tailed Monitor	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Varanidae	Varanus baritji	Black-spotted Spiny-tailed Monitor	Very Likely	Reptiles - large		
Varanidae	Varanus glebopalma	Black-palmed Monitor	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Varanidae	Varanus gouldii	Gould's Goanna	Possible	Reptiles - large		
Varanidae	Varanus panoptes	Yellow-spotted Monitor	Confirmed	Reptiles - large	Vul	
Varanidae	Varanus primordius	Northern Ridge-tailed Monitor	Possible	Reptiles - large	N Thr	
Varanidae	Varanus scalaris	Spotted Tree Monitor	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Varanidae	Varanus tristis	Black-headed Monitor	Confirmed	Reptiles - large		
Colubridae	Tropidonophis mairii	Keelback	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium riparian		
Agamidae	Ctenophorus caudicinctus	Ring-tailed Dragon	Possible	Reptiles - Small-medium rocky		
Carphodactylidae	Nephrurus sheai	Northern Knob-tail	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium rocky		
Agamidae	Diporiphora bilineata	Two-lined Dragon	Possible	Reptiles - Small-medium savanna		
Agamidae	Diporiphora magna	Yellow-sided Two-lined Dragon	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium savanna		
Agamidae	Diporiphora sobria	Northern Savannah Two-pored Dragon	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium savanna		
Agamidae	Lophognathus gilberti	Gilbert's Dragon	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium ed savanna		
Agamidae	Lophognathus horneri	Horner's Dragon	Likely	Reptiles - Small-medium savanna		
Agamidae	Tropicagama temporalis	Swamplands Lashtail	Reptiles - Small-medium Very Likely savanna			
Boidae	Antaresia childreni	Children's Python	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium irmed savanna		
Diplodactylidae	Amalosia rhombifer	Zigzag Velvet Gecko	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium savanna		

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Diplodactylidae	Diplodactylus barraganae	Gulf Fat-tailed Gecko	Very Likely	savanna		
Diploddetylldde	Diploductylus burrugunuc	Guil Fat tailed Geeko	Very Likely	Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Diplodactylus conspicillatus	Variable Fat-tailed Gecko	Likely	savanna		
Diploddetyllade	2.productyras consprenatus	Variable Fac tailed Geeke	Lincity	Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Diplodactylus hillii	Northern Fat-tailed Gecko	Possible	savanna		
•				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Lucasium immaculatum	Pale-striped Ground Gecko	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Lucasium stenodactylum	Crowned Gecko	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Oedura marmorata	Marbled Velvet Gecko	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Rhynchoedura ornata	Western Beaked Gecko	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Strophurus ciliaris	Spiny-tailed Gecko	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Diplodactylidae	Strophurus taeniatus	Phasmid Striped Gecko	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Elapidae	Acanthophis praelongus	Northern Death Adder	Very Likely	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Elapidae	Acanthophis rugosus	Papuan Death Adder	Very Likely	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Elapidae	Brachyurophis roperi	Roper Shovel-nosed Snake	Confirmed	savanna		
-1 .1				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Elapidae	Cryptophis pallidiceps	Northern Small-eyed Snake	Confirmed	savanna		
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Elapidae	Demansia quaesitor	Sombre Whipsnake	Confirmed	savanna		
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Elapidae	Furina ornata	Orange-naped Snake	Confirmed	savanna		
Floridos	Decude chie weigeli	Dygmy Mulga Snaka	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium		
Elapidae	Pseudechis weigeli	Pygmy Mulga Snake	Confirmed	Savanna Cmall madium		
Elanidae	Cuta nunctata	Little Spotted Spake	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium		
Elapidae	Suta punctata	Little Spotted Snake Wide-banded Northern Bandy-	Confirmed	Reptiles - Small-medium		
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Scincidae Ctenotus decaneurus Ten-lined Ctenotus Confirmed savanna		
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Scincidae	Proablepharus tenuis	Northern Soil-crevice Skink	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Typhlopidae	Anilios diversus	Northern Blind Snake	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Typhlopidae	Anilios guentheri	Top End Blind Snake	Possible	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Typhlopidae	Anilios ligatus	Robust Blind Snake	Confirmed	savanna		
				Reptiles - Small-medium		
Typhlopidae	Anilios unguirostris	Claw-snouted Blind Snake	Likely	savanna		
Chelidae	Chelodina canni	Cann's Snake-necked Turtle	Likely	Turtles		
Chelidae	Chelodina oblonga	Northern Snake-necked Turtle	Confirmed	Turtles		
Chelidae	Elseya flaviventralis	Yellow-bellied Snapping Turtle	Confirmed	Turtles		
Chelidae	Emydura subglobosa	Red-flushed River Turtle	Confirmed	Turtles		
Chelidae	Emydura tanybaraga	Northern Yellow-faced Turtle	Possible	Turtles		
Varanidae	Varanus mertensi	Merten's Water Monitor	Confirmed	Water Monitors	Vul	End
Varanidae	Varanus mitchelli	Mitchell's Water Monitor	Confirmed	Water Monitors	Vul	Cr End

# Notes:

For Reptiles the threatened species listings are given for State and relevant Action Plan (Chapple et al. 2017).

Listings are abbreviated as follows:

Near Threatened = N Thr Vulnerable = Vul Endangered = End Critically Endangered = Cr End

# Frogs

Class	Order	Family	Scientific name	Common name	Likelihood	Group/guild
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Cyclorana australis	Giant Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Cyclorana longipes	Long-footed Frog	Possible	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria bicolor	Northern Dwarf Tree Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria caerulea	Green Tree Frog	Confirmed	Frogs

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Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria coplandi	Copland's Rock Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria dahlii	Dahl's Aquatic Frog	Very Likely	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria inermis	Peters's Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria meiriana	Rockhole Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria microbelos	Javelin Frog	Possible	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria nasuta	Rocket Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria pallida	Pale Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria rothii	Roth's Tree Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria rubella	Desert Tree Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria spaldingi	Northern Creek Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Hylidae	Litoria tornieri	Tornier's Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Limnodynastidae	Limnodynastes convexiusculus	Marbled Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Limnodynastidae	Notaden melanoscaphus	Northern Spadefoot Toad	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Limnodynastidae	Platyplectrum ornatum	Ornate Burrowing Frog	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Myobatrachidae	Crinia remota	Remote Froglet	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Myobatrachidae	Uperoleia inundata	Floodplain Toadlet	Confirmed	Frogs
Amphibia	Anura	Myobatrachidae	Uperoleia lithomoda	Stonemason Toadlet	Confirmed	Frogs

# **Introduced Species**

Class	Family	Scientific name	Common name	Group/guild
Amphibia	Bufonidae	Rhinella marina	Cane Toad	Feral
Mammalia	Bovidae	Bos taurus	European Cattle	Feral - large herbivore
Mammalia	Bovidae	Bubalus bubalis	Swamp Buffalo	Feral - large herbivore
Mammalia	Equidae	Equus asinus	Donkey	Feral - large herbivore
Mammalia	Equidae	Equus caballus	Horse	Feral - large herbivore
Mammalia	Suidae	Sus scrofa	Pig	Feral - large herbivore

Class	Family	Scientific name	Common name	Group/guild
Mammalia	Felidae	Felis catus	Cat	Feral - predator
Mammalia	Muridae	Rattus rattus	Black Rat	Feral - rodent

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