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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ENV Australia Pty Ltd (ENV) was commissioned in October 2007 to undertake a terrestrial biological assessment survey for the BHP Billiton Iron Ore's proposed Outer Harbour Development (the project). The project area covers approximately 20,303 ha and is located west and south-west of Port Hedland in the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

A two-phase (summer and winter) fauna survey was undertaken of the Outer Harbour Development project area from 12 October - 9 November 2007 and 5-16 May 2008 respectively. This assessment was completed in accordance with *EPA Guidance for the Assessment of Environmental Factors: Terrestrial Fauna Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment in Western Australia. Guidance Statement No. 56.* The objectives of the assessment included documenting habitat types within the project area, compiling a list of fauna species likely to occur in the project area, including conservation significant species, conducting a terrestrial fauna trapping survey and making seasonal comparisons of data.

In the summer survey eight trapping sites were established and used for an average of 64 trap-nights for pit, cage and Elliott traps, and 128 trap-nights for funnel and pot traps. A further two trap sites were established for the winter survey, and used for an average 80 trap-nights for pit, cage and Elliott traps, and 160 trap-nights for funnel and pot traps. This fauna trapping program recorded 54% of the expected fauna species for the project area, and is therefore believed to be adequate.

The project area comprises six fauna habitat types: Dunal, Riverine, Mangrove, Tidal Flats, Samphire and Sandplain. Habitats of conservation significance included those which supported unique faunal assemblages (i.e. the Dunal habitat), those which provided fauna movement corridors (i.e. Riverine habitat), those which are regularly used by fauna of conservation significance such as migratory shorebirds (i.e. Tidal Flat and Mangrove habitats) or those that are comparatively small in the Pilbara region (i.e. Tidal Flat and Mangrove habitats) or those that are comparatively small in the Pilbara region (i.e. Tidal Flat and Mangroves). In addition to the fauna work by ENV, the Mangrove habitat type has been specifically investigated in a separate study (SKM 2009). The Sandplain habitat, the most dominant habitat within the project area, is not considered to be of conservation significance as it lacks an array of microhabitats for fauna to exploit and does not support migratory birds to the extent of Tidal Flats and Mangroves.

There are isolated features in the project area, such as quartz outcrops, a billabong (Cooliarin Pool), rock piles and a limestone hill, which, although not complete fauna habitat types, are nonetheless considered important microhabitats. Of these features, Cooliarin Pool is considered to be of conservation significance as it provides potential habitat for avian fauna of conservation significance, namely *Neochmia ruficauda clarescens* (the Star Finch).



A pronounced seasonal difference in the recorded numbers of birds was evident, with 98 species of birds recorded in summer and 74 bird species recorded in winter. The seasonal difference in the number of birds recorded reflects the arrival of summer visitation of migratory shorebirds and waders. The number of recorded species of mammals, reptiles and amphibians did not show any significant seasonal variation, possibly due to the lack of summer rainfall that was experienced at the time of the survey.

Of the 199 recorded fauna species, 23 are protected under legislation, i.e. are listed under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*, and/or the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*. One species recorded in the survey, the python *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma), is listed as Schedule 4 under the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, as Priority 1 by the Department of Environment and Conservation, and as Endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List. This species was recorded opportunistically (sighted) outside of the proposed disturbance envelope in the Sandplain habitat during the winter survey only. The Sandplain habitat is well represented within and outside the project area, and even though direct habitat loss may result in localised mortalities, the broader representation of the Woma in the region is not likely to be compromised by the project.

Recorded species listed as Priority Fauna species by the Department of Environment and Conservation included *Mormopterus Ioriae cobourgensis* (Little North-western Free-tail Bat), *Ardeotis australis* (Australian Bustard), and *Numenius madagascariensis* (Eastern Curlew). These species were recorded in Mangrove, Sandplain and Tidal Flat habitats, respectively. As these habitats are present within the proposed disturbance envelope, clearing associated with the project may result in loss of potential roosting hollows or nesting sites, although none were specifically observed during the surveys. The Little North-western Freetail Bat, Australian Bustard and Eastern Curlew are highly mobile species and therefore are unlikely to be impacted by clearing activities.

Twenty-two of the recorded bird species are listed as Migratory species under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*. The majority of these birds use the Mangrove and Tidal Flat habitats for foraging and roosting during summer. Localised mortalities of Migratory listed birds are considered unlikely to result from construction as no nesting sites were observed within the proposed disturbance envelope during the field surveys. The impact upon the foraging grounds of the migratory species due to the small area of the disturbance envelope in these habitats.

The project is unlikely to significantly affect the representation of the fauna habitats in the project area, and therefore the fauna they support.



# 1 INTRODUCTION

ENV.Australia Pty Ltd (ENV) was commissioned in October 2007 to undertake a terrestrial fauna assessment for BHP Billiton Iron Ore's proposed Outer Harbour Development in Port Hedland, Western Australia (the project). This report documents the findings of two seasons of fauna surveying, conducted in summer and winter, within the proposed Outer Harbour Development project area. The fauna assessment was conducted in accordance with *Guidance Statement No. 56 Terrestrial Fauna Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment in Western Australia* of the WA Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) (EPA 2004). The objectives of the fauna assessment were to:

- document the general habitat types of the project area as they relate to faunal assemblages;
- compile (from database searches) a list of terrestrial vertebrate fauna likely to occur in the project area;
- identify (from database searches) terrestrial vertebrate fauna of conservation significance that may occur in the project area;
- report on the likely occurrence of terrestrial vertebrate fauna, including that of conservation significance, in the project area, based on habitats present and their condition;
- document any opportunistic records of fauna observed onsite;
- conduct a terrestrial vertebrate fauna trapping survey within the project area;
- document seasonal comparisons of data; and
- undertake an impact assessment with reference to the project disturbance envelope.

# 1.1 LOCATION

The project area lies west and south-west of the towns of Port Hedland and South Hedland, and covers an area of 20,303 ha from Finucane Island to the decommissioned Boodarie Hot Briquette Iron (HBI) Plant and inland to the Newman to Port Hedland rail line in the south-east (Figure 1).

# 1.2 PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE

The proposed Outer Harbour Development terrestrial infrastructure is shown on Figure 2 and includes:



- three rail options, 2007 Rail Options A and B, and 2008 Rail Option C (the preferred rail option otherwise known as 'the proposed Western Spur Railway') which originate from the area of the decommissioned Boodarie HBI Plant and connect with the existing Newman to Port Hedland rail line;
- stockyards to the north of the decommissioned Boodarie HBI Plant;
- four car dumpers and associated conveyor tunnels within the area of the decommissioned Boodarie HBI Plant;
- a transfer pad on Finucane Island; and
- an infrastructure corridor (including conveyors, access roadway and utilities) from the stockyards to the transfer pad.

To allow for the location of potential construction laydown areas, a liberal disturbance envelope surrounds the above proposed infrastructure (Figure 2), although it is unlikely that all of this area will be disturbed by the project.

# 1.3 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

# 1.3.1 Climate

The Pilbara region has an arid-tropical climate with two distinct seasons, a hot summer from October to April and a mild winter from May to September. The Port Hedland area experiences a wide range of temperatures throughout the year, with an average temperature of 33.2 °C. In summer, maximum temperatures may reach 48.2 °C, whilst in winter, minimum temperatures may reach 3.2 °C (Bureau of Meteorology 2009).

Rainfall in the Pilbara is often sporadic, and can occur year-round. Port Hedland has average annual rainfall of 303 mm (Figure 3). Summer rainfall is a result either of tropical storms or of tropical cyclones that cross the coast and move inland. Winter rainfall is generally lighter, and is the result of cold fronts moving across the State.





**Figure 3:** Average monthly rainfall and maximum and minimum temperatures for the Port Hedland area (Bureau of Meteorology 2009).

The summer season survey was completed in October and November 2007, while the winter season survey was completed in May 2008. The Port Hedland area had received relatively low amounts of rainfall preceding both surveys, with only 9 mm falling in the three months before the summer survey and 103 mm in the three months before the winter survey (Figure 4). The area received very little rainfall during the summer months, as few cyclones crossed the WA coast in the 2007-2008 cyclone season (Bureau of Meteorology 2009). On average, the area usually receives 224 mm from January to April, but it received only 110 mm for the same period in 2008.





**Figure 4:** Rainfall received by the Port Hedland area from May 2007 to May 2008 (Bureau of Meteorology 2008).

# 1.3.2 Geology and Soils

The geology of the project area was mapped as consisting of the following nine units as per Geological Survey of Western Australia (1983) (Figure 5):

Qhm:	Mud and silt
Qhs:	Silty sand, red brown, containing Anadara granosa
Qny:	Younger beach and dune shelly sand
Qr:	Residual sand
Qp:	Dune Limestone
QI:	Lime cemented beach conglomerate
Qc:	Clayey sand, abundant claypans
Qps:	Silty sand, red brown
Qs:	High-level sands.



The geology of the far southern extent of the project area is also mapped as consisting of the following four units as per Geological Survey of Western Australia (2001) (Figure 5):

- Qao: Alluvial sand, silt and clay on floodplains.
- Qaoc: Mixed floodplain deposits with numerous small claypans.
- Qaa: Alluvial sand and gravel in rivers and creeks; clay, silt, and sand in channels on floodplains.
- AgLpe: Pegmatite; metamorphosed.

# 1.4 BIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT

#### 1.4.1 Biogeography

The Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia (IBRA) divides Australia into 85 bioregions based on major biological and geographical/geological attributes (Thackway & Cresswell 1995). These bioregions are subdivided into 404 subregions, as part of a refinement of the IBRA framework (Department of Environment and Water, Heritage & Arts 2009).

The project area is located within the Pilbara bioregion and Roebourne subregion (Thackway & Cresswell 1995). Coastal areas in the subregion typically contain alluvial and colluvial coastal and subcoastal plains with a grass savannah of mixed bunch and hummock grasses, and dwarf shrub steppe of *Acacia stellaticeps* or *Acacia pyrifolia* and *Acacia inaequilatera*. The subregion also contains areas of Samphire, *Sporobolus* and mangal on marine alluvial flats and river deltas.

The project area is located within the Abydos Plain, which forms part of the Fortescue Botanical District in the Eremaean Botanical Province of Western Australia, as per Beard (1975).

#### 1.4.2 Land Systems

Land system mapping is based on regional patterns in topography, soils and vegetation. The most recent land system mapping of the Pilbara bioregion was completed by van Vreeswyk *et al.* (2004). The mapping divides the Pilbara region into 102 land systems. The project area includes four main land systems (Figure 6), which are:

Lit: Littoral: Bare coastal mudflats with mangroves on seaward fringes, samphire flats, sandy islands, coastal dunes and beaches; forms 0.9 % (1577 km<sup>2</sup>) of the Pilbara bioregion;



- Mac: Macroy: Stony plains and occasional tor fields based on granite supporting hard and soft Spinifex grasslands; forms 7.2% (13095 km<sup>2</sup>) of the Pilbara bioregion;
- Riv: River: Active flood plains and major rivers supporting grassy eucalypt woodlands, tussock grasslands and soft Spinifex grasslands; forms 2.3 % (4088 km<sup>2</sup>) of the Pilbara bioregion; and
- Uar: Uaroo: Broad sandy plains; supporting shrubby hard and soft Spinifex grasslands; forms 4.2 % (7681 km<sup>2</sup>) of the Pilbara bioregion.

# 1.4.3 Vegetation Mapping

Beard (1975) broadly mapped the project area as Spinifex with no shrubs or trees and Mangroves on Finucane Island, dwarf shrub steppe and grass savanna mixed with Spinifex near the decommissioned HBI Plant and through the middle of the project area, and granite plains near the Newman to Port Hedland rail line in the south-east of the project area. Beard (1975) vegetation mapping has been incorporated into mapping undertaken by the Department of Agriculture al. and is (Shepherd et 2002), illustrated in Figure 7. The corresponding Shepherd et al. (2002) codes as shown on Figure 7 are presented in brackets below. The six vegetation associations mapped for the area are:

- t<sub>1</sub>Hi: Hummock grasslands, grass steppe; soft Spinifex (AP117);
- Mud: Bare areas; mud flats (AP127);
- Mangroves: Thicket; mangroves (AP43);
- a<sub>18</sub>Zr.t<sub>1</sub>Hi: Hummock grasslands, dwarf-shrub steppe; Acacia over Spinifex (AP647);
- xGc/t<sub>1</sub>Hi: Mosaic: short bunch grassland savanna/grass plain (AP589); and
- a<sub>2</sub>Sr.t<sub>1</sub>Hi: Hummock grasslands, shrub steppe; kanji over soft Spinifex (APC93).

Beard vegetation mapping has been incorporated into mapping undertaken by the Department of Agriculture (Shepherd *et al.* 2002), and is illustrated in Figure 7.

# 1.5 PREVIOUS BIOLOGICAL SURVEYS

The flora and fauna of the Pilbara have not been systematically recorded to date, with the significant exceptions of flora studies by Burbidge (1959) and Beard



(1975). More recently, the Western Australian Department of Agriculture (van Vreeswyk *et al.* 2004) conducted an inventory and condition survey of the Pilbara region. This report provides a regional inventory of flora species and a description of land resources. The Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) is currently preparing the results of a comprehensive and systematic field review of the Pilbara region (DEC Pilbara Biological Survey 2002-2009), and is due for public release shortly.

In recent decades, a boom in large-scale regional resource development projects has resulted in a significant amount of site-specific biological survey work being carried out in the Pilbara, mostly for formal environmental approvals. Within 10 km of the project area various biological surveys have been conducted over the last 10 years. Those most relevant to the current survey are as follows:

- Hedland HBI Project Boodarie Site Flora, Vegetation and Vertebrate Fauna Survey (Mattiske Consulting 1994), a Level Two Survey;
- Biodiversity Assessment of the Utah Point Berth Project (Biota 2007), a Level One Survey.
- Flora and Fauna Assessment of RGP5 Spoil Area A, Port Hedland Harbour (Biota 2008) a Level One Survey; and
- Flora and Fauna Review of DMMA H (Biota 2009), a Level One Survey.

Those surveys conducted further afield from the project area (i.e. greater than 50 km) include:

- Hope Downs Iron Ore Project (Hope Downs Management Services Pty Ltd 2000, 2002), a Level One Survey; and
- Fortescue Metals Group (Biota 2004) a Level Two Survey.

A more comprehensive bibliography of biological survey work undertaken in the Pilbara is available at *http://science.dec.wa.gov.au/projects/pilbaradb/*.



# 2 METHODOLOGY

# 2.1 BACKGROUND TO SURVEY METHODOLOGY

# 2.1.1 State and Federal Legislation

All surveys undertaken by ENV are designed to meet the requirements of the following State and Federal legislation:

- Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA) ('EP Act 1986');
- Wildlife Conservation Act 1950 (WA) ('WC Act 1950'); and
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) ('EPBC Act 1999').
- Agriculture and Related Resources Protection Act 1976 (DAFWA' 2007)

The surveys were carried out in a manner designed to be compliant with the Environmental Protection Authority ('EPA') requirements for the environmental surveying and reporting of fauna surveys in Western Australia, as set out in the following documents:

- Terrestrial Biological Surveys as an Element of Biodiversity Protection. Position Statement No. 3 (EPA 2002); and
- EPA Guidance for the Assessment of Environmental Factors: Terrestrial Fauna Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment in Western Australia. Guidance Statement No. 56 (EPA 2004).

EPA *Guidance Statement No. 56* (EPA 2004) outlines the expectations of the EPA regarding the extent, design and intensity of field surveys for environmental assessments. The following two formal levels of fauna survey are defined by the EPA *Guidance Statement No. 56*:

- Level One: a desktop study to collate historical knowledge conducted in conjunction with a reconnaissance survey (site inspection); and
- **Level Two**: a trapping and opportunistic field survey to characterise the fauna present, combined with a Level One survey.

Throughout most areas of the State where the scale and nature of the proposed impact is moderate to high, a Level Two survey will be required. This is typically the case for most resource development projects. As the project has the potential to significantly impact fauna habitats, a Level Two survey was undertaken for the project area.



# 2.1.2 Fauna of Conservation Significance

Fauna species are protected formally and informally by various legislative and non-legislative measures, which are as follows:

#### Legislative Protection

EPBC Act 1999:

- Threatened Fauna Species;
- Threatened Ecological Communities;
- Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (JAMBA);
- China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (CAMBA);
- Republic of Korea-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (ROKAMBA);
- Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention);
- Migratory Species List.

WC Act 1950:

• Scheduled Fauna Species.

EP Act 1986:

• Offers protection to Threatened Ecological Communities and other environmentally sensitive areas.

As this is a terrestrial fauna survey, species listed under the EPBC Act as Marine have not been included.

#### Non-Legislative Protection

DEC Priority lists:

- Priority Fauna Species; and
- Priority Ecological Communities.

Informal recognition of fauna considered to be of local significance by community action groups.

• International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List;



- endemic species;
- range extensions; and
- species under taxonomic review.

A short description of these Acts, and the definitions of the species conservation codes and ecological community categories they use, and those used by the DEC and the IUCN, is provided in Appendix A.

# 2.1.3 Introduced Species

Fauna may also be 'Declared' by the Department of Agriculture and Food under the *Agriculture and Related Resources Protection Act 1976* (WA). Declared Fauna are gazetted under seven categories (A1-A7), which define the action required. A declaration may apply to the whole State or districts. Management of Declared fauna varies on the categories it falls within (Department of Agriculture and Food ('DAFWA') 2007).

# 2.2 SURVEY METHODOLOGY

# 2.2.1 Desktop Review

The purpose of the desktop review was to gather background information on the project area, and the fauna it may support. Results of searches of the Western Australian Museum's and DEC's FaunaBase (WAM 2008), DEC's threatened fauna database, the EPBC's Species Profiles and Threats Database (SPRAT), records of shorebirds and waders from Birds Australia (2008), the EPBC's Protected Matters Search Tool, and a literature review of fauna surveys conducted in the vicinity of the project area were used to compile a list of fauna species potentially occurring in the project area. These searches were conducted between the coordinates 20° 17' 6"S, 118° 27' 13"E to 20° 33' 26"S, 118° 39' 40"E. Due to the duration of this project, a DEC database search was submitted in both 2007 and 2009.

Information on the habitats likely to occur in the project area was gained through studying aerial photos, maps and previous surveys conducted in the project area. This information was then used to refine the potentially occurring species list. This list was further refined once the field habitat assessment was completed.

# 2.2.2 Field Survey

The purpose of the field survey was to verify the accuracy of the desktop study and to further delineate and characterise the fauna and faunal assemblages in the project area. The fauna field survey was undertaken in summer 2007 and winter 2008, and consisted of:



- a fauna habitat assessment;
- a trapping program;
- opportunistic searches;
- an ornithological census; and
- bat recordings.

#### Habitat Assessment

During the field survey, broad fauna habitats were identified based on vegetation associations and landforms. Fauna habitats were then mapped using aerial photography and GPS locations recorded during site reconnaissance. Habitat mapping focussed on areas adjacent to proposed infrastructure.

Fauna habitats were assessed for their potential to support species of conservation significance and the quality of habitat they provided to fauna. Fauna habitats were given an informal rating of value to faunal assemblages: High, Medium or Low. This was based on:

- vegetation complexity;
- the presence of microhabitats, including significant trees with hollows, loose bark, fallen hollow logs and leaf litter;
- fauna species biodiversity;
- habitat quality or condition; and
- providing elements to support fauna of conservation significance.

Representation within the region was assessed using van Vreeswyk et al. (2004) and Beard (1975) mapping, focusing mainly on geographic distribution and extent.

For the purposes of assessing the conservation significance of fauna habitats, ENV considers that fauna habitats given a rating of High value should also be considered of conservation significance.

# Trapping Program

Trapping sites were established in each fauna habitat type identified through the habitat assessment, except for the Mangrove habitat (as this area was deemed unsuitable for trapping and an assessment of Mangroves was undertaken separately (SKM 2009)). Trapping sites were located in areas considered representative of the habitat types. Each trapping site contained up to ten



trapping units. Each unit consisted of 7-metre long fences, with one bucket trap at the centre of the fence, two pot traps halfway between the bucket trap and the end of the fence, and a funnel trap at each end. The trapping units were approximately 30 m apart, with one Elliott trap and one cage trap at each trapping unit. Details of the trapping units at each site are presented in Appendix B.

#### Summer Survey

Eight sites were established in the project area, consisting of six sites within the Sandplain, one site within the Riverine habitat and one site within the Dunal habitat. The summer field survey was conducted between 12 October and 9 November 2007, with traps open for eight nights (note that not all trapping sites were surveyed simultaneously). Each trapping site was subjected to an average of 64 trap-nights for bucket, cage and Elliott traps and 128 trap-nights for funnel traps and pot traps.

#### Winter Survey

In the winter survey (5-16 May 2008) the eight summer sites were reopened, and two new sites within the Sandplain habitat were established in the rail Option C footprint. The location and habitat details of each site are detailed in Appendix B, and are illustrated in Figure 8, with site photographs presented in Appendix C. Traps were open for eight nights during the winter trapping programme. Each trapping site was subjected to an average of 80 trap-nights for bucket, cage and Elliott traps, and 160 trap-nights for funnel traps and pot traps. The extra trap-nights for the winter field survey were due to the additional trap sites installed. Details of trap effort are presented in Appendix B.

# **Opportunistic Searches**

Opportunistic diurnal and nocturnal searches of major habitats in the project area were undertaken to search for evidence (director or indirect) of fauna species. Searches included:

- investigating burrows;
- investigating rock crevices;
- investigating scats, tracks and other traces;
- splitting exfoliated rock;
- turning rocks and fallen timber;
- opening standing timber crevices; and



• raking leaf litter.

# **Ornithological Census**

Ornithological surveys were undertaken throughout the project area. Census locations were not specifically limited to trap site locations, but rather all habitats were surveyed across the entire project area. The Ornithologist spent additional time in habitats assessed as likely to support threatened species and unique or poorly represented habitat in an effort to record species not recorded in earlier surveys. Details of the ornithological census are presented in Appendix D.

# Bat Recordings

Acoustic echolocation bat recordings were undertaken at dusk and early evening, using AnaBat II recording units to document the presence of bat species in the area. The detectors convert ultrasonic echolocation signals produced by bats into audible electronic signals, which are later analysed to determine the presence of species-specific calls. Trees and bridges identified as potential bat roosting or maternal nesting sites were targeted for AnaBat II recordings. In addition, AnaBat II units were set in areas likely to be utilised by bats for foraging (e.g. gullies and drainage lines). AnaBat II recording locations and details are presented in Appendix E and in Figure 9.

The site-specific data relevant to capture records are presented in Appendix F.

# 2.2.3 Taxonomic Identification

Where field identification of the fauna species was not possible, specimens were collected for later identification by expert taxonomists from the WAM Collections and Research Facility.

# 2.3 PERMITS

Specimens collected during the survey were taken by permit of and subject to the conditions of the following licence issued under Regulation 17 of the WC Act 1950:

• SF006090 11/10/2007 - 10/10/2008.



# **3 FAUNA SURVEY LIMITATIONS AND CONSTRAINTS**

It is important to note the specific constraints and/or limitations imposed on individual surveys, as identified by the EPA under *Guidance Statement No. 56* (EPA 2004). Constraints and/or limitations are often difficult to predict, as is the extent to which they influence survey outcomes. The survey constraints and limitations experienced during the Outer Harbour Development fauna surveys are detailed in Table 1.

Variable	Impact on Survey Outcomes			
Experience levels/ Resources	The biologists who executed these surveys were practitioners suitably qualified in their respective fields.			
	Mr Mick Welsh – Senior Zoologist			
	Mr Mike Brown – Zoologist			
	Mr Stephen Reynolds – Ornithologist			
	Ms Katherine Chuk– Field Assistant			
	Mr Justin Freeman – Field Assistant			
	Ms Anyssa Tucker – Field Assistant			
	Mr Shane McAdam – Field Assistant			
Scope: sampling methods/ Intensity	The surveys undertaken were conducted in accordance with 'Level Two' surveys as defined by EPA <i>Guidance Statement No. 56</i> . These surveys included habitat assessment, a trapping program, and opportunistic observations.			
Proportion of fauna recorded/	The summer phase survey recorded 180 taxa, which is 49 % of the expected fauna for the project area			
Completeness	The winter phase survey recorded 142 taxa, which is 39 % of the expected fauna for the project area.			
	A combined result for both surveys recorded 199 taxa, which is 54 % of the expected fauna for the project area. The previous survey recorded a total of 99 species (Mattiske Consulting 1994).			
Sources of Information	At the bioregion level, the Pilbara has been the subject of many targeted biological surveys, primarily for the resources sector. Previous studies completed in the vicinity of the project area include a Level Two vertebrate fauna survey at Boodarie (Mattiske Consulting 1994), a Level One Fauna Assessment of RGP5 Spoil Area A, Port Hedland (Biota 2008), and Level One Fauna Assessment at the Utah Berth, Port Hedland (Biota 2007).			

Table 1: Constraints Associated with the Fauna Assessment



Variable	Impact on Survey Outcomes
	Fauna surveys conducted further a field include Hope Downs rail line and Fortescue Metals Group rail line (Hope Downs 2000, 2002; Biota 2004).
Proportion of task completed	The field surveys were completed adequately, with the trapping program and opportunistic searches carried out to a sufficient level. Trapping and opportunistic searches were conducted for 28 nights for the summer phase survey and 12 nights for the winter phase survey.
Timing, weather, season.	The summer survey was undertaken in October/November 2007. The area had received 9 mm of rainfall in the three months preceding the survey (Bureau of Meteorology 2009). Day temperatures were in the mid- 30s Celsius, with night temperatures falling just below 20 °C (Bureau of Meteorology 2009). These temperature conditions were not likely to limit the activity of any faunal group.
	The winter survey was undertaken in May 2008. The area had received 110mm of rain in the year to date (January-April). The area received very little rainfall during the summer months, as few cyclones crossed the WA coast in the 2007-2008 cyclone season (Bureau of Meteorology 2009).
	Day temperatures were in the mid-30s Celsius, with night temperatures falling just below 20 °C (Bureau of Meteorology 2009). These temperature conditions were not likely to limit the activity of any faunal group.
Disturbances	No disturbances affected the outcomes of either fauna surveys.
Access problems	The Mangrove and Tidal Flat habitats were initially considered unsuitable for trapping sites because of the difficulties posed by tidal variations. Increased opportunistic effort was used to compensate for this, and a separate impact assessment has since been carried out for the mangroves in the project area (SKM 2009). Access to the western side of the conveyor to Finucane Island was restricted during both surveys, and it was not possible to undertake trapping in this area. Aerial photography and visual confirmation during the survey was used to determine the habitats within this area.



# 4 RESULTS

# 4.1 HABITAT ASSESSMENT

The project area consists of Mangroves, Dunal systems, Tidal Flats and Samphire in the northern coastal areas, and Sandplains with scattered Riverine habitats throughout most of the remaining area. Most of the habitats in the project area, and in the greater Port Hedland area, have been disturbed to some degree by development and other anthropogenic processes. Six broad habitat types were observed in the project area (Table 2 and Figure 10).

Habitat Type	Habitat Value	Conservation Significance	Survey	Site Number
Dunal	High	Yes	Summer, Winter	9
Riverine	High	Yes	Summer, Winter	10, 6
Mangrove	High	Yes	Summer, Winter	(no trap site)
Tidal Flats	High	Yes	Summer, Winter	(no trap site)
Samphire	Low	No	Summer, Winter	(no trap site)
	Medium	No	Summer, Winter	2, 3, 4, 5, 7
Sandplain	Medium	No	Winter	13, 15

Table 2: Information on Major Habitat Types for the Project Area

Note: Habitat Value is based on ENV's assessment as described in Section 2.2.2

# 4.1.1 Dunal Habitat

The Dunal Habitat of Finucane Island occurs in the Littoral land system (van Vreeswyk *et al.* 2004) (Figure 6). The vegetation of the north-facing dunes is primarily low *Acacia stellaticeps* shrublands over \**Cenchrus ciliaris* grasslands, and the south-facing dunes consist of open *Crotalaria cunninghamii* shrublands over \**Cenchrus ciliaris* grasslands. This habitat is considered of high habitat value and therefore of conservation significance as it may support a unique faunal assemblage which may include reptiles such as *Eremiascincus fasciolatus* (Narrow-banded Sand Swimmer) and shorebirds and seabirds, many of which are migratory or marine listed birds under the EPBC Act. The Dunal habitat type is restricted to the northern section of the project area on Finucane Island.

# 4.1.2 Riverine Habitat

The Riverine habitat, with its thick vegetation dominated by *Eucalyptus* species, is also considered of high habitat value as it provides an abundance of



microhabitats such as trees, leaf litter, and soils suitable for burrowing species. This habitat type is associated with the River land system (van Vreeswyk *et al.* 2004). The fauna species or assemblages within this habitat are not unique to the project area; they are, however, diverse. The embankments of this habitat may be suitable for nesting bird species such as *Merops ornatus* (Rainbow Beeeater). This habitat has value as an ecological linkage, as its drainage lines can serve as important corridors for fauna movement. For these reasons, Riverine habitat is considered to be of conservation significance.

# 4.1.3 Mangrove Habitat

The Mangrove habitat is associated with the Littoral land system of van Vreeswyk *et al.* (2004). This habitat occurs in the tidal areas around the southern side of Finucane Island and on the mainland surrounding West Creek, and is dominated by *Avicennia marina*. The Mangrove habitat is considered to be of high habitat value, and therefore of conservation significance, as this type of habitat is known to support *Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* (Little North-western Bat), which is listed by the DEC as Priority 1. The Mangrove habitat specialists. This is reflected in the principles of *Guidance for the Protection of Tropical Arid Zone Mangroves along the Pilbara Coast* (EPA 2001), where the EPA consider the mangroves of the Port Hedland area to be of high conservation value and stipulates the need for minimal disturbance. A separate assessment has been undertaken on the mangroves in the project area (SKM 2009).

# 4.1.4 Tidal Flat Habitat

The Tidal Flat habitat is found within the Littoral land system of van Vreeswyk *et al.* (2004). This habitat is located within intertidal areas, and is characterised by large open bare areas and scattered *Avicennia marina* shrubs and scattered low samphire species. Despite a lack of vegetative cover, the Tidal Flat habitat is considered of high habitat value, and therefore of conservation significance, as it is known to support non-breeding migratory shorebirds and waders, many of which are of conservation importance. During low tides, shorebirds or waders can spread broadly amongst this habitat, but during high tide these species may congregate at the western end of Finucane Island.

# 4.1.5 Samphire Habitat

The Samphire habitat is closely associated with the Mangroves and Tidal Flats on Finucane Island. This habitat also occurs in the Littoral land system of van Vreeswyk *et al.* (2004) (Figure 6). This habitat type is characterised by large open muddy areas with limited vegetation complexity, which limits the shelter available for fauna. Unlike the Tidal Flat and Mangrove habitat, the Samphire habitat is considered of low habitat value, and therefore not of conservation significance. It does not provide breeding habitat for conservation significant birds



that potentially use the habitat and is not used by migratory shorebirds or waders to the extent that Tidal Flats are.

# 4.1.6 Sandplain Habitat

The majority of the project area consists of the Sandplain habitat type, which is found in the Uaroo land system (van Vreeswyk et al. 2004) (Figure 6). The Sandplain habitat, with its thick vegetation dominated by Acacia species, is considered of medium habitat value, as it provides an abundance of microhabitats such as shrubs, leaf litter, and soils suitable for burrowing species. The Sandplain is habitat for locally significant ground-dwelling reptiles, such as Diporiphora valens and Delma elegans, and mammals such as Dasykaluta rosamondae (Little Red Kaluta), and Notomys alexis (Spinifex-hopping Mouse). This habitat also supports conservation significant species such as the python Aspidites ramsayi (Woma), and the bird Ardeotis australis (Australian Bustard), both of which were recorded in the survey. Therefore, while it is important in supporting a diverse array of fauna species and in particular, species with conservation significance, because of the widespread occurrence of this habitat within the Port Hedland area, and more specifically, the Pilbara region (4.2% of the Pilbara region (van Vresswyk et al. 2004)), the Sandplain habitat in the project area is not considered to be of conservation significance.

# 4.1.7 Other Habitat Features

There are certain isolated features in the project area which are not complete fauna habitats, but which are nevertheless worthy of comment as fauna microhabitats. These small isolated features, such as quartz outcrops, billabongs (i.e. Cooliarin Pool), rockpiles, and limestone hills, can provide shelter and foraging areas for species in a fragmented landscape. Amphibian species will be attracted to permanent water bodies like Cooliarin Pool, and some rock-dwelling herpetofauna will be located in rockpiles and quartz outcrops. With the exception of Cooliarin Pool, these features, although uncommon do not support unique faunal assemblages or populations of conservation significant terrestrial vertebrate fauna species. Cooliarin Pool, with its permanent water, is likely to support a diverse array of fauna, including avian fauna of conservation significance such as the Star Finch (*Neochmia ruficauda clarescens*).



# 4.2 RECORDED FAUNA

#### 4.2.1 Mammals

Forty-five species of mammal potentially occur in the project area (Appendix G1). In the summer survey, 22 species were recorded in the project area, while 19 were recorded in the winter survey (Appendix H). Twenty-six species of mammal were recorded in the two phases of the survey (Appendix H), representing 57 % of the potentially occurring mammals for the project area. No extra mammal species were recorded in the additional winter survey areas.

Seven mammal species were recorded in the summer survey that were not recorded in the winter survey, while the winter survey recorded three species not recorded in the summer survey (Appendix G1).

Three of the 25 species recorded, *Mormopterus Ioriae cobourgensis* (Little Northwestern Freetail Bat), *Dasykaluta rosamondae* (Little Red Kaluta) and *Zyzomys argurus* (Common Rock-rat), are considered to have some level of conservation importance, and are discussed below.

#### **DEC** Priority List

One species on the DEC Priority list was recorded in the survey: *Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* (Little North-western Freetail Bat).

*Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* (Little North-western Freetail Bat) is a DEC Priority 1 species and inhabits mangrove communities, roosting in crevices and spouts of the dead upper branches of the mangrove *Avicennia marina* (Strahan 1995). This species was recorded in the Mangrove habitat on Finucane Island, inside the disturbance envelope, and probably moves amongst the coastal mangroves in the surrounding region (pers. comm., R. Bullen). This species was recorded in both seasons of the fauna survey within the same area of mangroves, suggesting a permanent roosting spot is present in the area. With some inspection however no roosting hollows were identified during the survey. Little is known of the distribution and ecology of the Little North-western Freetail Bat. This species has previously been recorded between Gales Bay to the south of Port Hedland and Pardoo to the north (pers. comm., R. Bullen). The DEC Threatened and Priority Database return five records of the Little North-western Freetail Bat, with the most recent being recorded in 2005.

# **IUCN Red List**

Of the 26 species of mammal recorded in both surveys, all species were rated as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List (Appendix G1), except for *Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* (Little North-western Freetail Bat), due to the subspecies not being recognised.



#### Locally Significant

Two species determined as being locally significant were recorded in the survey:

- Dasykaluta rosamondae (Little Red Kaluta); and
- Zyzomys argurus (Common Rock-rat).

*Dasykaluta rosamondae* (Little Red Kaluta) is confined to subtropical arid hummock grassland in the Pilbara (Menkhorst & Knight 2004), where it inhabits areas of dense Spinifex (Strahan 1995). This species is mainly nocturnal, feeding on invertebrates and small reptiles (Menkhorst & Knight 2004). The Little Red Kaluta was recorded in both phases of the current survey, at numerous sites in a variety of habitats (Appendix F).

*Zyzomys argurus* (Common Rock-rat), although found in other regions of Western Australia such as the Kimberley, has a disjunct population in the Pilbara. *Zyzomys argurus* inhabit rocky outcrops, breakaways and scree slopes (Strahan 1995). It is one of the most commonly-recorded species in the Pilbara, with individuals recorded in a number of surveys conducted in the area surrounding Port Hedland (Appendix G1). One individual was trapped at Site 9, within the dunal habitat, on Finucane Island (see Figure 8; Appendix F).

#### Introduced Fauna

Of the 26 mammal species recorded in the survey, seven are introduced species:

- \*Mus musculus (House Mouse);
- \* Oryctolagus cuniculus (European Rabbit);
- \*Canis lupus familiaris (Wild Dog);
- \*Vulpes vulpes (European Fox);
- \*Felis catus (Feral Cat);
- \*Equus caballus (Horse); and
- \*Bos taurus (Cattle).

The above introduced mammal species are widespread across much of Australia, occurring in an extensive range of habitats (Strahan 1995). These species are known to spread rapidly, occupying a variety of surroundings, preying on and competing with native species and destroying agricultural areas. Of these mammals, the cat, rabbit, wild dog, fox and horse are listed as Declared by the Department of Agriculture and Food (DAFWA 2007).



# 4.2.2 Reptiles

One hundred and nine species of reptile potentially occur in the project area (Appendix G2). In the summer survey, 47 species were recorded in the project area, and 44 were recorded in the winter survey (Appendix I). A total of 53 species of reptile were recorded across the two phases of the survey (Appendix I), representing 48 % of the potentially occurring reptiles for the project area.

Nine species were recorded in the summer survey that were not recorded in the winter survey, while six species were recorded in the winter survey that were not recorded in the summer survey (Appendix G2).

Twelve of the 53 reptile species recorded are considered to have some level of conservation importance, the most significant of these being the python *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma). The other 11 species are considered locally significant, and are discussed below.

#### WC Act 1950

One species Scheduled under the WC Act 1950 was recorded in the survey: *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma).

Aspidites ramsayi is listed as Schedule 4 under the WC Act 1950, as Priority 1 by the DEC and as Endangered on the IUCN Red List. This species inhabits spinifex within woodlands, heaths and shrublands (Wilson & Swan 2003). It is restricted to arid areas, where it shelters in hollow logs, animal burrows or thick vegetation (Cogger 2000). Such habitats are generally well represented in the project area and in the Pilbara region. This species was opportunistically recorded from the Sandplain habitat during the survey of the additional winter areas. *Aspidites ramsayi* was observed outside of the proposed disturbance envelope to the east of the Great Northern Highway, near the junction of the 2007 and 2008 rail options (50K 664207mE 7734443mN; shown on Figure 10). The DEC Threatened and Priority Database return two records of the Woma, with the most recent being recorded in 2001.

# **DEC** Priority List

Only one recorded species is listed as Priority 1 on the DEC Priority list: the python *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma). As this species is also listed as Schedule 4 under the WC Act 1950, it is discussed above (see WC Act 1950 section).

#### **IUCN Red List**

Only one recorded species is listed as Endangered on the IUCN Red list: *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma). As it is also listed as Schedule 4 under the WC Act 1950, it is discussed above (see WC Act 1950 section).



# Locally Significant

Eleven species of reptile recorded in the survey are considered of local conservation importance (Appendix G2):

- Nephrurus levis pilbarensis (Smooth Knob-tailed Gecko);
- Ctenotus duricola;
- Ctenotus grandis titan;
- Ctenotus rufescens;
- Lerista bipes;
- Lerista muelleri;
- Morethia ruficauda exquisita;
- Varanus bushi (Pilbara Goanna);
- Ramphotyphlops ammodytes;
- Acanthophis wellsi (Pilbara Death Adder); and
- Demansia rufescens (Rufous Whip-snake).

These species are not protected by legislation, but are considered of local importance because of their restricted distribution and/or specific habitat requirements, because they are under taxonomic review or because they have disjunct populations in the Pilbara.

Most of these species inhabit areas of dense shrubs, soft soil for burrowing and/or areas of plentiful leaf litter offering shelter. For example, *Lerista bipes*, *Ctenotus grandis titan* and *Ctenotus rufescens* often inhabit spinifex grasslands with soft sandy soils conducive to digging and burrowing (Wilson & Swan 2003). *Ctenotus duricola,* on the other hand, inhabits hard clay stony soils (Wilson & Swan 2003).

The Nephrurus levis pilbarensis (Smooth Knob-tailed Gecko), a skink Morethia ruficauda exquisita, Varanus bushi (Pilbara Goanna), the blind snake Ramphotyphlops ammodytes, Acanthophis wellsi (Pilbara Death Adder) and Demansia rufescens (Rufous Whip-snake) occur only in the Pilbara, making them endemic to the region. Lerista muelleri is under taxonomic review (Western Australian Museum), and is also assessed as being of local conservation importance. The habitats of these species are well represented in the project area and more broadly across the Pilbara.



# 4.2.3 Amphibians

Ten species of amphibians potentially occur in the project area (Appendix G3). In the summer survey, four species were recorded in the project area (Appendix J). The winter survey recorded five species in the project area. Six of the 10 potentially occurring species were recorded from the two phases of the survey, with three of these species recorded in both phases (Appendix J).

The summer survey recorded two species not recorded in the winter survey:

- Litoria rothii (Roth's Tree-frog); and
- Uperoleia russelli (Russell's Toadlet).

Two species were recorded in the winter survey that were not recorded in the summer survey:

- Cyclorana australis (Giant Frog); and
- Limnodynastes spenceri (Spencer's Frog).

The six amphibians recorded in the project area compare well with no amphibian species recorded by the surveys of Mattiske Consulting (1994) and Biota (2008) (Appendix G3).

# **IUCN Red List**

The seven amphibian species recorded for the survey are all listed as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List. Such taxa are considered widespread and abundant, and not exclusively dependent on the project area at the local level. None of the recorded amphibian species are protected by legislation.

# 4.2.4 Birds

Two hundred and two species of bird potentially occur in the project area (Appendix G4). In the summer survey, 98 species were recorded within the project area and 74 were recorded in the winter survey (Appendix K). One hundred and six species of avifauna were recorded in the two phases of the survey (Appendix K) representing 56% of the potentially occurring birds for the project area.

Twenty-eight species were recorded during the summer survey and not in the winter survey. Eight species were recorded in the winter survey and not in the summer survey (Appendix G4).

All bird species recorded are either protected under the EPBC Act 1999, are listed as Priority species by the DEC, and they are discussed below. No bird species recorded were listed under the WC Act 1950 or are considered locally



significant. Forty-eight of the 106 recorded birds comprised marine affiliated birds (shorebirds and seabirds, and mangrove passerines)(Appendix G4).

#### EPBC Act 1999

Twenty-two bird species recorded during the survey are listed as Migratory species under the EPBC Act 1999. Most of these species were recorded in mangrove and tidal flat habitat types. These habitat types support most of the migratory waders found in the project area, and many of these non-breeding migrants will use these habitats for foraging and roosting during the summer.

#### **DEC Priority List**

Two DEC Priority List bird species were recorded during the surveys:

- Ardeotis australis (Australian Bustard); and
- Numenius madagascariensis (Eastern Curlew).

*Ardeotis australis* is listed as Priority 4 by the DEC and as Near Threatened by the IUCN Red List. This species is typically widespread, but is locally scarce. It inhabits woodlands and grasslands, moving widely over large areas (Johnstone & Storr 1998). *Ardeotis australis* was recorded from the Sandplain habitat during both seasons of the current survey. The DEC Threatened and Priority Database has two records of the Australia Bustard, with the most recent being recorded in 2005 at Port Hedland.

*Numenius madagascariensis* is listed on the DEC Priority Fauna List as Priority 4. This species is also listed as a Migratory under the EPBC Act 1999 and as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List. *Numenius madagascariensis* mainly inhabits tidal flats and mangrove areas, and is also known to occur at sandy beaches. This species was recorded only in the summer season in the tidal mudflats and mangroves.

# IUCN Red List

Two species listed as Near Threatened on the IUCN Red List were recorded in the survey:

- Anhinga melanogaster (Darter); and
- Ardeotis australis (Australian Bustard).

Anhinga melanogaster is rated as Near Threatened by the IUCN Red List. This species inhabits lakes, swamps and various other water bodies, nesting on twigs and sticks in forks of *Melaleuca* and *Eucalyptus* trees (Johnstone & Storr 1998).



This species was recorded only in the summer season survey, and was previously recorded in the area by Mattiske Consulting (1994).

Ardeotis australis was recorded, and is discussed above (see DEC Priority List section).

The remaining 89 recorded bird species are listed as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List (Appendix G4). Such taxa are considered widespread and abundant, and not exclusively dependent on the project area at the local level. These species are not protected by legislation.

# 4.3 POTENTIALLY OCCURRING FAUNA

Species of conservation importance that potentially occur in the project area, but were not recorded during the field survey, are discussed in the following sections.

# 4.3.1 Mammals

Nineteen species (additional to those recorded) of mammal potentially occur in the project area, of which 15 are either protected under the EPBC Act 1999, the WC Act 1950, are listed as Priority species by the DEC, are on the IUCN Red List or are considered of local conservation importance. These species are discussed below.

#### EPBC Act 1999

Three mammals listed as Threatened by the EPBC Act 1999 potentially occur in the project area:

- Dasycercus blythi (Brush-tailed Mulgara);
- Dasyurus hallucatus (Northern Quoll); and
- Rhinonicteris aurantia (Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat).

*Dasycercus blythi* has recently had its name changed from *Dasycercus cristicauda* which is listed as Vulnerable (EPBC Act 1999 and IUCN Red List) and as Schedule 1 (WC Act 1950). The name *Dasycercus blythi* is currently only listed as Priority 4 by the DEC, with the name change yet to be updated with the EPBC Act 1999 (*pers comm.* Saravan Peacock DEWHA). This species is found in central Western Australia in sandy regions, living in burrows, and has been recorded at Goldsworthy (BHP Iron Ore 2000) (Appendix G1). The DEC Threatened and Priority Database search returned one record of *Dasycercus blythi*, with the recording being in 2008 at Boodarie. This species is likely to occur in the Sandplain habitat type in the project area.



*Dasyurus hallucatus* is listed as Endangered by the EPBC Act 1999 and as Schedule 1 by the WC Act 1950. It is known to occur in a range of vegetation types, but favours rocky areas and is known to den in rock crevices. Despite the historical records on the DEC's NatureMap, very little suitable habitat occurs in the project area and therefore *Dasyurus hallucatus* is unlikely to be present in the project area.

*Rhinonicteris aurantius* (Pilbara Leaf-Nosed Bat form), is rated as Vulnerable under the EPBC Act 1999 and as Schedule 1 by the WC Act 1950. Pilbara Leafnosed Bats generally require deep caves or disused mine shafts in which to roost (Strahan 1995). They have been found sporadically in iron ore project areas across the Pilbara, including Yarrie, Hashimoto and R Deposit, where they are generally sparsely distributed. This species was not recorded during the current survey or the surveys previously undertaken in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994 and Biota 2008). However, records of the bat have been made on the Roebourne Plain and Abydos Plain, and are known from several sites in the uplands adjoining the plains (pers. comm Bob Bullen). This species is unlikely to be found roosting in the project area but can not be ruled out as using the area for foraging.

#### WC Act 1950

Three mammals listed as Scheduled under the WC Act 1950 potentially occur in the project area:

- Dasycercus blythi (Brush-tailed Mulgara);
- Dasyurus hallucatus (Northern Quoll); and
- *Rhinonicteris aurantia* (Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat).

These species are also listed as Threatened under the EPBC Act 1999, and are therefore discussed above (see EPBC Act 1999 section).

#### **DEC** Priority List

Five (additional to those recorded) mammals listed as Priority under the DEC Priority list potentially occur in the project area:

- Dasycercus blythi (Brush-tailed Mulgara);
- Lagorchestes conspicillatus (Spectacled Hare-wallaby);
- Macroderma gigas (Ghost Bat);
- Leggadina lakedownensis (Lakeland Downs Mouse); and



• Pseudomys chapmani (Western Pebble-mound Mouse).

Lagorchestes conspicillatus is listed as DEC Priority 3. There have been no recent (within the past 50 years) records of this species by WAM (WAM 2009), the DEC Threatened and Priority Fauna Database or by other environmental studies in the Pilbara. *Lagorchestes conspicillatus* is a widespread inhabitant of open forests, open woodlands, tall shrublands, over tussock grass and hummock grassland (Strahan 1995). Because of the few capture records and the limited amount of preferred habitat in the project area, this species is unlikely to occur.

*Macroderma gigas* is listed as Priority 4 by the DEC, as Vulnerable by the IUCN Red List, and was recorded on the Threatened database maintained by the DEC at Boodarie in 2001. Ghost Bats occur in a wide variety of habitats, and require an undisturbed cave, deep fissure or disused mine shaft in which to roost. It is patchily distributed across Australia, and is sensitive to disturbance (Strahan 1995). The Ghost Bat is known to occur from the De Grey River through to Onslow, and although it is mainly found in the uplands along the coast, it is also known to use the coastal plains (pers. comm. R. Bullen). As no roosting sites were recorded within the project area, the Ghost Bat may only forage temporarily within the project area.

Leggadina lakedownensis is listed as DEC Priority 4. This species was not recorded at Boodarie by Mattiske Consulting (1994), but has been recorded further afield at the Hope Downs rail line and FMG rail line (Hope Downs Management Services Pty Ltd 2002; Biota 2004). Leggadina lakedownensis is known to prefer Sandplains and clay pans (DEC 2007) with a good cover of Spinifex and shrubs. Such habitat is well represented outside the project area, and therefore, if present, Leggadina lakedownensis is not likely to be dependent specifically on the habitats in the project area.

*Pseudomys chapmani* is listed as Priority 4 by the DEC. This species is also recognised as a Pilbara endemic. No individuals were observed from the project area, but an abandoned pebble mound was located on a rocky outcrop at GDA 94 MGA Zone 50 671217mE 7725777mN (Figure 10), which is outside of the proposed disturbance envelope. This species has been historically recorded in the surrounding area, and its habitat is well represented elsewhere in the Pilbara. As there is only historical evidence, no records on the DEC's Threatened Database, and limited preferred habitat, this species is unlikely to occur within the project area.

# **IUCN Red List**

Three species listed as Vulnerable by the IUCN Red List potentially occur in the project area:



- Dasycercus blythi (Brush-tailed Mulgara);
- Macroderma gigas (Ghost Bat); and
- Rhinonicteris aurantia (Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat).

These species are discussed above (see EPBC Act 1999 and DEC Priority sections).

The remaining potentially occurring native mammal species are listed as Least Concern by the IUCN Red List. These species are widespread and abundant, and not necessarily dependent on habitat types in the project area.

#### Locally Significant

Three (additional to those recorded) mammal species potentially occurring in the project area are considered of local conservation importance, as they are endemic to the Pilbara region:

- Ningaui timealeyi (Pilbara Ningaui);
- Rhinonicteris aurantia (Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat); and
- Pseudomys chapmani (Western Pebble-mound Mouse).

*Ningaui timealeyi* inhabits Mallee scrublands or dense hummock grasslands along drainage lines (Menkhorst & Knight 2004). This species was not recorded during surveys in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). The preferred habitat of the Pilbara Ningaui is well represented inside and outside the project area boundaries. If present, this species is likely to occur within Riverine and associated Sandplain habitats.

*Rhinonicteris aurantia* and *Pseudomys chapmani* are discussed above (see EPBC Act 1999 and DEC Priority sections respectively).

# 4.3.2 Reptiles

Fifty-six species (additional to those recorded) of reptile potentially occur in the project area, of which 14 are listed as Priority species by the DEC or are considered of local conservation importance: these species are discussed below. No reptile species (additional to those recorded) potentially occurring are listed under the EPBC Act 1999, the WC Act 1950, or the IUCN Red List.


#### **DEC Priority List**

One reptile species (additional to those recorded) potentially occurring in the project area is listed on the DEC Priority Fauna List (Appendix G2) - the blind snake, *Ramphotyphlops ganei*.

The blind snake *Ramphotyphlops ganei* is listed as Priority 1 by the DEC. There are few previous records of this species, and no records for this species from studies carried out in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). Blind snakes are typically very hard to detect in biological surveys, yet common taxa such as *Ramphotyphlops grypus* (recorded in this survey) are usually recorded at least once per survey. There are few records of this species, and little is known of its habitat requirements, although capture records suggest it prefers rocky or stony soils (Wilson & Swan 2003). This species may occur within the sandplain habitat with rocky outcropping or areas with a stony or rocky soil profile.

#### Locally Significant

Fourteen reptile species (additional to those recorded) potentially occurring in the project area are considered of local conservation importance as they are known to have specific habitat requirements, or are endemic to the Pilbara.

Some of these species have specific habitat requirements and inhabit areas of dense shrubs, soft soil for burrowing and/or areas of plentiful leaf litter offering shelter. For example, *Ctenotus rubicundus* and *Ctenotus rutilans* often inhabit soft sandy soils, and *Diporiphora valens* inhabits Spinifex grasslands. Other species, such as *Diplodactylus savagei* and *Lucasium wombeyi*, reside in gorge and rocky scree type habitats. *Heteronotia spelea* (Pilbara Cave Gecko) and *Egernia pilbarensis* are also restricted to gorges and breakaways, inhabiting rocky outcrops.

Some of these species are endemic to the Pilbara region, including Varanus pilbarensis (Pilbara Rock Monitor), Ramphotyphlops pilbarensis (Pilbara Blind Snake), Suta punctata (Spotted Snake) and Vermicella snelli (Pilbara Bandy Bandy Snake).

None of the aforementioned species were recorded in previous surveys in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). Due to habitat restrictions there is a low likelihood of them occurring in the project area.

#### 4.3.3 Amphibians

Three species (additional to those recorded) of amphibian potentially occur in the project area, all of which are rated as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List, and one species is considered of local significance (Appendix G3). No amphibian



species potentially occurring are listed under the EPBC Act 1999 or the WC Act 1950 or are listed as Priority species by the DEC.

#### IUCN Red List

The amphibian species potentially occurring in the project area are listed as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List. Such taxa are generally considered widespread and abundant, and not exclusively dependent on the project area at the local level.

#### Locally Significant

One amphibian species potentially occurring in the project area, *Uperoleia glandulosa* (Glandular Toadlet), is considered of local conservation importance. It has a restricted distribution, and is confined to the coastal area surrounding Port Hedland (WAM 2008). The Glandular Toadlet inhabits claypans and flooded depressions amongst surrounding grasses and sedges (Cogger 2000). Suitable habitat for this species is present within the Sandplains of the project area; however, it is also well represented in the surrounding region.

#### 4.3.4 Birds

Eighty-nine species (additional to those recorded) of bird potentially occur in the project area, all of which are protected either under the EPBC Act 1999, the WC Act 1950, are listed as Priority species by the DEC, are rated on the IUCN Red List and/or are considered of local conservation importance. The potentially occurring species are discussed below.

Five bird species (additional to those recorded) derived from the Birds Australia Top 30 shorebirds list (Birds Australia 2008) potentially occur in the project area. These species have previously been recorded at Port Hedland and at Finucane Island. These species may be found wading within the mangroves and tidal flats of the project area.

#### EPBC Act 1999

Of the bird species potentially occurring in the project area, 10 species (additional to those recorded) are listed as Migratory under the EPBC Act 1999 (Appendix G4). These species are likely to reside within the mangroves and tidal flats of the project area, as these species are mostly migratory shorebirds or waders.

One species, *Pezoporus occidentalis* (Night Parrot), is listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act 1999. The Night Parrot is also listed as Schedule 1 by the WC Act 1950 and as Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List. This species is known to inhabit inland plains and Spinifex breakaways (Simpson & Day 2004).



There are few records of the Night Parrot and given its historically capture records, this species is unlikely to occur in the project area.

#### WC Act 1950

Two bird species potentially occurring in the project area are listed as Scheduled species under the WC Act 1950 (Appendix G4):

- Pezoporus occidentalis (Night Parrot); and
- Falco peregrinus (Peregrine Falcon).

The potential occurrence of *Pezoporus occidentalis* is discussed above (refer to EPBC Act 1999 section).

*Falco peregrinus* is listed as Schedule 4 by the DEC and is rated as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List. This species is considered widespread, although uncommon, throughout Australia. *Falco peregrinus* utilises the ledges, cliff faces and large hollows/broken spouts of trees for nesting. This species also occasionally uses the abandoned nests of other birds of prey (Johnstone & Storr 1998). This species was not recorded in previous surveys within the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). *Falco peregrinus* may utilise the project area as part of its foraging territory, however, no suitable sites were identified for nesting.

#### **DEC** Priority List

Four bird species (additional to those recorded) potentially occurring in the project area are found under the DEC Priority Fauna List, (Appendix G4):

- Falco hypoleucos (Grey Falcon);
- Burhinus grallarius (Bush Stone-curlew);
- Phaps histrionica (Flock Bronzewing); and
- Neochmia ruficauda clarescens (Star Finch).

*Falco hypoleucos* is listed as Priority 4 by the DEC, as a Migratory species under the EPBC Act 1999 and as Near Threatened under the IUCN Red List. This species was not recorded in previous surveys within the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). *Falco hypoleucos* inhabits woodland areas in arid zones (Simpson & Day 2004), such as the riverine habitat, and may forage in the project area.

Burhinus grallarius is listed as Priority 4 by the DEC and is rated as Near Threatened by the IUCN Red List. Burhinus grallarius was not recorded in



previous surveys within the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). This species is known to inhabit open woodlands with groundcover of small sparse shrubs, grass or litter consisting of twigs. It tends to avoid dense forest, closed-canopy habitats (Morcombe 2004). This habitat type is similar to the Riverine and Sandplain habitats present in the project area, and therefore this species is likely to occur.

*Phaps histrionica* is listed as a Priority 4 species by the DEC and as Least Concern on the IUCN Red List. This species inhabits areas of sparsely wooded grassy plain in close proximity to open water (Johnstone & Storr 1998). This species was not recorded during surveys in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). *Phaps histrionica* has a low capture record for the area, and is therefore unlikely to occur.

Neochmia ruficauda clarescens is listed as Priority 4 by the DEC and as Near Threatened under the IUCN Red List. Neochmia ruficauda clarescens was not recorded during the surveys in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008). This species occurs in sparsely vegetated grasslands near water (Simpson & Day 2004), similar to the Sandplain habitat near Cooliarin Pool. This species' preferred habitat type is represented in the project area, and therefore it is likely to occur.

#### **IUCN Red List**

All the bird species potentially occurring in the project area are listed on the IUCN Red List. One species, *Pezoporus occidentalis*, is listed as Critically Endangered. The potential occurrence of *Pezoporus occidentalis* is discussed above (refer to EPBC Act 1999 section).

Four bird species (additional to those recorded) are rated as Near Threatened on the IUCN Red List:

- Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus (Jabiru);
- Falco hypoleucos (Grey Falcon);
- Burhinus grallarius (Bush Stone-curlew); and
- Neochmia ruficauda clarescens (Star Finch).

*Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus* is rated as Near Threatened by the IUCN Red List. This species' preferred habitat is freshwater river pools and lagoons, and pools in estuaries and sheltered bays and salt work ponds (Johnstone & Storr 1998). This species was not recorded during surveys within the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994 and Biota 2008). *Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus* is likely



to occur in the tidal mudflats and mangroves of the project area because of the area's close proximity to Dampier Salt's salt works and mangrove communities.

The potential occurrence of *Falco hypoleucos*, *Burhinus grallarius* and *Neochmia ruficauda clarescens* is discussed above (refer to DEC Priority List section).

The remaining bird species are rated on the IUCN Red List as Least Concern (Appendix G4). Such taxa are considered widespread and abundant, and not exclusively dependent on the project area at the local level. These species are not protected by legislation.

#### Locally Significant

Two bird species potentially occurring in the project area are considered of local conservation importance:

- Stipiturus ruficeps (Rufous-crowned Emu-wren); and
- Conopophila whitei (Grey Honeyeater).

*Stipiturus ruficeps* and *Conopophila whitei* have restricted distributions south of Port Hedland. *Stipiturus ruficeps* inhabits Sandplains, drainage lines and watercourses with low open vegetation - typically *Triodia* hummock grasslands, whilst *Conopophila whitei*'s preferred habitat is *Acacia* scrubs and thickets (Johnstone & Storr 1998). Both of these vegetation structures exist within the Sandplains habitats, and therefore these species are likely to occur in the project area. None of the aforementioned species were recorded during surveys in the vicinity of the project area (Mattiske Consulting 1994; Biota 2008).



## 5 DISCUSSION

### 5.1 FAUNA HABITAT

#### 5.1.1 General

Mangroves, Tidal Flats, Samphire, Dunal, Riverine and Sandplain habitats were recorded within the project area. These habitats have been recorded during other fauna surveys undertaken in the Port Hedland area (e.g. Mattiske Consulting 1994, Biota 2008, 2009) and do not represent unique habitats.

The majority of the project area is located within the Sandplain habitat type, which is considered to be of moderate habitat value. This habitat supports species of conservation significance (e.g. *Aspidites ramsayi*), has a high level of fauna species diversity, has an abundance of microhabitats, and contributed the most animal records in this survey. The vegetation complexity within the Sandplain habitat was limited, with few large trees available for roosting and foraging. The Sandplain habitat is well represented outside of the project area and is not considered to be of conservation significance.

The lack of vegetation structure and ground cover resulted in the Samphire habitat being rated as being of lower habitat value this is due to a lack of microhabitats for fauna to exploit. Migratory birds will use it but to a lesser extent than Tidal Flats and Mangrove habitats. The Samphire habitat is well represented outside of the project area and is not considered to be of conservation significance.

The remaining four habitats were considered to be of high habitat value (see below).

#### 5.1.2 Habitats of Conservation Significance

Four habitats were recorded within the project area which were considered to be high value, and therefore, of conservation significance. These included:

- Mangroves: This habitat support shorebirds and seabirds, many of which are listed as migratory or marine under the EPBC Act 1999.
- Tidal Flats: This habitat support shorebirds and seabirds, many of which are listed as migratory or marine under the EPBC Act 1999.
- Dunal habitat: This habitat may support a unique faunal assemblage and shorebirds and seabirds during high tide, many of which are listed as migratory or marine under the EPBC Act'



• Riverine habitat: This habitat provides important corridors for fauna movement.

#### 5.2 FAUNA ASSEMBLAGES

#### 5.2.1 General

Table 3 presents potentially occurring species with total species recorded for the current survey and the total recorded species for past surveys of the area (Mattiske Consulting 1994).

	Mammals	Reptiles	Amphibians	Birds
Fauna species potentially occurring	45	109	10	198
Fauna species recorded in the current survey	25	53	6	115
Potentially occurring species recorded in past surveys	11	23	0	65

NB: Past biological surveys in the vicinity of the project area include Mattiske Consulting (1994)

The current survey compares well with the combined efforts of the previous survey. The current survey recorded a greater number of all potentially occurring faunal groups than the past survey. Previously 11 mammal species, 23 reptile species, no amphibian species, and 65 bird species were recorded (Mattiske Consulting 1994).

#### 5.2.2 Seasonal Comparison of Recorded Fauna

It is important to note seasonal variations when compiling a fauna inventory for environmental impact assessment. Multiple surveys should be conducted across each season appropriate to the bioregion and faunal group (EPA 2004). Previous surveys in the area (i.e. Mattiske Consulting 1994; Hope Downs 2000, 2002; Biota 2004, 2007, 2008) other than the FMG Rail Corridor fauna surveys did not assess seasonality. Therefore a two-season survey will give a more comprehensive indication of faunal assemblages in the project area on a temporal scale.

Two factors determining seasonal faunal activity are rainfall and temperature. Generally, a survey in the season that follows the season of maximum rainfall is the most productive and important survey time (EPA 2004). Therefore a twophase survey in two different seasons was deemed likely to produce results giving a more comprehensive representation of fauna and faunal assemblages of



the project area. However, because of the low summer rainfall for the area (as few cyclones crossed the Western Australian coast in the 2007-2008 cyclone season), the seasonal differences were not as pronounced as expected. Table 4 shows the species differences between recorded fauna after each season's survey, and these are discussed below.

	Mammals	Reptiles	Amphibians	Birds
Species recorded in Summer	22	47	4	98
Species recorded in Winter	19	44	5	74
Total species recorded for the survey	25	53	6	115

#### Table 4: Seasonal Comparisons of Recorded Fauna

**NB:** Percentage figures are percentages of total recorded species.

The greatest variation in seasonal records was observed for birds. The summer survey recorded 39 species not recorded in the winter survey, most of which were non-breeding migratory shorebirds. These animals are temporary residents in spring and summer, and migrate to the northern hemisphere to breed in the Australian autumn and winter (Geering *et al.* 2007). For example, the *Numenius madagascariensis* (Eastern Curlew), *Numenius phaeopus* (Whimbrel), Sandpipers, Stints, *Tringa nebularia* (Common Greenshank) and Terns were all recorded in the tidal mudflats of the project area.

Analysis of the results shows that the seasonal difference in recorded species was not pronounced. The large increase in migratory shorebirds and waders in summer was not unexpected, as these birds are temporary residents in Australia during the summer months. The lack of summer rainfall may have played a part in the limited number of ground-dwelling species recorded in winter, as the abundance of food may have been restricted. Much of the variability is unable to be explained with the data at hand.

Seasonal differences in records of mammals, reptiles and amphibians were not as great as those observed for birds, although slightly higher numbers of mammals and reptiles were observed in summer than winter, possibly due to the higher temperatures, a greater abundance of food due to rainfall, and recent breeding activity.



### 5.2.3 Fauna of Conservation Significance

#### Mammals

*Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* was not recorded during the surveys in the vicinity of the project area conducted by Hope Downs Management Services Pty Ltd (2002) and Biota (2004). This species was however recorded in both phases of the current fauna survey, foraging in the mangroves of the project area. Given the repeated records of *Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* in the current survey, this species may roost within the limited mangrove habitat within the Outer Harbour Development project area or surrounding area.

In addition to the *Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis,* there is potential for three other mammal species of conservation significance to occur in the project area. These are *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara), *Rhinonicteris aurantius* (Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat) and *Leggadina lakedownesis* (Lakeland Downs Mouse). Historic records exist for both the Lakeland Downs Mouse and Brush-tailed Mulgara near Port Hedland (Thompson and Thompson 2008) and they are both supported by the Sandplain habitat type. Known recordings of the Pilbara Leafed-nosed Bat have been made on the Roebourne and Abydos Plain and the potential for this species using the project area for foraging can not be dismissed.

#### Reptiles

The python, *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma), was recorded in the winter survey east of the Great Northern Highway near the 2008 rail option (Figure 10). This species was not recorded during the fauna surveys conducted by Mattiske Consulting (1994) and Biota (2008). However, *Aspidites ramsayi* was recorded twice within 35 km of Port Hedland during the Hope Downs rail corridor survey (Hope Downs Management Services 2002).

#### Birds

*Ardeotis australis* (Australian Bustard) has been recorded at a variety of locations in the Abydos Plain (Biota 2002), and was recorded at Boodarie by Mattiske Consulting (1994) and further afield at surveys conducted by Hope Downs Management Services Pty Ltd (2002) and Biota (2004). *Ardeotis australis* was also recorded in both phases of the current survey. *Numenius madagascariensis* was recorded by Mattiske Consulting (1994) and Hope Downs Management Services Pty Ltd (2002) in the broad surveys of the area, and was recorded only in the summer phase of the current survey.

Birds Australia (2008) has compiled a list of the 30 most commonly recorded shorebird species in Western Australia, of which 21 species were recorded during the current survey (Appendix L). Furthermore, the current survey recorded two shorebird species not previously recorded by Birds Australia for this region:



- Actitis hypoleucos (Common Sandpiper); and
- Elseyornis melanops (Black-fronted Dotterel).

Actitis hypoleucos is a relatively cryptic wading species that is often missed during wading surveys. *Elseyornis melanops* is an inland freshwater wading species that was recorded near a quarry during the current survey, and is unlikely to have been recorded near Birds Australia survey sites at Port Hedland and Finucane Island (pers. comm., M. Welsh, ENV).



## 6 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

#### 6.1 OVERVIEW

Hazards associated with the proposed Outer Harbour Development and the potential impacts on terrestrial fauna that may result are summarised in Table 5.

**Table 5:** Potential Impacts on Terrestrial Fauna from the project

Hazard	Source	Potential Impact
Clearing and Earthworks	Construction of terrestrial infrastructure (transfer pad, infrastructure corridor.	<ul> <li>Direct loss of general habitat and habitats of conservation significance may reduce the resources available for the local fauna community (e.g. nesting sites, foraging territory), and in particular for rare or threatened species.</li> <li>Direct loss of or injury to general fauna and fauna of conservation significance through vehicle strikes or squashing of fauna by machinery. Loss of habitat outside of the disturbance any service of the strikes of the service of the strikes of squashing of fauna by machinery.</li> </ul>
	stockyards, rail)	Degradation to fauna habitat due to unrestricted vehicle access
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Physical presence of infrastructure	Construction and operation of terrestrial	<ul> <li>Disturbance of fauna movement corridors associated with riparian habitats.</li> <li>Reduction in the dispersal ability of animal species between remnant habitats on either side of the proposed rail corridor. Segmentation of habitat</li> </ul>
	facilities	Eauna may avoid babitat areas near constructed infrastructure
Fire	Vehicle exhaust and construction and operation of terrestrial facilities	<ul> <li>Direct loss of habitat or fauna inside and outside of the disturbance envelope.</li> </ul>
Dust	Vehicle movements and	Dust can result in secondary impacts on fauna through reducing habitat quality, condition and



Hazard	Source	Potential Impact
	construction and operation of the facility	availability.
Noise	Construction and Operation of terrestrial facilities	<ul> <li>Increased noise may cause added stress on breeding populations of fauna species.</li> <li>Increased noise may deter fauna.</li> </ul>
Artificial lighting	Construction and Operation of terrestrial facilities	<ul> <li>Light spill may deter some fauna (e.g. birds) whilst attracting others (e.g. bats in response to increases in insects).</li> </ul>
Uncontrolled discharge of wastes or chemicals	Domestic waste, hydrocarbons or chemicals	<ul> <li>Loss of or injury to fauna as a result of accidental ingestion or entanglement.</li> <li>Spread of vermin leading to increased competition or predation with fauna.</li> <li>Degradation to fauna habitat.</li> </ul>
Physical interaction e.g. traffic	Vehicle and equipment movements	Increased traffic may result in increased fauna mortality (e.g. vehicle strikes) .



#### 6.2 IMPACTS ON HABITAT

The majority of the proposed disturbance envelope affects the Sandplain habitat. Clearing associated with the construction of the proposed rail spur, rail loop and stockyards will result in the direct loss of sandplain habitat. This habitat type is not of conservation significance value, as it is well represented outside the project area. The project will not affect the broad representation of the Sandplain habitat in the region it is unlikely there will be significant reduction in fauna resources through clearing of this habitat.

Clearing associated with the construction of the proposed conveyor and transfer pad will impact upon the Mangroves, Tidal Flats, and Dunal systems within the project area and construction of the rail spur will impact on localised areas of Riverine habitat (Figure 2). With exception of mangroves, these habitats are generally well-represented in the local Port Hedland area outside of the proposed disturbance envelope. It is unlikely there will be significant reduction in fauna resources through clearing of these habitats. A separate assessment has been undertaken to specifically examine potential impacts on mangroves (SKM 2009).

One quartz outcrop will be impacted through the construction of the proposed Western Spur Railway. This microhabitat is also present outside of the proposed disturbance envelope and is not considered to be of conservation significance.

#### 6.3 IMPACTS ON FAUNA

Of the 199 recorded species for the project area, 25 are protected by legislation (i.e. listed under the EPBC Act 1999, and/or the WC Act 1950). Species under legislation and/or the DEC Priority Listing during the current survey will be discussed.

The python *Aspidites ramsayi* (Woma) inhabits spinifex within woodlands, heaths and shrublands (Wilson & Swan 2003). It is restricted to arid areas, where it shelters in hollow logs, animal burrows or thick vegetation (Cogger 2000). Even though direct habitat loss may result in localised mortalities, the broad representation of this species in the region is not likely to be compromised by the project.

*Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* (the Little North-western Freetail Bat) was recorded in both phases of the fauna survey, foraging in the mangroves of the project area (pers. comm., R. Bullen). This species inhabits mangrove communities, roosting in crevices and spouts of the dead upper branches of the mangrove *Avicennia marina* (Strahan 1995). Therefore further removal of this type of habitat will have the potential to impact on this species at the local level. However, as the proposed area of mangroves to be cleared is small, the project is not expected to impact *Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis* population numbers at a regional level.



*Ardeotis australis* (the Australian Bustard) inhabits woodlands and grasslands, moving widely over large areas (Johnstone & Storr 1998). This species has been recorded at a variety of locations in the Abydos Plain (Biota 2002). The Australian Bustard was recorded from the Sandplain habitat during both seasons of the current survey. Because of its nomadic behaviour and the fact that it is not reliant on habitats in the project area, the project is not expected to affect this species.

*Numenius madagascariensis* (the Eastern Curlew) mainly inhabits Tidal Flats and Mangrove areas, and is also known to occur in Dunal habitat. This species was recorded only in the summer season in the above habitats. This species is not specifically reliant on habitat within the disturbance envelope and therefore its broad representation within the region is not expected to be compromised.

Twenty-two bird species recorded during the survey are listed as Migratory species under the EPBC Act 1999. Most of these species were recorded within Mangroves and Tidal Flats habitat types. These habitat types support most of the migratory waders found in the project area, and many of these non-breeding migrants will use these habitats for foraging and roosting during the summer. Many of these are largely aerial species with an extensive home range, and will not be reliant on habitats in the project area. During low tide, these species can disperse throughout tidal mudflats of the project area to roost and forage. At high tide they converge and roost at one location at the far south-western tip of Finucane Island. This location is not within the proposed disturbance envelope.

Eight species of conservation significant fauna potentially occur in the project area that were not recorded in the survey. These species are *Dasycercus blythi*, *Leggadina lakedownensis*, *Rhinonicteris aurantius*, *Ramphotyphlops ganei*, *Falco peregrinus*, *Falco hypoleucos*, *Burhinus grallarius*, and *Neochmia ruficauda clarescens*. Of these species, breeding habitat is only present for *Burhinus grallarius*, and *Neochmia ruficauda clarescens*. However, *Burhinus grallarius* breeds in Sandplain and open woodland areas, which are well represented outside of the proposed disturbance envelope; and *Neochmia ruficauda clarescens* is restricted to permanent water bodies, such as Cooliarin Pool, which are not present within the proposed disturbance envelope.

The remaining potentially occurring fauna of conservation significance are likely to only use the habitat for foraging. They are not depended on any specific habitats in the project area and are unlikely to be impacted by the development.



# 7 CONCLUSIONS

Of the six habitats identified broadly across the project area, the Dunal, Riverine, Mangrove and Tidal Flat habitats were identified as being of high value in supporting fauna, and are therefore considered to be of conservation significance. However, on a regional scale, the significance of the habitats is not sufficient to warrant the alteration of the disturbance envelope. The proposed Outer Harbour Development will not affect the regional representation of recorded habitats of conservation significance or recorded or potentially occurring fauna of conservation significance.



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# FIGURES



























# **APPENDIX A**

# DEFINITION OF CONSERVATION CODES FOR FAUNA OF CONSERVATION SIGNIFICANCE



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### APPENDIX A

Definition of Conservation Codes for Fauna of Conservation Significance

#### Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) Threatened Species and Threatened Ecological Communities Codes

The EPBC Act prescribes seven matters of national environmental significance:-

- World Heritage properties;
- National Heritage places;
- Wetlands of international importance;
- Threatened species and ecological communities;
- Migratory species;
- Commonwealth marine areas; and
- Nuclear actions (including uranium mining).

Species in the categories ExW, CE, E, E and V (see below), and threatened ecological communities in the CE and E categories are protected as matters of national environmental significance under the EPBC Act.

Category Code	Category
Ex	Extinct
	Taxa for which there is no reasonable doubt that the last member of the species has died.
ExW	Extinct in the Wild
	Taxa known to survive only in cultivation, in captivity or as a naturalised population well outside its past range; or not recorded in its known and/or expected habitat at appropriate seasons anywhere in its past range despite exhaustive surveys over a timeframe appropriate to its life cycle and form.
CE	Critically Endangered
	Taxa facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild in the immediate future, as determined in accordance with the prescribed criteria.
E	Endangered
	Taxa not critically endangered and facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild in the medium-term future, as determined in accordance with the prescribed criteria.
v	Vulnerable



	Taxa not critically endangered or endangered and facing a high risk of extinction in the wild in the medium-term future, as determined in accordance with the prescribed criteria.			
CD	Conservation Dependent			
	Taxa which are the focus of a specific conservation program, the cessation of which would result in the species becoming vulnerable, endangered or critically endangered within five years.			
Mi	Migratory			
	<ul> <li>Taxa that migrate to Australia and its external territories, or pass though or over Australian waters during their annual migrations, that are included in an international agreement approved by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts and that have been placed on the national List of Migratory Species under the provisions of the EPBC Act. At present there are four such agreements: <ul> <li>the Bonn Convention</li> <li>the China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (CAMBA)</li> <li>the Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (JAMBA)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
	(ROKAMBA)			
Ма	Marine			
	Taxa protected in a Commonwealth Marine Protected Area by virtue of section 248 of the EPBC Act. These taxa include certain seals, crocodiles, turtles and birds, as well as various marine fish.			
	Commonwealth marine areas are matters of national environmental significance under the EPBC Act.			
	An action will require approval if the:			
	<ul> <li>action is taken in a Commonwealth marine area and the action has, will have, or is likely to have a significant impact on the environment, or</li> </ul>			
	• action is taken outside a Commonwealth marine area and the action has, will have, or is likely to have a significant impact on the environment in a Commonwealth marine area1			
	The Commonwealth marine area is any part of the sea, including the waters, seabed, and airspace, within Australia's exclusive economic zone and/or over the continental shelf of Australia, that is not State or Northern Territory waters. The Commonwealth marine area stretches from 3 to 200 nautical miles from the coast. Marine protected areas are marine areas which are recognised to have high conservation value.			



Category	Code	Description
Schedule 1	S1	Rare or likely to become extinct.
Schedule 2	S2	Presumed extinct.
Schedule 3	S3	Birds subject to an agreement between the governments of Australia and Japan, the People's Republic of China & the Republic of Korea relating to the protection of migratory birds and birds in danger of extinction.
Schedule 4	S4	Other specially protected fauna.

## Wildlife Conservation Act 1950 (WA)

### Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) Fauna Priority Codes

Category	Code	Description
Priority 1	P1	Taxa with few, poorly known populations on threatened lands.
Priority 2	P2	Taxa with few, poorly known populations on conservation lands.
Priority 3	P3	Taxa with several, poorly known populations, some on conservation lands.
Priority 4	P4	Taxa in need of monitoring: not currently threatened or in need of special protection, but could become so. Usually represented on conservation lands.
Priority 5	P5	Taxa in need of monitoring: not considered threatened, but the subject of a specific conservation program, the cessation of which would result in the species becoming threatened within five years.



Category	Code	Description
Extinct	EX	Taxa for which there is no reasonable doubt that the last individual has died.
Extinct in the Wild	EW	Taxa known to survive only in cultivation, in captivity or as a naturalised population well outside its past range, and not recorded in known or expected habitat despite exhaustive survey over a timeframe appropriate to its lifecycle and form.
Critically endangered	CR	Taxa facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild.
Endangered	EN	Taxa facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild.
Vulnerable	VU	Taxa facing high risk of extinction in the wild
Near threatened	NT	Taxa which have been evaluated and do not qualify for CR, EN, or VU, but are close to qualifying or likely to qualify in the near future.
Least Concern	LC	Taxa which have been evaluated and do not qualify for CR, EN, VU or NT, but are likely to qualify for NT in the near future.
Data deficient	DD	Taxa for which there is inadequate information to make a direct or indirect assessment of its risk of extinction based on its distribution and/or population status.

IUCN Red List of Infeatened Species Codes	IUCN	<b>Red List</b>	of Threate	ened Species	Godes
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#### International conventions and agreements

Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention)

This is an intergovernmental treaty under the United Nations Environmental Program which lists migratory species that would significantly benefit from international cooperation on their conservation and management.

#### Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (JAMBA)

This is an agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of Japan for the protection of migratory, threatened and birds in danger of extinction. It requires both parties to conserve and protect the birds and their habitats as well as exchange information and build a cooperative relationship.

#### China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (CAMBA)

This is an agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the People's Republic of China for the protection of migratory birds and their environment. It requires both parties to conserve and protect the birds and their habitats as well as exchange information and build a cooperative relationship.


# APPENDIX B TRAPPING PROGRAM



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# **APPENDIX B**

## TRAPPING PROGRAM

# Appendix B1 – Trap Site Locations for Summer Survey

Sito	<sup>#</sup> GPS Coo	ordinates
Sile	Easting	Northing
Site 2 – Start	671526	7731265
Site 2 – End	671425	7731615
Site 3 – Start	664747	7735183
Site 3 - End	664551	7735203
Site 4 – Start	661639	7738270
Site 4 - End	661887	7738177
Site 5 - Start	662788	7739999
Site 5 - End	662805	7739770
Site 6 - Start	661418	7745816
Site 6 - End	661398	7745509
Site 7 - Start	656473	7744246
Site 7 - End	656708	7744201
Site 9 - Start	662156	7754542
Site 9 - End	662240	7754547
Site 10 - Start	666721	7734911
Site 10 - End	666558	7735047

<sup>#</sup> Australian Geocentric 1994 (GDA94), Zone 50K.



# Appendix B2 – Major Habitat Types and Vegetation Descriptions of Trap Sites for Summer Survey

Site Number	Habitat Type	Vegetation Description
2	Roadside Verge	An open <i>Acacia</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
3	Sand Plain	Scattered mixed <i>Acacia</i> shrubs over a low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
4	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
5	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
6	Tidal Drainage Line	Low <i>Eucalyptus</i> woodland over an <i>Acacia tumida</i> shrubland over a mixed herbland and mixed grassland. Some areas of Samphire.
7	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticep</i> s shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
9	Sand Dune	Scattered Crotalaria cunninghamii shrubs over a *Cenchrus ciliaris grassland.
10	Riverine	A low open <i>Eucalyptus</i> woodland over a mixed shrubland over a mixed herbland.

# Appendix B3 – Traps and Number of Replicates Used at Each Trap Site for Summer Survey

Site Number	# Cage Traps	# Elliott Traps	# Funnel Traps	# Bucket Traps	# Pot Traps	# Long Pot Traps	Total
2	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
3	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
4	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
5	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
6	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
7	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
9	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
10	8	8	16	8	5	3	48
TOTAL	64	64	128	64	40	24	384



Site Number	# nights Cage Traps	# nights Elliott Traps	# nights Funnel Traps	# nights Bucket Traps	# nights Pot Traps	# nights Long Pot Traps	Total nights
2	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
3	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
4	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
5	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
6	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
7	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
9	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
10	64	64	128	64	128	24	472
TOTAL	512	512	1024	512	1024	192	3776

Appendix B5 – Trap Site Locations for Winter Survey

Sito	<sup>#</sup> GPS Co	ordinates
Sile	Easting	Northing
Site 2 – Start	671526	7731265
Site 2 – End	671425	7731615
Site 3 – Start	664747	7735183
Site 3 - End	664551	7735203
Site 4 – Start	661639	7738270
Site 4 - End	661887	7738177
Site 5 - Start	662788	7739999
Site 5 - End	662805	7739770
Site 6 - Start	661418	7745816
Site 6 - End	661398	7745509
Site 7 - Start	656473	7744246
Site 7 - End	656708	7744201
Site 9 - Start	662156	7754542



Sito	<sup>#</sup> GPS Coordinates				
	Easting	Northing			
Site 9 - End	662240	7754547			
Site 10 - Start	666721	7734911			
Site 10 - End	666558	7735047			
Site 13 - Start	671538	7728188			
Site 13 - End	671493	7728494			
Site 15 - Start	656180	7737766			
Site 15 - End	656238	7737631			

<sup>#</sup> Australian Geocentric 1994 (GDA94), Zone 50K.

# Appendix B6 – Major Habitat Types and Vegetation Descriptions of Trap Sites for Winter Survey

Site Number	Habitat Type	Vegetation Description
2	Roadside Verge	An open <i>Acacia</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
3	Sand Plain	Scattered mixed <i>Acacia</i> shrubs over a low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
4	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
5	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
6	Tidal Drainage Line	Low <i>Eucalyptus</i> woodland over an <i>Acacia tumida</i> shrubland over a mixed herbland and mixed grassland. Some areas of Samphire.
7	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
9	Sand Dune	Scattered Crotalaria cunninghamii shrubs over a *Cenchrus ciliaris grassland.
10	Riverine	A low open <i>Eucalyptus</i> woodland over a mixed shrubland over a mixed herbland.
13	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.
15	Sand Plain	A low open <i>Acacia stellaticeps</i> shrubland over a <i>Triodia</i> hummock grassland.



Site Number	# Cage Traps	# Elliott Traps	# Funnel Traps	# Bucket Traps	# Pot Traps	Total
2	10	10	20	10	20	70
3	10	10	20	10	20	70
4	10	10	20	10	20	70
5	10	10	20	10	20	70
6	10	10	20	10	20	70
7	10	10	20	10	20	70
9	10	10	20	10	20	70
10	10	10	20	10	20	70
13	10	10	20	10	20	70
15	10	10	20	10	20	70
TOTAL	100	100	200	100	200	700

# Appendix B7 – Traps and Number of Replicates Used at Each Trap Site for Winter Survey

Appendix B8 – Systematic Trapping Program for Winter Survey

Site Number	# nights Cage Traps	# nights Elliott Traps	# nights Funnel Traps	# nights Bucket Traps	# nights Pot Traps	Total nights
2	80	80	160	80	160	560
3	80	80	160	80	160	560
4	80	80	160	80	160	560
5	80	80	160	80	160	560
6	80	80	160	80	160	560
7	80	80	160	80	160	560
9	80	80	160	80	160	560
10	80	80	160	80	160	560
13	80	80	160	80	160	560



Site Number	# nights Cage Traps	# nights Elliott Traps	# nights Funnel Traps	# nights Bucket Traps	# nights Pot Traps	Total nights
15	80	80	160	80	160	560
TOTAL	800	800	1600	800	1600	5600



# APPENDIX C SITE PHOTOGRAPHS



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SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

Site 2 - Roadside Verge



Site 3 – Sand Plain









Site 5 – Sand Plain









Site 7 – Sand Plain









Site 10 - Riverine





Site 13 – Sand Plain



Site 15 – Sand Plain





# APPENDIX D ORNITHOLOGICAL CENSUS



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# APPENDIX D

# ORNITHOLOGICAL CENSUS

# D1 – Opportunistic Bird Searching Program for Summer Survey

Date	Location	Duration
28 October 2007	Finucane Island	8.5 h
29 October 2007	HBI plant	10 h
	Finucane Island	10 h
30 October 2007	East of Boodarie Landing	9 h
31 October 2007	East of Boodarie Landing	9.5 h
	Finucane Island	2 h
1 November 2007	HBI plant	4.5 h
2 November 2007	Riverine near Site 8	4 h
	Road verge near Site 1	2 h
	Plain near Site 2	2 h
3 November 2007	Riverine at Site 8	2 h
	Road verge along railway track	2 h
	Finucane Island	2 h
4 November 2007	Riverine near Site 8	5 h
Total		72.5 h



## Appendix D2 – Opportunistic Bird Searching Program for Winter Survey 7

Date	Habitat Type	Duration
	Tidal Drainage Line	1 h
	Sand Plain	40 min
	Sand Plain	45 min
10 May 2008	Sand Plain	45 min
	Sand Dunes	50 min
	Riverine	30 min
	Billabong	50 min
11 May 2008	Riverine	45 min
	Roadside Verge	50 min
	Sand Plain	1 h
	Sand Plain	50 min
	Sand Dune	1 h
12 May 2008	Tidal Drainage Line	30 min
12 May 2000	Tidal Drainage Line	1 h
	Sand Dunes and Shoreline	2 h 30 min
13 May 2008	Sand Plain/Open Woodland	1 h
	Sand Plain	30 min
	Quarry	1 h
	Mangroves and mudflats	1 h
	Dunal	1h 30 min
	Minor Drainage	1h 30 min



Date	Habitat Type	Duration
	Water Hole	45 min
Total		21 h



# APPENDIX E ACOUSTIC BAT RECORDINGS



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# APPENDIX E

# ACOUSTIC BAT RECORDINGS

# Appendix E1 – AnaBat II Locations for Summer Survey

Dete	GPS Coordinates				
Date	<sup>#</sup> Easting	<sup>#</sup> Northing			
19 October 2007	661554	7745873			
20 October 2007	657232	7744015			
21 October 2007	665384	7744957			
28 October 2007	661669	7743268			
29 October 2007	659781	7743260			
31 October 2007	662594	7753080			
1 November 2007	671491	7731456			
2 November 2007	667997	7731801			
7 November 2007	662620	7741146			
8 November 2007	671988	7729098			

<sup>#</sup> Australian Geocentric 1994 (GDA94), Zone 50K.

# Appendix E2 – AnaBat II Recording Details for Summer Survey

Date	AnaBat II #	Duration	Habitat
19 October 2007	1	80 min	Site 5 – Adjacent to tidal creek.
20 October 2007	1	80 min	Under the bridge crossing the 'South West' River.
21 October 2007	1	80 min	Under the bridge crossing the 'South' River.
28 October 2007	1	80 min	Under the bridge crossing an ephemeral creek.



Date	AnaBat II #	Duration	Habitat
29 October 2007	1	80 min	Open eucalyptus woodland with no understorey.
31 October 2007	1	80 min	On causeway to Finucane Island.
1 November 2007	1	80 min	Roadside verge. <i>Triodia</i> with open <i>Acacia</i> shrubs.
2 November 2007	1	80 min	Site 8 – Riverine. <i>Eucalyptus</i> over <i>Triodia.</i>
7 November 2007	1	80 min	Bridge crossing ephemeral creek. Open <i>Eucalyptus</i> woodland over open <i>Triodia.</i>
8 November 2007	1	80 min	Quarry with standing water.

# Appendix E3 – AnaBat II Locations for Winter Survey

Dete	Amo Dot II #	GPS Coordinates				
Date	AnaBat II #	<sup>#</sup> Easting	<sup>#</sup> Northing			
11 May 2008	1	669171	7731747			
11 May 2008	2	665330	7744940			
12 May 2008	3	663432	7740184			
14 May 2008	4	672037	7729112			
14 May 2008	5	671008	7717595			
15 May 2008	6	660903	7753831			
15 May 2008	7	661628	7743250			

<sup>#</sup> Australian Geocentric 1994 (GDA94), Zone 50K.



# Appendix E4 – AnaBat II Recording Details for Winter Survey

Date	AnaBat II #	Duration	Habitat
11 May 2008	1	610 min	Billabong
11 May 2008	2	610 min	Bridge
12 May 2008	3	610 min	Waterhole
14 May 2008	4	610 min	Quarry
14 May 2008	5	610 min	Mangroves
15 May 2008	6	610 min	Bridge
15 May 2008	7	610 min	Bridge



# APPENDIX F SITE-SPECIFIC CAPTURES



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### **APPENDIX F**

## SITE SPECIFIC CAPTURES

# Appendix F1 – Site-Specific Captures for Summer Survey

Quantum	SKM	Site:	2					
Described by	MW			Date: 12/10/07-0	9/11/07	Type: Trap Site	30x100	)m
Season: Sum Location: Po	mer rt Hedlaı	nd						
MGA Zone:	50	671526	mЕ	7731265 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat:	Roadsid	le Verge.						
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	Open A	<i>cacia</i> shrul	oland c	over a <i>Triodia</i> hum	mock gras	ssland.		
Vegetation C	Conditior	ı						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Leav	es:	Twigs: R	ocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:

Species List: Number of individuals by Observation						on Type		
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр
Mammals								
Dasykaluta rosamondae				1				
Mus musculus	2	2		10				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1				
Reptiles								
Ĉarlia triacantha		1						
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	1							1
Ctenotus duricola	1							
Ctenotus helenae		1			2			
Ctenotus pantherinus	6	2			9			
Ctenotus saxatilis	3	1			20			
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	6				1			
Diporiphora winneckei	2	1			1			
Heteronotia binoei		1						
Lialis burtonis					1			
Morethia ruficauda		1			1			
Proablepharus reginae	1							
Pseudonaja modesta					1			
Ramphotyphlops grypus		1						
Varanus acanthurus		2		4	2			
Varanus brevicauda	1							



#### Site 3 **Quantum SKM** Described by MW Date: 12/10/07-09/11/07 Type: Trap Site 30x100m Season: Summer Location: Port Hedland MGA Zone: 50 664747 **mE** 7735183 **mN** Habitat: Sand Plain. Soil **Rock Type** Vegetation: Scattered mixed Acacia shrubs over a low open Acacia stellaticeps shrubland over a Triodia hummock grassland. **Vegetation Condition** Fire Age Notes Habitat: Twigs: **Rocks: Rock sheet:** Litter: **Bare:** Logs: Leaves:

Species List:		Number of individuals by Observa							
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр	
Mammals									
Notomys alexis				1					
Reptiles									
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis		4			1				
Ctenotus duricola					1				
Ctenotus grandis	1				1				
Ctenotus helenae		1			1				
Ctenotus pantherinus	1	3			9				
Ctenotus saxatilis					1				
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	11	8			11				
Lucasium stenodactylum		2							
Diporiphora winneckei					1				
Eremiascincus fasciolatus		1							
Gehyra variegata	2	1			2				
Lerista bipes	12	13			3				
Lialis burtonis	1								
Pogona minor					1				
Pseudechis australis					2				
Pygopus nigriceps					1				
Simoselaps anomalus					1				
Varanus acanthurus				1	1				
Varanus eremius	1				1				



Described by	MW			Date: 12/10/0	7-09/11/07	Type: Trap Sit	te 30x100m	
Season: Sum Location: Por	mer rt Hedlaı	nd						
MGA Zone:	50	661639	mE	7738270 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat: Soil	Sand Pl	ain.						
Rock Type Vegetation:	A low o	open Acac	ia stella	<i>ticeps</i> shrublan	d over a <i>Triod</i>	<i>lia</i> hummock gr	assland.	
Vegetation C	ondition	1						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	aves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rocksheet:	Litter: Bare	:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation Type Pit Pot Ca Ell Fu Ne No Opp 5 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 2 3 1 1 6 6 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1							
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр
Mammals								••
Mus musculus				5				
Notomys alexis				1				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1				
Reptiles								
Ctenotus grandis					1			
Ctenotus pantherinus	1	1			2			
Ctenotus saxatilis					1			
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	2	2			2			
Lucasium stenodactylum	1							
Eremiascincus fasciolatus	1	2			3			
Gehyra variegata					1			
Lerista bipes	16	6			1			
Pogona minor subsp. mitchelli					1			
Ramphotyphlops grypus	1							
Varanus acanthurus	1							
Varanus eremius	1				2			



Described by	WW			Date: 12/10/	07-09/11/07	Type: Trap Si	te 30x100m	
Season: Sum	mer							
Location: Po	rt Hedla	nd						
MGA Zone:	50	662788	mE	7739999 mN	N			
Habitat:	Sand pl	ain.						
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	A low of	open Acac	ia stella	<i>ticeps</i> shrubla	nd over a Tric	odia hummock gr	rassland.	
Vegetation C	Conditio	n						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	s: Lea	aves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter: Bai	re:

Species List:		Num	ber of	indivi	duals	by Ob	servati	on Type
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр
Mammals								
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1				
Reptiles								
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis		2			1			
Ctenotus grandis		1						
Ctenotus pantherinus	1				3			
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	1	2						
Lucasium stenodactylum	2	4						
Eremiascincus fasciolatus		2						
Heteronotia binoei		1						
Lerista bipes	23	29			4			
Varanus eremius					1			
Varanus gouldii				1	1			



Quantum S	SKM	Site	6					
Described by	MW			Date: 12/10/0	7-09/11/07	Type: Trap Site	30x100	m
Season: Sum Location: Po	mer rt Hedlaı	nd						
MGA Zone:	50	661418	mЕ	7745816 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat:	Tidal D	rainage Li	ne.					
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	Low <i>Eu</i> grasslan	<i>calyptus</i> v id. Some a	voodlan treas of	d over an <i>Acac</i> Samphire.	<i>ia tumida</i> shru	ubland over a mixe	ed herbland a	and mixed
Vegetation C	onditior	ı						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	ves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:

Species List:	Pit Pot Ca Ell Fu Ne No Opp   1										
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр			
Amphibia								••			
Notaden nichollsi	1										
Mammals											
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1							
Rentiles											
Carlia triacantha	1	1			1						
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	2	2			1						
Ctenophorus nuchalis					1						
Ctenotus duricola	1	2			3						
Ctenotus grandis		1									
Ctenotus pantherinus	2	2			2						
Ctenotus saxatilis	8	4			12						
Delma tincta					1						
Demansia psammophis		1									
Demansia rufescens					1						
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	4	4									
Lucasium stenodactylum	1										
Diporiphora winneckei	1										
Gehyra variegata	1	2			6						
Heteronotia binoei		2									
Lerista bipes	17	31			7						
Menetia greyii	1										
Nephrurus levis pilbarensis		1									
Pogona minor subsp. minor	1										
Pseudechis australis					1						
Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	1										
Strophurus ciliaris aberrans	1				2						



Described by	MW			Date: 12/10/0	7-09/11/07	Type: Trap Site	e 30x100m
Season: Sum	mer						
Location: Por	rt Hedla	nd					
MGA Zone:	50	656473	mE	7744246 <b>mN</b>			
Habitat:	Sand Pl	ain.					
Soil							
Rock Type							
Vegetation:	A low o	pen Acac	ia stella	ticeps shrublan	d over a <i>Triod</i>	<i>lia</i> hummock gra	assland.
Vegetation C	onditio	n					
Fire Age							
Notes							
Habitat:	Logs	: Le	aves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter: Bare

Species List:		Num	ber of	indivi	duals l	by Ob	servati	on Type
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр
Amphibia								
Notaden nichollsi		2						
Mammals								
Dasykaluta rosamondae				1	1			
Notomys alexis		1						
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1				
Sminthopsis youngsoni		1						
Reptiles								
Carlia triacantha	1	1			3			
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	2	1			1			
Ctenotus duricola	1	3						
Ctenotus grandis	2							
Ctenotus pantherinus	5	1			14			
Ctenotus saxatilis		1			1			
Ctenotus serventyi	1							
Demansia rufescens	1							
Diplodactylus conspicillatus					4			
Lerista bipes	2	13			2			
Menetia greyii		1						
Nephrurus levis pilbarensis		1			3			
Pogona minor		1						
Pseudechis australis					2			
Tiliqua multifasciata			1					
Varanus brevicauda	1	1						



Described by	MB			Date: 12/10/07	-09/11/07	Type: Trap Site	30x100	m
Season: Sum	nmer							
Location:	Finucane	e Island						
MGA Zone:	50	662156	mE	7754542 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat:	Sand Du	ne.						
Soil:	Sandy.							
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	Scattered small sh	d <i>Crota</i> rubs.	laria cuni	<i>ninghamii</i> shrub	s over a * <i>Cer</i>	achrus ciliaris gra	ussland. Triod	lia with sparse
Vegetation C	ondition							
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs:	0 L	eaves: 1	<b>Twigs:</b> 0	<b>Rocks:</b> 0	Rock sheet: 0	Litter:	<b>Bare:</b> 50

Species List:		Num	ber of	indivi	duals l	by Ob	servati	on Type
Name P	it	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр
Mammals								
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis		1	1	38				
Zyzomys argurus		1						
Reptiles								
Ctenotus duricola		1						
Ctenotus saxatilis	4				8			
Ctenotus serventyi	1	1			2			
Eremiascincus fasciolatus 1	8	11			20			
Gehyra variegata	1							
Lerista bipes 2	23	63			7			
Lerista muelleri	6	5						
Menetia greyii	1				1			
Pseudechis australis					2			
Ramphotyphlops grypus	2							
Varanus gouldii			3		1			



Described by	MW			Date: 12/10/0	07-09/11/07	Type: Trap Site	30x100m
Season: Sum	mer						
Location: Po	rt Hedla	nd					
MGA Zone:	50	666721	mE	7734911 <b>mN</b>			
Habitat:	Riverin	e.					
Soil							
Rock Type							
Vegetation:	A low of	pen Euca	<i>lyptus</i> w	voodland over	a mixed shrub	oland over a mixed	1 herbland.
Vegetation C	onditio	n					
Fire Age							
Notes							
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	aves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter: Bare:

Species List:	ber of	f indivi	duals	by Ob	servati	on Type		
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Ne	No	Орр
Amphibia								••
Cyclorana maini		1						
Notaden nichollsi	3	5						
Uperoleia russelli	1							
Mammals								
Mus musculus				7				
Notomys alexis				2				
Reptiles								
Amphibolurus longirostris					3			
Ctenophorus nuchalis		1						
Ctenotus saxatilis	7			1	30			
Delma butleri	1							
Diporiphora winneckei	1							
Eremiascincus fasciolatus		7						
Gehyra variegata					1			
Lerista bipes	14	11			2			
Morethia ruficauda					3	3		
Morethia ruficauda subsp. exquisita		2						
Pseudechis australis					1			
Strophurus ciliaris aberrans	2	1			3			
Varanus acanthurus					1			



Quantum SKM Described by: MB Season: Winter Location: Port Hedland	Site	Bat Observ Date: 05/05/	vations /08-16/05/08	Type: Oppor	tunistic	
MGA Zone	n	nE	mN			
Habitat						
Soil						
Rock Type						
Vegetation						
Vegetation Condition						
Fire Age						
Notes: Data recorded u	sing Ana	bat II bat recor	ders and analysed b	y Bob Bullen.		
Habitat: Logs:	Leave	es: Twigs	s: Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:

# Appendix F2 – Site Specific Captures for Winter Survey

	Number of individuals by Observation Type				on Type		
Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр
							••
	Pit	Num <b>Pit Pot</b>	Number of <b>Pit Pot Ca</b>	Number of indivi Pit Pot Ca Ell	Number of individuals Pit Pot Ca Ell Fu	Number of individuals by Obs Pit Pot Ca Ell Fu Net	Number of individuals by Observati Pit Pot Ca Ell Fu Net No



Quantum SKM Described by: MB Season: Winter	Site	Bird Observat Date: 05/05/08-	ions 16/05/08	Type: Oppor	tunistic
Location: Port Hedlar	nd				
MGA Zone	m	E m	N		
Habitat					
Soil					
Rock Type					
Vegetation					
Vegetation Condition	1				
Fire Age					
Notes: Avifauna obs	ervations and	d opportunistic ob	servations mad	e across the proje	ct area by Ornithologist
Habitat: Logs	: Leaves	s: Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter: Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observat						ation Type		
Name	Pit Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Opp		
Birds							••		
Aegotheles cristatus						1			
Anthus australis						-	2		
Aquila audax							2		
Aquila morphnoides							1		
Ardea alba							1		
Ardea garzetta							5		
Ardea novaehollandiae							6		
Ardea sacra							3		
Artamus cinereus							16		
Artamus superciliosus							15		
Cacatua roseicanilla							24		
Cacatua roseicapina Cacatua sanguinea							20		
Certhionyx niger							20		
Charadrius laschenaultii							2		
Charadrius melanons							7		
Correcine novechellendies							0		
							07		
Cuculus pallidus							2		
Dromaina navashallandiaa							1		
							1		
Enalus caeruleus							2		
Emplema pictum Econoltric multication							1		
Eopsantia puiveruienta							2		
Eremiornis carten							2		
Eurostopodus argus							1		
Falco berigora							2		
Faico cenchroides							5		
Geopelia cuneata							I		
Geopelia striata							6		
Geophaps plumifera							21		
Grallina cyanoleuca							14		
Haematopus fuliginosus							6		
Haematopus longirostris							4		
Haliaeetus leucogaster							3		
Haliastur indus							7		
Haliastur sphenurus							1		
Hirundo ariel							6		
Hirundo nigricans							21		
Lalage tricolor							2		
Larus novaehollandiae							12		
Lichenostomus penicillatus							11		
Lichenostomus virescens							33		
Lichmera indistincta							8		
Malurus lamberti							11		
Malurus leucopterus							44		
Manorina flavigula							10		
Melopsittacus undulatus							73		
Merops ornatus							17		

Milvus migrans	4
Mirafra javanica	1
Nymphicus hollandicus	25
Ocyphaps lophotes	28
Pachycephala lanioides	4
Pelecanus conspicillatus	2
Phalacrocorax melanoleucos	8
Phalacrocorax varius	12
Rhipidura leucophrys	12
Rhipidura phasiana	2
Sterna (albifrons) sinensis	1
Sterna bengalensis	56
Sterna caspia	1
Sterna nilotica subsp. affinis	2
Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	3
Taeniopygia guttata	96
Todiramphus chloris	2
Todiramphus pyrrhopygia	2
Todiramphus sanctus	2
Threskiornis molucca	1
Zosterops luteus	24
Arenaria interpres	2
Tringa breviceps	3
Tringa cinerea	3
Tringa stagnatilis	3
Numenius phaeopus	3
Reptiles	
Egernia depressa	4



Quantum SKM Described by: MB Season: Winter Location: Port Hedland	Site	Opportunistic Date: 05/05/08	c Observations -16/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Opportunist	ic
MGA Zone	n	nE r	nN		
Habitat					
Soil					
Rock Type					
Vegetation					
Vegetation Condition					
Fire Age					
Notes: Opportunistic	observatio	ns made across th	e project area by s	urvey team.	
Habitat: Logs:	Leave	es: Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet: Litt	er: Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation Ty					on Type		
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Opp
Amphibia								
Cyclorana australis							11	2
Cyclorana maini							3	2
Limnodynastes spenceri							1	1
Litoria rubella							4	2
Notaden nichollsi							4	
Birds								
Aegotheles cristatus								1
Ardeotis australis								3
Dromaius novaehollandiae								1
Eurostopodus argus								1
Falco berigora								1
Mammals								
Bos taurus								1
Canis lupus								1
Macropus robustus							2	7
Reptiles								
Amphibolurus longirostris								1
Aspidites melanocephalus								1
Aspidites ramsayi								1
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis								1
Ctenophorus nuchalis								2
Gehyra punctata								1
Gehyra variegata							2	1
Tiliqua multifasciata								1
Varanus acanthurus								1



Quantum S Described by Season: Wint Location: Po	SKM : MB er rt Hedla	<b>Site</b>	2 Date	: 05/05/08-1	6/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap Si	te 30x100m
MGA Zone:	50	671526	<b>mE</b> 7	731265 ml	N		
Habitat:	Roadsic	le verge					
Soil							
Rock Type							
Vegetation:	Open A	<i>cacia</i> shru	bland ov	er a <i>Triodia</i>	hummock gr	assland.	
Vegetation C	onditio	n					
Fire Age							
Notes							
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	ves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter: Bare:

Species List: Number of individuals by C						oy Obs	bservation Type			
Name	Pit	t Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр		
Mammals										
Dasykaluta rosamondae				5	2					
Mus musculus				1						
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1						
Pseudomys nanus				1						
Reptiles										
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis					1			1		
Ctenotus helenae	1	1								
Ctenotus pantherinus	5	8			12					
Ctenotus saxatilis	7	4		2	16			1		
Delma butleri					1					
Lucasium stenodactylum		1								
Diporiphora winneckei	10	2						1		
Eremiascincus fasciolatus					1					
Heteronotia binoei		3			3					
Morethia ruficauda		1								
Morethia ruficauda subsp. exquisita		1								
Pseudonaja modesta		1								
Varanus acanthurus					2					
Varanus gouldii								1		



Quantum Described by Season: Win Location: Po	SKM 7: MB ter ort Hedland	Site	3 Date: 05/05/08-	-16/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap Si	te 30x100	Dm	
MGA Zone:	50 66	4747 <b>i</b>	mE 7735183 n	nN				
Habitat:	Sand Plain.							
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	Scattered n grassland.	nixed Ac	<i>cacia</i> shrubs over a	a low open Aca	acia stellaticeps shru	bland over	a <i>Triodia</i> hummoo	:k
Vegetation (	Condition							
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs:	Leav	ves: Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:	

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation Ty						on Type	
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр
Mammals								
Notomys alexis	1			5				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				2	1			
Reptiles								
Ĉtenophorus isolepis isolepis	6	2	1		1			
Ctenotus duricola		2			1			
Ctenotus grandis		1						
Ctenotus grandis subsp. titan		1			3			
Ctenotus helenae		2			3			
Ctenotus pantherinus	6	9			25			
Ctenotus piankai	2	4						
Ctenotus saxatilis	1	5			4			
Demansia psammophis					1			
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	2	1			2			
Lucasium stenodactylum					1			
Diporiphora winneckei	1	1						
Gehyra variegata					1			
Lerista bipes	5	5			1			
Pogona minor subsp. minor	1							
Pogona minor subsp. mitchelli					1			2
Pseudonaja modesta		2			5			
Pseudonaja nuchalis					1			
Varanus eremius	1				1			


Quantum S Described by Season: Winte Location: Por	<b>SKM</b> : MB er t Hedland	Site	4 Date: 05/0	05/08-16/	05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap Si	ite 30x100m	
MGA Zone:	50	661639 <b>r</b>	nE 77382	270 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat:	Sand Pla	in.						
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	A low op	oen Acacia	stellaticeps	shrubland	l over a <i>Triod</i>	<i>ia</i> hummock gras	ssland.	
Vegetation C	ondition							
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs:	Leav	es: Tw	igs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation Typ								
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр	
Mammals									
Dasykaluta rosamondae				4					
Mus musculus	1			2	1				
Notomys alexis				1					
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	1			4	1				
Reptiles									
Carlia triacantha		1			2				
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	1	2						2	
Ctenotus grandis	1				1				
Ctenotus grandis subsp. titan					1				
Ctenotus helenae		1			1				
Ctenotus pantherinus	2	4			7				
Ctenotus rufescens		1							
Ctenotus saxatilis	4	3			2				
Ctenotus serventyi		2							
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	1								
Lucasium stenodactylum		1							
Diporiphora winneckei	1								
Eremiascincus fasciolatus		2							
Lerista bipes	2	4		1					
Pogona minor subsp. minor	1								
Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	1								
Ramphotyphlops grypus	1								
Varanus acanthurus					2				
Varanus eremius	1	1			1				



Quantum S Described by Season: Wint Location: Po	SKM r: MB ter rt Hedlar	Site	5 Date	: 05/05/08	8-16/05/08	<b>Туре:</b> Т	rap Site	30x100m
MGA Zone:	50	662788	mE 7	7739999	mN			
Habitat:	Sand Pl	ain.						
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	A low o	pen Acaci	a stellati	ceps shru	bland over a <i>T</i>	<i>riodia</i> hummocl	k grasslar	ıd.
Vegetation C	condition	1						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	ves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Lit	tter: Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation T						on Type	
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр
Amphibia								••
Notaden nichollsi	1							
Mammals								
Dasykaluta rosamondae				2	3			
Notomys alexis				6				
Pseudomys desertor				1	1			
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	1							
Pseudomys nanus				2				
Reptiles								
Carlia triacantha		2			1			
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	1							
Ctenotus grandis	1							
Ctenotus grandis subsp. titan		1						
Ctenotus pantherinus		3			1			
Ctenotus saxatilis	3	2			6			
Ctenotus serventyi					1			
Demansia psammophis					1			
Diplodactylus conspicillatus					1			
Diporiphora winneckei	1							
Eremiascincus fasciolatus		2			1			
Lerista bipes	6	12			1			
Morethia ruficauda	1							
Pseudonaja nuchalis					1			
Varanus acanthurus					2			
Varanus bushi	1							
Varanus gouldii					1			



Quantum S Described by Season: Wint Location: Por	SKM : MB er rt Hedla:	Site	6 Date	<b>::</b> 05/05/08-1	6/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap S	Site 30	x100m
MGA Zone:	50	661418	mE î	7745816 <b>m</b> l	N			
Habitat:	Tidal D	rainage L	ine.					
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	Low Eu grasslar	<i>icalyptus</i> nd. Some	woodland areas of S	l over an <i>Acc</i> Samphire.	<i>acia tumida</i> sh	rubland over a mi	ixed herl	oland and mixed
Vegetation C	onditio	n						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	aves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter	: Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation Type								
Name	Pi	t Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр	
Mammals									
Macropus robustus								2	
Mus musculus				1					
Reptiles									
Carlia triacantha				1					
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	1	1							
Ctenotus duricola	1								
Ctenotus grandis	1								
Ctenotus helenae		1			1				
Ctenotus pantherinus					12				
Ctenotus rufescens		1			1				
Ctenotus saxatilis	3	7			2				
Ctenotus serventyi	1				1				
Delma butleri					1				
Diplodactylus conspicillatus		1			1				
Diporiphora winneckei	1								
Lerista bipes	8	18		1	3				
Menetia greyii	1	2							
Nephrurus levis pilbarensis	2				1				
Strophurus ciliaris aberrans					1				
Varanus acanthurus					1				
Varanus eremius	1								



Quantum S Described by Season: Wint Location: Por	SKM : MB er rt Hedlai	<b>Site</b>	7 Date:	05/05/08-16	5/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap Si	te 30x100m	l
MGA Zone:	50	656473	mE 77	744246 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat:	Sand Pl	ain.						
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	A low o	open Acaci	a stellatic	eps shrublar	d over a Triod	<i>lia</i> hummock gras	sland.	
Vegetation C	ondition	n						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	ves:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation Typ							
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр
Amphibia								••
Notaden nichollsi	4	10						
Mammals								
Dasykaluta rosamondae			1	7				
Mus musculus				1				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				3				
Pseudomys nanus				1				
Reptiles								
Ĉarlia triacantha	1	1			2			
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	2							
Ctenotus duricola	2							
Ctenotus grandis					1			
Ctenotus grandis subsp. titan					2			
Ctenotus helenae					1			
Ctenotus pantherinus	1	6			9			
Ctenotus rufescens	1							
Ctenotus saxatilis	3				1			
Delma tincta	1							
Diplodactylus conspicillatus	2	2			4			
Lerista bipes	1	3			1			



Quantum Described by	<b>SKM</b> 7: MB	Site	9 Da	nte: 05/05/08-16	5/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Traj	o Site	30x100m	
Season: Win	ter								
Location:	Finucan	e Island							
MGA Zone:	50	662156	mЕ	7754542 <b>mN</b>					
Habitat:	Sand D	une							
Soil:	Sandy								
Rock Type									
Vegetation:	Scattere shrubs	ed Crotald	aria cun	<i>ninghamii</i> shru	bs over a * <i>Ce</i>	enchrus ciliaris	grasslaı	nd. <i>Triodia</i> with	h sparse small
Vegetation (	Condition	n							
Fire Age									
Notes									
Habitat:	Logs	: 0 Le	aves: 1	<b>Twigs:</b> 0	<b>Rocks:</b> 0	Rock sheet: (	) Lit	ter: Bare:	50

Species List:	individuals by Observation Type							
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр
Mammals								
Mus musculus	1			9				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis		1		3				
Reptiles								
Ctenotus saxatilis	3	4		1	24			
Ctenotus serventyi	2	11			4			
Delma butleri	1							
Eremiascincus fasciolatus	3	9			9			
Heteronotia binoei		1						
Lerista bipes	22	22			4			
Lerista muelleri	5	6			2			
Menetia greyii	1							
Pseudonaja modesta					1			
Ramphotyphlops grypus	2							



Quantum S Described by Season: Wint Location: Po	SKM : MB er rt Hedlai	<b>Site</b>	10 Date:	05/05/08-16/	/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap Si	te 30x100m	l
MGA Zone	50	666721	<b>mE</b> 77	34911 <b>mN</b>				
Habitat:	Riverine	e						
Soil								
Rock Type								
Vegetation:	A low o	pen Euca	<i>lyptus</i> woo	dland over a	mixed shrubl	and over a mixed	herbland.	
Vegetation C	ondition	n						
Fire Age								
Notes								
Habitat:	Logs	: Lea	ives:	Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter:	Bare:

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observation T						on Type	
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр
Amphibia								
Notaden nichollsi	2	7						
Mammals								
Dasykaluta rosamondae				5				
Mus musculus				2				
Notomys alexis	1			2	1			
Pseudomys desertor				1				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				1				
Pseudomys nanus					1			
Reptiles								
Amphibolurus longirostris	1				4			
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	1	1						
Ctenotus pantherinus	2	2						
Ctenotus saxatilis	5	10			19			
Diporiphora winneckei	2	1			1			
Eremiascincus fasciolatus	6	4			3			
Lerista bipes	3	12			2			
Morethia ruficauda		1						
Pogona minor		1						
Tiliqua multifasciata				1				
Varanus acanthurus		1			1			



Quantum SKM Described by: MB Season: Winter Location: Port Hedlar	Site	13 Date: 05/05/08	8-16/05/08	<b>Type:</b> Trap S	ite 30x100m	
MGA Zone	m	E r	nN			
Habitat						
Soil						
Rock Type						
Vegetation						
Vegetation Condition	ı					
Fire Age						
Notes						
Habitat: Logs	: Leave	s: Twigs:	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Litter: Bare:	

# Appendix F3 – Additional Site Specific Captures for the Winter Survey

Species List:		Number of individuals							
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Opp	
Mammals								••	
Dasykaluta rosamondae				5	2				
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	1			7	2				
Sminthopsis youngsoni	1								
Reptiles									
Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	3	2						1	
Ctenotus duricola	2	2							
Ctenotus helenae	4	3			2				
Ctenotus pantherinus	4	9			8			1	
Ctenotus piankai	1								
Ctenotus rufescens		1							
Ctenotus saxatilis	1	1			2				
Diplodactylus conspicillatus		1							
Lucasium stenodactylum	3								
Diporiphora winneckei	5								
Morethia ruficauda	2	2			1				
Pogona minor					1				
Pseudechis australis					1				
Pseudonaja modesta		1			1				
Ramphotyphlops ammodytes					1				
Varanus acanthurus	1				1				
Varanus eremius	1				1				



Quantum	SKM	Site	15								
Described by	': MB		Dat	e: 05/05/08	8-16/0	05/08	Type: Trap S	Site	30x100	m	
Season: Win	er										
Location: Po	rt Hedlan	d									
MGA Zone:	50	656244	mЕ	7737652 1	тN						
Habitat:	Acacia/S	pinifex P	lains.								
Soil:	Sand										
Rock Type											
Vegetation:	Scattered	l Desert (	Dak ove	r a thick Ac	cacia	stellaticep	os under storey with	ı a m	oderate	cover of s	spinifex.
Vegetation C	Condition										
Fire Age											
Notes											
Habitat:	Logs:	Lea	ves:	Twigs:	1	Rocks:	Rock sheet:	Lit	ter:	5 Bare:	40

Species List:	Number of individuals by Observatio										
Name	Pit	Pot	Ca	Ell	Fu	Net	No	Орр			
Mammals								••			
Dasykaluta rosamondae				2							
Notomys alexis				3							
Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				2							
Reptiles											
Ĉtenophorus isolepis isolepis	4	1									
Ctenotus duricola	1										
Ctenotus grandis	2				7						
Ctenotus grandis subsp. titan	1										
Ctenotus helenae	1	1									
Ctenotus pantherinus	1	2			3						
Ctenotus rufescens	1										
Ctenotus saxatilis		1			1						
Ctenotus serventyi	1	5			1						
Lucasium stenodactylum	1										
Lerista bipes	16	12			4						
Menetia greyii	1										
Pogona minor		1									
Simoselaps anomalus					1						
Varanus eremius	1	1			1						



# **APPENDIX G**

# FAUNA SPECIES EXPECTED AND OBSERVED IN THE PROJECT AREA



### OUTER HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT FAUNA ASSESSMENT

### **APPENDIX G**

### Fauna Species Expected and Observed in the Project Area and its Vicinity

### Appendix G1 - Mammal Species Expected and Observed

<b>Key:</b> Western Australian Museum Records:	A = Western Australian Museum Records;
Within 50km of Project Area	B= Hedland HBI Project – Boodarie Site- Flora, Vegetation and Vertebrate Fauna (Mattiske 1994); C= A Flora and Fauna Assessment of RGP5 Spoil Areas A and H, Port Hedland Harbour (Biota 2008);
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COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	С		Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G			
		EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Tachyglossidae (Echidnas)													
Echidna	Tachyglossus aculeatus				LC		х			х			
Dasyuridae (Carnivorous Ma	arsupials)												
Brush-tailed Mulgara	#Dasycercus cristicauda	VU	S1		VU		х						
Brush-tailed Mulgara	Dasycercus blythi			P4			х						
Little Red Kaluta	Dasykaluta rosamondae				LC	$\checkmark$	х	х		х	х	х	х
Northern Quoll	Dasyurus hallucatus	EN	S1		LC		х			х			
Wongai Ningaui	Ningaui ridei				LC						х		
Pilbara Ningaui	Ningaui timealeyi				LC	$\checkmark$	х			х	х		
Planigale	Planigale sp.						х			х			
Rory's Pseudantechinus	Pseudantechinus roryi						х			х			
Stripe-faced Dunnart	Sminthopsis macroura				LC		х	х		х	х		
Lesser Hairy-footed Dunnart	Sminthopsis youngsoni				LC		х			х	х	х	х

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Co		А	В	С	D	Е	F	G			
		EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local		r					
Macropodidae (Kangaroos)													
Spectacled Hare-wallaby	Lagorchestes conspicillatus leichardti			P3	LC		x						
Euro	Macropus robustus				LC		х	х	х			х	x
Red Kangaroo	Macropus rufus				LC		х	х		х			
Pteropodidae (Fruit bats, Fly	/ing Foxes)												
Little Red Flying-fox	Pteropus scapulatus				LC		х					0	
Emballonuridae (Sheathtail-	bats)												
Yellow-bellied Sheathtail-bat	Saccolaimus flaviventris				LC		х					х	х
Common Sheathtail-bat	Taphozous georgianus				LC		х					х	х
Hill's Sheathtail-bat	Taphozous hilli				LC		х						
Megadermatidae (Ghost Bat	)												
Ghost Bat	Macroderma gigas			P4	VU		х						
Hipposideridae (Leafnosed-	bats)												
Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat	Rhinonicteris aurantia	VU	S1		VU	$\checkmark$	х						
Vespertilionidae (Ordinary B	Bats)												
Gould's Wattled Bat	Chalinolobus gouldii				LC		х					х	х
Arnhem Long-eared Bat	Nyctophilus arnhemensis				LC							х	
Lesser Long-eared Bat	Nyctophilus geoffroyi				LC		х					х	х
Little Broad-nosed Bat	Scotorepens greyii				LC		х					х	х
Inland Forest Bat	Vespadelus baverstocki				LC								
Finlayson's Cave Bat	Vespadelus finlaysoni				LC		х					х	х
Molossidae (Freetail-bats)													
Northern Freetail-bat	Chaerephon jobensis				LC		х					х	х
Beccari's Freetail-bat	Mormopterus beccarii				LC								х



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Co		Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G			
		EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Little Northern Freetail-bat	Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis			P1			х					х	x
Muridae (Rodents)													
Lakeland Downs Mouse	Leggadina lakedownensis			P4	LC		х			х	х		
House Mouse	*Mus musculus						х	х		х	х	х	х
Spinifex-hopping Mouse	Notomys alexis				LC		х					х	х
Western Pebble-mound Mouse	Pseudomys chapmani			P4	LC	$\checkmark$	x				х		
Delicate Mouse	Pseudomys delicatulus				LC		х			х			
Desert Mouse	Pseudomys desertor				LC		х			х	х		x
Sandy Inland Mouse	Pseudomys hermannsburgensis				LC		х	х		х		х	x
Western Chestnut Mouse	Pseudomys nanus				LC		x						x
Common Rock-rat	Zyzomys argurus				LC	$\checkmark$	х			х	х	х	
												_	
Leporidae													
European Rabbit	*Oryctolagus cuniculus						х					х	
												_	
Canidae (Dingo)													
Dingo	*Canis lupus dingo						х	х		х			
Wild Dog	*Canis lupus familiaris							х	х			х	х
Fox	*Vulpes vulpes						х		х			х	
Felidae (Cats)													
Feral Cat	*Felis catus						х	х	х	х		х	
Equidae (Horses)	·												
Donkey	*Equus asinus						х						
Horse	*Equus caballus						х	х		х		х	
Camelidae													
Camel	*Camelus dromedarius						х			х			



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Conservation Codes							С	D	Е	F	G
		EPBC	wc	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Bovidae (Cattle)													
European Cattle	*Bos taurus						х	х	х			х	x

Note: (o) denotes species recorded/observed outside the project area. (\*) denotes introduced species. (#) denotes species name that is no longer current.



### Appendix G2 - Reptile Species Expected and Observed

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COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Conservation Codes						В	С	D	Е	F	G
		EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Chelidae (Turtles)													
Plate-shelled Turtle	Chelodina steindachneri						х			х			
Agamidae (Dragons)													
Long-nosed Water Dragon	Amphibolurus longirostris						х	х	х	х		х	х
Gilberts Dragon	Amphibolurus gilberti												
Mulga Dragon	Caimanops amphiboluroides									х	х		
Ring-tailed Dragon	Ctenophorus caudicinctus						х			х	х	х	
Military Dragon	Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis						х	х		х	х	х	х
Central Netted Dragon	Ctenophorus nuchalis						х			х		х	х
Western Netted Dragon	Ctenophorus reticulatus						х			х			
	Diporiphora valens					$\checkmark$							_
Common Two-lined Dragon	Diporiphora winneckei						х					х	х
Bearded Dragon	Pogona minor minor											х	х
Bearded Dragon	Pogona minor mitchelli						х			х		х	х
Earless Pebble Dragon	Tympanocryptis cephalus						х						
Gekkonidae (Geckoes)													
Clawless Gecko	Crenadactylus ocellatus						х						



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Co		A	в	С	D	Е	F	G			
		EPBC	wc	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Fat-tailed Gecko	Diplodactylus conspicillatus						х	х		х	х	х	х
Jewelled Gecko	Diplodactylus mitchelli					$\checkmark$	х			х			
	Diplodactylus savagei					$\checkmark$	х			х			
Pale-snouted Gecko	Lucasium stenodactylum						х	х		х	х	х	х
	Lucasium wombeyi					$\checkmark$	х			х	х		
Pilbara Dtella	Gehyra pilbara						х						
Spotted Dtella	Gehyra punctata						х			х		х	х
Purple Arid Dtella	Gehyra purpurascens						х						
Tree Dtella	Gehyra variegata						х	х		х	х	х	х
Bynoe's Gecko	Heteronotia binoei						х	х		х	х	х	x
Desert Cave Gecko	Heteronotia spelea					$\checkmark$	х			х			
Smooth Knob-tailed Gecko	Nephrurus levis pilbarensis					$\checkmark$	х			х		х	х
Banded Knob-tailed Gecko	Nephrurus wheeleri cinctus					$\checkmark$	х			х			
Marbled Velvet Gecko	Oedura marmorata						х			х			
Beaked Gecko	Rhynchoedura ornata						х	х		х			
Northern Spiny-tailed Gecko	Strophurus cillaris aberrans						х			х		х	х
Jewelled Gecko	Strophurus elderi						х			х	х		
	Strophurus jeanae						х			х	х		
	Strophurus wellingtonae									х	х		
Pygopodidae (Legless Lizar	ds)												
	Delma borea						х						
	Delma butleri						х	х					x
	Delma elegans					$\checkmark$	х			х			
	Delma haroldi						х			х			
	Delma nasuta						х			х	х		
	Delma pax						х	х		х	х		
	Delma tincta						х			х	х	х	х
Burtons snake-lizard	Lialis burtonis						х			х		х	



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	C	des		Α	в	С	D	Е	F	G		
		EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Hooded Scaly-foot	Pygopus nigriceps						х	х		х		х	
Scincidae (Skinks)													
White-lipped Rainbow Skink	Carlia munda						х			х	х		
Desert Rainbow Skink	Carlia triacantha						х	х		х	х	х	х
Buchanan's snake-eyed Skink	Cryptoblepharus buchani												
Peron's snake-eyed Skink	Cryptoblepharus plagiocephalus												
Russet snake-eyed Skink	Cryptoblepharus ustulatus												
Spiny-palmed Shining Skink	#Cryptoblepharus carnabyi						х						
	#Cryptoblepharus plagiocephalus						х			х			
	Ctenotus aff. robustus									х			
	Ctenotus aff. uber johnstonei									х			
	Ctenotus ariadnae									х	х		
	Ctenotus duricola					$\checkmark$	х			х	х	х	х
	Ctenotus grandis titan					$\checkmark$	х	х		х	х	х	х
	Ctenotus helenae						х			х	х	х	х
Leopard Skink	Ctenotus pantherinus ocellifer						х	х		х	х	х	х
	Ctenotus piankai						х	х					х
	Ctenotus robustus						х						
	Ctenotus rubicundus					$\checkmark$	х			х			
	Ctenotus rufescens					$\checkmark$	х			х			х
Rock Ctenotus	Ctenotus saxatilis						х	х		х	х	х	х
	Ctenotus serventyi						х					х	х
Spinifex-slender Blue Tongue	Cyclodomorphus melanops melanops						х			х	х		
Pygmy Spiny-tailed Skink	Egernia depressa						х			х		х	х
Goldfields Crevice Skink	Egernia formosa						х						
	Egernia pilbarensis					$\checkmark$	х			х			
Nocturnal Desert Skink	Egernia striata						х						
Narrow-banded Sand	Eremiascincus fasciolatus						х					х	х



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	C		Α	в	С	D	Е	F	G			
		EPBC	wc	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Swimmer													
Broad-banded Sand Swimmer	Eremiascincus richardsonii						х			х			
	Lerista aff. bipes									х			
	Lerista bipes					$\checkmark$	х	х		х	х	х	х
	Lerista muelleri					$\checkmark$	х			х	х	х	х
Common Dwarf Skink	Menetia greyii						х	х		х	х	х	х
	Menetia surda						х						
	Morethia ruficauda exquisita					$\checkmark$	х	х		х		х	х
	Notoscincus ornatus ornatus						х	х		х			
	Proablepharus reginae						х			х	х		
Desert Bluetongue	Tiliqua multifasciata						х	х		х		х	х
Varanidae (Monitors)													
Ridge-tailed Monitor	Varanus acanthurus						х	х		х		х	х
	Varanus aff. gilleni									х			
Short-tailed Monitor	Varanus brevicauda						х			х		х	
Pilbara Goanna	Varanus bushi					$\checkmark$	х						х
Pygmy Monitor	Varanus caudolineatus						х						
Desert Pygmy Monitor	Varanus eremius						х			х	х	х	х
Perentie	Varanus giganteus						х			х		х	
Sand Monitor	Varanus gouldii						х	х		х	х	х	х
Yellow-spotted Monitor	Varanus panoptes rubidus						х			х			
Pilbara Rock Monitor	Varanus pilbarensis					$\checkmark$	х						
Black-headed Monitor	Varanus tristis tristis						х			х			
Typhlopidae (Blind Snakes)													
	Ramphotyphlops ammodytes					$\checkmark$	х	х		х	х	х	х
	Ramphotyphlops ganei			P1		$\checkmark$	х						
Beaked Blind Snake	Ramphotyphlops grypus						х			х	х	х	х



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Co		А	в	С	D	Е	F	G			
		EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
	Ramphotyphlops hamatus						х						
Pilbara Blind Snake	Ramphotyphlops pilbarensis					$\checkmark$	х						
Boidae (Pythons)													
Pygmy Python	Antaresia perthensis						х			х		х	
Stimson's Python	Antaresia stimsoni stimsoni						х			х			
Black-headed Python	Aspidites melanocephalus						х			х			х
Woma	Aspidites ramsayi		S4	P1	EN		х			х			х
Elapidae (Front-fanged Snak	kes)												
Desert Death Adder	Acanthophis pyrrhus						х						
Pilbara Death Adder	Acanthophis wellsi					$\checkmark$	х			х		х	
Shovel-nosed Snake	Brachyurophis approximans						х			х	х	х	
Yellow-faced Whip-Snake	Demansia psammophis						х			х	х	х	х
Rufous Whip-Snake	Demansia rufescens					$\checkmark$	х					х	
Moon Snake	Furina ornata						х			х	х		
Mulga Snake	Pseudechis australis						х			х		х	х
Ringed Snake	Pseudonaja modesta						х					х	х
Gwardar	Pseudonaja nuchalis						х			х		х	х
Desert Banded Snake	Simoselaps anomalus						х			х		х	х
Rosen's Snake	Suta fasciata						х			х	х		
Spotted Snake	Suta punctata					$\checkmark$	х			х			
Pilbara Bandy Bandy Snake	Vermicella snelli		1			$\checkmark$	х			х			

Note: (o) denotes species recorded/observed outside the project area. [#] Taxon name is no longer current (Horner 2007).



# Appendix G3 - Amphibian Species Expected and Observed

Key: Western Australian Museum Records:	A = Western Australian Museum Records;
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		C	Conserva	tion Cod	es								
COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	EPBC	wc	DEC	IUCN	Local	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G
Hylidae (Tree Dwelling	g Frogs)												
Giant Frog	Cyclorana australis				LC		х			х			х
Mains Frog	Cyclorana maini				LC		х			х		х	х
Water Holding Frog	Cyclorana platycephala				LC		х						
Roth's Tree-Frog	Litoria rothii				LC							0	
Desert Tree-Frog	Litoria rubella				LC		х			х		х	х
													_
Myobatrachidae (Grou	und Frogs)												
Spencers Frog	Opisthodon spenceri				LC		х			х			х
Northern Burrowing Frog	Neobatrachus aquilonius				LC		х						
Desert Spadefoot	Notaden nichollsi				LC		х			х	х	х	х
Glandular Toadlet	Uperoleia glandulosa				LC	$\checkmark$	х						
Russell's Toadlet	Uperoleia russelli				LC		х			х	х	х	

Note: (o) denotes species recorded/observed outside the project area.



## Appendix G4 - Bird Species Expected and Observed

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Western Australian Museum Records:	A = Western Australian Museum Records;
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COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Broad Habitat Specialisation	abitat Conservation Codes					A	В	С	D	Е	F	G
			EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Casuariidae (Cassowaries and	Emus)													
Emu	Dromaius novaehollandiae	Т				LC			х		х	х		х
Phasianidae (Pheasants and C	Quails)													
Stubble Quail	Coturnix pectoralis	Т				LC						х		
Brown Quail	Coturnix ypsilophora	Т				LC							х	
Anatidae (Ducks, Geese and S	wans)													
Pacific Black Duck	Anas superciliosa	FW				LC					х	х	0	
Grey Teal	Anas gracilis	FW				LC					х		0	
Hardhead	Aythya australis	FW				LC							0	
Australian Wood Duck	Chenonetta jubata	FW				LC					х			
Black Swan	Cygnus atratus	FW				LC							0	
Plumed Whistling-duck	Dendrocygna eytoni	FW				LC							0	
Pink-eared Duck	Malacorhynchus membranaceus	FW				LC							0	
Podicipedidae (Grebes)	-													
Australia Grebe	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	FW				LC					х		х	х
Anhingidae (Darters)														



COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Broad Habitat Specialisation	Conservation Codes			Codes		A	В	С	D	E	F	G
			EPBC	WC	DEC	IUCN	Local							
Darter	Anhinga melanogaster	FW				NT		х	х		х	х	0	
Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorant	s and Darters)													
Little Pied Cormorant	Phalacrocorax melanoleucos	FW, Sh				LC					х		х	х
Little Black Cormorant	Phalacrocorax sulcirostris	FW, Sh				LC					х			
Pied Cormorant	Phalacrocorax varius	FW, Sh				LC			х		х		х	х
Fregatidae	I													
Lesser Frigate Bird	Fregata ariel	S	Mi			LC							х	
Pelecanidae (Pelicans)														
Australian Pelican	Pelecanus conspicillatus	S, FW				LC					х		x	x
Ardeidae (Herons and Bitterns)														
Great Egret	Ardea alba	FW, Sh				LC							х	х
White-faced Heron	Ardea novaehollandiae	FW, Sh				LC			х		х	х	х	x
White-necked Heron	Ardea pacifica	FW				LC					х			
Striated Heron	Butorides striatus	М				LC					х		х	
Little Egret	Egretta garzetta	FW, Sh				LC				х	х		х	х
Eastern Reef Egret	Egretta sacra	Sh	Mi			LC					х		х	х
Nankeen Night Heron	Nycticorax caledonicus	FW, Sh				LC		х	х		х			
Threskiornithidae (Ibises and S	poonbills)													
Yellow-billed Spoonbill	Platalea flavipes	FW				LC		х						
Royal Spoonbill	Platalea regia	FW, Sh				LC								
Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus	FW, Sh	Mi			LC								
Australian White ibis	Threskiornis molucca	FW, Sh				LC				х	х		х	х
Straw-necked Ibis	Threskiornis spinicollis	FW, Sh				LC		x			х			
Ciconiidae (Storks)								1						



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Jabiru	Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus	FW, Sh				NT					х	х		
Accipitridae (Kites, Hawks and	d Eagles)													
Collared Sparrowhawk	Accipiter cirrhocephalus	Т				LC						х		
Brown Goshawk	Accipiter fasciatus	Т				LC					х	х		
Wedge-tailed Eagle	Aquila audax	Т				LC					х	х	х	х
Swamp Harrier	Circus approximans	FW				LC				х		х		
Spotted Harrier	Circus assimilis	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	
Black-shouldered Kite	Elanus caeruleus	Т				LC			х		х	х	Х	х
White-bellied Sea Eagle	Haliaeetus leucogaster	S	Mi			LC			х				х	х
Brahminy Kite	Haliastur indus	S				LC			х	х	х		х	х
Whistling Kite	Haliastur sphenurus	T, S				LC		х			х	х	х	x
Black-breasted Buzzard	Hamirostra melanosternon	Т				LC					х	х		
Little Eagle	Hieraaetus morphnoides	Т				LC					х	х	х	х
Square-tailed Kite	Lophoictinia isura	Т				LC						х		
Black Kite	Milvus migrans	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	х
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	S	Mi			LC			х				х	
Falconidae (Falcons)														
Australian Kestrel	Falco cenchroides	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	х
Brown Falcon	Falco berigora	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	х
Grey Falcon	Falco hypoleucos	Т			P4	NT						х		
Australian Hobby	Falco longipennis	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	
Black Falcon	Falco subniger	Т				LC								
Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	Т		S4		LC					х	х		
Rallidae (Waterhens)														
Buff-banded Rail	Gallirallus philippensis	T, FW,Sh				LC		x						
Spotted Crake	Porzana fluminea	T, FW, Sh				LC								



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Otidae (Bustards)														
Australian Bustard	Ardeotis australis	Т			P4	NT			х		х	х	х	х
Turnicidae (Button-quails)														
Little Button-quail	Turnix velox	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	
Scolopacidae (Sandpipers and	Snipes)													
Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	Sh	Mi			LC					х		Х	
Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	Sh	Mi			LC							Х	х
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	Calidris acuminata	Sh	Mi			LC		х						
Red Knot	Calidris canutus	Sh	Mi			LC							х	
Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	Sh	Mi			LC							х	
Pectoral Sandpiper	Calidris melanotos	Sh	Mi			LC								
Red-necked Stint	Calidris ruficollis	Sh	Mi			LC							х	
Long-toed Stint	Calidris subminuta	Sh	Mi			LC								
Great Knot	Calidris tenuirostris	Sh	Mi			LC			х				х	
Snipe sp.	Gallinago sp.	FW						х						
Broad-billed Sandpiper	Limicola falcinellus	Sh	Mi			LC		х						
Bar-tailed Godwit	Limosa lapponica	Sh	Mi			LC							х	
Eastern Curlew	Numenius madagascariensis	Sh	Mi		P4	LC			х	х	х		х	
Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	Sh	Mi			LC			х	х	х		х	х
Grey-tailed tattler	Tringa brevipes	Sh	Mi			LC					х		х	х
Wood Sandpiper	Tringa glareola	FW, Sh	Mi			LC		х						
Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia	Sh	Mi			LC			х				х	
Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis	FW, Sh	Mi			LC		х						х
Terek Sandpiper	Xenus cinereus	Sh	Mi			LC			х				х	х
Burhinidae (Stone-curlews)														
Bush Stone-curlew	Burhinus grallarius	Т			P4	NT		х			х	х		
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Haematopodidae														
Sooty Oystercatcher	Haematopus fuliginosus	Sh				LC							х	х
Pied Oystercatcher	Haematopus longirostris	Sh				LC					х		х	х
Recurvirostridae (Stilts)														
Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	FW, Sh				LC					х	х		
Banded Stilt	Cladorhynchus leucocephalus	FW, Sh				LC								
Red-necked Avocet	Recurvirostra novaehollandiae	FW, Sh				LC		х						
Charadriidae (Plovers, Lapwing	gs and Dotterels)													
Greater Sand Plover	Charadrius leschenaultii	Sh	Mi			LC			х				х	х
Lesser Sand Plover	Charadrius mongolus	Sh	Mi			LC							х	
Red-capped Plover	Charadrius ruficapillus	Sh, T				LC					х		х	
Oriental Plover	Charadrius veredus	T, Sh	Mi			LC			х				х	
Black-fronted Dotterel	Elseyornis melanops	FW				LC					х	х		х
Red-kneed Dotterel	Erythrogonys cinctus	FW				LC		х						
Pacific Golden Plover	Pluvialis fulva	Sh	Mi			LC								
Grey Plover	Pluvialis squatarola	Sh	Mi			LC							х	
Glareolidae (Pratincoles and O	Id-world Shore Birds)													
White-winged Black Tern	Chlidonias leucoptera	S	Ма			LC		х						
Oriental Pratincole	Glareola maldivarum	S	Mi			LC		х						
Laridae (Gulls and Terns)														
Silver Gull	Larus novaehollandiae	S				LC			х		х		х	х
Little Tern	Sterna albifrons	S				LC				х			х	х
Lesser Crested Tern	Sterna bengalensis	S				LC		х					х	х
Crested Tern	Sterna bergii	S				LC		х			х		х	
Caspian Tern	Sterna caspia	S				LC		х			х		х	х
Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	S	Mi			LC		х						



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Whiskered Tern	Sterna hybrida	S				LC		х					х	
Fairy Tern	Sterna nereis	S				LC							х	
Gull-billed Tern	Sterna nilotica affinis	S				LC			х		х		х	х
Columbidae (Pigeons and Dov	/es)													
Diamond Dove	Geopelia cuneata	Т				LC		х			х	х	х	х
Bar-shouldered Dove	Geopelia humeralis	M,T				LC					х			
Peaceful Dove	Geopelia striata placida	Т				LC		х		х	х		х	х
Spinifex Pigeon	Geophaps plumifera	Т				LC		х		х	х	х	х	x
Crested Pigeon	Ocyphaps lophotes	Т				LC			х	х	х	х	х	х
Common Bronzewing	Phaps chalcoptera	Т				LC			х		х			
Flock Bronzewing	Phaps histrionica	Т			P4	LC		х						
Cacatuidae (Cockatoos)	1													
Galah	Cacatua roseicapilla	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	х
Little Corella	Cacatua sanguinea	Т				LC					х	х	x	x
Psittacidae (Lorikeets and Par	rots)													
Australian Ringneck	Barnardius zonarius	Т				LC		х	х		х			
Budgerigar	Melopsittacus undulatus	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	х
Bourke's Parrot	Neopsephotus bourkii	Т				LC		х						
Cockatiel	Nymphicus hollandicus	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	х
Night Parrot	Pezoporus occidentalis	Т	EN	S1		CR		х						
Mulga Parrot	Psephotus varius	Т				LC					х			
Cuculidae (Cuckoos)														
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx basalis	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	x	
Black-eared Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx osculans	Т				LC		х			х			
Pallid Cuckoo	Cuculus pallidus	Т				LC		х			х	х		х



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Centropidae (Coucals)														
Pheasant Coucal	Centropus phasianus	Т				LC		х			х		x	
Strigidae (Hawk-owls)														
Barking Owl	Ninox connivens	Т				LC		х						
Southern Boobook Owl	Ninox novaeseelandiae	Т				LC		х	х		x	х		
Tytonidae (Barn Owls)														-
Barn Owl	Tyto alba	Т				LC		x					x	
Podargidae (Frogmouths)														
Tawny Frogmouth	Podargus strigoides	Т				LC		х			x	x	x	
Caprimuloidae (Nightiars)														
Spotted Nightjar	Eurostopodus argus	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	x
Aegothelidae (Owlet-nightjars	3)													
Australian Owlet-nightjar	Aegotheles cristatus	Т				LC		х			х	х		x
Apodidae (Swifts)														
Fork-tailed Swift	Apus pacificus	TS	Mi			LC						x		
		., c										~		
Halcyonidae (Kingfishers)	-													
Blue-winged Kookaburra	Dacelo leachii	Т				LC		х			х	х		
Collared Kingfisher	Todiramphus chloris	М				LC			х				х	х
Red-backed Kingfisher	Todiramphus pyrrhopygia	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	х
Sacred Kingfisher	Todiramphus sanctus	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	x	x
								<u> </u>						
Meropidae (Bee-eaters)								<u> </u>						
Rainbow Bee-eater	Merops ornatus	Т	Mi			LC		х	х	х	х	х	х	Х



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Climacteridae (Treecreepers)														
Black-tailed Treecreeper	Climacteris melanura	Т				LC		х						
Maluridae (Fairy-wrens)														
Striated Grasswren	Amytornis striatus	Т				LC		х						
Variegated Fairy-wren	Malurus lamberti	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	x
White-winged Fairy-wren	Malurus leucopterus	Т				LC		х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Splendid Fairy-wren	Malurus splendens	Т				LC								
Rufous-crowned Emu-wren	Stipiturus ruficeps	Т				LC	$\checkmark$	х			х			
Pardalotidae (Pardalotes, Scrubwrens, Gerygones and Thornbills)														
Inland Thornbill	Acanthiza apicalis	Т				LC					х			
Yellow-rumped Thornbill	Acanthiza chrysorrhoa	Т				LC								
Slaty-backed Thornbill	Acanthiza robustirostris	Т				LC					х	х		
Chestnut-rumped Thornbill	Acanthiza uropygialis	Т				LC					х	х		
Western Gerygone	Gerygone fusca mungi	Т				LC		х			х			
Mangrove Warbler	Gerygone levigaster	М				LC					х			
Dusky Gerygone	Gerygone tenebrosa	Т				LC			х				х	
Red-browed Pardalote	Pardalotus rubricatus	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	
Striated Pardalote	Pardalotus striatus	Т				LC		х						
Redthroat	Pyrrholaemus fuliginosus	Т				LC		х						
Weebill	Smicrornis brevirostris	Т				LC		х		х	х	х		
Meliphagidae (Honeyeaters)	·													
Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater	Acanthagenys rufogularis	Т				LC		х			х	х		
Black Honeyeater	Certhionyx niger	Т				LC					х	х		х
Pied Honeyeater	Certhionyx variegatus	Т				LC		х						
Grey Honeyeater	Conopophila whitei	Т				LC	$\checkmark$	х						
Orange Chat	Epthianura aurifrons	Т				LC								



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Crimson Chat	Epthianura tricolor	Т				LC		х			х	х		
Grey-headed Honeyeater	Lichenostomus keartlandi	Т				LC		х			х			
White-plumed Honeyeater	Lichenostomus penicillatus	Т				LC		х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Singing Honeyeater	Lichenostomus virescens	Т				LC		х	х	х	х	х	х	x
Brown Honeyeater	Lichmera indistincta	Т				LC		х	х	х	х	х	х	x
Yellow-throated Miner	Manorina flavigula	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	х
Black-chinned Honeyeater	Melithreptus gularis	Т				LC		х						
White-fronted Honeyeater	Phylidonyris albifrons	Т				LC		х						
Petroicidae (Australian Robins	2)													
Mangrove Robin	Fonsaltria nulverulenta	М							v		v		v	×
Hooded Robin	Petroica cucullata	т						v	^		×	v	^	<u>^</u>
Red-canned Robin	Petroica coodenovii	T						×			×	×		<u> </u>
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Pomatostomidae (Australian E	Babblers)													
White-browed Babbler	Pomatostomus superciliosus	Т				LC					х	х		
Grey-crowned Babbler	Pomatostomus temporalis	Т				LC		х			х			
Cinclosomatidae (Quail-thrush	nes)													
Chestnut-breasted Quail-thrush	Cinclosoma castaneothorax	Т				LC						х		
Neosittidae (Sittelias)														
Varied Sittella	Daphoenositta chrysoptera	I				LC			-			х		
Pachycephalidae (Whistlers)														
Grey Shrike-thrush	Colluricincla harmonica	Т				LC		х			х			
Crested Bellbird	Oreoica gutturalis	Т				LC		1			х	х		
White-breasted Whistler	Pachycephala lanioides	М				LC			х	х			х	х
Mangrove Golden Whistler	Pachycephala melanura	М				LC			х		х		x	
Rufous Whistler	Pachycephala rufiventris	Т				LC		х	х		х	х		



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Dicruridae (Flycatchers)														
Magpie-Lark	Grallina cyanoleuca	Т				LC			х	х	х	х	х	х
Grey Fantail	Rhipidura fuliginosa	Т				LC		х						
Willie Wagtail	Rhipidura leucophrys	Т				LC		х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Mangrove Grey Fantail	Rhipidura phasiana	М				LC		х	х		х		х	х
Campephagidae (Cuckoo-shri	kes)													
Ground Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina maxima	Т				LC								
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina novaehollandiae	Т				LC			x	х	х	х	х	х
White-winged Triller	Lalage tricolor	Т				LC		х			х	х	х	х
Artamidae (Woodswallows)														
Black-faced Woodswallow	Artamus cinereus	Т				LC		х	х		х		х	х
White-breasted Woodswallow	Artamus leucorynchus	Т				LC		х	х	х		х	х	
Little Woodswallow	Artamus minor	Т				LC					х			
Masked Woodswallow	Artamus personatus	Т				LC					х	х		
White-browed Woodswallow	Artamus superciliosus	Т				LC					х			х
Pied Butcherbird	Cracticus nigrogularis	Т				LC			х		х	х		
Australian Magpie	Gymnorhina tibicen	Т				LC		х			х	х		
Grey Butcherbird	Cracticus torquata	Т				LC					х	х		
Ormidae (Derror or d'Oreco)														
Corvidae (Ravens and Crows)														
	Corvus bennetti					LC			х		х			
Torresian Crow	Corvus orru					LC		х		х		х	Х	Х
Western Crow	Corvus orru cecilae	Т				LC					х			
Ptilonorhynchidae (Bowerbirds	) 5)							-						
Western Bowerbird	Chlamydera guttata	Т				LC		x			x			
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Hirundinidae (Swallows)														
Fairy Martin	Hirundo ariel	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	х	x
Tree Martin	Hirundo nigricans	Т				LC			х		х		х	х
Zosteropidae (White-eyes)														
Yellow White-eye	Zosterops luteus	М				LC			х		х		х	х
Sylviidae (Old World Warblers)														
Clamorous Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus stentoreus	FW				LC					х			
Brown Songlark	Cincloramphus cruralis	Т				LC			х		х	х	х	
Rufous Songlark	Cincloramphus mathewsi	Т				LC		х			х	х	х	
Spinifex Bird	Eremiornis carteri	Т				LC		х			х	х	х	х
Alauidae (Songlarks)														
Singing Bushlark	Mirafra javanica	Т				LC		х	х		х	х	Х	х
Dicaeidae (Flower-peckers)														
Mistletoebird	Dicaeum hirundinaceum	Т				LC		х				х		
Passeridae (Finches and Allies	5)													
Painted Finch	Emblema pictum	Т				LC		х			х	х		х
Star Finch	Neochmia ruficauda clarescens	Т			P4	NT								
Zebra Finch	Taeniopygia guttata	Т				LC		x	х	х	х	х	х	х
Motacillidae (Pipits and True V	Vagtails)													
Australian Pipit	Anthus novaeseelandiae	Т				LC			х	х	х	х	х	х

Note: (o) denotes species recorded/observed outside the project area.

Broad Habitat Specification lists the time of habitat in the project area that the bird species requires for them to be present: (M) = Mangrove Specialist, (Sh) = Shorebird, (S) = Seabird, (Fw) = Freshwater Waterbird, (T) = Terrestrial Bird.

# APPENDIX H MAMMAL INVENTORY



### OUTER HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT FAUNA ASSESSMENT

### **APPENDIX H**

### MAMMAL INVENTORY

### Appendix H1 - Complete Mammal Species Inventory for Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name					
	Dasykaluta rosamondae	Little Red Kaluta					
DASTORIDAE	Sminthopsis youngsoni	Lesser Hairy-footed Dunnart					
MACROPODIDAE	Macropus robustus	Euro					
PTEROPODIDAE	Pteropus scapulatus	Little Red Flying-fox					
	Saccolaimus flaviventris	Yellow-bellied Sheathtail-bat					
EMBALLONORIDAE	Taphozous georgianus	Common Sheathtail-bat					
	Chalinolobus gouldii	Gould's Wattled Bat					
	Scotorepens greyii	Little Broad-nosed Bat					
VESPERTILIONIDAE	Vespadelus finlaysoni	Finlayson's Cave Bat					
	Nyctophilus geoffroyi	Lesser Long-eared Bat					
	Nyctophilus arnhemensis	Arnhem Long-eared Bat					
	Chaerephon jobensis	Northern Freetail-bat					
MOLOSSIDAE	Mormopterus beccarii	Beccari's Freetail-bat					
	Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis	Little Northern Freetail Bat					
	Mus musculus	House Mouse					
	Notomys alexis	Spinifex-hopping Mouse					
MURIDAE	Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	Sandy Inland Mouse					
	Pseudomys nanus	Western Chestnut Mouse					
	Zyzomys argurus	Common Rock-rat					
LEPORIDAE	Oryctolagus cuniculus	Rabbit					
	Canis lupus familiaris	Wild Dog					
	Vulpes vulpes	Fox					
FELIDAE	Felis catus	Feral Cat					

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
EQUIDAE	Equus caballus	Horse
BOVIDAE	Bos taurus	Cattle

Appendix H2 - Mammal Species Inventory for Summer Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Dasykaluta rosamondae	Little Red Kaluta
DASTORIDAE	Sminthopsis youngsoni	Lesser Hairy-footed Dunnart
MACROPODIDAE	Macropus robustus	Euro
PTEROPODIDAE	Pteropus scapulatus	Little Red Flying-fox
	Saccolaimus flaviventris	Yellow-bellied Sheathtail-bat
EMBALLONURIDAE	Taphozous georgianus	Common Sheathtail-bat
	Chalinolobus gouldii	Gould's Wattled Bat
	Scotorepens greyii	Little Broad-nosed Bat
VESPERTILIONIDAE	Vespadelus finlaysoni	Finlayson's Cave Bat
	Nyctophilus geoffroyi	Lesser Long-eared Bat
	Nyctophilus arnhemensis	Arnhem Long-eared Bat
	Chaerephon jobensis	Northern Freetail-bat
MOLOSSIDAE	Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis	Little Northern Freetail Bat
	Mus musculus	House Mouse
	Notomys alexis	Spinifex-hopping Mouse
MURIDAE	Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	Sandy Inland Mouse
	Zyzomys argurus	Common Rock-rat
LEPORIDAE	Oryctolagus cuniculus	Rabbit
	Canis lupus familiaris	Wild Dog
CANIDAE	Vulpes vulpes	Fox
FELIDAE	Felis catus	Feral Cat
EQUIDAE	Equus caballus	Horse
BOVIDAE	Bos taurus	Cattle



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	Dasykaluta rosamondae	Little Red Kaluta					
DASTORIDAE	Sminthopsis youngsoni	Lesser Hairy-footed Dunnart					
MACROPODIDAE	Macropus robustus	Euro					
	Chalinolobus gouldii	Gould's Wattled Bat					
	Nyctophilus geoffroyi	Lesser Long-eared Bat					
VESPERTILIONIDAE	Scotorepens greyii	Little Broad-nosed Bat					
	Vespadelus finlaysoni	Finlayson's Cave Bat					
	Chaerephon jobensis	Northern Freetail-bat					
MOLOSSIDAE	Mormopterus beccarii	Beccari's Freetail-bat					
	Mormopterus loriae cobourgensis	Little Northern Freetail-bat					
	Mus musculus	House Mouse					
	Notomys alexis	Spinifex-hopping Mouse					
MURIDAE	Pseudomys desertor	Desert Mouse					
	Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	Sandy Inland Mouse					
	Pseudomys nanus	Western Chestnut Mouse					
CANIDAE	Canis lupus familiaris	Wild Dog					
BOVIDAE	Bos taurus	Cattle					

## Appendix H4 - Mammal Species Inventory for Additional Areas

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name					
	Dasykaluta rosamondae	Little Red Kaluta					
DASTORIDAE	Sminthopsis youngsoni	Lesser Hairy-footed Dunnart					
	Notomys alexis	Spinifex-hopping Mouse					
MORIDAE	Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	Sandy Inland Mouse					



# APPENDIX I REPTILE INVENTORY



### OUTER HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT FAUNA ASSESSMENT

### **APPENDIX I**

### **REPTILE INVENTORY**

## Appendix I1 - Complete Reptile Species Inventory for Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Amphibolurus longirostris	Long-nosed Water Dragon
	Ctenophorus caudicinctus	Ring-tailed Dragon
	Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	Military Sand Dragon
AGAMIDAE	Ctenophorus nuchalis	Central Netted Dragon
	Diporiphora winneckei	Common Two-lined Dragon
	Pogona minor minor	Bearded Dragon
	Pogona minor mitchelli	Bearded Dragon
	Diplodactylus conspicillatus	Fat-tailed Gecko
	Gehyra punctata	Spotted Dtella
	Gehyra variegata	Tree Dtella
GEKKONIDAE	Heteronotia binoei	Bynoe's Gecko
	Lucasium stenodactylum	Pale-snouted Ground Gecko
	Nephrurus levis pilbarensis	Common Knob-tailed Gecko
	Strophurus ciliaris aberrans	Northern Spiny-tailed Gecko
	Delma butleri	Unbanded Delma
FIGOPODIDAE	Delma tincta	
SCINCIDAE	Carlia triacantha	Desert Rainbow Skink
	Ctenotus duricola	
	Ctenotus grandis titan	
	Ctenotus helenae	
	Ctenotus pantherinus ocellifer	Leopard Ctenotus


Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Ctenotus piankai	
	Ctenotus rufescens	
	Ctenotus saxatilis	Rock Ctenotus
	Ctenotus serventyi	
	Egernia depressor	Pygmy Spiny-tailed Skink
	Eremiascincus fasciolatus	Narrow-banded Sand Swimmer
	Lerista bipes	
	Lerista muelleri	
	Menetia greyii	Common Dwarf Skink
	Morethia ruficauda exquisita	Fire-tailed Skink
	Tiliqua multifasciata	
	Varanus acanthurus	Ridge-tailed Monitor
	Varanus brevicauda	Short-tailed Monitor
	Varanus bushi	Bush's Pygmy Monitor
VARANIDAE	Varanus eremius	Desert Pygmy Monitor
	Varanus giganteus	Perentie
	Varanus gouldii	Sand Monitor
	Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	
TTPHLOPIDAE	Ramphotyphlops grypus	Beaked Blind Snake
	Aspidites melanocephalus	Black Headed Python
BOIDAE	Aspidites ramsayi	Woma
ELAPIDAE	Acanthophis wellsi	Pilbara Death Adder
	Brachyurophis approximans	Shovel-nosed Snake
	Demansia psammophis	Yellow-faced Whip-Snake
	Demansia rufescens	Rufous Whip-Snake



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Pseudechis australis	Mulga Snake
	Pseudonaja modesta	Ringed Snake
	Pseudonaja nuchalis	Gwardar
	Simoselaps anomalus	Desert Banded Snake

#### Appendix I2 - Reptile Species Inventory for Summer Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Amphibolurus longirostris	Long-nosed Water Dragon
	Ctenophorus caudicinctus	Ring-tailed Dragon
	Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	Military Dragon
AGAMIDAE	Ctenophorus nuchalis	Central Netted Dragon
	Diporiphora winneckei	Common Two-lined Dragon
	Pogona minor mitchelli	Bearded Dragon
	Diplodactylus conspicillatus	Fat-tailed Gecko
	Lucasium stenodactylum	Pale-snouted Gecko
GEKKONIDAE	Gehyra punctata	Spotted Dtella
	Gehyra variegata	Tree Dtella
	Heteronotia binoei	Bynoe's Gecko
	Nephrurus levis pilbarensis	Smooth Knob-tailed Gecko
	Strophurus cillaris abberans	Northern Spiny-tailed Gecko
PYGOPODIDAE	Delma tincta	
SCINCIDAE	Carlia triacantha	Desert Rainbow Skink
	Ctenotus duricola	
	Ctenotus grandis titan	
	Ctenotus helenae	
	Ctenotus pantherinus ocellifer	

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Ctenotus saxatilis	Rock Ctenotus
	Ctenotus serventyi	
	Egernia depressa	Pygmy Spiny-tailed Skink
	Eremiascincus fasciolatus	Narrow-banded Sand Swimmer
	Lerista bipes	
	Lerista muelleri	
	Menetia greyii	Common Dwarf Skink
	Morethia ruficauda exquisita	
	Tiliqua multifasciata	
	Varanus acanthurus	Ridge-tailed Monitor
	Varanus brevicauda	Short-tailed Monitor
VARANIDAE	Varanus eremius	Desert Pygmy Monitor
	Varanus giganteus	Perentie
	Varanus gouldii	Sand Monitor
TYPHLOPIDAE	Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	
	Ramphotyphlops grypus	Beaked Blind Snake
	Acanthophis wellsi	Pilbara Death Adder
	Brachyurophis approximans	Shovel-nosed Snake
	Demansia psammophis	Yellow-faced Whip-Snake
ELAPIDAE	Demansia rufescens	Rufous Whip-Snake
	Pseudechis australis	Mulga Snake
	Pseudonaja modesta	Ringed Snake
	Pseudonaja nuchalis	Gwardar
	Simoselaps anomalus	Desert Banded Snake



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Amphibolurus longirostris	Long-nosed Water Dragon
	Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	Military Sand Dragon
	Ctenophorus nuchalis	Central Netted Dragon
AGAMIDAE	Diporiphora winneckei	Common Two-lined Dragon
	Pogona minor minor	Bearded Dragon
	Pogona minor mitchelli	Bearded Dragon
	Diplodactylus conspicillatus	Fat-tailed Gecko
	Gehyra punctata	Spotted Dtella
	Gehyra variegata	Tree Dtella
GEKKONIDAE	Heteronotia binoei	Bynoe's Gecko
	Lucasium stenodactylum	Pale-snouted Ground Gecko
	Nephrurus levis pilbarensis	Common Knob-tailed Gecko
	Strophurus ciliaris aberrans	Northern Spiny-tailed Gecko
PYGOPODIDAE	Delma butleri	Unbanded Delma
	Delma tincta	
SCINCIDAE	Carlia triacantha	Desert Rainbow Skink
	Ctenotus duricola	
	Ctenotus grandis titan	
	Ctenotus helenae	
	Ctenotus pantherinus ocellifer	Leopard Ctenotus
	Ctenotus piankai	
	Ctenotus rufescens	
	Ctenotus saxatilis	Rock Ctenotus
	Ctenotus serventyi	

## Appendix I3 - Reptile Species Inventory for Winter Survey



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Egernia depressor	Pygmy Spiny-tailed Skink
	Eremiascincus fasciolatus	Narrow-banded Sand Swimmer
	Lerista bipes	
	Lerista muelleri	
	Menetia greyii	Common Dwarf Skink
	Morethia ruficauda exquisita	Fire-tailed Skink
	Tiliqua multifasciata	
	Varanus acanthurus	Ridge-tailed Monitor
	Varanus bushi	Bush's Pygmy Monitor
VARANIDAE	Varanus eremius	Desert Pygmy Monitor
	Varanus gouldii	Sand Monitor
TYPHLOPIDAE	Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	
	Ramphotyphlops grypus	Beaked Blind Snake
	Aspidites melanocephalus	Black Headed Python
BOIDAE	Aspidites ramsayi	Woma
	Demansia psammophis	Yellow-faced Whip-Snake
ELAPIDAE	Pseudechis australis	Mulga Snake
	Pseudonaja modesta	Ringed Snake
	Pseudonaja nuchalis	Gwardar
	Simoselaps anomalus	Desert Banded Snake

## Appendix I4 - Reptile Species Inventory for Additional Areas

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
AGAMIDAE	Ctenophorus isolepis isolepis	Military Sand Dragon
	Ctenophorus nuchalis	Central Netted Dragon

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Diporiphora winneckei	Common Two-lined Dragon
	Pogona minor minor	Bearded Dragon
	Diplodactylus conspicillatus	Fat-tailed Gecko
GERKONIDAE	Lucasium stenodactylum	Pale-snouted Ground Gecko
	Ctenotus duricola	
	Ctenotus grandis titan	
	Ctenotus helenae	
	Ctenotus pantherinus ocellifer	Leopard Ctenotus
	Ctenotus piankai	
SCINCIDAE	Ctenotus rufescens	
	Ctenotus saxatilis	Rock Ctenotus
	Ctenotus serventyi	
	Lerista bipes	
	Menetia greyii	Common Dwarf Skink
	Morethia ruficauda exquisita	Fire-tailed Skink
VARANIDAE	Varanus acanthurus	Ridge-tailed Monitor
	Varanus eremius	Desert Pygmy Monitor
TYPHLOPIDAE	Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	
BOIDAE	Aspidites ramsayi	Woma
	Pseudechis australis	Mulga Snake
ELAPIDAE	Pseudonaja modesta	Ringed Snake
	Simoselaps anomalus	Desert Banded Snake

# APPENDIX J AMPHIBIAN INVENTORY



#### OUTER HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT FAUNA ASSESSMENT

#### **APPENDIX J**

#### AMPHIBIAN INVENTORY

#### Appendix J1 - Complete Amphibian Species Inventory for Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
HYLIDAE	Cyclorana australis	Giant Frog
	Cyclorana maini	Main's Frog
	Litoria rothii	Roth's Tree-frog
	Litoria rubella	Desert Tree-frog
	Limnodynastes spenceri	Spencer's Frog
MYOBATRACHIDAE	Notaden nichollsi	Desert Spadefoot
	Uperoleia russelli	Russell's Toadlet

#### Appendix J2 - Amphibian Species Inventory for Summer Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Cyclorana maini	Main's Frog
HYLIDAE	Litoria rothii	Roth's Tree-frog
	Litoria rubella	Desert Tree-frog
MYOBATRACHIDAE	Notaden nichollsi	Desert Spadefoot
	Uperoleia russelli	Russell's Toadlet

#### Appendix J3 - Amphibian Species Inventory for Winter Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Cyclorana australis	Giant Frog
HYLIDAE	Cyclorana maini	Main's Frog
	Litoria rubella	Desert Tree-frog
MYOBATRACHIDAE	Limnodynastes spenceri	Spencer's Frog
	Notaden nichollsi	Desert Spadefoot



# APPENDIX K BIRD INVENTORY



#### OUTER HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT FAUNA ASSESSMENT

#### APPENDIX K

#### Appendix K1 - Complete Bird Species Inventory for Survey

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
CASUARIIDAE	Dromaius novaehollandiae	Emu
PHASIANIDAE	Coturnix ypsilophora	Brown Quail
	Anas superciliosa	Pacific Black Duck
	Anas gracilis	Grey Teal
	Aythya australis	Hardhead
ANATIDAE	Cygnus atratus	Black Swan
	Dendrocygna eytoni	Plumed Whistling-duck
	Malacorhynchus membranaceus	Pink-eared Duck
PODICIPEDIDAE	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	Australia Grebe
ANHINGIDAE	Anhinga melanogaster	Darter
	Phalacrocorax melanoleucos	Little Pied Cormorant
PHALACROCORACIDAE	Phalacrocorax varius	Pied Cormorant
FREGATIDAE	Fregata ariel	Lesser Frigate Bird
PELECANIDAE	Pelecanus conspicillatus	Australian Pelican
	Ardea novaehollandiae	White-faced Heron
	Ardea alba	Great Egret
ARDEIDAE	Butorides striatus	Striated Heron
	Egretta garzetta	Little Egret
	Egretta sacra	Eastern Reef Egret
THRESKIORNITHIDAE	Threskiornis molucca	Australian White ibis
ACCIPITRIDAE	Elanus caeruleus	Black-shouldered Kite
	Milvus migrans	Black Kite



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Haliastur indus	Brahminy Kite
	Haliastur sphenurus	Whistling Kite
	Circus assimilis	Spotted Harrier
	Aquila audax	Wedge-tailed Eagle
	Haliaeetus leucogaster	White-breasted Sea Eagle
	Hieraaetus morphnoides	Little Eagle
	Pandion haliaetus	Osprey
	Falco cenchroides	Australian Kestrel
FALCONIDAE	Falco berigora	Brown Falcon
	Falco longipennis	Australian Hobby
OTIDAE	Ardeotis australis	Australian Bustard
TURNICIDAE	Turnix velox	Little Button-quail
	Arenaria interpres	Ruddy Turnstone
	Calidris canutus	Red Knot
	Calidris ferruginea	Curlew Sandpiper
	Calidris ruficollis	Red-necked Stint
	Calidris tenuirostris	Great Knot
	Actitis hypoleucos	Common Sandpiper
SCOLOPACIDAE	Xenus cinereus	Terek Sandpiper
	Tringa nebularia	Common Greenshank
	Tringa stagnatilis	Marsh Sandpiper
	Limosa lapponica	Bar-tailed Godwit
	Numenius madagascariensis	Eastern Curlew
	Numenius phaeopus	Whimbrel
	Tringa brevipes	Grey-tailed tattler



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
HAEMATOPODIDAE	Haematopus longirostris	Pied Oystercatcher
	Haematopus fuliginosus	Sooty Oystercatcher
	Pluvialis squatarola	Grey Plover
	Charadrius leschenaultii	Greater Sand Plover
	Charadrius mongolus	Lesser Sand Plover
CHARADRIIDAE	Charadrius ruficapillus	Red-capped Plover
	Charadrius veredus	Oriental Plover
	Elseyornis melanops	Black-fronted Dotterel
	Sterna caspia	Caspian Tern
	Sterna albifrons	Little Tern
	Sterna bergii	Crested Tern
	Sterna bengalensis	Lesser Crested Tern
GLAREOLIDAE	Sterna hybrida	Whiskered Tern
	Sterna nereis	Fairy Tern
	Sterna nilotica	Gull-billed Tern
	Larus novaehollandiae	Silver Gull
	Geopelia cuneata	Diamond Dove
	Geophaps plumifera	Spinifex Pigeon
COLUMBIDAE	Geopelia striata placida	Peaceful Dove
	Ocyphaps lophotes	Crested Pigeon
	Cacatua roseicapilla	Galah
CACATUIDAE	Cacatua sanguinea	Little Corella
	Melopsittacus undulatus	Budgerigar
PSITTACIDAE	Nymphicus hollandicus	Cockatiel
CUCULIDAE	Chrysococcyx basalis	Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Cuculus pallidus	Pallid Cuckoo
CENTROPIDAE	Centropus phasianus	Pheasant Coucal
TYTONIDAE	Tyto alba	Barn Owl
PODARGIDAE	Podargus strigoides	Tawny Frogmouth
CAPRIMULGIDAE	Eurostopodus argus	Spotted Nightjar
AEGOTHELIDAE	Aegotheles cristatus	Australian Owlet Nightjar
	Todiramphus chloris	Collared Kingfisher
HALCYONIDAE	Todiramphus pyrrhopygia	Red-backed Kingfisher
	Todiramphus sanctus	Sacred Kingfisher
MEROPIDAE	Merops ornatus	Rainbow Bee-eater
	Malurus lamberti	Variegated Fairy-wren
MALURIDAE	Malurus leucopterus	White-winged Fairy-wren
	Pardalotus rubricatus	Red-browed Pardalote
PARDALOTIDAE	Gerygone tenebrosa	Dusky Gerygone
	Certhionyx niger	Black Honeyeater
	Lichenostomus penicillatus	White-plumed Honeyeater
MELIPHAGIDAE	Lichenostomus virescens	Singing Honeyeater
	Lichmera indistincta	Brown Honeyeater
	Manorina flavigula	Yellow-throated Miner
PETROICIDAE	Eopsaltria pulverulenta	Mangrove Robin
	Pachycephala lanioides	White-breasted Whistler
PACHYCEPHALIDAE	Pachycephala melanura	Mangrove Golden Whistler
	Grallina cyanoleuca	Magpie-Lark
DICRURIDAE	Rhipidura phasiana	Mangrove Grey Fantail
	Rhipidura leucophrys	Willie Wagtail



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Coracina novaehollandiae	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
CAMPEPHAGIDAE	Lalage tricolor	White-winged Triller
	Artamus cinereus	Black-faced Woodswallow
ARTAMIDAE	Artamus leucorynchus	White-breasted Woodswallow
	Artamus superciliosus	White-browed Woodswallow
CORVIDAE	Corvus orru	Torresian Crow
	Hirundo ariel	Fairy Martin
HIRONDINIDAE	Hirundo nigricans	Tree Martin
SYLVIIDAE	Cincloramphus mathewsi	Rufous Songlark
	Cincloramphus cruralis	Brown Songlark
	Eremiornis carteri	Spinifex Bird
ALAUIDAE	Mirafra javanica	Singing Bushlark
	Emblema pictum	Painted Finch
PASSERIDAE	Taeniopygia guttata	Zebra Finch
MOTACILLIDAE	Anthus novaeseelandiae	Australian Pipit
ZOSTEROPIDAE	Zosterops luteus	Yellow White-eye

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Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
PHASIANIDAE	Coturnix ypsilophora	Brown Quail
ANATIDAE	Anas superciliosa	Pacific Black Duck
	Anas gracilis	Grey Teal
	Aythya australis	Hardhead
	Cygnus atratus	Black Swan
	Dendrocygna eytoni	Plumed Whistling-duck
	Malacorhynchus membranaceus	Pink-eared Duck



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
PODICIPEDIDAE	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	Australia Grebe
ANHINGIDAE	Anhinga melanogaster	Darter
	Phalacrocorax melanoleucos	Little Pied Cormorant
PHALACROCORACIDAE	Phalacrocorax varius	Pied Cormorant
FREGATIDAE	Fregata ariel	Lesser Frigate Bird
PELECANIDAE	Pelecanus conspicillatus	Australian Pelican
	Ardea novaehollandiae	White-faced Heron
	Ardea alba	Great Egret
ARDEIDAE	Butorides striatus	Striated Heron
	Egretta garzetta	Little Egret
	Egretta sacra	Eastern Reef Egret
THRESKIORNITHIDAE	Threskiornis molucca	Australian White ibis
	Elanus caeruleus	Black-shouldered Kite
	Milvus migrans	Black Kite
	Haliastur indus	Brahminy Kite
	Haliastur sphenurus	Whistling Kite
ACCIPITRIDAE	Circus assimilis	Spotted Harrier
	Aquila audax	Wedge-tailed Eagle
	Haliaeetus leucogaster	White-breasted Sea Eagle
	Hieraaetus morphnoides	Little Eagle
	Pandion haliaetus	Osprey
	Falco cenchroides	Australian Kestrel
FALCONIDAE	Falco berigora	Brown Falcon
	Falco longipennis	Australian Hobby
OTIDAE	Ardeotis australis	Australian Bustard



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
TURNICIDAE	Turnix velox	Little Button-quail
	Arenaria interpres	Ruddy Turnstone
	Calidris canutus	Red Knot
	Calidris ferruginea	Curlew Sandpiper
	Calidris ruficollis	Red-necked Stint
	Calidris tenuirostris	Great Knot
	Actitis hypoleucos	Common Sandpiper
SCOLOPACIDAE	Xenus cinereus	Terek Sandpiper
	Tringa nebularia	Common Greenshank
	Limosa lapponica	Bar-tailed Godwit
	Numenius madagascariensis	Eastern Curlew
	Numenius phaeopus	Whimbrel
	Tringa brevipes	Grey-tailed tattler
	Haematopus longirostris	Pied Oystercatcher
HAEMATOPODIDAE	Haematopus fuliginosus	Sooty Oystercatcher
	Pluvialis squatarola	Grey Plover
	Charadrius leschenaultii	Greater Sand Plover
CHARADRIIDAE	Charadrius mongolus	Lesser Sand Plover
	Charadrius ruficapillus	Red-capped Plover
	Charadrius veredus	Oriental Plover
GLAREOLIDAE	Sterna caspia	Caspian Tern
	Sterna albifrons	Little Tern
	Sterna bergii	Crested Tern
	Sterna bengalensis	Lesser Crested Tern
	Sterna hybrida	Whiskered Tern



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Sterna nereis	Fairy Tern
	Sterna nilotica	Gull-billed Tern
	Larus novaehollandiae	Silver Gull
	Geopelia cuneata	Diamond Dove
	Geophaps plumifera	Spinifex Pigeon
COLUMBIDAE	Geopelia striata placida	Peaceful Dove
	Ocyphaps lophotes	Crested Pigeon
	Cacatua roseicapilla	Galah
CACATOIDAE	Cacatua sanguinea	Little Corella
	Melopsittacus undulatus	Budgerigar
PSITTACIDAE	Nymphicus hollandicus	Cockatiel
CUCULIDAE	Chrysococcyx basalis	Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo
CENTROPIDAE	Centropus phasianus	Pheasant Coucal
TYTONIDAE	Tyto alba	Barn Owl
PODARGIDAE	Podargus strigoides	Tawny Frogmouth
CAPRIMULGIDAE	Eurostopodus argus	Spotted Nightjar
	Todiramphus chloris	Collared Kingfisher
HALCYONIDAE	Todiramphus pyrrhopygia	Red-backed Kingfisher
	Todiramphus sanctus	Sacred Kingfisher
MEROPIDAE	Merops ornatus	Rainbow Bee-eater
	Malurus lamberti	Variegated Fairy-wren
MALURIDAE	Malurus leucopterus	White-winged Fairy-wren
	Pardalotus rubricatus	Red-browed Pardalote
PARDALOTIDAE	Gerygone tenebrosa	Dusky Gerygone
MELIPHAGIDAE	Lichenostomus penicillatus	White-plumed Honeyeater



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Lichenostomus virescens	Singing Honeyeater
	Lichmera indistincta	Brown Honeyeater
	Manorina flavigula	Yellow-throated Miner
PETROICIDAE	Eopsaltria pulverulenta	Mangrove Robin
	Pachycephala lanioides	White-breasted Whistler
PACHYCEPHALIDAE	Pachycephala melanura	Mangrove Golden Whistler
	Grallina cyanoleuca	Magpie-Lark
DICRURIDAE	Rhipidura phasiana	Mangrove Grey Fantail
	Rhipidura leucophrys	Willie Wagtail
	Coracina novaehollandiae	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
CAMPEPHAGIDAE	Lalage tricolor	White-winged Triller
	Artamus cinereus	Black-faced Woodswallow
ARTAMIDAE	Artamus leucorynchus	White-breasted Woodswallow
CORVIDAE	Corvus orru	Torresian Crow
	Hirundo ariel	Fairy Martin
HIRONDINIDAE	Hirundo nigricans	Tree Martin
	Cincloramphus mathewsi	Rufous Songlark
SYLVIIDAE	Cincloramphus cruralis	Brown Songlark
	Eremiornis carteri	Spinifex Bird
ALAUIDAE	Mirafra javanica	Singing Bushlark
PASSERIDAE	Taeniopygia guttata	Zebra Finch
MOTACILLIDAE	Anthus novaeseelandiae	Australian Pipit
ZOSTEROPIDAE	Zosterops luteus	Yellow White-eye



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Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
CASUARIIDAE	Dromaius novaehollandiae	Emu
PODICIPEDIDAE	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	Australasian Grebe
	Phalacrocorax melanoleucos	Little Pied Cormorant
PHALACROCORACIDAE	Phalacrocorax varius	Pied Cormorant
PELECANIDAE	Pelecanus conspicillatus	Australian Pelican
	Ardea alba	Great Egret
	Ardea novaehollandiae	White-faced Heron
ARDEIDAE	Egretta garzetta	Little Egret
	Egretta sacra	Eastern Reef Egret
THRESKIORNITHIDAE	Threskiornis molucca	Australian White ibis
	Aquila audax	Wedge-tailed Eagle
	Elanus caeruleus	Black-shouldered Kite
ACCIPITRIDAE	Haliaeetus leucogaster	White-bellied Sea Eagle
	Haliastur indus	Brahminy Kite
	Haliastur sphenurus	Whistling Kite
	Hieraaetus morphnoides	Little Eagle
	Milvus migrans	Black Kite
	Falco cenchroides	Australian Kestrel
FALCONIDAE	Falco berigora	Brown Falcon
OTIDIDAE	Ardeotis australis	Australian Bustard
SCOLOPACIDAE	Arenaria interpres	Ruddy Turnstone
	Numenius phaeopus	Whimbrel
	Tringa brevipes	Grey-tailed Tattler
	Tringa stagnatilis	Marsh Sandpiper



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
	Xenus cinerus	Terek Sandpiper
	Haematopus longirostris	Pied Oystercatcher
HAEMATOPODIDAE	Haematopus fuliginosus	Sooty Oystercatcher
	Charadrius leschenaultii	Greater Sand Plover
CHARADRIIDAE	Elseyornis melanops	Black-fronted Dotterel
	Larus novaehollandiae	Silver Gull
	Sterna albifrons	Little Tern
LARIDAE	Sterna bengalensis	Lesser Crested Tern
	Sterna caspia	Caspian Tern
	Sterna nilotica affinis	Gull-billed Tern
	Geopelia cuneata	Diamond Dove
	Geophaps plumifera	Spinifex Pigeon
COLOMBIDAE	Geopelia striata placida	Peaceful Dove
	Ocyphaps lophotes	Crested Pigeon
	Cacatua roseicapilla	Galah
	Cacatua sanguinea	Little Corella
CACATOIDAE	Melopsittacus undulatus	Budgerigar
	Nymphicus hollandicus	Cockatiel
CUCULIDAE	Cuculus pallidus	Pallid Cuckoo
CAPRIMULGIDAE	Eurostopodus argus	Spotted Nightjar
AEGOTHELIDAE	Aegotheles cristatus	Australian Owlet Nightjar
	Todiramphus chloris	Collared Kingfisher
HALCYONIDAE	Todiramphus pyrrhopygia	Red-backed Kingfisher
	Todiramphus sanctus	Sacred Kingfisher
MEROPIDAE	Merops ornatus	Rainbow Bee-eater



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name
MALURIDAE	Malurus lamberti	Variegated Fairy-wren
	Malurus leucopterus	White-winged Fairy-wren
	Certhionyx niger	Black Honeyeater
	Lichenostomus penicillatus	White-plumed Honeyeater
MELIPHAGIDAE	Lichenostomus virescens	Singing Honeyeater
	Lichmera indistincta	Brown Honeyeater
	Manorina flavigula	Yellow-throated Miner
PETROICIDAE	Eopsaltria pulverulenta	Mangrove Robin
PACHYCEPHALIDAE	Pachycephala lanioides	White-breasted Whistler
	Grallina cyanoleuca	Magpie-Lark
DICRURIDAE	Rhipidura phasiana	Mangrove Grey Fantail
	Rhipidura leucophrys	Willie Wagtail
	Coracina novaehollandiae	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
CAMPEPHAGIDAE	Lalage tricolor	White-winged Triller
ARTAMIDAE	Artamus cinereus	Black-faced Woodswallow
	Artamus superciliosus	White-browed Woodswallow
CORVIDAE	Corvus orru	Torresian Crow
	Hirundo ariel	Fairy Martin
HIRONDINIDAE	Hirundo nigricans	Tree Martin
SYLVIIDAE	Eremiornis carteri	Spinifex Bird
ALAUIDAE	Mirafra javanica	Singing Bushlark
	Emblema pictum	Painted Finch
FASSERIDAE	Taeniopygia guttata	Zebra Finch
MOTACILLIDAE	Anthus novaseelandiae	Australian Pipit
ZOSTEROPIDAE	Zosterops luteus	Yellow White-eye

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Family	Scientific Name	Common Name							
	Aquila audax	Wedge-tailed Eagle							
ACCIPITRIDAE	Haliastur indus	Brahminy Kite							
FALCONIDAE	Falco berigora	Brown Falcon							
	Cacatua roseicapilla	Galah							
CACATUIDAE	Melopsittacus undulatus	Budgerigar							
	Nymphicus hollandicus	Cockatiel							
MEROPIDAE	Merops ornatus	Rainbow Bee-eater							
MALURIDAE	Malurus leucopterus	White-winged Fairy-wren							
MELIPHAGIDAE	Lichenostomus virescens	Singing Honeyeater							
ARTAMIDAE	Artamus cinereus	Black-faced Woodswallow							
CORVIDAE	Corvus orru	Torresian Crow							
HIRUNDINIDAE	Hirundo nigricans	Tree Martin							
PASSERIDAE	Taeniopygia guttata	Zebra Finch							



# **APPENDIX L**

# BIRDS AUSTRALIA RECORDS OF SHOREBIRD SIGHTINGS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA



#### OUTER HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT FAUNA ASSESSMENT

#### APPENDIX L

## Birds Australia Records of Shorebird Sightings in Western Australia

Shorebird Area	Years summer counts	Years winter counts	# Top 30 species	Banded Stilt	Bar-tailed Godwit	Black-fronted Dotterel	Black-tailed Godwit	Black-winged Stilt	Broad-billed Sandpiper	Common Greenshank	Common Sandpiper	Curlew Sandpiper	Double-banded Plover	Eastern Curlew	Great Knot	Greater Sandplover	Grey Plover	Grey-tailed Tattler	Hooded Plover	Latham's Snipe	Lesser Sandplover	Marsh Sandpiper	Masked Lapwing	Oriental Plover	Pacific Golden Plover	Pectoral Sandpiper	Pied Oystercatcher	Red Knot	Red-capped Plover
80 Mile Beach	15	14	22	0	23023	0	21	6	40	897	2	1618	0	137	36568	11665	338	4222	0	0	65	80	0	12359	29	0	54	4429	1376
Roebuck Bay	18	15	22	0	11415	0	2311	39	68	147	11	1183	0	241	9985	3137	200	1013	0	0	127	1	0	322	8	0	92	1417	491
Dampier Saltworks	5	1	19	86	250	0	40	97	61	59	1	842	0	15	109	126	31	28	0	0	23	56	0	322	6	0	2	70	1169
Lake MacLeod	3	0	14	34214	163	5	0	462	1	178	6	21154	N/A	0	157	176	17	5	0	0	1	2	0	18	2	0	5	129	1103
Peel & Yalgorup Lakes	9	5	12	7192	29	3	1	891	1	58	3	149	0	3	35	2	14	1	23	0	0	11	0	0	4	3	2	40	528
Swan River & Rottnest Island	23	22	9	1832	9	0	1	56	0	10	2	166	0	0	38	0	42	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	34	3	136
Swan Coastal Plain Lakes	14	11	8	192	0	16	0	1822	0	33	0	178	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	535
Albany	23	17	7	44	33	0	0	25	0	60	2	69	0	1	275	36	76	7	1	0	1	1	0	0	15	0	41	144	39
Nuytsland Nature Reserve	12	11	7	6	4	12	0	2	1	6	2	3	3	0	3	1	12	1	1	0	0	0	0	31	2	1	4	18	146
Wilson Inlet	24	13	7	307	6	0	0	114	0	122	0	235	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	3	1	317
Lacepedes Islands	1	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	80	N/A	0	0	400	0	680.0**	0	0	12	0	0	0	270.0**	0	0	8	0
Port Hedland	3	0	5	203	83	0	0	20	225	12	0	192	N/A	1	0	29	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	18	1	0	0	0	15
Vasse-Wonnerup Estuary	8	1	5	1026	1	20	0	607	0	31	2	101	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	308
Broadwater (Busselton)	2	0	4	12.5^	0	0	0	194.5^	0	18	0	34	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	215.0^	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	40
Finucane Island	3	2	4	0	8	0	0	0	0	11	0	3	0	1	47	3	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	2	2	2
Hutt Lagoon	3	2	3	14	0	0	0	35	0	0	4	25	0	0	0	5	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	4	0	120
Warden Lakes (Esperance)	4	5	3	950	1	5	0	5	0	35	3	19	60	0	0	0	0	0	106	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	53
Cooke Point	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	53	0	6	2	21	0	0	0	1	1	50	0	0	0	1	0	24	2	0	0	0	2
Esperance	4	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	30
Garden Island	5	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	34	2	8	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	13	55	6
Lake Gore	3	4	2	378	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	131	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	165

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Woodman Point	7	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	3	15	2	6	2	14	17	0	0	1	0
Cape Gordon to Cape Villaret	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Herdsman Lake	5	4	0	0	1	4	0	20	0	1	1	14	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	9	0	2	245	0	0	5	0	0	0
Yokinup	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Shark Bay	3	1	N/A	0	83	1	0	6	0	17	2	1	0	4	23	44	4	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	10	75	0	3	211	6	2	0	0	0	9

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NB: Tabulated information provide to ENV Australia Pty LTD from Sinclair Knight Merz PTY Limited.

#### **Explanation of Table and** values

This table lists all the "shorebird areas" for which we have count data in the National Shorebird Database.

The values listed under each species represent the maximum annual summer count (Nov-Feb) recorded in each shorebird area, averaged across the years for which data is available (≥ 1980).

For Double-banded Plover, winter counts (May-August) have been used instead of summer counts.

(the number of years for which summer and winter count data is available is shown for each shorebird area)

For each species, the 30 shorebird areas with the largest mean counts have been identified. These shorebird areas (termed the "Top 30" for each species) are indicated pale by

orange cells

When identifying the "Top 30" shorebird areas for each species, two rules were applied:

**1)** Species had to be recorded at the shorebird area in  $\geq 1/3$  of the years for which data was available

**2)** The value for mean count (of maximum summer counts across years) had to be  $\geq 5$ 

For some species, less than 30 shorebird areas had been identified after this process was completed.

In these cases, the first rule was dropped and additional shorebird areas were included (starting again at the top of the list, as ordered by mean count) in the "Top 30" list until 30 areas were identified. The second rule was still applied in these situations.

Shorebird areas in which species have been recorded at a mean count of  $\geq$  5, but *do not* form a "Top 30" area, are indicated pale yellow by

For each shorebird area, the number of species for which it forms a "Top 30" area is also shown.

