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Sent: Monday, 26 February 2024 4:46 PM

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lissa.lahtinen@dcceew.gov.au; Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA

establishment

**Subject:** Addressing agricultural deforestation in Nature Positive reforms - 2-page

submission

Attachments: Issue focus submission\_ agricultural deforestation.pdf; NatureAnalytics Short Report

on Deforestation and MNES.pdf

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Dear all,

Thank you for the consultation sessions last week. For those I didn't manage to speak with, Greenpeace will be a lot more engaged in this issue this year as I have been appointed Head of Nature Program with a team and resources to do so.

A major focus of ours will be deforestation from both logging and agriculture. While we are encouraged by the commitment to bring the RFAs in line with the new national standards, we are keen to also ensure that the major issue of agricultural deforestation is substantially addressed in the reforms.

Please find attached a 2-page issue-based submission with suggested solutions. A separate short report from NatureAnalytics referenced in the submission is also attached.

I'm very happy to chat further about these suggestions as we strongly believe this is a major test of the success of the reforms.

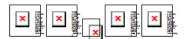
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# Issue focus submission: agricultural deforestation

# **Greenpeace Australia Pacific - February 2024**

# Summary: deforestation needs to be urgently addressed

Greenpeace Australia Pacific strongly welcomes the long-overdue overhaul of Australia's national environmental regulatory framework. We are a member of the Places You Love Alliance and support the submissions put forward by the alliance. For purposes of clarity, we wish to add this short issue focus submission in response to the latest round of consultations. We feel it is critical the Government understands the centrality of addressing agricultural deforestation to succeed with the reforms.

Note that we also welcome the Government's specific commitment to apply National Environmental Standards to Regional Forest Agreements (RFAs). We understand there is further work and consultation required to address how exactly this will happen. With the assumption that this will involve a parallel process, our comments below refer to deforestation driven by the agricultural sector - something that can and should be addressed immediately.

## Australia's deforestation crisis

A major test of the nature positive reforms is whether they significantly drive down Australia's very high rates of deforestation, as this in turn has a major impact on Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES), including threatened species, threatened ecological communities and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park. Some key contextual facts:

- Australia is a global deforestation hotspot (1, 2).
- About every two minutes an area of forest and bushland the size of the MCG is bulldozed (3).
- More than one native animal is killed every single second in Australia from deforestation (4).
- Queensland is the focal point for Australia's deforestation, with about 90% due to bulldozing for pasture (5). The agricultural sector is therefore the main driver of deforestation in Australia.

Major global trading partners and corporations are moving rapidly to eliminate deforestation from supply chains including in Australia. The EU is implementing tough new deforestation-free import laws (6). Both the Taskforce on Nature-Related Disclosures (TNFD) and Science-Based Target Initiatives (SBTI) have firm deforestation-free by 2025 targets (7, 8), signalling a rapid shift coming in the finance sector and corporate Australia. Regulatory reform and deforestation monitoring tools will therefore also be critical to help the Australian agriculture sector adapt to these fast-changing domestic and global market realities.

# The current regulatory failure with agricultural deforestation

Deforestation from agriculture is currently treated with an effective exemption despite the vast impact on MNES from this destructive practice. Each year hundreds of thousands of hectares of likely threatened species are bulldozed without referral or enforcement under the existing EPBC Act. Much of this habitat destruction is also in Great Barrier Reef catchment areas, with significant cumulative impacts on the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park due to erosion and agricultural run-off.

To underscore this point, we attach a short report from NatureAnalytics. It shows that over the last five years of available Queensland Statewide Landcover and Tree Study (SLATS) data (2016-2021), about 2.1 million hectares of "likely-to-occur" threatened species habitat was bulldozed, of which 734,000 hectares was "likely-to-occur" koala habitat. In other words, there is ongoing deforestation of very significant amounts of "likely-to-occur" threatened species habitat that is extremely rarely, if ever, referred for Federal Government assessment under the EPBC Act.



There is a very clear lack of regulatory failure. We are concerned that the same failures will be replicated in the Nature Positive reforms unless there is a concerted focus and will to fix this problem.

# Solutions to addressing agricultural deforestation

Greenpeace recommends the following to ensure the Nature Positive reforms fully address Australia's ongoing deforestation crisis driven by the agricultural sector:

#### 1. Regulate habitat destruction above a certain hectare threshold:

There needs to be a specific regulatory hook within the revised Act that gives the new Environmental Protection Australia (EPA) the clarity it needs to undertake enforcement and gives the agricultural sector an unequivocal marker that it is not exempt from Australia's national environmental law. Without this it is very difficult to see how this problem will be fixed. This could be a sector-blind hectare threshold, where if an action involves bulldozing "likely-to-occur" threatened species habitat above that threshold, this is deemed "significant" and requires an automatic assessment. Actions bulldozing habitat below the threshold would still be required to use the significant impact test, but not necessarily automatically deemed significant.

#### 2. Remove or substantially clarify continuous use exemption:

Section 43 of the EPBC Act and the Government's guidelines for agricultural exemptions give an impression that ongoing "cyclical" bulldozing of habitat is exempt, with no guidance on how well-established regenerated threatened species habitat is to be treated. This is highly problematic given the sheer scale of deforestation caused by this sector. Our favoured option is to remove the exemption altogether. At a bare minimum, the revised Act should ensure that destruction of high value regrowth forest and bushland is fully regulated. This should include a threshold of at least 15 years of age as per regulated in Queensland's *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and in existing EPBC significant impact guidelines for the Brigalow ecological community. Landholders and agricultural businesses need to be made aware that any exemption under state law (eg "Category X" land in Queensland under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*) does not equate to exemption under national environmental law.

#### 3. Make it clear that agricultural deforestation is an EPA compliance priority::

Currently there is very little monitoring and enforcement by the Government regarding deforestation from the agricultural sector. This has to change. We strongly encourage the Minister to include clear public statements and direction to the EPA CEO to this effect. This should empower the EPA to continuously survey for breaches and take prompt enforcement action, which must include both failure to apply for approval *and* damage to MNES. Third parties must be given the ability to report suspected breaches and offences must be extended to aiding or inducing breaches.

#### 4. Ensure maximum and mandatory protection for Critical Protection Areas:

The proposed Critical Protection Areas under the reform package must be an additional tool to prevent the destruction of threatened species habitat and threatened ecological communities from agricultural deforestation. However this must not involve discretionary opt-outs - any species or communities that meet the Critical Protection Area threshold must be clearly designated as off-limits.. The definition of a Critical Protection Area must include the established "habitat critical to survival" threshold.

5. Prioritise establishment of a comprehensive national deforestation mapping and monitoring system:
The Federal Government does not have a comprehensive deforestation monitoring program akin to
Queensland's SLATS and Early Detection System (EDS), which is a major data gap. Instead there is heavy
reliance on outdated and inadequate data generated through Australia's National Greenhouse Accounts.
Establishing a national system that can both report on national deforestation annually and provide a
real-time monitoring enforcement tool for the EPA must be made a top, unequivocal priority for
Environmental Information Australia (EIA).



# Matters of National Environmental Significance losing wooded habitat to clearing in Queensland 2016-2021

A report for Greenpeace Australia

February 2024

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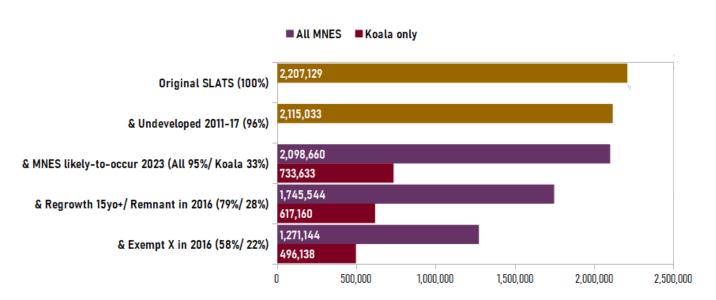
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# Requested analysis

Deliverable: A short report including methods and tables of results that will quantify:-

- Area in hectares of aggregate likely-to-occur habitats as mapped by the Australian Govt for currently EPBCA listed threatened species and threatened ecological communities (MNES) that was cleared (excluding fire/storm/drought cover losses) according to Qld SLATS over the 5 year study period mid 2016 to mid 2021
- 2. Within (1) the fraction that was at least 15 years of age (determined as at least 15 years since the last SLATS woody veg loss event) in mid 2016 at the start of the study period.
- 3. Within (2) fraction that was listed Exempt (Cat X) under the Qld Vegetation Management Act (VMA) in mid 2016 at the start of the study period.
- 4. Area in hectares of likely-to-occur habitat as mapped by the Australian Govt for the Koala that was cleared over the study period
- 5. Within (4) the fraction that was at least 15 years of age (determined as at least 15 years since the last SLATS woody veg loss event) in mid 2016 at the start of the study period.
- 6. Within (5) fraction that was listed Exempt (Cat X) under the Qld Vegetation Management Act (VMA) in mid 2016 at the start of the study period.

# Results



Total Qld woody vegetation cleared winter 2016 to winter 2021 (ha)

# **Methods**

## Woody vegetation clearing sources

The SLATS shapefiles for the SLATS years 2016/17 to the most recent available 2020/21 were converted to a 30m pixel common template raster in the Queensland Albers Equal Area projection including only polygons representing woody vegetation clearing (excluding natural woody cover loss). These were then mosaicked into a single raster taking values 1 to 5 for the five successive years. In cases of repeat clearing for example if the same pixel was cleared in 2016/17 and again in 2020/21, it was assigned the earlier year value (1).

# "Undeveloped" filter

To avoid counting pixels as native woody vegetation clearing which were unlikely to be native (primarily plantations), the Queensland Land Use layer 2019 release was used and the following land uses extracted as relatively undeveloped:-

- 1.1.1 Strict nature reserves
- 1.1.3 National park
- 1.1.4 Natural feature protection
- 1.1.5 Habitat/species management area
- 1.1.6 Protected landscape
- 1.1.7 Other conserved area
- 1.2.0 Managed resource protection
- 1.2.2 Surface water supply
- 1.2.5 Traditional indigenous uses
- 1.3.0 Other minimal use
- 1.3.1 Defence
- 1.3.2 Stock route
- 1.3.3 Residual native cover
- 1.3.4 Rehabilitation
- 2.1.0 Grazing native vegetation
- 2.2.0 Production native forests
- 2.2.1 Wood production forestry
- 3.1.4 Environmental forest plantation
- 5.4.2 Rural residential with agriculture
- 5.4.3 Rural residential without agriculture
- 5.4.4 Remote communities
- 6.5.0 Marsh/wetland
- 6.5.1 Marsh/wetland conservation
- 6.5.2 Marsh/wetland production
- 6.5.4 Marsh/wetland saline

Note that the land use currency for this 2019 release ranged from 2011 to 2017 (not 2019 itself). Only Fitzroy and Burnett Mary Basins were current to 2017, so there may be some minor loss of data in these basins for the SLATS year 2016/17 where clearing resulted in land use change. However, this is expected to be minor since nearly all clearing is for pasture which does not result in a land use change.

The original woody clearing raster was filtered to only include these land uses, to exclude plantations and other "already developed" land uses at the start of the study period of 2016-2021.

The current public grids for Species<sup>1</sup> and Ecological Communities<sup>2</sup> of National Environmental Significance were downloaded. These are collectively termed "Matters of National Environmental Significance" or MNES here, despite not including all MNES such as Ramsar, World Heritage etc)

Document 3

The following polygons were excluded:-

- MNES not in Queensland
- Marine MNES
- Non-threatened MNES (only included if Endangered, Critically Endangered or Vulnerable)
- May-occur (only Likely-to-Occur included)

All remaining polygons were used to clip the filtered Undeveloped cleared rasters from the previous step.

The Koala likely to occur polygons were extracted separately, and used to clip this raster as well.

# "Regrowth age 15+ or remnant" filter

The SLATS shapefiles for the SLATS years 2001/02 to 2015/16 were converted to the common 30m pixel template including all polygons including natural woody vegetation loss. These were then mosaicked into a single raster. All pixels in this raster were less than 15 years old in mid 2016 at the start of study period. All pixels in the foregoing filtered rasters (Undeveloped and MNES) that overlapped this less than 15 year old masking raster were removed. The remaining pixels would therefore all be either 15 or older regrowth or remnant woody vegetation.

# "Exempt category X" filter

An archived copy of the Queensland Vegetation Management Act (VMA) Regulated Vegetation Map from February 2016 was used to identify areas exempt from all clearing controls under the VMA just prior to the study period.

Category X exempt areas were extracted and used to clip the raster resulting from the foregoing filtering operations.

All successively filtered rasters were then summed by area and results tabulated.

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Sent: Monday, 26 February 2024 1:59 PM

To: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** Re: INVITATION: Consultation sessions on Australia's new national environmental

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Thank you, I would like to attend both sessions on the 27th of March.

Regards,

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On Fri, 23 Feb 2024 at 15:36, Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment < <a href="mailto:environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au">environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au</a>> wrote:

Dear stakeholder,

Thank you to all those who were able to attend the 2023 and early 2024 consultations on Australia's new national environmental laws.

Written feedback can be submitted to the department at <a href="mailto:environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au">environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au</a> or by replying to this invitation.

The purpose of this email is to invite your organisation to attend the fourth round of consultation sessions, to be held in Canberra from Wednesday 27 to Thursday 28 March 2024. Representatives from local, state, territory and Commonwealth governments will also be consulted in separate sessions.

This early and rolling consultation is helping to ensure the detail of the new laws is right, ahead of their introduction into Parliament later this year.

Departmental staff will be on hand to coordinate the event and explain how the proposed changes are designed to work and how they compare with the existing laws.

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We thank you in advance for your participation and look forward to your continued engagement in the reform process.

Kind regards,

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Sent: Friday, 16 February 2024 9:15 AM

To: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** Attending both consultation sessions on the 22nd?

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Hi there,

I'm attending session 2 of the consultations on the 22nd next week. I didn't realise it was an option to attend the full day, so including the first session as well. Could I please be added to the first session as well if this is the case?

Thanks,

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From: S. 47F(1) @greenpeace.org>

Sent: Friday, 9 February 2024 9:42 AM

To: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

Subject: Re: FW: INVITATION: Consultation sessions on Australia's new national

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Good morning, thank you for the reminder. Greenpeace Australia-Pacific is sending s. 47F(1) to these sessions on our behalf, so I will not be attending.

Kind regards



On Wed, Feb 7, 2024 at 1:36 PM Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment < <a href="mailto:environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au">environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au</a>> wrote:

Dear all

Thank you again to everyone who has responded to our invitation to attend the next round of consultation sessions on Australia's new national environmental laws in February.

We have recorded all responses received to date and are working to respond to all outstanding enquiries as soon as possible.

We have extended the deadline for RSVPs to this Friday 9 February 2024.

If you would still like to attend, please confirm the names of your organisation's nominated attendees, the sessions they wish to attend and relevant email addresses so that event details can be shared as these become available.

All relevant details are provided in the email below

If you have any questions, please let us know and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Kind regards,

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From: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

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Sent: Friday, December 22, 2023 1:50 PM

To: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

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Subject: INVITATION: Consultation sessions on Australia's new national environmental laws, 22-23

FEBRUARY 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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The purpose of this email is to invite your organisation to attend the third round of consultation sessions, to be held in Canberra from Thursday 22 to Friday 23 February 2024. Representatives from local, state, territory and Commonwealth governments will also consider the documents in separate sessions.

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Sent: Monday, 22 January 2024 9:14 AM

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Thank you for the invitation.

I would like to attend the session on Feb Thurs 22nd 1pm-4pm.

Please note that I have a new role at Greenpeace Australia Pacific as Head of Nature. So along with s. 47F(1), our Head of Advocacy, I will now be the main point of contact on all EPBC-related consultation issues.

Thanks very much,

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Sent: Friday, 19 January 2024 5:27 PM

**To:** Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

Subject: I'm not on email again until 1 February 2024 Re: FW: INVITATION: Consultation

sessions on Australia's new national environmental laws, 22-23 FEBRUARY 2024

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Hello and thanks for your email

I am away and will not see email again until 1 February, 2024.

Fortunately, I have a terrific team, so if there's anything urgent please contact s. 47F(1) on s. 47F(1) @greenpeace.org or s. 47F(1).

All the best for now

David

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From: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

Sent: Tuesday, 16 April 2024 5:27 PM

Cc: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** Australia's new Nature Positive laws [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thank you for your interest in Australia's new Nature Positive laws.

You are receiving this email because you have been involved in consultations on Australia's new national environmental laws.

The Australian Government today announced its plans to progress the second stage of its Nature Positive Plan, including establishing Environment Protection Australia. You can find out more at <a href="Home-DCCEEW">Home-DCCEEW</a>.

You are invited to join us for an update about the progress of the reforms, in our **Australia's new Nature Positive laws** webinar, to be held from 2 to 3 pm AEST on Friday, 19 April 2024.

You can join us by registering through Eventbrite: <u>Australia's new Nature Positive laws Tickets</u>, Fri 19/04/2024 at 2:00 pm | Eventbrite

Please do not reply to this email. For technical queries about the webinar, please email naturepositivewebinar@dcceew.gov.au.

Thank you for your continued engagement with these important reforms.

Kind regards,

#### **Nature Positive Taskforce**

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From: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Sent:** Friday, 15 March 2024 10:51 AM

**To:** Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** NGO - Sitting 2 - March consultation on Australia's new national environmental

laws [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

**Attachments:** NGO - Sitting 2 - March consultation on Australia's new national environmental

laws

Dear Stakeholder,

Thank you for nominating to attend sitting 2 of the March consultations on Australia's new national environmental laws.

Please find attached a calendar invitation with details of the session. Please do not forward this email.

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**Subject:** NGO - Sitting 2 - March consultation on Australia's new national environmental

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**Location:** Old Parliament House (18 King George Ter, Parkes Australian Capital Territory 2600,

Australia)

**Start:** Wed 27/03/2024 12:30 PM **End:** Wed 27/03/2024 3:30 PM

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Meeting organizer

Organizer: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

Thank you for confirming your attendance at the 27-28 March consultations, the fourth session to consider the detail of Australia's new national environmental laws. We look forward to welcoming you at Old Parliament House in Canberra.

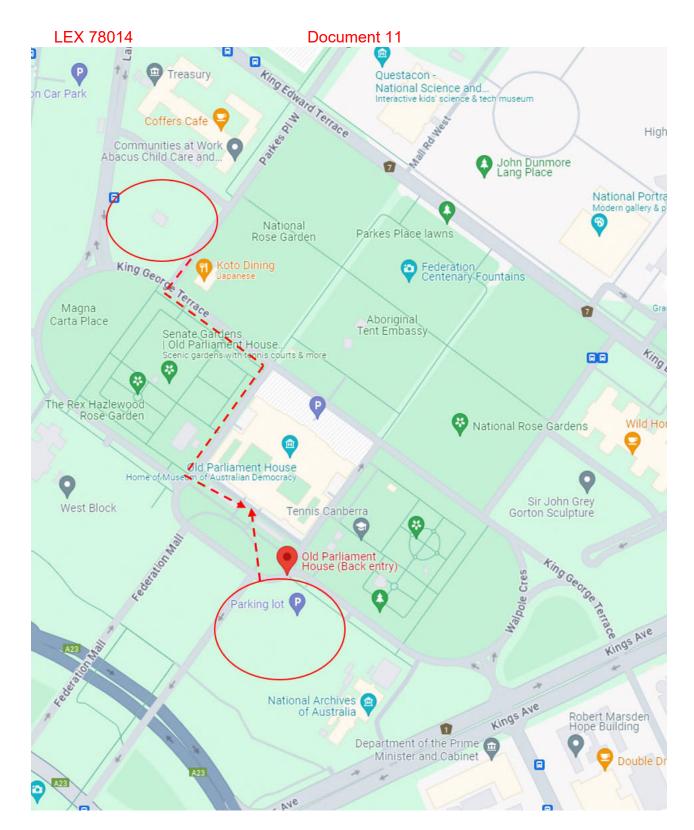
This invitation is for Sitting 2: Wednesday 27 March, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)

#### Location

Members Dining Room 2 Old Parliament House 18 King George Terrace Parkes, ACT

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**Sent:** Friday, 15 March 2024 10:40 AM

**To:** Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** FW: NGO - Sitting 1 - March consultation on Australia's new national environmental

laws [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

**Attachments:** NGO - Sitting 1 - March consultation on Australia's new national environmental

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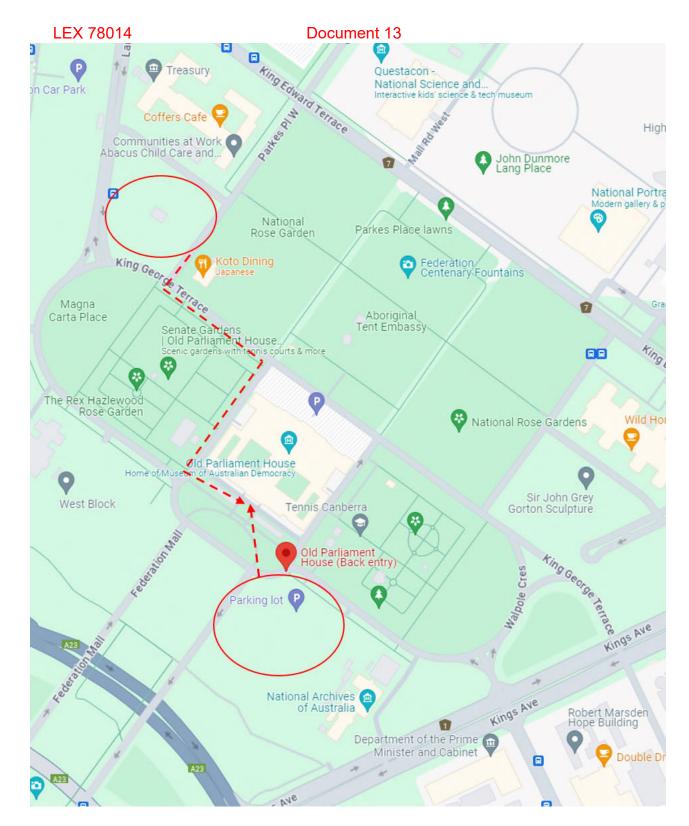
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From: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

Sent: Friday, 23 February 2024 3:06 PM

**To:** Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** INVITATION: Consultation sessions on Australia's new national environmental laws,

27-28 March 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Dear stakeholder,

Thank you to all those who were able to attend the 2023 and early 2024 consultations on Australia's new national environmental laws.

Written feedback can be submitted to the department at <a href="mailto:environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au">environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au</a> or by replying to this invitation.

The purpose of this email is to invite your organisation to attend the fourth round of consultation sessions, to be held in Canberra from Wednesday 27 to Thursday 28 March 2024. Representatives from local, state, territory and Commonwealth governments will also be consulted in separate sessions.

This early and rolling consultation is helping to ensure the detail of the new laws is right, ahead of their introduction into Parliament later this year.

Departmental staff will be on hand to coordinate the event and explain how the proposed changes are designed to work and how they compare with the existing laws.

#### February session details

What?	With more details to come, these consultation sessions will provide:				
	<ul> <li>exposure draft inserts of legislation</li> <li>draft national environmental standards in policy form</li> <li>draft policy papers</li> <li>Material available for viewing will be the same across all sessions and both days.</li> </ul>				
Where and when?	<b>Location</b> : Canberra, location to be confirmed in a calendar invitation.				
	Wednesday 27 March 2024				
	Sitting 1 from 9am to 12pm (AEDT)				
	Sitting 2 from 1pm to 4pm (AEDT)				
	Thursday 28 March 2024				
	Sitting 3 from 9am to 12pm (AEDT)				
	Sitting 4 from 1pm to 4pm (AEDT)				
	Please note, we will not be offering additional sessions outside the above dates and times.				
How?	Please confirm your attendance by no later than COB Friday 8 March by emailing				
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	In your email, please confirm a <b>maximum of <u>two</u> representatives per session</b> for your organisation (which can include legal representation) and indicate attendance across all or specific sitting/s.				
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We thank you in advance for your participation and look forward to your continued engagement in the reform process.

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From: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

Sent: Friday, 16 February 2024 1:22 PM

To:
Subject:
RE: Attending both consultation sessions on the 22nd? [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]
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Hi<sup>s. 47F(1)</sup>

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From: S. 47F(1) @greenpeace.org>

Sent: Friday, February 16, 2024 8:45 AM

To: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

<environmentlawEPATaskforce@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: Attending both consultation sessions on the 22nd?

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Hi there,

I'm attending session 2 of the consultations on the 22nd next week. I didn't realise it was an option to attend the full day, so including the first session as well. Could I please be added to the first session as well if this is the case?

Thanks,

s. 47F(1) Head of Nature

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**Subject:** NGO Sitting 1 - February consultation on Australia's new national environmental

laws

**Location:** Members Dining 2, Old Parliament House Canberra

 Start:
 Thu 22/02/2024 8:30 AM

 End:
 Thu 22/02/2024 11:30 AM

Recurrence: (none)

**Categories:** NGO - Reform consultations

#### Dear stakeholder

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Sitting 1 – Thursday 22 February – 9am-12pm (AEDT) Location Members Dining 2, Old Parliament House, Canberra.

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From: Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Sent:** Friday, 9 February 2024 6:04 PM

**To:** Taskforce for environmental law reform and EPA establishment

**Subject:** NGO Sitting 2 - February consultation on Australia's new national environmental

laws [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

**Attachments:** NGO Sitting 2 - February consultation on Australia's new national environmental

laws

Dear stakeholder,

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 Start:
 Thu 22/02/2024 12:30 PM

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From: Environment Information Australia

<environmentinformationaustralia@dcceew.gov.au>

**Sent:** Friday, 14 June 2024 5:11 PM

**Subject:** Clarification of meeting to discuss Environment Information Australia –

environmental monitoring and reporting – 25 June 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon,

Further to the email I just sent inviting you to an initial discussion in the implementation of Environment Information Australia from 11.00am to 12.15pm Tuesday 25 June, I would like to clarify that this will be a **virtual meeting.** Details of the meeting arrangements will be forthcoming.

I apologise for any confusion I may have caused, and look forward to talking with you if you are able to attend. Again, if you are not able to attend this session but are interested in a future discussion, please let me know.

With kind regards, Jane.

#### **Jane Coram**

#### **Head of Division, Environment Information Australia**

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**From:** Environment Information Australia

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**Sent:** Friday, 14 June 2024 4:24 PM

**Subject:** Invitation to discuss Environment Information Australia – environmental monitoring

and reporting – 25 June 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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**Sent:** Friday, 21 June 2024 5:02 PM **To:** EnvironmentInformationAustralia

**Subject:** FW: Invitation to discuss Environment Information Australia – environmental

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<environmentinformationaustralia@dcceew.gov.au>

**Sent:** <u>Monday, 24 June</u> 2024 3:14 PM

To: S. 47F(1)

Cc: EnvironmentInformationAustralia

**Subject:** RE: Invitation to discuss Environment Information Australia – environmental

monitoring and reporting – 25 June 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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His. 47F(1),

That should be ok as we still have a few connections left (we're not wanting to restrict participation but are limited to a set number if dial ins due to MS Teams limit).

Invite item for calendar attached. Let me know if you have any issues.

#### Regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: S. 47F(1) @greenpeace.org>

Sent: Monday, June 24, 2024 11:07 AM

To: Environment Information Australia <environmentinformationaustralia@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: Re: Invitation to discuss Environment Information Australia – environmental monitoring and reporting – 25

June 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Jane,

My name is 5. 47F(1), Senior Campaigner on Forests at Greenpeace. Apologies for my delayed response.

I would really like to attend this meeting tomorrow if possible? I will have to jump off at 11:45 but would like to participate if I can for the first half?

Is it too late to be sent a link to join?

Thank you for your time.

Kind regards,

s. 47F(1)

On Fri, Jun 14, 2024 at 4:54 PM Environment Information Australia <a href="mailto:environmentinformationaustralia@dcceew.gov.au">environmentinformationaustralia@dcceew.gov.au</a> wrote:

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 25 June 2024 6:20 PM **Cc:** EnvironmentInformationAustralia

**Subject:** Follow up - Discussion of Environment Information Australia – environmental

monitoring and reporting – Meeting 25 June 2024 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Thank you for your attendance and valuable input into our discussion today about the reporting architecture for Environment Information Australia, and its role in supporting a Nature Positive Australia. As we commented, this is a complex but important piece of work, and the input of experts and other stakeholders will be key to ensuring we develop the most robust framework for monitoring and reporting on progress towards Nature Positive.

I attach the slides we presented in the meeting, and later this week will provide written responses to the questions and comments made in the chat.

We will also provide a meeting placeholder for a future meeting to discuss this and other components of EIA's work.

With kind regards, Jane.

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# **Nature Positive** (Environment Information Australia) Bill 2024

Head of Environment Information Australia reporting functions

**Jane Coram** Lisa Nitschke Juanita Pettit **Brendan Lynam** 

25 June 2024



# Monitoring, evaluation and reporting framework – measuring progress to nature positive

To ensure we are achieving our vision for a **Nature Positive Australia**, and our **legislative and treaty obligations**, a **monitoring, evaluation and reporting framework** is an essential step.

This framework will provide an **enduring function** that will articulate the metrics needed to **measure** if Australia will **halt and reverse biodiversity loss** by 2030 and put **nature on a path to recovery**.

This will include how we will **measure** and **report** on the status and trends in the **diversity**, **abundance**, **resilience and integrity** of Australia's **ecosystems from scientifically robust baseline/s**.



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# Monitoring, evaluation and reporting framework components – example only

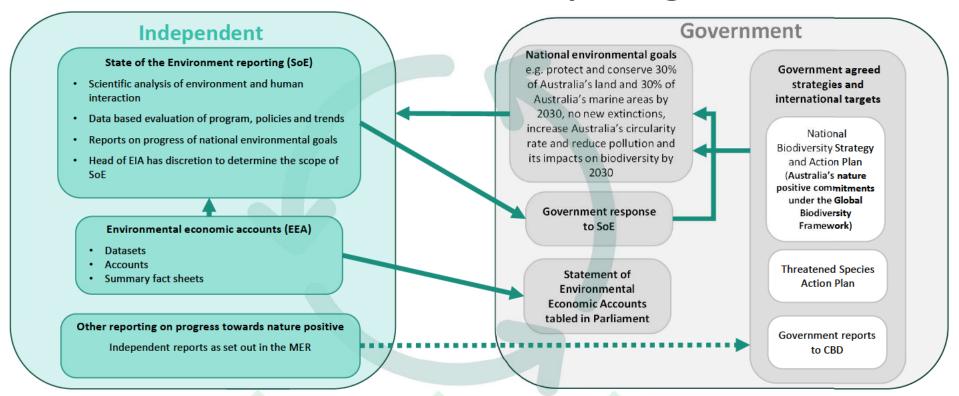
**Vision**: Halt and reverse biodiversity loss by 2030 and put nature on a path to recovery.

Goal	Improve conservation management of Australia's landscapes, waterways, wetlands and seascapes
Targets	<ul> <li>30% of Australia's land and sea in protected areas by 2030</li> <li>Priority degraded areas are under effective restoration by 2030</li> <li>TBD with expert input</li> </ul>
Indicators	<ul> <li>Amount and change in habitat area and quality</li> <li>Amount and change of biodiversity within habitat types</li> <li>Proportion of habitat types under protection</li> <li>Others TBD with expert input</li> </ul>
Baseline/s	TBD with expert input
Data Sources	<ul> <li>Remote sensing, on-country habitat and biodiversity surveys</li> <li>Synthesis of existing datasets into habitat and species distribution models</li> <li>TBD with expert input</li> </ul>
Reporting	<ul> <li>National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan progress reports under the Global Biodiversity         Framework</li> <li>Overall reporting of national progress towards nature positive</li> </ul>

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# **Environment Information Australia reporting architecture**



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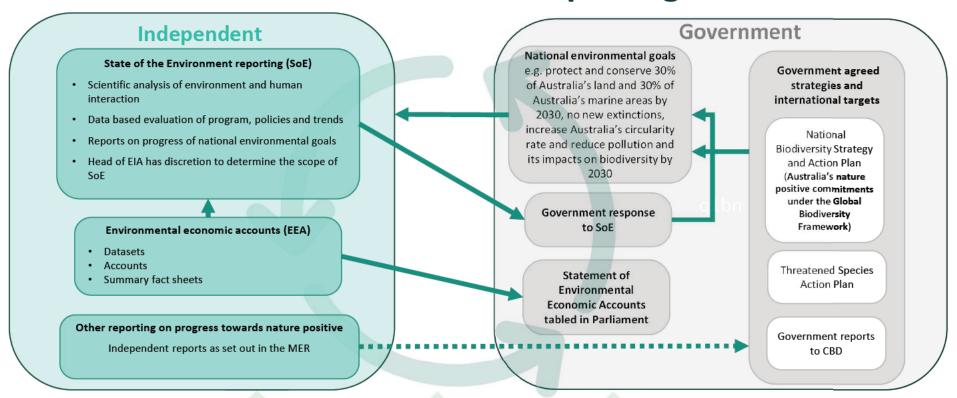
Provide leadership and work with data partners to bring together data and information, and improve access

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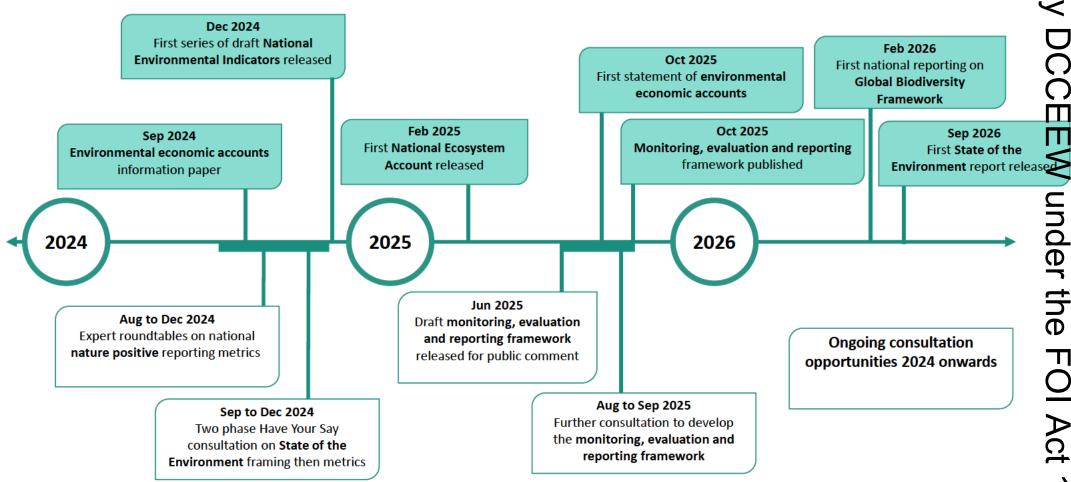
# **Environment Information Australia reporting architecture**



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Biodiversity indices	Pest species' status	Waste and recycling levels	Water, soil and air quality	Changes in land use	Economic value indicators	 Further indicators to be established
Threatened species' status	Habitat area and quality	Greenhouse gas emissions	Carbon cycling and storage	Response and resilience to extreme weather	Cultural and social value indicators	with expert input 2024-2025

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**Location:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

 Start:
 Tue 25/06/2024 10:30 AM

 End:
 Tue 25/06/2024 11:45 AM

**Show Time As:** Tentative

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Not yet responded

**Organizer:** Environment Information Australia

Thank you for nominating to attend the Environment Information Australia – environmental monitoring and reporting initial discussion.

Please accept this Teams meeting to allow your attendance.

This session is by invitation only. Due to the capacity limits of MS Teams, we are unable to extend this invitation to your member organisations or additional colleagues. There will be further opportunities for you and your members to engage with Environment Information Australia in the future.

Please note that we are on AEST.

Kind regards

**Environment Information Australia** 

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