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Black-Cockatoos: Request for Information

Onshore Environmental is a small team of environmental professionals who have been working together throughout Western Australia for the past 25 years. Our team specialises in baseline flora, vegetation and vertebrate fauna surveys, along with design and implementation of native revegetation, rehabilitation and restoration projects.

An increasing amount of our work in recent years has been focused on the three species of black-cockatoo in south-west Western Australia, being the Forest Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo, Baudin's Black-Cockatoo and Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo.

Recently we have collaborated with Dr Mike Bamford (Bamford Consulting Ecologists) to look more closely at the publicly available literature and data for these black-cockatoos species. A preliminary review has highlighted the paucity of information within the southern extent of the range for all three species, and how this may have influenced conclusions. These concerns have been reinforced by results from recent survey work completed by both Onshore Environmental and Bamford Consulting Ecologists.

With funding provided by Talison Lithium Australia Pty Ltd we are developing an up to date conservation planning document for the three species of black-cockatoo occurring in south-west Western Australia (the project). The conservation planning document aims to stay current and updated into the future when new data becomes available. The conservation planning document will be publicly available on completion of the project, expected in November 2024.

Preliminary discussions with a range of stakeholders have highlighted the significant amount of unpublished data that exists across a variety of organisations. We are hoping to collate data from these currently unpublished sources in order to improve the existing knowledge base and better inform the highest priority conservation actions for species recovery.

This has prompted the formal request for any information (quantitative or anecdotal) held by your organisation relating to black-cockatoos, or details of any conservation programs or investigations that may currently be underway. Data made available would be utilised under your conditions of supply.

We appreciate your time in considering the request for information and welcome further discussion on the matter if required. Data can be provided by the following means:

- Electronically via email to info@onshoreenvironmental.com.au
- Hard copy or electronic data posted directly to Onshore Environmental, PO Box 227 Yallingup WA 6282.

Alternatively, we would welcome the opportunity to meet directly and discuss in person, via Teams video conference, or by phone. We look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely

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