

# Notice of decision - permit<sup>1</sup> application

This notice is issued by the administering authority to advise of a statutory decision on a permit application.

Ecology and Heritage Partners Pty Ltd  
Level 7, 140 Ann St  
BRISBANE CITY QLD 4000

Our reference: 388938

Dear Mr Browning

**Re: Decision made in relation to your application**

Your application received on 23-SEP-2015 has been assessed and the decision in regard to your application is specified below:

Permit applied for	Permit Number	Decision
Take, Use, Keep or Interfere with Cultural or Natural Resources (Scientific Purpose) under Nature Conservation (Administration) Regulation 2006	WITK16565115	Granted

For the permit applied for that has been granted, the conditions of approval are attached. Where applicable, a Statement of Reasons is provided in relation to the decision. Please note that for the approval, this Notice of Decision and the relevant attachments constitute the permit documentation. Please retain this approval documentation for your records.

Included with this notice is advice on review and appeal processes that may be available to you. Should you seek a review or appeal, you are advised to seek independent advice before taking such action.

If you require more information, please contact Jacqui Brock on the telephone number listed below.

Yours sincerely



Sally Egan  
Department of Environment and Heritage Protection  
Date 23/10/2015

**Enquiries:**

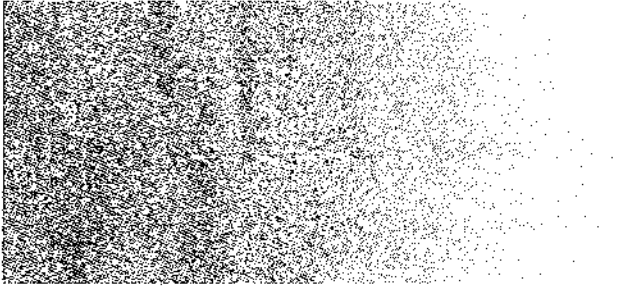
Wildlife - Toowoomba - EHP  
PO Box 102  
TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350  
Phone: (07) 4688 1415  
Fax: (07)

**Attachment - Permit/Statement of Reasons**

<sup>1</sup> Permit includes licences, approvals, permits, authorisations, certificates, sanctions or equivalent/similar as required by legislation.







# Permit<sup>1</sup>

This permit is issued under the following legislation:

*S9(1)(A) Nature Conservation (Administration) Regulation 2006*

## Take, Use, Keep or Interfere with Cultural or Natural Resources (Scientific Purpose)

**Permit number:** WITK16565115

**Valid from:** 01-NOV-2015 to 31-OCT-2018

### Parties to the Permit

Role	Name	Address
Principal Holder	Ecology and Heritage Partners Pty Ltd 65685233760	Level 7, 140 Ann St BRISBANE CITY QLD 4000
Person In Charge	Mr Chad Browning	17 McDonald Street EAST GEELONG VIC 3219

### Permitted Location Activity Details

Location (s)	Activity (s)
Estate: Dipperu National Park	Take, Use, Keep or Interfere with Cultural or Natural Resources for Scientific Purposes
Estate: Homevale National Park	Take, Use, Keep or Interfere with Cultural or Natural Resources for Scientific Purposes

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### Permit Details

### Species Details

Location	Activity	
All locations relating to this permit	Take, Use, Keep or Interfere with Cultural or Natural Resources for Scientific Purposes	
Schedule	Category	Quantity
Amphibians as listed in Schedules 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 of the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006	Alive and Dead	Unlimited Animal/s Parts/Products
Birds as listed in Schedules 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 of the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006	Alive and Dead	Unlimited Animal/s Parts/Products
Invertebrates	Alive and Dead	Unlimited Animal/s Parts/Products
Mammals as listed in Schedules 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 of the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006	Alive and Dead	Unlimited Animal/s Parts/Products
Plants	Parts/products	Maximum two (2) per species Herbarium specimen/s at each location
Reptiles as listed in Schedules 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 of the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006	Alive and Dead	Unlimited Animal/s Parts/Products

### Conditions of Approval

#### Agency Interest: Biodiversity

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#### AUTHORISATION

This permit authorises the holder to capture and release the listed fauna and collect herbarium specimens on the listed protected areas for the purpose of conducting natural resource surveys.

This permit is issued subject to the Principal Holder holding the current approval of a registered animal ethics committee.

The following survey methods/equipment are authorised by this permit: Elliot traps, harp traps, funnel traps, pitfall traps, active searching, Anabat and spotlighting.

Animal parts such as feathers, hair, scats, bones, shells and incidentally dead specimens or the remains of dead animals may be collected and kept at the licensed premises.

Unless otherwise specified, all practices and procedures undertaken pursuant to this permit are to be in accordance with those details contained in and attached to the Application for a Scientific Purposes Permit signed 4 June 2012 and Permit Amendment Application signed by the Person in Charge 23 September 2015.

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#### GENERAL TRAPPING PROVISIONS

Unless otherwise stated, activities authorised by this permit including the collection of voucher specimens, must be conducted in accordance with the methods detailed in the Terrestrial Vertebrate Fauna Survey Guidelines for Queensland available at <https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/biodiversity/vertebrate-survey/>  
Animals are to be released unharmed at the point of capture within 24 hours of capture.

Any accidental mortality during capture or subsequent handling is to be reported immediately to the Project Officer (Scientific Permits), Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, Toowoomba. The Queensland Museum has first refusal of any material resulting from mortality.

The Principal Holder must ensure that all traps are in good working order and checked immediately prior to use.

Any trap must (if in operation) be checked at least twice daily, however in extreme weather conditions traps must also be checked in the middle of the day.

Traps must be clearly labelled with a current name and telephone number.

Traps must not be placed in an area that could flood during the trapping session.

Animals must be released at a time of day appropriate to the behaviour of the species.

Bedding such as dry leaf or other naturally occurring biodegradable organic material must be provided in Elliott traps and cage traps.

Traps must be decommissioned when not in use.

The Principal Holder is to ensure that all the provisions of the (Queensland) Interim Hygiene Protocol for Handling Amphibians are upheld. This document is available on-line at <http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/licences-permits/plants-animals/documents/tm-wl-amphibian-hygiene.pdf>

Care must be taken when repositioning logs and rocks to prevent animal injuries and to avoid causing habitat disturbance.

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#### COLLECTION OF PLANT PARTS

Up to two (2) herbarium specimens (leaves, fruit, flowers, seeds and bark) per species may be taken at each location if required for identification purposes. Specimens may be kept at the licensed premises. Specimens may also be sent to the Queensland Herbarium for identification if required.

A standard herbarium specimen is defined here as a sample of leaves, flowers, fruits, capsules, seeds and bark on a stem/branch not exceeding more than 40cm in length. All individuals sampled must be mature and healthy.

All specimens may only be derived from mature healthy individuals and not compromise the health of the individual.

All collection should be in accordance with the practices and procedures outlined in the EHP "Code of Practice for the harvest and use of protected plants" available on-line at <http://ehp.qld.gov.au/licences-permits/plants-animals/documents/code-of-practice-protected-plants.pdf> and the latest version of the Queensland Herbarium's manual on "Collecting and preserving plant specimens" also on-line at <http://www.qld.gov.au/environment/assets/documents/plants-animals/herbarium/collecting-manual.pdf>

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One (1) complete set of plant specimens must be lodged with the Queensland Herbarium within 12 months of expiry of this permit unless released from this obligation by the Queensland Herbarium.

If new species or lower taxa are described from the collection, duplicate material (holotype or isotype) must be lodged with the Queensland Herbarium.

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### NATIONAL PARK PROVISIONS

Prior to commencing work on National Parks, the Principal Holder must contact the Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing. Contact should be made using the on-line form at <http://www.npsr.qld.gov.au/licences-permits/commercial/research-field-work-form.php> at least seven (7) days prior to entering the park. Details of actual times and proposed locations on the park shall be given.

The Principal Holder must not camp or remain overnight on the permit areas unless stated under a separate authority issued by the Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing.

The Principal Holder must not enter Dipperu National Park without holding a current Permit to Enter Special Management Area (Scientific) issued by the Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing.

Vehicles must remain on formed roads and tracks unless otherwise agreed upon by local management staff.

Unless otherwise specified the work must not be carried out on or immediately adjacent to any formed track or other area commonly used by the visiting public; or within an area or areas otherwise specified by a Conservation Officer.

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### GENERAL CONDITIONS

This permit (or a copy plus proof of identity of the permit holder) must be carried while engaged in any activity authorised by the permit. Additional assistants can be authorised by the permit holder to undertake the listed activities. Additional assistants must carry a copy of the permit endorsed by the Holder with the additional assistants name and residential address and must carry a form of current coloured photographic identification.

Environmental impact is to be kept to a minimum.

All collection and handling equipment, items of clothing (including footwear) and vehicles must be cleaned before and after each separate collection activity.

All equipment (traps, flagging tape, markers etc) and any waste generated during the execution of this research project is to be removed from the parks prior to the expiry of this permit.

All collecting activities are to be effected away from public view.

The Principal Holder must not engage in the activity authorised by this permit for any commercial purpose or for the purpose of bio-prospecting.

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### REPORTING

A Return of Operations and Scientific or Educational Purposes Permit Report must be submitted on the standard reporting forms:

- within 10 business days of the anniversary date of the permit each year the permit is in force (1 November); and
- within 10 business days of the expiry date (31 October 2018).

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The return is to show numbers of specimens of each species, the type of habitat and specific locality or localities where they were collected. This information is to be supplied to the Project Officer (Scientific Permits), Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, PO Box 102, Toowoomba or electronically to [SPPreport.southern@ehp.qld.gov.au](mailto:SPPreport.southern@ehp.qld.gov.au). Please refer to the Wildlife Data Return Guidelines available at [www.ehp.qld.gov.au](http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au) for assistance completing the form.

A copy of any resulting publication from this research is to be provided to the Project Officer (Scientific Permits), Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, PO Box 102, Toowoomba or electronically to [SPPreport.southern@ehp.qld.gov.au](mailto:SPPreport.southern@ehp.qld.gov.au).

  
Signed

Sally Egan  
Delegate  
Department of Environment and Heritage Protection

