

## Biodiversity Bright Spots Project Expression of Interest – Regional Land Partnerships

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### SECTION 1: Applicant Details

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| Project title  |  |        |  |
| Briefly outline the proposed project (who, what, where, when and how). (250 words) |  |        |  |

### SECTION 2: Eligibility

**1. Select at least one, and up to four, of the Biodiversity Bright Spots program objectives that will be achieved through your project**

- (a) Increasing scientific, local and cultural knowledge of golden-shouldered parrots, their habitat and threats
- (b) Increasing implementation of appropriate fire within identified golden-shouldered parrot habitat to address threats from inappropriate fire regimes
- (c) Reducing pest animals within identified golden-shouldered parrot habitat to mitigate pest animal impacts
- (d) Installing exclusion fencing within identified golden-shouldered parrot habitat to mitigate grazing impacts on feeding and nesting areas.

## 2. Select at least one, and up to three, aims of the Draft Golden-Shouldered Parrot Recovery Plan that will benefit from this project

- (a) Return People to Country to make golden-shouldered parrot habitat strong again (SO1: Manage habitat for golden shouldered parrots at a landscape scale)

*Example activities: Supporting Traditional Owners to have Healthy Country Plans in place for their traditional lands incorporating golden-shouldered Parrot habitat; Supporting local landholders to have property management plans in place that will enable golden-shouldered parrot recovery; Supporting on-country trips for knowledge exchange between Traditional Owner groups, QPWS and local landholders between the northern and southern populations of golden-shouldered parrots; Other projects that directly support Traditional Owner aspirations to be on country, have employment and to recover the species.*

- (b) Understand and restore the role of dingoes in golden-shouldered parrot recovery (SO1: Manage habitat for Golden-shouldered parrots at a landscape scale)

*Example activities: Projects to protect dingoes across the golden-shouldered parrots current distribution; Projects aimed at furthering understanding of the role dingoes play in ecological function and in regards to the life history of golden-shouldered parrots.*

- (c) Restore and maintain golden-shouldered parrot nesting and early wet season habitat (SO1: Manage habitat for golden shouldered parrots at a landscape scale & SO2: Maintain parrot population at receding edge of distribution)

*Example activities: Projects to enhance fire management practices for improved golden-shouldered Parrot habitat; monitoring of fire regimes and impacts on vegetation structure; Projects aimed at protecting food resources and nesting sites.*

- (d) Restore golden-shouldered parrot's wet season foods (SO1: Manage habitat for golden shouldered parrots at a landscape scale; SO2: Maintain parrot population at receding edge of distribution & SO6: Assess and minimise adverse impacts of cattle and pigs on food plants and termite mounds)

*Example activities: Protection of important wet season feeding areas; Projects supporting improved grazing management across wet season feeding areas; Projects aimed at restoring cockatoo grass.*

- (e) Reduce and reverse unsustainable predation pressure on golden-shouldered parrots (SO4: Determine and manage impacts of pied butcher birds on nest success & SO5: Determine and manage impacts of change in vegetation structure on black-faced wood swallows)

*Example activities: Projects aimed at reducing predation pressure by butcher birds through improving ecosystem function at the landscape scale; Projects aimed at better understanding predation pressure by butcher birds on parrots; Projects focussed on feral cat control across golden-shouldered Parrot habitat.*

- (f) Ensure mining, clearing and land use change do not threaten golden-shouldered parrot recovery (SO1: Manage habitat for golden shouldered parrots at a landscape scale)

*Example activities: Projects that provide improved habitat mapping and modelled potential nesting habitat information for improved decision-making regarding land use change.*

- (g) Address new and emerging threats to golden-shouldered parrots (SO1: Manage habitat for golden shouldered parrots at a landscape scale)

*Example activities: Projects aimed at better understanding or mitigating the impacts of climate change on golden-shouldered parrot recovery; Projects aimed at identifying and reducing weed, pest animal or other new and emerging threats.*

- (h) Demonstrate improvement in the golden-shouldered parrots' extent, population size and extinction risk (SO3: Determine population trends)

*Example activities: Projects aimed at improving understanding of the species current extent, population size and response to management actions; including habitat mapping, modelling, undertaking nest surveys, assessing current population data and population trajectory; Projects aimed at improving understanding of the golden-shouldered parrot's extinction risk.*

**3. Demonstrate how the project will meet the appropriate engagement protocols and has the consent of the appropriate owners/managers and Traditional Owners of the land on which the project is to be undertaken**

a. Complete the *“Expression of Interest Form to work with Traditional Owners for Golden-shouldered Parrot Recovery”* or provide evidence of endorsement from the appropriate traditional owners and land holders. In completing Questions 3,4 and 5 of the engagement form, please provide a summary and cross-reference the relevant sections of this selection process.

b. For projects that involve field work, describe how you have obtained consent of:

i. Traditional Owners of the land on which the project is to be undertaken

ii. Owners/managers of the land on which the project is to be undertaken

***Projects that do not adequately meet the eligibility criteria will not be considered further.***

**SECTION 3: Assessment Criteria**

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| <p><b>1. Demonstrate how the project supports Traditional Owner and land holder involvement in golden-shouldered parrot conservation and management (15%)</b></p>                                  |  |
| <p>a. How have Traditional Owners and/or landholders been involved in the design of the project?</p>   |  |
| <p>b. Will Traditional Owners and/or landholders be involved in the delivery of the project?</p>   |  |
| <p>c. How will the outcomes of the project be communicated to Traditional Owners, landholders and other key stakeholders?</p>  |  |
| <p>d. How will data collected during the project be managed and shared with Traditional Owners, landholders and the Recovery Team)?</p>  |  |
| <p>e. What steps will be taken to protect the Privacy and Intellectual Property of Traditional Owners and landholders, and the confidentiality of golden-shouldered parrot occurrence records?</p> |  |

**2. Demonstrate how the project will contribute to the objectives indicated in Eligibility Criteria 1 (BBS Objectives) and 2 (Recovery Team objectives) (20%)**

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| <p>a. Describe how the project will deliver clear and measurable achievements against the selected Draft Golden-Shouldered Parrot Recovery Plan aims (up to 200 words)</p> |  |
| <p>b. Describe how the project aligns with Biodiversity Bright Spots program objectives (up to 200 words).</p>   |  |
| <p>c. Describe how the project builds on existing knowledge and/or recovery efforts as outlined in the Golden-Shouldered Parrot Recovery Plan (up to 100 words)</p>        |  |

**3. Demonstrate that the project is well designed and technically feasible (30%)**

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| <p>a. Describe the type of activities (e.g. field work, analysis and report writing) to be undertaken in this project (up to 500 words).</p> |                  |                   |                      |
| <p>b. Estimated project cost<br/>(all values exc. GST)</p>   | Funding Required | Cash Contribution | In-Kind Contribution |
| Year 1 (2019-20)   | \$               | \$                | \$                   |
| Year 2 (2020-21)   | \$               | \$                | \$                   |

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| <p><b>4. Demonstrate how the project contributes improved understanding of the golden-shouldered parrot's recovery (15%)</b></p>                             |  |
| <p>Explain how the project will contribute to the Golden-shouldered Parrot's recovery, through improving understanding of at least one of the following:</p> |  |
| <p>i. Relationship between Caring for Country, ecosystem health and Golden-shouldered Parrot recovery</p>  |  |
| <p>ii. Golden-shouldered Parrot population, distribution or conservation status</p>  |  |
| <p>iii. Threats &amp;/or management needs</p>  |  |
| <p>iv. Management effectiveness</p>  |  |

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| <b>5. Demonstrate your capability to successfully deliver the grant project in the chosen location(s), on time and within budget (20%)</b>  |  |
| a. Outline your expertise, or access to relevant expertise, required to achieve the project outcomes  |  |
| b. Give examples of previous projects that you (or your nominated administering body) have undertaken that demonstrate your capacity to manage funds and complete the necessary reporting requirements  |  |
| c. Briefly describe the project's governance arrangements, as appropriate, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Personnel (including partnerships, where appropriate)</li> <li>ii. Project administration and financial management</li> <li>iii. Project coordination and management</li> <li>iv. Office/desktop work</li> <li>v. Field work/research Reporting.</li> </ul> |  |

Expressions of interest can be submitted to [biodiversity@northerngulf.com.au](mailto:biodiversity@northerngulf.com.au), [operations@capeyorknrm.com.au](mailto:operations@capeyorknrm.com.au) or via post to Northern Gulf Resource Management Group PO Box 2077, Mareeba QLD 4880. For more information phone us on 07 4092 1088.

Please complete and submit your EOI by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020. All submissions will receive acknowledgment of receipt and further information.