

World Heritage Management

NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR STREAMLINED AGREEMENTS

Formalities and operation of schedule	
Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Queensland Western Australia South Australia
Effect on other agreements	The Project Agreement for World Heritage Management that commenced on 29 November 2018 is replaced by this Agreement and Schedule. This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2023.
Purpose	This Schedule will support World Heritage property executive officers and advisory arrangements to ensure that Australia continues to meet its obligations under the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> to protect, conserve and present our World Heritage properties consistent with the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (the EPBC Act).

Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the States of \$5.046m in respect of this Schedule, noting this does not include payments made prior to 1 July 2020 under the previous agreement.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="367 280 1388 1491"> <thead> <tr> <th>Table 1 (\$ million)</th> <th>2020-21</th> <th>2021-22</th> <th>2022-23</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Estimated total budget</td> <td>3.364</td> <td>3.364</td> <td>3.364</td> <td>10.092</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</td> <td>1.682</td> <td>1.682</td> <td>1.682</td> <td>5.046</td> </tr> <tr> <td> New South Wales</td> <td>0.782</td> <td>0.782</td> <td>0.782</td> <td>2.346</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Greater Blue Mountains</td> <td>0.185</td> <td>0.185</td> <td>0.185</td> <td>0.555</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Gondwana Rainforests NSW</td> <td>0.090</td> <td>0.090</td> <td>0.090</td> <td>0.270</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Willandra Lakes</td> <td>0.330</td> <td>0.330</td> <td>0.330</td> <td>0.990</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Lord Howe Island</td> <td>0.177</td> <td>0.177</td> <td>0.177</td> <td>0.531</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Queensland</td> <td>0.380</td> <td>0.380</td> <td>0.380</td> <td>1.140</td> </tr> <tr> <td> AFMA Riversleigh</td> <td>0.145</td> <td>0.145</td> <td>0.145</td> <td>0.435</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Fraser Island</td> <td>0.145</td> <td>0.145</td> <td>0.145</td> <td>0.435</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Gondwana Rainforests Qld</td> <td>0.090</td> <td>0.090</td> <td>0.090</td> <td>0.270</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Western Australia</td> <td>0.420</td> <td>0.420</td> <td>0.420</td> <td>1.260</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Shark Bay</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.420</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Ningaloo Coast</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.420</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Purnululu NP</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.140</td> <td>0.420</td> </tr> <tr> <td> South Australia</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.300</td> </tr> <tr> <td> AFMA Naracoorte</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.300</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Balance of estimated non-Commonwealth contributions</td> <td>1.682</td> <td>1.682</td> <td>1.682</td> <td>5.046</td> </tr> <tr> <td> New South Wales</td> <td>0.782</td> <td>0.782</td> <td>0.782</td> <td>2.346</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Queensland</td> <td>0.380</td> <td>0.380</td> <td>0.380</td> <td>1.140</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Western Australia</td> <td>0.420</td> <td>0.420</td> <td>0.420</td> <td>1.260</td> </tr> <tr> <td> South Australia</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.100</td> <td>0.300</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Table 1 (\$ million)	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	Total	Estimated total budget	3.364	3.364	3.364	10.092	Less estimated National Partnership Payments	1.682	1.682	1.682	5.046	New South Wales	0.782	0.782	0.782	2.346	Greater Blue Mountains	0.185	0.185	0.185	0.555	Gondwana Rainforests NSW	0.090	0.090	0.090	0.270	Willandra Lakes	0.330	0.330	0.330	0.990	Lord Howe Island	0.177	0.177	0.177	0.531	Queensland	0.380	0.380	0.380	1.140	AFMA Riversleigh	0.145	0.145	0.145	0.435	Fraser Island	0.145	0.145	0.145	0.435	Gondwana Rainforests Qld	0.090	0.090	0.090	0.270	Western Australia	0.420	0.420	0.420	1.260	Shark Bay	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.420	Ningaloo Coast	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.420	Purnululu NP	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.420	South Australia	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.300	AFMA Naracoorte	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.300	Balance of estimated non-Commonwealth contributions	1.682	1.682	1.682	5.046	New South Wales	0.782	0.782	0.782	2.346	Queensland	0.380	0.380	0.380	1.140	Western Australia	0.420	0.420	0.420	1.260	South Australia	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.300
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Additional terms	<p>The States will be responsible for providing a financial and/or in-kind contribution to support the implementation of this Agreement.</p> <p>The Commonwealth and the States will be jointly responsible for agreeing Annual Business Plans. Variations to Annual Business Plans that directly affect milestones and payments are subject to written agreement between relevant Commonwealth and State ministers.</p> <p>States will be responsible for ensuring:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That advisory committees use and provide the expert scientific, technical and community advice available; 2. Effective consultation and engagement with Aboriginal people with rights and interests in the relevant World Heritage areas; and 3. That their World Heritage areas are managed in a manner consistent with the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>. 																																																																																																																			

Table 2A: New South Wales – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Expert advice through an executive officer and advisory committees for each of the Greater Blue Mountains Area, Willandra Lakes Region and Gondwana Rainforests of Australia (NSW Section) World Heritage areas	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2020-21 Annual Business Plan. All Annual Business Plans should include details on scope, project schedule, budget – including estimated State financial contribution, project stakeholders and governance arrangements. Agreement to 2020-21 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2021	\$605,000
	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2021-22 Annual Business Plan. Agreement to 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2022	\$605,000
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Expert advice from an executive officer for the Lord Howe Island Group World Heritage Area	Continued employment of executive officer. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2020-21 Annual Business Plan. Agreement to 2020-21 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2021	\$177,000

	Continued employment of executive officer. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2021-22 Annual Business Plan. Agreement to 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2022	\$177,000
	Continued employment of executive officer. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2023	\$177,000

This schedule was agreed by the Commonwealth and the State of New South Wales when the overarching National Partnership was signed.

Table 2B: Queensland – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Provide expert advice through an executive officer and advisory committees for each of the Gondwana Rainforests of Australia (Qld section), Fraser Island, and the Australian Fossil Mammal Sites – Riversleigh World Heritage areas	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2020-21 Annual Business Plan. All Annual Business Plans should include details on scope, project schedule, budget – including estimated State financial contribution, project stakeholders and governance arrangements. Agreement to 2021-22 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2021	\$380,000
	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2021-22 Annual Business Plan. Agreement to 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2022	\$380,000
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This schedule was agreed by the Commonwealth and the State of Queensland when the overarching National Partnership was signed.

Table 2C: Western Australia – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Provide expert advice through an executive officer and advisory committees for each of the Shark Bay, Ningaloo Coast and Purnululu National Park World Heritage areas	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2020-21 Annual Business Plan including state financial contribution. All Annual Business Plans should include details on scope, project schedule, budget – including estimated State financial contribution, project stakeholders and governance arrangements. Agreement to 2021-22 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2021	\$420,000
	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2021-22 Annual Business Plan including state financial contribution. Agreement to 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2022	\$420,000
	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee. Substantial completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2023	\$420,000

This schedule was agreed by the Commonwealth and the State of Western Australia when the overarching National Partnership was signed.

Table 2D: South Australia – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Provide expert advice through an executive officer and advisory committees for the Australian Fossil Mammal Sites – Naracoorte World Heritage Area	Continued employment of executive officer. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2020-21 Annual Business Plan. All Annual Business Plans should include details on scope, project schedule, budget – including estimated State financial contribution, project stakeholders and governance arrangements. Agreement to 2021-22 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2021	\$100,000
	Continued employment of executive officer. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2021-22 Annual Business Plan. Agreement to 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2022	\$100,000
	Continued employment of executive officer. Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.	31/03/2023	\$100,000

This schedule was agreed by the Commonwealth and the State of South Australia when the overarching National Partnership was signed.