

Wet Tropics of Queensland and Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Areas

NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR STREAMLINED AGREEMENTS

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Parties	Commonwealth of Australia Queensland Tasmania																																											
Effect on other agreements	The Project Agreement on Wet Tropics of Queensland and Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Areas that commenced on 20 December 2019 is replaced by this Agreement and Schedule. This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2023.																																											
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of effective management of the Wet Tropics of Queensland and Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Areas in accordance with the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (the EPBC Act) and Australia’s obligations under the World Heritage Convention.																																											
Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to Queensland of \$8.1m and to Tasmania of \$15.3m in respect of this Schedule, noting this does not include payments made prior to 1 July 2020 under the previous agreement.																																											
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Additional terms	<p>The States are responsible for providing a financial and/or in-kind contribution to support the implementation of this Schedule.</p> <p>The Commonwealth and the States will be jointly responsible for agreeing and updating Annual Business Plans and a five year business strategy.</p> <p>Variations to Annual Business Plans that effect milestones and payments are subject to written agreement between Commonwealth and state ministers.</p>																																											

Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area**Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary**

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Effectively manage, protect and present the World Heritage values of the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area; and Ensure Rainforest Aboriginal traditions and culture are incorporated in World Heritage Management, and that aspirations for Traditional Owner led management and livelihoods are supported.	Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed five year Business Strategy and the 2020-21 Annual Business Plan. Review and update the five year Business Strategy. Agree to 2021-22 Annual Business Plan.	30/04/2021	\$2.7m
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This schedule was agreed by the Commonwealth and the States when the overarching National Partnership was signed.

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Table 3: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Assist in addressing critical threats such as invasive species, and changed fire regimes, to conserve and restore the biodiversity of the property; and	<p>Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed five year Business Strategy and the 2020-21 Annual Business Plan.</p> <p>Review and update the five year Business Strategy.</p> <p>Agree to 2021-22 Annual Business Plan.</p>	30/05/2021	\$5.1m
Effectively manage and protect the World Heritage natural and cultural values which are ancillary and crucial to conserving and restoring natural values; and	<p>Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed five year Business Strategy and the 2021-22 Annual Business Plan.</p> <p>Review and update the five year Business Strategy.</p> <p>Agree to 2022-23 Annual Business Plan.</p>	30/05/2022	\$5.1m
Develop and implement a joint management arrangement that ensures the strategies and actions for identification, protection, conservation and presentation of the World Heritage values of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area are developed in partnership with Tasmanian Aboriginal people.	<p>Completion of scheduled stages/deliverables in accordance with the agreed five year Business Strategy and the 2022/23 Annual Business Plan.</p> <p>Review and update the five year Business Strategy.</p>	30/05/2023	\$5.1m