

NSW Threatened Species Scientific Committee

Nomination Priorities

The Threatened Species Scientific Committee sets priorities for its consideration of nominations. The current nomination priorities include:

- the degree of threat,
- immediacy of threat,
- taxonomic distinctiveness
- such other matters as the Scientific Committee considers relevant.

With regard to the fourth point above, the Committee also considers the following criteria to be relevant in determining priorities:

- revision of endangered species & communities likely to meet the criteria for critically endangered
- assessment of unlisted species & communities likely to meet the criteria for critically endangered
- species that play a key role in ecosystem function and which are vulnerable to a range of threats including clearing, fragmentation and climate change
- NSW endemic species
- threatening processes which would benefit from a co-ordinated management approach and for which there are currently no programs or regulations in place to abate the impacts of the process.

The Committee will continue to receive and assess any nominations from the public and other sources. However, in assessing the nominations on-hand the Committee may give priority to those nominations that fall within the above priorities.