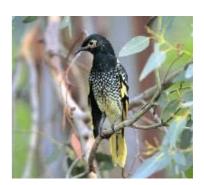


Saving our Species project 2014-15 annual report card Regent Honeyeater

Species attributes

Scientific name:	Anthochaera phrygia
NSW status:	Critically endangered
Commonwealth status:	Critically endangered
Management stream:	Site-managed



Photographer: Chris Tzaros

Overall project status*

Stable or increasing population trend for all key management sites

Population trend not determined for some key management sites; too early to determine overall status

Decreasing population trend for at least one key management site; project review triggered

*For SoS priority management sites (may not include all locations where the species occurs in NSW)

Project summary

Key management sites:	Capertee Valley; Lower Hunter Valley; Taronga Zoo; Bundarra - Barraba
Action implementation:	6 of 6 actions were implemented as planned for the financial year (includes species population monitoring actions + other project actions fully or partially implemented)
Total expenditure:	\$74,258 (cash and in-kind)
Project partners:	Birdlife Australia; Office of Environment and Heritage; Taronga Conservation Society Australia



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Management site 1: Capertee Valley

LGA: Lithgow; Mid-Western Regional

Project partners: Birdlife Australia; Office of Environment and Heritage

Species population monitoring action

Reported trends are based on best available information

Estimated population	Population monitoring conducted	Conducted by	Trend
150	Yes	Birdlife Australia	Not determined

Investment

This includes cash and in-kind contributions

Project participant	Investment
Office of Environment and Heritage	\$26,061

Project actions

The project actions below are those identified as being required in 2014-15 to secure the species in the wild

Threat	Management/monitoring action description	Implemented as planned?
Historical loss, fragmentation and degradation of habitat from clearing for agricultural and residential development, particularly fertile Yellow Box-White Box-Blakely's Red Gum woodlands.	Target 500ha of high quality habitat over 20 years for landholder covenants to be administered by Birdlife Australia and the Nature Conservation Trust. In perpetuity agreements at \$750/ha (on average).	Implementation partial or not as planned

Site summary

First covenant secured over 30.5 hectares of high quality Regent Honeyeater habitat.

Management site 2: Lower Hunter Valley

LGA: Cessnock; Singleton

Project partners: Birdlife Australia; Office of Environment and Heritage

Species population monitoring action

Reported trends are based on best available information

Estimated population	Population monitoring conducted	Conducted by	Trend
100	Yes	Office of Environment and Heritage	Not determined

Investment

This includes cash and in-kind contributions

Project participant	Investment
Office of Environment and Heritage	\$11,970

Project actions

The project actions below are those identified as being required in 2014-15 to secure the species in the wild

Threat	Management/monitoring action description	Implemented as planned?
Continuing loss of key habitat tree species and remnant woodlands from strategic agricultural developments, timber gathering and residential developments.	Target 250ha of small blocks of high quality habitat over 10 years to establish landholder covenants to be administered by Birdlife Australia and the Nature Conservation Trust at \$1000/ha (average) for landholders to manage habitat sensitively. One property already under covenant.	Implementation partial or not as planned

Site summary

Monitoring taking place within 11 newly established quadrats.

Management site 3: Taronga Zoo

LGA: Mosman; Sydney Harbour And Botany Bay (Unincorporated)

Project partners: Birdlife Australia; Office of Environment and Heritage; Taronga Conservation

Society Australia

Species population monitoring action

Reported trends are based on best available information

Estimated population	Population monitoring conducted
Unknown	N/A

Investment

This includes cash and in-kind contributions

Project participant	Investment
Taronga Conservation Society Australia	\$2,300
Office of Environment and Heritage	\$27,242

Project actions

The project actions below are those identified as being required in 2014-15 to secure the species in the wild

Threat	Management/monitoring action description	Implemented as planned?
The small population size and restricted habitat availabilty make the species highly vulnerable to extinction via stochastic processes.	Continue implementation of current captive breeding program established at Taronga Zoo.	Yes

Site summary

Refurbishment of existing breeding facilities occurred plus created additional breeding spaces.

Management site 4: Bundarra - Barraba

LGA: Gunnedah; Gwydir; Tamworth Regional; Uralla

Project partners: Birdlife Australia; Office of Environment and Heritage

Species population monitoring action

Reported trends are based on best available information

Estimated population	Population monitoring conducted	Conducted by	Trend
Approximately 50	Yes	Office of Environment and Heritage	Not determined

Investment

This includes cash and in-kind contributions

Project participant	Investment
Birdlife Australia	\$6,685

Site summary

Repeat of established survey methodology from PhD conducted in 1990s.