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**Department of Planning and Environment** 

## **Release Notes: December 2022**

- Updates to TBDC/BAM-C data





# 1. Updates to TBDC and BAM-C



### **Changes to BAM-C and TBDC data**

# When opening BAM-C, take a screenshot of any alert identifying a data change. Alerts will not display once the case has been saved.

#### Alert

Reference data updated. Details of the changes to the application listed below (if available). Apart from these please visit Habitat tabs (Step 4 and 5) to see any possible new species additions. There is change to assessment related details in BOAM after last saved this application. You need to save the application to keep the changes.

Click on  $\blacksquare$  in each section to see the items and fields affected by the change.

#### PCT

TEC(s) updated-Navigate to steps shown in Red color to the impacted changes.

#### **Candidate species**

Updated-Navigate to Habitat tabs (Step 4 and 5) to see the modified changes 🗐

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## **Changes to TBDC data – Survey Comments**

The TBDC 'Survey Comments' field includes survey information for some species. These species do not have a published DPE survey guide.

Species with revised Survey Comments field include:

- Callocephalon fimbriatum (Gang-gang Cockatoo),
- Callocephalon fimbriatum endangered population (Gang-gang Cockatoo population in the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai Local Government Areas),
- *Hieraaetus morphnoides* (Little Eagle)
- All threatened reptiles referring users to the recently published 'Threatened reptiles - Biodiversity Assessment Method survey guide'



# Changes to BAM-C and TBDC data – Habitat constraints

Species with revised habitat constraints include:

- Callocephalon fimbriatum (Gang-gang Cockatoo): minor amendments to details for hollow bearing trees "at least 3 m above the ground and with hollow diameter of 7 cm or larger"
- Callocephalon fimbriatum endangered population (Gang-gang Cockatoo population in the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai Local Government Areas): Habitat constraint for 'hollow bearing trees' has been added
- *Myotis macropus* (Southern Myotis): habitat constraints for 'Hollow bearing trees' and 'Other' have been removed while habitat constraints for 'Waterbodies' have been amended to align with the 'Species credit' threatened bats and their habitats NSW survey guide for the Biodiversity Assessment Method

Assessors with in-progress assessments who removed either the Southern Myotis or the Ganggang Cockatoo due to the absence of habitat constraints will need to manually add the species to the assessment and check the new habitat constraints listed for the species. If the species is to be removed from the assessment, justification must be provided in the BDAR



# Changes to BAM-C and TBDC data – Survey Months

Species with **revised survey months** include:

- Aprasia parapulchella (Pink-tailed Legless Lizard): amended from September - May to September - November
- Hoplocephalus bungaroides (Broad-headed Snake): amended from August - September to August - September and December -February
- Myuchelys georgesi (Bellinger River Snapping Turtle): amended from October December to October March



## **Resources and Support**

Assessor resources and contacts for support include:

- DPE webpages:
  - Revised <u>Biodiversity Assessment Method</u> (BAM);
  - <u>Accredited assessors</u> website:
    - <u>Assessor resources</u> (links to legislation, databases, manuals and guidelines, assessor correspondence);
    - Assessor frequently asked questions;
    - BAM support webinars;
  - <u>Threatened species profile</u> search;
  - <u>Saving our Species</u> (SoS) program;
  - NSW Scientific Committee <u>Determinations;</u>
- EPBC profile database (species and ecological communities);
- <u>PlantNet</u> (NSW flora online);
- NSW government <u>SEED</u> database (publicly available environmental data);
- <u>BOS Helpdesk</u> (the replacement for BAM Support mailbox).

If you have any questions, feedback or issues, please contact us at bos.helpdesk@environment.nsw.gov.au