

# Biodiversity Conservation Trust Biodiversity Offsets Program

Expression of interest – Species credits | March 2020

## **Eligibility**

The Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) is inviting expressions of interest (EOIs) for generation of target species credit types listed in the EOI form below.

The EOI is open to applicants who:

- own an existing biodiversity stewardship agreement (BSA)<sup>1</sup> site; or
- have an existing application for a BSA that has been formally submitted to the BCT by an accredited assessor on behalf of the landholder through BOAMs

All landholders who meet these criteria are eligible to submit an EOI. This includes private, corporate, non-profit, community and government entities.

Landholders must indicate which species credits they are expressing interest in generating at their BSA site by completing the EOI form below. Landholders must provide an estimated potential habitat area for each species credit type. If available, copies of ecological records and surveys that confirm potential presence of a target species on the BSA site should also be submitted as an attachment to the EOI form.

# **Lodging your EOI**

EOIs will be accepted from Monday 9 March until midnight Thursday 28 May 2020. All completed EOI forms and attachments are to be sent via email to <a href="mailto:info@bct.nsw.gov.au">info@bct.nsw.gov.au</a> with the subject 'Species credit EOI 2020'.

The BCT reserves the right to seek clarification or additional information from landholders about the EOI. The landholder may choose to redact commercially sensitive information from any provided information.

### **Review of EOIs**

The BCT will review all EOIs and contact landholders to discuss their submissions.

Submission of an EOI does not commit landholders to participate in the Biodiversity Offset Program. Accepting an EOI does not commit the BCT to make an offer for species credits listed in the EOI.

### **Further information**

Please complete the information requested as accurately as possible and contact the BCT if you require assistance filling out this form.

For more information about the EOI you can contact the BCT on **1300 992 688** or <a href="mailto:info@bct.nsw.gov.au">info@bct.nsw.gov.au</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term 'Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement' refers to both BioBanking Agreements entered under the former BioBanking Scheme and BSAs entered under the current Biodiversity Offset Scheme.

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# Landholder details

# **Species credits**

| Species credit type   | Tick to express interest in credit type | Estimated habitat area (ha) | Ecological<br>records /<br>surveys<br>attached<br>(Y/N) |
|---|---|-----------------------------|---|
| Rufous Bettong (Aepyprymnus rufescens)                                  |   |                             |   |
| Glossy Black-Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus lathami)                         |   |                             |   |
| Cercartetus nanus (Eastern Pygmy-possum)                                |   |                             |   |
| Large-eared Pied Bat ( <u>Chalinolobus dwyeri</u> )                     |   |                             |   |
| Epacris purpurescens var purpurescens                                   |   |                             |   |
| Small-flower Grevillea ( <i>Grevillea parviflora subsp.</i> parviflora) |   |                             |   |
| Koala (Phascolarctos cinereus)  |   |                             |   |
| Southern Myotis (Myotis Macropus)                                       |   |                             |   |

| Purple Copper Butterfly (Paralucia spinifera)    |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Squirrel Glider (Petaurus norfolcensis)          |  |  |
| Common Planigale (Planigale maculata)            |  |  |
| Powerful Owl (Ninox strenua)                     |  |  |
| Black-eyed Susan (Tetratheca juncea)             |  |  |
| Masked Owl (Tyto novaehollandiae)                |  |  |
| White-bellied Sea Eagle (Haliaeetus leucogaster) |  |  |
| Barking Owl (Ninox connivens)                    |  |  |
| Sooty Owl (Tyto tenebricosa)                     |  |  |
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# **Declaration and signature(s)**

### In signing this EOI form I confirm that:

- eligibility requirements are met;
- where the landholder is an organisation, I have authority to complete this form;
- the information provided on this form is complete and correct;
- I am not a close family member of any BCT staff or BCT Board member or contractor engaged by the BCT; and
- I give permission for the BCT to access the finalised biodiversity assessment report related to my BSA site if required.

All landholders(s) are required to complete and sign this declaration. If the landholder is an organisation, a person who has authority should sign on behalf of the organisation.

| Landholder signature: | Landholder signature: |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Print name:           | Print name:           |
| Date:                 | Date:                 |
|                       |                       |
| Landholder signature: | Landholder signature: |
| Print name:           | Print name:           |
| Date:                 | Date:                 |

### How your information will be managed

Information received in an EOI is treated as confidential. However, documents held by the BCT are subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW) (GIPA Act). This means that the information contained in this form may be released in response to an application lodged under the GIPA Act.

The BCT is committed to protecting the privacy of your personal information, in accordance with the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act* 1998 (NSW). Personal information provided on this form is collected for the purpose of administering the BCT's Biodiversity Offset Program, and consideration of your eligibility for the BCT's other programs and future opportunities. The BCT will not use it for any other purpose, nor will it be disclosed, unless with your consent or in other circumstances where such use or disclosure is permitted under the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act* 1998. You may choose not to provide your personal information to BCT. However, this may mean that it is not possible for the BCT to assess your EOI. For information about how your personal information is collected, used and disclosed by the BCT, please see the privacy policy available at <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/whoweare/privacy.htm">http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/whoweare/privacy.htm</a>. You can ask to access or amend your personal information held by the BCT by contacting:

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