

Wildlife refuge revocation

Factsheet

This factsheet applies to wildlife refuges established under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NPW Act). The NPW Act also provides for revocation of wildlife refuges. The revocation process as outlined in the NPW Act requires approval of the Minister, Executive Council, and a proclamation of revocation signed by the Governor of NSW published in the NSW Government Gazette.

Deciding to revoke a wildlife refuge

If you are considering revoking part or all of your wildlife refuge (WR) please contact the BCT for further information and advice. Factors to consider when deciding whether to revoke your WR are:

- whether you want to revoke part or all of the WR
- could a grant through the BCT's Conservation Partners Program support you in managing the agreement?
- are there other BCT program options that may be suitable or of interest to you?

How do I request revocation of my wildlife refuge?

If you wish to proceed with a revocation you must submit a completed [wildlife revocation form](#) to the BCT.

The completed form should be sent to the BCT officer you have discussed the revocation with, or to the BCT email address available on our website (see below)

How long does the process take and what steps are involved?

Due to the formal statutory process for WR revocations please allow 6 to 12 months for the process to be finalised. Timeframes can vary and some steps are outside the BCT's control.

WR revocation steps are:

- landholder request submitted
- BCT undertakes due diligence and prepares revocation documentation for Minister for Environment and Heritage and Governor of NSW (note these are completed in batches approximately every quarter)
- Executive Council review & approval of revocation
- proclamation of revocation signed by the Governor of NSW
- proclamation of revocation published in the NSW Government Gazette
- WR notation removed from land title (if applicable).

Who can I contact for advice or support?

You can contact the BCT via email at info@bct.nsw.gov.au or phone on 1300 992 688.

Your enquiry will be directed to the relevant BCT region. A BCT staff member will contact you to provide further advice and assistance.