

Quarterly Report 2020 First Quarter – January to March

Progress summary

- Enabling ecosystem surveillance communication package endorsed and made publicly available on webpage.
- Quarterly reporting completed and publicly available

Governance

Meetings

Monthly ESC meeting held 10 Jan, 14 Feb, 13 Mar

Reporting

2019 Quarterly reports completed and endorsed. Uploaded to ESC webpage.

Communication and engagement

Website

A short news item relating to the bushfire was published to link to EPBC and ESA.

Meetings and conferences

Glenda Wardle presented at a public event “The Bushfire Disaster and Australia’s Biodiversity: Can it Recover?”. The event was hosted by University of Sydney Law School and the Sydney Environment Institute.

Submissions

Preparation of a submission to the review of the EPBC Act.

[NEPS submission completed and loaded onto website.](#)

Finance

No transactions. Current funds \$1853.09.

Key Directions

Delivering maximum impact –

- NEPS development and providing recommendations for NCRIS system.

Enabling ecosystem surveillance –

- [Briefing note](#), [technical report](#) and [flier](#) were approved and loaded on to ESC webpage.
- The above package was supplied to the National Farmers’ Federation, Chair of Threatened Species Scientific Committee, The Guardian, and Labor Environmental Action Network.

Making the most of data -

- Contribution to NEPS submission.

Future planning and priorities

Planned actions for 2020:

- formalise a long-term research partnership between Bush Heritage and La Trobe University in Victoria, and to develop a partnership between Bush Heritage and University of Western Australia in SW WA (LTR)
- present guiding flyers about data publishing relevant to the ecosystem science community (data resources).