

Submission Form for Comments and Feedback

NT EPA Draft Environmental Guidelines

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Guideline Name	Section / Page of Draft Guideline	Comment
Guidelines for Assessment of Impacts on Terrestrial Biodiversity	5	There is no mention in the guidelines about seasonal surveys (although does state that surveys should be undertaken when floristic material allowing plant identification is most likely to be available for most species). Are seasonal vegetation and flora surveys likely to still be requested by the NT EPA?
Guidelines for Assessment of Impacts on Terrestrial Biodiversity	5	Some guidance regarding survey effort, other than a statement that the survey should include multiple samples from each vegetation type, would be useful for proponents to understand the survey effort required for a project area.
Guidelines for Assessment of	5	It would be good to have more specifics included in relation to impact assessment at a local scale (as this information does not exist for most of the NT) and the level of detail that is

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Impacts on Terrestrial Biodiversity		expected in this regard.
Guidelines for Assessment of Impacts on Terrestrial Biodiversity	Appendix A	There is no mention in the guidelines about seasonal surveys. Are seasonal surveys likely to still be requested by the EPA?
Guidelines for Assessment of Impacts on Terrestrial Biodiversity	Appendix A	There doesn't appear to be any guidance in regard to survey effort – i.e. how many fauna sampling quadrats should be established within a proposed project footprint. A statement regarding the level of replication required per vegetation type would be useful for proponents to understand the survey effort required for a project area.

General comments