

Submission Form for Comments and Feedback

Environmental Quality Report: Biodiversity of the Howard Sand Plains SOC; and Recommendations

Submissions close: Monday 25 May 2015, 5pm

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General comments	
<p>The Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand (EIANZ) represents environmental practitioners across Australia and New Zealand. In the Northern Territory EIANZ members work across the spectrum of environmental industries including consultancy, government and mining; consequently they have first-hand experience in confronting the issues of approvals of economic activity in the important ecological value area of the Howard Sand Plains SoC with little guidance on how to resolve this conflict.</p> <p>Clearly, a broad scale strategic approach is required.</p>	

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	<p>Consequently, we are pleased to see a document that not only collates the values and threats to biodiversity values but also includes a number of options to achieve conservation outcomes <u>and</u> give certainty for industry; we applaud the EPA for this. While we acknowledge that this document does not resolve the conflict, it allows and frames the necessary subsequent conversations in which many of our members will be involved and we look forward to this involvement.</p>