

Non-State Actors Voluntary Commitment on Biodiversity Conservation

I am Jody Gunn at Australian Land Conservation Alliance.

We the Australian Land Conservation Alliance represents some of Australia's leading conservation organisations. Our combined conservation work, in partnership with many others, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island communities, pastoral and farming landholders, spans across more than 3 million square kilometres. Our organisations work with more than 3,000 landholders, 50,000 supporters and over 650 staff to steward and protect Australia's unique biodiversity values. Combined, our organisations generate over \$250 million in annual turnover. With more than 65% of Australia privately owned and managed, there is a significant opportunity to effectively manage, steward and protect Australia's incredibly unique plants, animals and ecosystems across land and water.

I, on behalf of the Australian Land Conservation Alliance, hereby make the following commitment: The Australian Land Conservation Alliance recognises that climate change and biodiversity loss are two of the most significant challenges facing our planet today. We also recognise that nature underpins healthy communities, food systems and our economy. Our vision is of a future where nature thrives Australia wide, cared for by empowered people and resilient communities. In order to realise this vision, The Australian Land Conservation Alliance is committed to growing the impact, capacity, and influence of private land conservation in Australia. We will do this through our efforts to support and develop a highly capable, networked and collaborative sector; advocating for ambitious policy and regulation that empowers private land conservation; ensuring Australia's public and private investment drives our conservation efforts; and we will consistently communicate and demonstrate the value of nature to transform the way the private land conservation sector is viewed, valued and delivers impact. We are committed to ensuring that by 2030, the private land conservation sector is adequately resourced, supported and enabled to protect, steward and restore Australia's land, water and oceans, to halt and reverse nature loss for a healthy and resilient Australia.