



# SCIENTIFIC LICENCE

NATIONAL PARKS & WILDLIFE ACT, 1974  
 Section 132c

**Name and postal address of principal licensee**

**Nominated premises (where appropriate)**

Mr Robert McCormack  
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 KARUAH NSW 2324

**Your licence number is:** SL100138

**This licence is valid from:** 01 May 2014

**This licence will expire on:** 30 April 2016

**Additional authorisations:**

**Project Title:** Aquatic fauna surveys

**This licence authorises the following activities:** Conduct research on NPWS estate, conduct fish and other aquatic fauna surveys.

This licence authorises the principal licensee and any associates named in **Attachment A** to conduct those activities authorised above, to those species, communities or materials listed in **Attachment B**, at the locations specified in **Attachment C** of this licence.

This licence also authorises the principal licensee to import or export those species, or materials listed in **Attachment B** interstate as provided under s126 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NPW Act) and to conduct research on park under clause 23 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009* (NPW Reg), where this forms part of a project approved by a delegated officer of OEH.

This licence is issued subject to the provisions of NPW Act, NPW Reg, the general conditions listed below, any special conditions as may be notified in writing to the licensee by the Director General of the Department of Premier and Cabinet ("Director General") or a 'delegated officer' of OEH ("delegated officer") and the OEH "Scientific Licensing" policy.

*Julie M. Innes*  
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**Signature of Delegated Officer**

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**Signature of Principal Licensee\***

Date: 15 May 2014

Date:.....

\* This licence is not valid unless it is signed by the principal licensee. By signing this licence the licensee agrees that they have read, understood and agree to comply with all of the conditions listed on the licence.

## LICENCE CONDITIONS

### Specific

- a) It is the licensee's responsibility to ensure that any obligations under the *NSW Animal Research Act 1985* are met.
- b) Work on NPWS estate is permitted only with the prior written consent of the relevant area manager.
- c) The NPWS Frog hygiene protocol is to be followed at all times when working in habitat likely to contain frogs.

### General

1. Only the person/s named on the licence, or authorised to operate under the terms and conditions of the licence, may undertake the work. This licence is not transferable except with written confirmation from Wildlife Licensing & Management Unit ("WLMU").
2. The principal licensee may vary the associated parties authorised during the term of the licence only by maintaining a signed and dated register of the associates. A copy of the register must be provided to WLMU at renewal or on request by an authorised officer.
3. The licensee must carry this licence at all times whilst work is being undertaken in the field. Where multiple parties are listed, photocopies will suffice provided some other proof of identity can be provided e.g. Driver's licence.
4. The licensee must provide other parties authorised to conduct the specified activities with a copy of this licence.
5. The licensee must obtain the permission of the owner, manager or occupier of lands upon which research is conducted (**for persons working on NPWS lands see also conditions 18-20**).
6. Specimens or samples taken under this licence must not be sold, bartered, given, lent or promised to others without the prior written approval of the Director General or delegate.
7. Collections or research shall, as far as is possible, be carried out away from the view of the public.
8. The licensee shall indemnify and keep indemnified, so far as the law allows, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Minister administering the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, the Government of New South Wales, the Director General of the Department of Premier and Cabinet, and the National Parks and Wildlife Service and its servants, agents or contractors (herein jointly and severally referred to as "OEH"), FROM AND AGAINST all lawful suits, claims, demands, proceedings, costs, (including solicitor - client costs) and expenses of any nature whatsoever which the OEH may suffer or incur in connection with loss of life, personal injury or damage to property from an occurrence in connection with any land, premises, vehicle or other mode of conveyance or other item under the care, control or management of the OEH, and arising either directly or indirectly from any negligent or wrongful act or omission of the licensee in the course of an operation or activities pursuant to the licence or otherwise.

### Reporting requirements

9. The licensee undertaking survey, research or other biodiversity assessment works must provide a full report of the work carried out under this licence in the standard OEH excel format available at <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/nature/scientificLicenceDatasheet.xls>
10. The licensee must ensure that data submitted to OEH in the above format is accurate to **not less than 100m** (without suitable justification).
11. The licensee must submit reports online using a secure login acquired from OEH Wildlife Data Unit. Contact [atlas@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:atlas@environment.nsw.gov.au) for account details and guidelines.
12. Licensees undertaking work that cannot be supplied in the above format must provide a report to the OEH specifying:
  - a. Title of the project
  - b. A precise description of the locality including geographic coordinates where practical
  - c. Results of the project
13. The licensee may also be required to complete a metadata proforma for works on NPWS estate.
14. Licensees undertaking permanent/semi-permanent marking, banding or tagging must provide marking details (e.g. tag number, date, location, species) to OEH with any renewal application.
15. The licensee must provide a copy of any final report and/or any scientific papers relating to this work to the Director General (marked "attention Wildlife Licensing & Management Unit") when the study is completed.

### **Additional reporting requirements for consultants**

16. Licences issued to consultants and consulting companies for survey and assessment purposes are required to provide a list of the sites where work was conducted and a list of the reports produced. A copy of these reports may be requested.

17. Reports in accordance with licence conditions 9. to 16. must be provided annually, from the “valid from” date of the licence.

#### **Projects undertaken on NPWS managed land**

18. The licensee may only undertake works in NPWS managed lands with the prior written approval of the relevant Area Manager and comply with any imposed restrictions or conditions.
19. The licensee must maintain regular contact with the NPWS Area office throughout the project as park management activities and other events may affect access to research locations. Access to reserves may be restricted during management activities or other while the reserve is closed for other reasons.
20. The licensee must only use vehicles on public roads unless otherwise approved by an authorised officer.

It is an offence under the *National Parks & Wildlife Regulation 2009* to breach any of the conditions of this licence, issue any false receipt, make a false entry in any record, or otherwise keep a false record or provide false or misleading records or information (Maximum Penalty \$3300).

#### **Records, notifications and inquiries should be directed to:**

Wildlife Licensing and Management Unit  
Office of Environment and Heritage  
PO Box 1967  
Hurstville NSW 1481

Phone: 02 9585 6406  
Fax: 02 9585 6401  
Email: [wildlife.licensing@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wildlife.licensing@environment.nsw.gov.au)

#### **Additional Information for licence holders**

It is the licence holder’s responsibility to ensure they are familiar with any other relevant statutory or regulatory provisions relevant to this licence such as the ***National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009*** particularly with respect to activities undertaken on NPWS managed lands, the ***Firearms Act 1999***, any local council, building and health requirements and codes of practice under the ***Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979*** as well as specific requirements under the ***Animal Research Act 1985***. On the expiration of your permit the onus is on you to renew. While OEH forwards renewal notices to permit holders, it will not be responsible for the non-receipt of such a notice.

It is the licensee’s responsibility to inform themselves of any likely hazards and ensure that appropriate risk management and emergency procedures are developed and in place for works undertaken on NPWS managed lands. The risk management and emergency procedures will also extend to cover OEH staff and any other third parties which may be impacted by the licensee's works. OEH accepts no responsibility for any event which results in the licensee suffering any loss. The licensee will be held liable for any damages resulting from their works which have impacted on OEH staff or any other third party.

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**Attachment A**

**Other parties**

In addition to the principal licensee identified above, the following parties are also authorised under this licence:

Title	Name
Dr	Shane Ahyong
Mr	Paul Van der Werf

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**Attachment B**

**Licence Class**

<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Start Date</b>
Research	13/05/2011
Ecological Survey/consultancy	13/05/2011

**Focus of work**

This project authorises the licensee to Harm, Pick, collect or otherwise interact with the following species, communities or materials as described on this licence in the listed quantities:

<b>Species Type</b>	<b>Family</b>	<b>Genus</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Species Code</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Target Parts</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Qty</b>
FA Other	ALL FISH				ALL FISH AQUATIC MACROINVERTEBRATES			

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**Attachment C**

**Project location**

This project is authorised in the following areas:

NPWS Estate

Tenure Type	Branch	Region	Area	Park	Karst Area
NPWS Estate				Only with Area Manager consent	

Other

Tenure Type	State Forests	CMA Region	LGA	Lot Sec DP	Marine Park	Other Location
Other						Non-NPWS estate