

# Kimberley Biodiversity Review



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## **Summary and Recommendations**

This document presents a review of ecological value in the Kimberley region of Western Australia prepared by the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC). This review was initiated at the request of the Standing Inter-Agency Committee when considering industrial development in the Kimberley and the current limited knowledge of environmental and cultural assets contained within the Region. The DEC subsequently supported and guided the review to address what is known of biological value in the Region, the gaps in our knowledge and the best way forward to fill in priority gaps and ensure the Kimberley landscape is managed responsibly.

### **Issue**

The Kimberley Region, in the State's northwest, is a unique and relatively untouched area of Western Australia. Due to its remoteness and rugged terrain, the Kimberley has remained largely undeveloped. It has a unique and rich biodiversity and is an area high in both natural and cultural heritage across terrestrial and marine environments. Values, or assets, in the Kimberley include its rich and relatively untouched mangroves, unique ecosystems represented by rainforest patches, mound springs and the many coastal islands, species richness and diversity in the wetter and more rugged terrain of the northwest, high degree of local endemism and protection from the extent of many threatening processes, so far, due to the remoteness of the region, the sub tropical climate and limited settlement.

Historically the Kimberley has maintained a low population and limited development. Land use practices have included pastoralism, agriculture, pearling, aquaculture and fishing. However, the low number of population centres and the rugged terrain has meant that much of the landscape has remained unused and undeveloped. There are a number of aboriginal groups and settlements in the Kimberley and large tracts of aboriginal land.

Over recent years there has been increasing interest in expansion and development in the Kimberley. Tourism is a growing industry, particularly ecotourism and nature based activities. Aquaculture is also expanding in the Kimberley. However, the largest area of growth that has potential for significant impact is the increasing interest in exploration and mining, particularly for petroleum resources. There are large gas fields in the Browse Basin (offshore of the Kimberley) and while this source of petroleum is in Commonwealth territory, it is likely that any infrastructure to support mining of the resource will be under State jurisdiction.

It is critical that government recognises the unique values encompassed by the Kimberley in a regional context and that adequate measures are put into place to protect these values in the face of this growing interest in development and expansion. The Kimberley contains tropical to sub tropical climate and land systems that include vast woodland, rugged sandstone, large embayments and many archipelago islands. The terrestrial environment can be viewed as a transition zone from sub tropical to tropical and has more in common with the biodiversity of the tropical north than with the rest of WA. The marine environment includes some of the most pristine and interesting coral reef in Australia in the oceanic shoals regions and an unknown, but suspected, high diversity and productivity in the many nearshore and coastal reefs. The marine species also show much in common with the broader indo-pacific region. Thus, the Kimberley must be looked at in a broader context of its value in the Australian and global environment. An ecologically sustainable framework needs to be developed that will facilitate the conservation of ecological values while ensuring there are adequate opportunities for nature appreciation, recreational and commercial activities, research and education.

### **Methods**

This review set about understanding and identifying the many values of the Kimberley and our current level of understanding of these by compiling a bibliography of written reports and papers on the Kimberley and by identifying relevant data sets on its environment. Several recent reviews on various aspects of the Kimberley were instrumental in this regard. As, a great deal of the information on the Kimberley is not published, a number of experts on both the marine and terrestrial environment were also consulted for additional advice and perspective. It is this shared body of knowledge that is reviewed and assessed in the report. This review covers a very broad range of topics and issues in both the marine and terrestrial environment and aims to provide a broad scale assessment of the Kimberley and its ecological assets.

Providing detailed accounts and assessment of each specific asset or specific location are beyond the scope and capacity of this document. However, where possible, references are made to where more detailed information can be found. Table 1 contains a summary of the assessment of ecological value in the Kimberley including both a rating on significance, where it can be assessed, and identification of the priority information that will need to be gathered to fill critical knowledge gaps.

### **Recommendations**

The Kimberley contains many valuable ecological assets and these need to be properly recognised and protected. The following recommendations are the first steps towards ensuring that these values are properly identified, described and protected over the long term.

- Figure 1 presents a composite map highlighting areas noted in this review to contain high ecological values. Development should be strongly discouraged in these areas. This would include: the northwestern corner where the high rainfall and landscape complexity equate to very rich biodiversity; islands for their unique values and ability to act as refuges for many species; rainforest patches and mound springs for the unique biota which they contain; mangrove and mudflats for their high productivity and contribution to important ecosystems; and reef systems along the continental shelf for their scarcity and regional significance. The importance of these areas in terms of their ecological value should be taken into consideration in the assessment of proposals for development or mining.
- Areas of highest conservation value need to be protected. The EPA have made recommendations in the past for the expansion of the reserve system in the Kimberly, as have the DEC (white book). These proposed reserves need to be reviewed given the current level of understanding of the Region and then need to be followed through to create a substantive reserve system that meets CAR standards in the Kimberley.
- Consideration of data management and developing a system to identify and make accessible current and future research in the Kimberley is critical. While such a project is being undertaken for the marine environment (NW inventory), there is no such commitment for the terrestrial component. It is critical for future planning activity and to properly assess development applications and research initiatives that this be undertaken in the first instance. Top priority should be given to the development of a metadata database of terrestrial based research in a format that meets the national standards of metadata and can be accessed and searched by those involved in regional planning, land management, conservation and/or research. Once the meta-databases described above are available, the DEC should ensure that this information is accessed and used when assessing development applications.
- In addition to the above, a very useful tool for both planning and assessment activities would be the conversion of the information collated on research in the metadatabases described above into a GIS format that would be compatible with the SIER index described later in this report. This format would include a GIS layer of shapefiles that would spatially depict where research has taken place in the region of interest with links to information on the project, its objectives, any documents or publications that have resulted from the work and a contact for further information. Such a tool should be considered a priority when collecting this type of information across a broad regional area and should be compatible with other similar spatial datasets held by the DEC.
- Assistance should be sought from proponents in compiling regional information. There is a large amount of grey literature (e.g. unpublished, internal reports) on the Kimberley through environmental consultants working on behalf of the various proponents. It would be useful to the EIA process to be able to capture this information so that there is a better understanding of what has and has not been investigated and over what range. In addition, for future proposals, proponents should be required to provide data in a suitable and compatible digital format to the DEC.
- Consideration should be given to regional scale processes when reviewing development applications and making decisions on development and conservation priorities in the Kimberley. These include such issues as migratory species that have both a national and international significance, including international conventions governing the identification and management of critical habitat (e.g. migratory birds, humpback whales, marine turtles) and processes that have the potential to impact on

large parts of, if not all of, the region such as climate change, fire and invasion of feral pests (e.g. cane toads, cats). These factors need to be considered and managed at a regional level and should be recognised and taken into account by decision-makers.

- Indigenous values and issues were not looked at in this review and are critical to any assessment for future planning in the Kimberley. A thorough review of aboriginal land and social values is required, including identifying important sites or areas and harnessing indigenous knowledge of the land and its biodiversity.
- A number of assets identified in the review are largely unexamined and require further information for any reasonable assessment on their value and priorities for protection. Following are the priority research topics identified, however, these are by no means the only information gaps:
  - Systematic quadrat based survey of the terrestrial environment to assess species status and distribution.
  - Systematic survey of the marine environment, shelf reef system and coastal waters, to develop a thorough understanding of reef and fish biodiversity and community interactions.
  - Establishment of a long term data collection regime through Identification of sufficient reference sites covering all ecosystem types, selected on the basis of a regional scale broadscale survey, to collect time series data of relevant physical/chemical properties of waters and sediment, and measures of health of key biological communities (eg. coral, mangroves, algae and phytoplankton). These reference sites will provide an important baseline to measure trends over time and allow environmental quality guidelines to be developed to support planning, impact assessment and management by the public and private sectors. Ideally, these reference sites should be given tenure to ensure they remain un-impacted in the long term to maximise the benefit and utility of the data collection program over time.
  - Expansion of research effort into unexplored areas and at different times of the year (e.g. wet season).
  - Assessment of the geomorphology of the Kimberley coast and nearshore islands and finer scale soil and geological mapping of the terrestrial environment.
  - Updated mapping and assessments of key habitat including mangrove, seagrass, rainforest and coral reef.
  - Identification of critical habitat of the threatened marine fauna that occurs in the Kimberley, e.g. dugong, marine turtle, humpback whale. This should include recognised breeding and feeding areas and temporal scales for these activities. Further, assessment of the indigenous harvest of dugong and marine turtle is critical to assess and manage population sustainability.
  - Development of a better understanding of physical oceanographic processes in the coastal and offshore environment including particle flow, connectivity and potential for impacts of climate change.
  - Better understanding of island biogeography including species distribution and divergence from mainland populations.
  - Understanding human use patterns in the Kimberley, particularly in the area of tourism and recreational activities and relevant socioeconomic factors and impacts.
- The isolation of the Kimberley and difficult terrain makes research in the Kimberley difficult both financially and logistically. Therefore research should be carefully planned so that it is directed towards key objectives and is not repeating or overlapping with other projects. There is a need for collaborative and coordinated research effort. Development of the above mentioned database will assist in coordinating research effort, however collaboration between State agencies, research institutions and industry should be developed so that research is as effective as possible in broadening our understanding of the region. This may involve larger projects jointly funded that

examines physical and economic parameters in large scale. Priority tasks have been to increase his list of objectives

- Development of knowledge of Finance: Finance priorities research project participation and implementation
- Knowledge synthesis and provision of information on the present and future of research and development of the knowledge applied to the development of knowledge and collaboration between researchers and participants in industry and research groups
- Development of guidance on which will assist and stimulate direct and indirect investment in EC in research and development in various areas of regional development.

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## Introduction

The Kimberley Region, in the State's northwest, is a unique and relatively untouched area of Western Australia. Due to its remoteness and rugged terrain, the Kimberley has remained largely undeveloped. It has a unique and rich biodiversity and is an area high in both natural and cultural heritage across terrestrial and marine environments. In addition, it is considered to be part of the tropical north of Australia and, in climate and biodiversity, has more in common with the tropical north than with other parts of Western Australia. The Kimberley must not be viewed in isolation as a tropical section of WA, but must be considered in the context of broader Australian ecology and also within the context of the Indo-Pacific Region.

Western Australia is recognized at State, national and international arenas for its biodiversity, both richness and uniqueness and the Kimberley region is a key component of the statewide biodiversity. However, WA also experiences a high level of threat to biodiversity through development and use of natural resources and, although the Kimberley has remained relatively untouched previously, it is coming under increasing pressures from a variety of human impacts associated with development and natural resource use.

The Draft State Biodiversity Conservation strategy highlights the need to improve our understanding and knowledge of biodiversity conservation requirements and to promote conservation through integrated and coordinated resource management and development. Inventory and planning at a regional level are tools used to identify key values, take stock of development and environmental trends and human needs and plan for the future.

While there is a focus on identifying and preserving the unique values of the Kimberley, such a regional planning exercise must also take into account the needs of a growing and developing Western Australia and work towards ensuring development is consistent with the desired environmental outcomes. An assessment of the environmental and ecological values in both the marine and terrestrial environments of the Kimberley, is required now to determine what values are present, how widely they are spread and the management needs to maintain these values into the future. This information would also assist in regional planning which, amongst other things, would assist in identifying the most appropriate locations for development to occur so as not to compromise those identified values. It is recognised that it is not possible to maintain the entire Kimberley as a 'wilderness' area. Rather, competing needs for land use, including conservation should be taken into account in a regional planning exercise to identify the most appropriate sites for reservation, for indigenous community uses and for development. It is important that an all of government approach be taken here so that all perspectives and needs are recognised and considered, including those of the general public, industry, natural resource managers, natural and cultural heritage and indigenous communities.

This report seeks to work towards these goals by identifying known biodiversity or ecological values in the Kimberley that should be preserved and assessing our level of knowledge on the Region such that important information gaps that limit our ability to identify values, and to protect and manage them from anthropogenic threats are highlighted. To meet WA's conservation and environmental protection goals in the Kimberley we must first have a good understanding of the biodiversity and ecosystems that comprise the region and the key factors that control their structure and function so that we may identify where they are found across the landscape and how they can best be managed. Then a strategic approach may be taken to develop conservation and management strategies for the Region that will both preserve the unique values of the Kimberley and allow sensible development and other human activities where appropriate. It is critical that this process has a foundation of strong science to inform decision making and it is equally critical that the Kimberley be viewed as a whole within the context of its role in the tropical northwest and the broader Indo Pacific Region.

### **1.1 Background and purpose of review**

There is a growing interest in access to industrial sites in the West Kimberley region, in particular due to proposed development of the Browse Basin gas field by the petroleum industry. While the Browse Basin is largely in Commonwealth waters, processing facilities to service development are likely to be onshore or on islands under State jurisdiction. It is understood that the development of major gas projects in the Kimberley is a

potential catalyst for other resource related projects and development, e.g. bauxite mining near the Mitchell Plateau.

A 'coarse screen' of ecological values for the West Kimberley Coast based on current existing knowledge was requested so that a strategic means of decision making that was not industry-led could be developed. The main goals of this project are to identify and summarise existing information in the Kimberley region, use this information to assess known ecological values and identify critical information and knowledge gaps. It is recognised that, to be most useful, this information must be easily understood and accessible by those making decisions on future development in the Kimberley Region and to that end, maps are included as a spatial representation of the values discussed, where possible.

## **1.2 Scope of project**

This report focuses on the coastal and marine areas of northwestern WA, however information on the terrestrial environment and greater Kimberley Region, as defined by the Department of Environment and Conservation's regional boundaries, is considered to put the proposed area into a regional context. The greatest focus has gone into areas suitable and likely for speculation by the petroleum industry. Thus the report will cover in as much detail as possible, the coastal and near-shore marine areas of the Kimberley Region from the western extremities of the archipelagos and in-shore islands to a similar distance inland from the coast. Islands further offshore, but considered to be of interest to Industry were also included.

Nineteen sites of particular interest have been identified by at least one proponent within the Petroleum Industry as possible foci of future development proposals. These sites are: Beagle Bay; Emeriau Point; Deep Water Point; Cockatoo Island; Koolan Island; Irvine Island; Langii, Wilson Point; Battery Point; Adele Island; Champagne Island; Bigge Island; Maret Islands; Cape Voltaire; Cassini Island; Troughton Island; Echuca Shoals; Browse Island; Scott Reef. Information on these specific sites has been included wherever possible.

Indigenous issues are a critical element of any regional information gathering exercise and are highly relevant to regional planning for the Kimberley. However, a thorough assessment of these issues is beyond the scope of this assessment. It is recognised that indigenous communities hold valuable information on biodiversity and this resource remains largely untapped. Further, it is recognised that the Kimberley Region includes a number of important cultural heritage sites and aboriginal lands. Indigenous communities will need to be engaged to resolve planning issues for the Kimberley at both broad and site specific scales.

Also outside the scope of this project are the jurisdiction and territorial boundary issues that are relevant to the marine environment, e.g. the North West Shoals, Scott Reef.

## **2 Aims**

The aim of the project is to provide a contemporary understanding of the information that is available on the Kimberley so that the DEC may support and facilitate research to address critical information gaps and provide accurate and relevant advice for the strategic development of the Region. The three main objectives to achieve this aim are:

- To compile a thorough bibliography of publications, reports and studies on the Kimberley, noting key documents with critical information on ecological value, threats and recommendations for future conservation and management of the area.
- To present, in a spatial format, an indication of known ecological values, level of available knowledge, information gaps and limitations on both proponents and the government in making future assessments.
- To prepare a report supporting and explaining the maps described above and including an overview of the Region, the level of information available and making key recommendations that would facilitate sound strategic planning and decision making by government.

### **3 Methods**

This review set about achieving the above objectives through assessing the published and unpublished literature on the Kimberley and through identifying available spatial datasets.

#### **3.1 Literature Review**

Several reviews have been conducted in recent years that have captured available information on the Kimberley region (e.g. Wilson 2006, Handasyde 2005, Jones 2006, Stewart et al. 2005, Graham and McKenzie 2004). This literature review was developed by first capturing the reference lists from the reviews noted above and expanding those to include other relevant documents and studies identified through literature searches of the DEC and other libraries and the internet. In addition, a number of experts in the field noted for their research in the Kimberley were contacted and advice sought on key and relevant documents as well as current research and research in progress. References were all entered into a spreadsheet database including title, author and publication details. To aid in sorting literature, between 1 and 3 themes were recorded against each document in the database.

#### **3.2 Spatial Data Review**

The spatial representation of this assessment has several components: identifying relevant and useful spatial datasets available on the Kimberley and determining which datasets best demonstrate ecological value and knowledge gaps in the Kimberley. The compilation of datasets was undertaken similar to the literature review and relied heavily on previous projects that have assessed and reviewed spatial data for the Kimberley (e.g. Stewart et al. 2005, Handasyde 2006, WWF 2005). In addition, a number of spatial databases and directories available on the internet were searched to identify further datasets of interest in the Kimberley. The main databases and directories searched included (but were not limited to) WALIS interrogator, Australian Spatial Data Directory, Australian Wetlands Database, Australian Natural Resources Atlas and the Environment Data Directory. These searches identified a number of datasets and reports of varying interest. All datasets were entered into a spreadsheet providing information on name, description of data, custodian, accessibility, whether the dataset includes digital data and its format.

#### **3.3 Review of Environmental Values in the Kimberley**

The literature and datasets identified in the above two sections were assessed to provide a broad scale understanding of the Kimberley, its ecological values and the information gaps that must be filled in order to underpin sound decision-making by environmental managers. While it would not be possible to read and digest all of the literature identified, a list of key publications was developed, in consultation with experts. Many of the items on this list included the biological surveys that have been conducted in the area along with several reviews of biodiversity in the marine and terrestrial environment. The full list of key documents can be found in Attachment 1.

In spite of the range of literature available on the Kimberley, it is understood that much information, particularly regarding ecological values and priorities, is held by the scientists and individuals who have devoted their time to exploring and understanding the region. For this reason, in addition to assessing literature, it was deemed important to engage with these experts and gain their collective wisdom on the Region and perceived areas of importance and research priorities. To that end, a range of scientists and land managers were invited to attend a workshop to discuss the project. Individuals who could not attend the workshop were contacted separately to discuss their views on biodiversity in the Kimberley. Outcomes of the workshop have assisted in establishing critical areas in the Kimberley, identifying suitable tools to display values and identifying research gaps and future research priorities. Attachment 2 contains a list of attendees to the workshop, discussion points and outcomes.

### **4 Literature Review**

The bibliography on the Kimberley currently includes 992 entries. Of these, 22 have been identified as key documents that provide reviews of the region or particular aspects of the region, including recommendations on ecological value and reserves for conservation. A further 115 were identified as key survey documents useful in assessing the level of survey effort of fauna and flora that has taken place across the Kimberley in assessing the Regions flora and fauna. As noted above, Attachment 1 contains the list of key documents. The full bibliography is contained within a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 4) and held by the DEC, EMB.

The range of published information on the Kimberley was quite broad covering such topics as fauna and flora surveys, historic exploration notes, aboriginal ethnobotany and economic planning. The Kimberley itself covers such diverse habitats as wetland, savanna and tropical rainforest as well as a range of marine coastal habitats.

This review focussed mainly on the literature that is accessible through publications and government department reports. There is undoubtedly a great deal of grey literature on the Kimberley that is difficult to assess and acquire. For example, projects undertaken by consultants for industry are typically not published and difficult to identify. Further, such information may be of limited value as it is generally site specific and may not meet scientific standards. Essentially, there is more information out there than represented in the literature review, but it will be difficult to capture and to assess. Given that, it would be a very useful exercise to acquire the unpublished reports and information held by various proponents as, in many instances, this is the only available ecological information. It would be worthwhile pursuing an agreement with proponents that future exploration and research reports be provided directly to the DEC.

## **5 Spatial Data Review**

A total of 229 datasets were identified that contained information in the Kimberley across both the marine and terrestrial environment. This includes broadscale datasets that cover a large area beyond the Kimberley such as vegetation mapping of the north end of Australia by the Tropical Savanna CRC and specific datasets for a single project such as fauna records from the Kimberley Rainforest Survey. There was some duplication between the various sources of datasets that were similar but might contain slightly different information. When duplicate datasets were removed, there were 209 datasets remaining. Attachment 3 contains a full list of the 209 datasets along with brief description and custodian. More detailed information on all 229 datasets is held in a Microsoft excel spreadsheet by the DEC, EPASU.

Not all datasets that were identified include spatial data and those that do are stored in a variety of formats. It is a very large task to acquire datasets from many different sources and to compile them into a single compatible format that may be used to display various layers of information through mapping exercises. Because of the magnitude of the task, it was decided in this project to focus on identifying as many datasets as possible, but to acquire or use for mapping purposes those datasets that would be most useful to the exercise and those that could be easily obtained in an appropriate format by the DEC. It should be noted that, when exploring available data, particularly spatial data, it is critical to have a clear idea in mind of the purpose to which that data will be used. This will set limits on the number and type of datasets that may need to be acquired.

### **5.1 Mapping Ecological Value**

The dataset review identified a number of datasets for which there is spatial information, i.e. could be used to map features in the Kimberley. Datasets that were considered to contain information relevant to ecological values and that could be easily accessed by the DEC (either as corporate data or through a license agreement) were obtained and considered for mapping purposes. A full list of datasets considered is in Attachment 3. Discussions at the workshop above highlighted which datasets would be most useful in demonstrating ecological values (e.g. threatened species, rainforest) and growing potential for impacts (e.g. land use).

Maps were created by the IMB section of DEC in ArcGis9 using corporate data and several datasets that were acquired from external or internal sources.

A means of demonstrating the extent of research in the Kimberley and information gaps was also considered. A project has been initiated by the Environmental Protection Authority Service Unit of the DEC: the Spatial Index of Environmental Reports (SIER). The SIER seeks to catalogue in a GIS format those projects which typically go un-catalogued and unused by government agencies. It comprises a database of such projects with a shapefile to depict the location of the project and an associated attributes table with information on the purpose of the project, type of data collected, principle investigator contact details and associated publications.

It was initially proposed to expand this catalogue with key survey and research projects that have been conducted in the Kimberley. However, there were concerns over the misrepresentation of survey effort where several small sites might have been visited, yet a larger area depicted by a shapefile that would cover all sites. While mapping individual survey sites, might overcome this problem, it would not address concerns over ability to detail the specific nature and limitations of various surveys, e.g. all surveys in the dry season only, surveys specific for fish or amphibians, etc. In addition, the large number of research papers identified, even if limited to key survey documents, would have entailed a substantial amount of work to enter into the SIER catalogue. It was decided that expansion of the SIER catalogue, while useful, was not a top priority for this project.

In terms of demonstrating where research has and has not occurred, it was agreed that any spatial representation of survey effort through mapping survey sites or the collection of specimens held by the Museum would always be misleading. Such maps typically demonstrate that research effort has been focussed on more easily accessible areas, e.g. along roads, and in National Parks (Handasyde 2006). In addition, such maps also require the important caveat that just because threatened fauna/ecological valuable features have been found at certain prominent sites does not exclude their presence from many other sites in the Kimberley.

It was therefore agreed that demonstrating survey effort was not appropriate for this study. However, a spatial tool such as the SIER index is still considered a very useful model and one that will be important in assessing the type of research and level of information available about specific areas within a region. Even though time and resources did not allow its expansion for this project, it should be considered a priority, particularly to capture current and future research effort across the Kimberley. There are several projects underway at the moment within the DEC and linkages should be developed between these projects so that products are compatible. Namely, through the regional planning exercises for the southwest marine region, a database has been compiled of relevant marine datasets and marine research and a GIS layer compiled with representation of research projects and associated information, including contact details. This would serve as a good model, along with the SIER index for how information could be compiled and displayed for the Kimberley. An ongoing issue with the development of such a database, and one that will be brought up below, is the long term custodianship and management implications for marinating this information.

## **6 Review of Ecological Values in the Kimberley**

A number of reviews have been conducted on the Kimberley region in recent years and there are others currently underway. Rather than repeat the efforts of these previous projects, this report draws upon them and, in some instances, summarises information they contain, whilst referring to them for further detail. For example, Handasyde (2006) presents a thorough review of research and biodiversity information on the terrestrial environment for the Kimberley with the main focus on the mainland and on issues relevant to fire management. Wilson (2006) has prepared a thorough review of the coastal marine habitat of the Kimberley Bioregion (IMCRA), with mention of other adjacent marine bioregions where relevant. This information provides a very good summary of what is known of the marine environment from both historical exploration and current research and rates ecological value, vulnerability and threats. Stewart et

al. (2005) provides an assessment of all datasets available on the Canning Bioregion (IMCRA). This report includes an assessment of the information in terms of knowledge gaps and adequacy of information on marine ecosystem in preparation for marine regional planning.

In addition, the Department of Fisheries is currently reviewing the fish resources of the Kimberley and addressing fishery management issues in the region including making recommendations for use of marine resources. The Kimberley Land Council (KLC) is sponsoring a project on indigenous values, in particular ecological values held by the indigenous community and developing strategies to maintain these values. Finally, the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) has recently commissioned a report similar to this one to identify ecological value in the north west coastal area of the Kimberley.

The CSIRO have also recently completed a very large exercise reviewing and compiling marine data and resources on the marine environment of the North West Shelf (North West Shelf Joint Environmental Management Survey (NWSJEMS)). There are a series of 18 Technical reports that cover various aspects of the review. The study area for NWSJEMS focussed on the NWS shelf from North West Cape to Port Hedland, However, a number of studies identified related to marine research that covered the IMCRA NWS region which includes offshore waters of the Kimberley. Heyward et al. (2006) provides an overview of the project including gaps in knowledge and Jernakoff et al. (2006) provide a bibliography of all published and unpublished papers identified through the study.

## **6.1 Bioregions**

Ecosystem based classification systems have been developed to describe marine and coastal environments (Interim Marine and Coastal Regionalisation of Australia (IMCRA)) and terrestrial environments (Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia (IBRA)). These classification systems incorporate the broad scale and general differences in the relevant environments and aim to provide ecologically meaningful regionalisation. Through this report, information is presented, where relevant according to these boundaries. (Figure 2 depicts both IMCRA and IBRA boundaries for the Kimberley and highlights those discussed in this report).

## **6.2 Regional Background**

### **6.2.1 General Description of Area**

The Kimberley region occupies the northwestern corner of Western Australia, covering approximately 424,500 square kilometres. It comprises a wide variety of landforms and vegetation which support a diverse and rich marine and terrestrial biodiversity. The region is in a remote area of WA and has remained largely undeveloped and uninhabited and, although subject to some landuse practices such as pastoralism, maintains a near pristine natural environment across much of the landscape. Features associated with the Kimberley coast include its magnificent ria coastline with narrow embayments, drowned valleys, tidal lands, fringing mangroves, interconnecting islands and archipelagos (Bradshaw and Weaver 1993, Zell 2003). The terrestrial environment is dominated by tropical woodland savannah and includes such features as rugged ranges, valleys and gorges, rainforest patches, old sea beds and Devonian coral reef.

The Kimberley supports a diverse variety of ecosystems within a tropical savanna landscape that is dominated by open woodlands of eucalypt and acacia with hummock and tussock grassland understory. Terrestrial ecosystems within the Kimberley include extensive coastal archipelagos, tidal plains, mangrove, coastal dunes with vine thickets, rainforest patches, mound springs, red and black soil plains, sandstone and limestone ranges, permanent springs and riparian zones and karst systems. The Region supports a rich and diverse biodiversity that is in many ways more similar to the tropical top end of Australia than to other parts of Western Australia. The Kimberley is also unique in that its fauna assemblage is assumed to be largely intact.

The marine environment is influenced by the large tidal range (5-10m) and includes extensive mud flats, fringing coral reef, numerous coastal and offshore islands and offshore embankments and atolls.

In economic terms, the Kimberley is a dynamic region that has undergone a large amount of change in land use and habitation over recent years. Historically the Kimberley has gone from a land of sole Aboriginal occupation to include pastoralism and pearling and, more recently, resource extraction, agriculture and tourism. As the economic base of the Kimberley grows through these new interests and uses, employment opportunities increase, attracting an increasing number of residents to a once very sparsely populated area.

### 6.2.2 *Climate*

The climate of the Kimberley is described as dry monsoonal or dry hot tropical. There are two distinct seasons- a wet and a dry- with several transition periods. Generally the wet season lasts from November to March and the dry from April to October. Annual rainfall occurs in monsoonal summer cyclonic rains. The region ranges from semi-humid in the north to semi-arid in the south with average annual rainfall ranging from 1500mm per annum in the northwest to 350mm per annum in the southern, semi arid areas. Temperatures are high year round, with monthly averages between 25-35°C.

### 6.2.3 *Geology and Geomorphology*

The Kimberley has a very unique and complex geology with rocks and formations ranging from extremely ancient to relatively recent. It covers a vast area and a range of ecosystems based on underlying geomorphology, soils and vegetation structure. The IBRA bioregionalisation system takes into account these underlying factors and identifies regions of similar pattern and ecosystem. This system is useful as it identifies broad scale landscape patterns and values in each region and will be used in this report to describe the various bioregions within the Kimberley Region.

The Kimberley Region encompasses 3 IBRA bioregions (Northern Kimberley, Central Kimberley and Dampierland) and parts of an additional 4 bioregions (Victoria Bonaparte, Ord Victoria Plain, Tanami Desert and Great Sandy Desert). The area of interest for this review falls within the 3 IBRA bioregions completely contained within the Kimberley and comprises 4 of the 7 subregions within the bioregions. Figure 2 identifies the IBRA bioregions with the area of interest highlighted. The descriptions provided by Thackway and Creswell (1995) (repeated below) provide a good profile of the region. More detailed descriptions can be found in May et al. (2003) and McKenzie et al. (2003).

Topography of the Kimberley is complex comprising a variety of landforms, soils and geological factors with associated ecosystems and vegetation distribution. Generally the Kimberley includes an array of land forms and ecosystems such as complex ria coastline, river systems, Devonian reef limestone, rainforest patches and grassy woodland. Common vegetation cover includes woodland of varying eucalypts depending on soil type and rainfall, and understories of tall grass species. Pindan, a distinctive vegetation type common in the Dampierland bioregion, comprises red sandy soil, a range of wattle species and grass layer.

Dampierland, in the south west of the Kimberley contains four landforms each with its characteristic vegetation types. These include: quaternary sandplain overlying Jurassic and Mesozoic sandstone with pindan vegetation; quaternary marine deposits over coastal plains with mangal, samphire and grassland communities and low forests; quaternary alluvial plains with Permian and mesozoic sediments of the Fitzroy Trough with tree savannas and riparian forests; Devonian reef limestone with sparte tree steppe and hummock grasses.

The Central Kimberley bioregion covers hilly to mountainous terrain. Siliceous ranges of proterozoic sedimentary rocks and skeletal sandy soils support hummock grass and scattered tree communities. Proterozoic volcanic earths in the valleys support ribbon grass with scattered tree communities and open forests occur along drainage lines.

The northern Kimberley bioregion contains shallow sandy soil on outcrops of proterozoic siliceous sandstone which support savanna woodland over grassland had hummock grasses. Riparian forests

occur along drainage lines. There are extensive mangal systems in estuaries and embayments and islands and numerous small patches of monsoon rainforest.

The marine environment has been similarly assigned an ecosystem based classification scheme; the interim Marine and Coastal Regionalization for Australia (IMCRA) (Interim Marine and Coastal Regionalization for Australia Technical Group 1998). Five of these bioregions are within the northwest Kimberley: Canning, King Sound, Kimberley, North West Shelf, Oceanic Shoals. The following descriptions have been taken from Thackway and Cresswell (1998).

The dominant factor in the extensive and convoluted coastline is the extreme tidal range of 5 to 10m. Coastal vegetation includes mangrove and saline grassland and herbland. Coastal topography also includes extensive sheer cliffs, sandy beaches and embayments.

The Canning bioregion runs from Cape Leveque to Cape Missiessy and includes the Lacepede islands. This region includes embayments and headlands with a wide tidal range (9m) and minimal fluvial run off. The climate is semi arid in the north to arid in the south. Wave energy ranges from low to moderate.

The King Sound region lies between Point Osborne and Shenton Bluff and comprises an open gulf encompassing the Fitzroy estuary and Stokes Bay. The Kimberley region extends from Cape Londonderry to Cape Leveque and includes the Buccaneer Archipelago. This region is characterised by rocky shores, mud flats, mangal, land locked marine and estuarine habitats. It is a remote area that has been little-studied.

The North West Shelf lies between the 30m bathymetric contour and the shelf edge off the Pilbara and Kimberley coast and has diverse benthic invertebrate communities and fish fauna.

The Oceanic Shoals includes submerged and emergent reefs and cays along the outer edge of the continental shelf. Areas of interest within the scope of this report are Seringapatam, Scott Reef, Rowley Shoals reef systems and Browse and Adele Islands

Wilson (2006) provides a good general description of the known marine geomorphology of the Kimberley bioregion and that information is summarised below. For further detail see Wilson (2006), Brooke (1995), (1996), (1997) or the Geological Series Bureau of Mineral Resources explanatory notes.

The Kimberley Basin is a Proterozoic sedimentary basin comprising sandstones, siltstones and some volcanics and intrusive igneous rocks. Surrounding the Kimberley Basin are the King Leopold and Halls Creek orogens, the intensely folded and faulted offshore Browse Basin and Bonaparte Basin.

The shoreline is mostly rocky with high relief. Reef development around the many inner islands appears to be Holocene accretionary veneer of coralline limestone on a proterozoic base. Offshore platform reefs and banks are built on Cainozoic limestone blocks.

Unlike other parts of the west coast, including the Pilbara, there is no evidence of Pleistocene reef development at or above present sea level. There is evidence that the continental shelf has subsided in the offshore areas, Oceanic Shoals and North West Shelf Bioregions, as the reefs have grown.

### **6.3 Dominant land use and social values**

The Kimberley is one of the most sparsely populated regions within Australia. Populations are centred in the few towns and in aboriginal communities and much of the land is inaccessible. European settlement has led to changes in the Kimberley. It has gone from an area with sole Aboriginal occupation to one where the dominant land use is pastoralism and aquaculture. Current main sources of economic activity are mining, tourism, fishing, irrigated agriculture, pearling, community services and pastoralism.

While pastoralism has been the main land use since early settlement by Europeans, this is slowly changing and there has been significant growth in pearling, fishing, tourism, mining, irrigated agriculture,



and conservation. Another major change in land use has been the interest in establishing and maintaining aboriginal communities away from existing towns.

While the Kimberley is considered by many a 'pristine' environment, this is not entirely the case. There are a variety of land uses present in the Kimberley and their intensity has increased, particularly in recent years. Whereas once the Kimberley was used primarily for agriculture and grazing, which brings its own set of impacts, current uses include substantial growth in tourism, aquaculture and extractive mining. Figures 3, 4 and 4a demonstrate the current land uses and sites where certain activities occur in the Kimberley. While this map demonstrates the variety of land use that occurs and where certain activities might take place, the intensity of land use has not been quantified and is not, therefore displayed. For example, there are large tracts of land identified for the purpose of pastoralism, but there is no information on the stocking rate of this land or the specific areas that may be impacted by cattle. Impacts are likely to be variable across the terrain with the highest level of impact near waterways where animals may congregate or on the fringes of grassland and woodland area where grazing impacts combined with fire regimes may lead to changes in local ecology and population biology.

### *6.3.1 Pastoralism*

As noted above (and displayed in Figure 4), large tracts of land in the Kimberley are under pastoral lease, typically for cattle stations. However, not all pastoral leases are used as such and intensity of use varies. For example, less than 1% of pasture in the North Kimberley and 11% in the West Kimberley is considered to be of high grazing value (Davies 1985).

### *6.3.2 Fishing and Aquaculture- commercial and recreational*

Fishing is both a commercial and recreational activity in the Kimberley region. There are a number of fisheries that operate in the area including prawn trawling, gillnet and barramundi, northern demersal scalefish, mackerel and shark. Management of these fisheries includes permitting and closures to ensure impacts are acceptable and activity is targeted in areas of high species abundance.

Recreational fishing is growing in the region with a seasonal peak in the winter due to increased tourism at that time. Recreational fishing occurs in creek systems, mangroves, rivers, ocean beaches, offshore islands, coral reef systems and the continental shelf waters and targets a variety of species.

Pearling has been a major industry in the Kimberley, particularly near Broome and the Dampier Peninsula. This industry has had a strong and lasting social effect in this area. The decline in wild pearl harvest has been replaced by an increase in pearl oyster farms.

Aquaculture is a growing industry in the north west for both pearl oyster and beche-de mer although production of pearls is the main industry. Wild oysters seeded for pearl production at 80 mile beach and around the Lacepede islands and major hatcheries operate at Broome and King Sound. There are pearl farms along the Kimberley coast, with key areas including the Buccaneer Archipelago, Roebuck Bay and the Montebello Islands. There is recent development in the aquaculture industry for growing trochus, barramundi and black tiger prawns.

### *6.3.2 Tourism*

There has been a recent growth in the tourism industry in the Kimberley based mainly on the increasing interest in ecotourism. The Kimberley is recognized as a 'last frontier', containing a wide array of pristine wilderness, natural attractions and complex landscapes. A variety of visitor experiences are provided in the Kimberley from backpacking to four wheel driving to escorted tours in both the terrestrial and marine environments. Attractions that have been identified as the most important to visitors to the northwest include marine life, beaches, rugged scenery, gorges, wildflowers and forests (Tourism Western Australia

2005). Tourism Western Australia further reports that tourism in the northwest contributed \$196 million to the economy in 2001/02.

Marine tourism includes non consumptive forms such as sightseeing along the coast and diving on coral reef and near-shore islands as well as consumptive forms such as game and sport fishing from charter boats or in the estuarine areas of the many rivers (Collins 2007). This form of tourism provides access to sites that would otherwise be inaccessible to tourists (Zell 2003).

Although marine tourism in the Kimberley has not been quantified, anecdotal reports suggested that it was expected to generate \$100 million in 2005 (Collins 2007). The growth of marine tourism and its continued good management in the Kimberley will make it an economically dominant industry in the region. However, the rapid and unplanned nature of the growth of this industry means that its sustainability is not assured as impacts increase on potentially sensitive areas. Figure 4a depicts the main marine tourism sites across the Kimberley.

The tourism growth trend is not spread evenly across the region, but is focussed on certain areas. Key spots include both marine and terrestrial sites, each with their own vulnerabilities. Tourism camp sites may cause physical damage including vegetation clearing, entrenched access tracks leading to erosion. There are a unique suite of management issues that come with the management of tourism areas. The fragile and pristine environment of the Kimberley could be vulnerable to increased visitation and thus requires considered management for this industry to be sustainable and conservation objectives met.

### *6.3.3 Mining/Exploration*

Mining and exploration are growing industries in the Kimberley. Over 230 mining tenement applications have been referred to the DEC for advice since 1992 as they include mining on DEC estate or proposed estate in the Kimberley region or have significant biodiversity values or Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs). There is the expectation that mining leases in the Kimberley will increase in the coming years. In 2006 there were active mines or proposals to mine bauxite (Mitchell Plateau), iron ore (Cockatoo and Koolan Islands), natural gas fields (offshore marine), oil fields (Leopold Downs), lead, zinc, diamond, nickel and platinoids (east Kimberley) (DOIR Map of Major Resources 2006). In addition there are port handling facilities at Broome, Derby and Wyndham and power station in the east Kimberley.

Exploration and mining of petroleum resources is imminent at the Browse Gas Field and this will have likely impacts in State waters and on State land where processing facilities are likely to be developed. A proposal for a Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) processing facility on the Maret Islands in the Bonaparte Archipelago has been referred to the EPA for environmental impact assessment. The LNG plant as currently contemplated would require construction of significant marine infrastructure including Material Offloading Facilities, LNG export wharves and natural gas feed lines. In addition to the LNG production facilities, the terrestrial infrastructure would include an air strip, accommodation and administration facilities and a causeway linking North and South Maret Islands. There are active iron ore mining operations at Cockatoo and Koolan Islands in the Buccaneer Archipelago. These mining operations require marine infrastructure including seawalls and export wharves to load iron-ore on to ships for transport overseas. Another iron-ore mine has been proposed for nearby Irvine Island.

### *6.3.4 Community*

The Australian Bureau of Statistics estimated the population of the Kimberley to be 33,705 in 2002 with the majority of people living in urban areas. Of the population in the Kimberley approximately 47% are indigenous people living, often in remote communities, throughout the Kimberley. The indigenous community has a strong connection to the land, particularly in coastal and marine areas and is developing programs to better articulate and understand ecological value. For example the Saltwater Country Project, coordinated by the Kimberly Land Council and Department of Indigenous Affairs, aims to document indigenous natural and cultural values and assets in the northwest coastal and marine environment. There are large tracks of land throughout the Kimberley that are Aboriginal land, particularly

along the coast. Aboriginal heritage sites are noted in figure 5. For the most part, these areas have received little attention in terms of exploration and research since early European settlement.

#### **6.4 Threatening processes**

While on a broad scale, the Kimberley is considered to have significant wilderness areas that are relatively untouched and unchanged, impacts from a number of anthropogenic processes are occurring. In part the full impact of these processes has not been identified because of the limited survey and research that has been conducted in the Kimberley. And in part, impacts are still limited relative to the vast area covered by the Kimberley and limited areas in which human occupation and use has occurred. As human development expands in the Kimberley and land use practices continue, the results of these practices will become greater and more evident. Thus there is a need to recognise these processes and ensure there are management and planning practices in place so that the values of the Kimberley are not threatened.

The two most significant threats for the mainland Kimberley are undoubtedly changes to the fire management regime and grazing by introduced ungulates such as cattle. These threats operate at the landscape level and have a number of flow-on effects that impact flora, fauna and ecosystems. Since European settlement the fire regime has changed to one of broadscale, hot, late, dry-season burns, notably in the savannas, that occur frequently. These repeated fires have an impact on the vegetation, changing the grass dynamic, hydrology and erosion processes which in turn affect fauna. Grazing by cattle can lead to degradation where palatable grass species are replaced by unpalatable ones. Soil degradation occurs where vegetation cover is removed resulting in the physical impact of hooves on soil (Davies 1985). Overall impacts result in a simplification of the ecosystem to grassland dominated by annuals and a general reduction in productivity and thus carrying capacity for small mammals (Graham and McKenzie 2003).

Combined impacts of overgrazing and fire can lead to changes in vegetation cover which has a consequent impact on the species that depend on it. Woodland mammal fauna have experienced the highest level of impact and, although the Kimberley is still viewed as having a largely intact mammal fauna, it is likely that species' distribution has contracted in many areas and is becoming limited to the wetter parts of the Kimberley. This decline is likely due to the changes in landscape and habitat brought on by a combination of grazing pressure and fire.

Introduction of other feral pests are also threats in the terrestrial environment, namely cane toads and cats. While foxes are not known to occur in the Kimberley, feral cats are present and have an impact on small mammalian fauna. The introduction of cane toads is perceived as a large threat and there are various management strategies to identify and contain this threat when it occurs.

Weeds pose a threat to the vegetation communities of the Kimberley. Keighery (1999) demonstrated that the Kimberley was relatively weed free compared to the rest of WA and related this to its relatively undisturbed state, leading to the introduction of fewer weeds.

Nothing is known about the introduction of exotic marine organisms to the marine environment as no introduced marine pest surveys have been undertaken in the region and the ability to undertake such surveys is hampered to a great extent by the lack of knowledge of natural biodiversity. However, as with other marine areas, there are potential threats to marine ecosystem integrity and dependent industries such as commercial fishing and aquaculture from introductions through discharge of ballast water containing marine pests or from pests associated with bio-fouling of ship's hulls.

There are increasing pressures from human activities such as tourism, fishing, aquaculture, mining, industrial development and shipping. These activities are generally site specific but may lead to broadscale cumulative impacts over time or destructive impacts on a local level. The Kimberley is facing growth in human development and in human interest such that these activities are increasing each year without a context for their impacts on the environment, particularly at the regional level.

## **6.5 History of Exploration**

A number of expeditions and surveys have been undertaken in the Kimberley since the late 1800's which provide an array of information on land form, soils, and biodiversity. Even so, the Kimberley is generally considered to be largely unexplored territory and its biodiversity to be poorly understood in many respects. This is due to the remote and rugged nature of the Kimberley making many areas virtually inaccessible given logistic and financial constraints. Thus survey effort and research has been sporadic over time and focussed on areas that are at least accessible, namely national parks and areas serviced by roads.

Historical expeditions include botanical collections first carried out in 1819-1821 by Allan Cunningham, followed by collections in 1889-91 by JWO Tepper and 1901 by RM Houe, in 1905-06 by WV Fitzgerald, 1916 by H Basedow and 1921 by CA Gardner. Increased transportation and access to the Kimberley has allowed for more recent collections.

## **6.6 Assessment of available information on the Kimberley**

There is no specific definition that encompasses ecological values and they can be defined and represented in a number of ways. However, for the purposes of this review it is important to establish some criteria so that these factors may be assessed and presented spatially to begin to understand regionally significant areas of the Kimberley and further to identify areas where conservation is critical and others where development is acceptable.

Certain features are widely recognised as containing high ecological value and these are often identified initially in regions to begin to develop an understanding of the corresponding value of areas and vulnerability to impacts. These features are also termed ecological values and defined as the intrinsic physical chemical, geological, and biological characteristics of an area (DEC 2005). The term 'ecological' also highlights that although values may be described individually (e.g. seagrass, mangrove), it is the interaction between plants, animals and their environment and the complex relationships that needs to be recognised and understood to ensure they will all be managed sustainably. Ecological values include species and communities that have a special conservation status (eg. threatened species and communities), endemic species, key structural components of the ecosystem (e.g. mangrove, coral, rainforest), exploited species (e.g. fish, turtles) and key physical-chemical components of the ecosystem (e.g. water quality, geomorphology).

Social values are equally important when considering the management of an area for long term sustainability. These values include cultural, aesthetic, economic and social attributes. While the social aspects must also be taken into account in assessing a region and developing a regional plan, this report focuses on ecological values, e.g. those that play a key role in ecological processes, and encompass the natural range and richness of flora and fauna.

Below the ecological values have been divided into marine and terrestrial. For each value a general background is provided which reviews the current state of knowledge and provides general information. The significance of the value refers to key aspects that are important and need to be recognised and protected where possible. Finally, gaps in knowledge and priorities for research and/or action are included.

## **6.7 Marine**

The Kimberley has a ria coast with narrow embayments, drowned valleys, rocky shores, numerous headlands and many offshore islands. The nearshore waters are very turbid with a tidal range of up to 15m in a low energy system. The mid to outer shelf waters are generally clear.

The marine component of the Kimberley presents at least 2 very different environments with separate values. The nearshore and coastal waters, comprising the Canning, King Sound and Kimberley IMCRA

bioregions, are characterised by turbid waters, low energy and an extreme tidal flux. Conversely, offshore areas in the NWS and OS bioregions comprise an oceanic system with clear waters, some embankments, atolls and offshore islands. It has been noted that biodiversity is rich in the nearshore environment and in the offshore waters beyond 100m depth. However, the area between, in the 30-80m depth zone tends to be nutrient poor and support little biodiversity.

Information on the marine environment in the Kimberley is limited and generally site specific to several key locations that have been subject to a number of investigations. For example, AIMS has engaged in ongoing research mainly on northwest shoals, Scott Reef, Ashmore Reef and Rowley Shoals. AIMS holds datasets from a number of studies on fish and shark species, benthic habitat and invertebrates conducted at these sites along with research on biological and oceanographic processes. These studies have been in part commissioned by Woodside Pty Ltd who have an interest in developing petroleum resources in the Browse Basin.

### *6.7.1 Environmental quality*

#### *Background*

Under the State Water Quality Management Strategy, WA will identify Environmental Values and Quality Objectives for Kimberley marine waters through a review and community consultation process (Department of Environment and Conservation 2006). A separate program would need to be developed and resourced to develop environmental quality criteria (ie for water, sediment and biota) to allow an assessment of environmental quality against the objectives across the Kimberley and to identify where problems may be emerging and management is required to return and/or ensure appropriate levels of environmental quality in the future.

#### *Significance*

Although the Environmental Values (EVs) have yet to be determined through a community consultation process, it would be reasonable to expect that the default values would be the five identified for the Pilbara region and the spatial application would follow the approach and principles established through the Pilbara Coastal Waters Consultation Process (DEC, 2006). In essence, it could be anticipated that the five EVs would apply everywhere and the level of ecological protection (LEP) would generally be designated as Maximum or High, except for areas within harbours or marinas where a Moderate LEP would apply or the mixing zones of any wastewater outfalls where a Moderate or Low LEP may be appropriate. The social use values of recreation and fishing and aquaculture would apply everywhere except perhaps in the immediate vicinity of approved wastewater discharges that contained faecal coliforms.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

The consultative process to determine values, objectives and where they apply spatially has been successfully completed for the Pilbara coast (DEC 2006) and the outcomes have been endorsed by the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA). The outcomes provide a basis for proponents to plan their developments and a context within which to prepare and present environmental impact assessment documentation. A proponent should seek to design the project to meet the objectives, but where that is not possible the proponent should describe the degree of non-conformance and represent that spatially. The EPA and Government can then compare the predicted environmental quality as presented in the environmental impact statement against the 'plan' to assist in making judgements on environmental acceptability. The process and the principles used to prepare the draft plan for the Pilbara coastal waters would serve as a good model for a similar process to be undertaken in the Kimberley.

### *6.7.2 Water and Sediment*

#### *Background*

There is limited information available on environmental quality (with respect to contaminants) in the Kimberley marine environment. Water quality has been sampled at a number of sites in coastal and offshore waters by AIMS between 1992 and 2003, however these data have not been published and

there is no metadata available to identify parameters tested. There were no sediment quality data or biota quality data located during this review. Data on benthic substrates in the Kimberley are very limited and general in nature, except for several site specific areas, e.g. Scott Reef. It is known that surficial marine sediments are mainly of terrestrial origin (terrigenous) in the coastal and nearshore areas. Moving offshore, there is a change in sediment characteristics, commensurate with a transgression to the offshore North West Shelf and oceanic Shoals bioregions which are characterised by deeper waters and sediment of marine origin including biogenic carbonates.

In addition to providing faunal data, Berry and Marsh (1986) provide a good overview of the origin of the offshore shoals and atolls including Scott Reef. The shelf atolls (e.g. Rowley Shoals, Scott Reef, Ashmore Reef) are unusual in the sense that they have not grown on submerged volcanos but have grown vertically from an essentially flat continental shelf, albeit in spurts related to changing sea-levels over many millions of years. South Scott Reef rises to the surface from water depths of about 400 m on the east to 700 m on the west and has been drilled to over 4700 m below sea level for hydrocarbon exploration. Core analysis shows volcanic basalts at 4279 m overlain with some 2000 m of shelf sediment indicating that the environment was deltaic in the early Jurassic (~200M years BP). Reef derived calcarenite was encountered from the surface down to a depth of 1995 m indicating that the approximately 2km thick atoll structure is essentially bio-genically derived and commenced growing on the deltaic shelf sediments in the mid-Miocene (~15M years BP).

*Significance*

Too little information to be identified.

*Gaps and Priorities*

Too little information to be identified.

### 6.7.3 Mangrove

*Background*

There are accounts on mangroves dating back to early explorations (e.g. Gardner 1923, Sauer 1965). More recent accounts have been published by Semeniuk (1980, 1982, 1985), Messel et al. (1977), Hanley (1995), Saenger (1996), Thom et al. (1975) and Johnstone (1990). Mangrove zonation and structure are described by Semeniuk et al. (1978), Wells (1981), Hutchings (1995), Hanley (1995), Johnstone (1990) and Saenger (1996), Wells and Slack Smith (1981). The distribution of mangroves around the coast of WA have been assessed by Pedretti and Paling (2001) and by the DEC. Further information on mangroves can be found in Bridgewater and Cresswell (1999) and Johnstone 1990).

There are 18 species of mangrove tree found in Australia and all are represented in the Kimberley. Species diversity declines in more southern latitudes and species and assemblages differ between the Kimberley and the Pilbara and Gascoyne Regions (Pedretti and Paling 2000). Ten of the 18 species only occur in the Kimberley. Well developed and complexly structured mangals are present around the mainland coast of the Kimberley and are particularly well developed in estuaries, larger bays and inlets. Mangals are less well developed in coastal bays and on nearshore islands and are uncommon on outer islands.

Mangroves are generally high in ecological and commercial value as they provide important habitat and nursery areas for a number of fish and invertebrate species. They represent a highly productive environment and provide nutrients to a wide range of species, including migratory birds. Mangroves support a rich and unique ecosystem, characterised by a distinctive suite of invertebrate fauna, much of which has been observed at various sites (Hanley 1995). They also play an important role in protecting the shoreline from erosion. Threats to mangrove communities include cyclones and other natural events, land filling, dredging, deforestation and pollution.

*Significance*

The mangroves of the Kimberley are considered to be some of the most rich, diverse and untouched mangals around the world as they represent an area that has not been open to deforestation or subject to fragmentation and losses associated with coastal infrastructure developments. Mangroves represent a valuable and nutrient rich ecosystem that supports a wide range of biodiversity.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

There is some information available on mangal ecosystems in the Kimberley, however it is in no way complete. While there are no perceived immediate threats to the mangroves, particularly to the large areas in the gulfs and estuaries, smaller stands such as on the outer islands may be more vulnerable. A better understanding of these productive ecosystems is warranted and should begin by first developing fine scale mapping of mangrove habitat across the Kimberley.

While mapping of the mangroves has been undertaken in the past and the DEC holds a spatial dataset identifying mangrove areas, there is a need to update this dataset and to test its accuracy. Fine scale and accurate mapping of mangroves would provide a reliable record of mangrove areas so that changes and trends may be detected and assessed. This would form a basis from which to assist the ongoing management and conservation of the highly productive mangrove ecosystems in the Kimberley. Unlike subtidal habitats, the intertidal mangrove lend themselves to using aerial and possibly satellite imagery with targeted field work to verify accuracy

### **6.7.4 Intertidal Flats**

#### *Background*

Tidal mudflats are a characteristic of the Kimberley, particularly the bays and inlets of the coastal environment. Geomorphology studies of mudflats in Cambridge gulf have been undertaken (Wright et al. 1972, 1973, 1975, Thom 1975, Wolanski et al. 2001). Semeniuk (1980), (1981), (1985) describe sediments of the tidal flats of King Sound. Roebuck Bay in the Canning Region has received a great deal of attention and there is ongoing collaborative research on the invertebrate fauna and relationship with migratory seabirds in this area (de Goeij et al. 2003, Piersma et al. 2006).

While Roebuck Bay studies have identified a high biomass and high biodiversity, this research has not been repeated at other similar sites and it is not known whether this level of biodiversity and productivity is unique to Roebuck Bay or more widespread in tidal flats across the Kimberley.

Although mudflat ecosystems have been extensively studied in Roebuck Bay and other sites in King Sound, and Cambridge–Bonaparte bioregions, there have been no broader regional studies. The majority of research effort in marine communities has focussed on mangroves.

#### *Significance*

Intertidal mudflats and the communities they support provide a critical habitat and resources to migratory birds. Sites such as 80 Mile Beach and Roebuck Bay are considered of international significance given the numbers and diversity of migratory birds that feed in these areas seasonally.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Research on the communities and productivity supported by intertidal flats is limited to several specific locations, e.g. Roebuck Bay and Eighty Mile Beach. This may lead to biases in information and biodiversity assessment. Further, research on the oceanographic and biological processes that support these systems is also limited. Priority research areas for intertidal environments include investigating key intertidal regions in the Kimberley Bioregion to assess invertebrate community structure and interactions and to support this information with related research on oceanographic processes relating to sedimentation and water flow.

### **6.7.5 Sandy Beaches**

#### *Background*

Short steep beaches can be found between rocky headlands on the many coastal islands of the Kimberley. These beaches comprise coarse terrigenous material, sometimes including pebble beaches in areas where there are basalt or dolerite outcrops. While beaches typically have a recognisable community of invertebrate species (amphipods and other crustaceans) there have been no studies on beaches within the Kimberley to identify such a suite of organisms. There are some species records from surveys and expeditions, however, there is insufficient evidence of the full taxonomic suite of species and their ecosystems. There are no published reports on rocky shores or sand flats.

#### *Significance*

Sand beaches are known nesting sites for turtles and excavation sites have been noted at likely beaches. However, there is no inventory of turtle nesting sites for the Kimberley and only anecdotal information exists. Many of the beaches have features that would be unsuitable for nesting, e.g. no fordune or inundation at high tide. Too little is known of beach ecological communities to identify other values.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Priorities include identifying beaches suitable for turtle nesting, mapping sites where nesting occurs and conducting a complete inventory of sand beach ecological communities.

### **6.7.6 Seagrass**

#### *Background*

Very limited information is available on seagrass in the Kimberley. Seagrass meadows do not appear to be as well developed in the Kimberley as in regions to the south. However, twelve species of seagrass have been identified in the Kimberley Region, with three of these found only in the Kimberley. Generally seagrass species composition is similar to other areas of the Indo Pacific (Walker 1992, 1995).

Seagrass indicative sites have been mapped on the Oil Spill Response Atlas (OSRA) likely based on satellite imagery. General information on seagrass can be found in Kirkman (1997) and Walker and Prince (1987). There is a CAMRIS database of seagrass distribution around Australia held by the Department of Environment and Heritage.

#### *Significance*

Seagrass has an important role in coastal ecology; through nutrient cycling, providing food and shelter for fish and other species including dugong and some marine turtles. However, too little is known of seagrass communities in the Kimberley and the biodiversity which they support. Prolific seagrass meadows are known to occur in the Buccaneer Archipelago. Much of the nearshore environment is too extreme for seagrass with high turbidity, tidal flow and freshwater runoff. There is very limited information on deep water seagrass.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

No research has been undertaken on seagrass in the Kimberley, though it is noted as important habitat for dugong, marine turtles and a number of fish species. Priorities would include finescale mapping of seagrass habitat, assessing its role and importance in ecological communities particularly as habitat for dugong, marine turtles and various fish species. Seagrass is also vulnerable to many forms of development such as pollution, dredging and sedimentation. It is therefore important to clearly identify seagrass meadow areas and have a developed understanding of the complex trophic interactions that may be affected by anthropogenic activity, particularly in areas where development may be considered.

### **6.7.7 Macroalgae**

#### *Background*

There have been limited collections of macroalgae, mainly undertaken during museum surveys. Walker (1995), (1996), (1997) provide preliminary lists, however taxonomic lists have not been concluded. Preliminary evidence suggests that diversity and abundance of algae is low, possibly due to the extreme



tidal range and turbid environment. Highest diversity and greatest abundance were found in the Buccaneer Archipelago intertidal flats (Wilson 2006).

*Significance*

Information is too limited to identify values.

*Gaps and Priorities*

Information is too limited to identify priorities or gaps.

### 6.7.8 Rocky Shores

*Background*

A high proportion of the Kimberley shoreline is rocky and comprised of Proterozoic metamorphic and igneous rock. A suite of invertebrate species is usually typical of intertidal rock surfaces and most of these species have been recorded in species lists from various survey expeditions (e.g. Wells 1981, 1992, Wells and Bryce 1995, Bryce 1997, Jones 1997). However, there have been no specific studies on rocky shore communities and there is no information on ecological distribution patterns and community structure.

*Significance*

Information is too limited to identify values

*Gaps and Priorities*

While rocky shoreline communities may be a relatively low priority, there is a need to identify the complete suite of organisms and describe distribution patterns and community structure.

### 6.7.9 Coral Reef

*Background*

Reefs in the Kimberley fall into two distinct groups- the fringing reefs around coastal islands and the mainland shore and large platform reefs and banks from the OS bioregion. These two categories, as assessed by Wilson (2006), are quite different in composition, diversity and habitat and, as such will be dealt with separately in this section.

The continental shelf off north western Australia is one of the widest in the world and along its edge rise a number of submerged banks, shoals and emergent reefs. The platform reefs are large bioherms and appear to have depth to at least Holocene accretion. The platforms are barren in the middle with coral communities on the margins. There are 13 atolls in the Oceanic Shoals bioregion covering roughly 1500square kilometres (including the Scott Reef system, Rowley Shoals and Ashmore reef system). These reef systems make up a miniscule part of the bioregion and are critical ecologically as stepping stones for larval transport and interconnectivity within the Indo Pacific (C. Simpson pers comm).

Jones (2006) provides a brief assessment of marine research undertaken at a number of sites, including that at the various offshore reefs. Scott Reef is the best studied and coral reef assemblages are well zoned. Long term projects have been undertaken by AIMS and supported by industry at Scott Reef (e.g Morgan 2006, Berry 1986, Hutchins et al.1995, Jones 1973, Kay 1995, Smith et al.2003, 2004). In addition there has been some research undertaken at Montgomery Reef (Walker 1997, Telford 1997), Rowley Shoals ( Berry 1982, 1986, CALM 2004, Environment Australia 2000, Hutchins et al.1995, Jones et al.1973, McLoughlin et al.1988) and Ashmore Reef (Berry 1993, 1999, Milton 1999, Rees et al.2003, Smith et al.2005).

Species lists have been recorded for the Rowley Shoals, Scott Reef system and Ashmore reef system (e.g. Berry 1986, Berry 1993) and these typically note the high diversity on the reefs, similarity between reefs and differences to mainland and nearshore reef systems. In particular, Berry (1986) noted that

many species, while new to lists for Australia, were part of assemblages common to the Indo-Pacific putting the Kimberley region into the broader global context of its role in the Indo-Pacific ecosystem.

Research has noted that the reef atolls are in relatively good condition with a high diversity of fish, coral and invertebrate fauna. While Scott Reef system and Ashmore reef system have been exposed to traditional fishing practices, the Rowley Shoals are not and provide a refuge for species of trochus, holothuria and giant clam that have been over-fished in other areas (Gilmour et al. 2007). Benthic habitats and communities have been found to be broadly similar between the various reef systems, though research on Scott Reef has been limited to reef slope (Gilmour et al.2007).

The greatest threats to these emergent reef and atoll communities are large scale disturbances such as thermal induced coral bleaching (from climate change) and cyclonic activity. Other threats common to coral reef systems are disease and outbreaks of coral predator populations. The reef systems are far from the mainland and therefore isolated from many other anthropogenic disturbances (e.g. sedimentation, nutrient flow, etc).

There have been several coral bleaching events at Scott Reef and cyclones at several of the reefs over the last decade and recovery and resilience patterns have been studied (e.g. Smith et al.2003, 2004, Gilmour 2007). The reefs' ability to recover is largely a factor of self seeding and depends on interconnectivity between coral communities within reefs and among reefs within a system. Fish populations are more likely to rely on dispersal and recruitment between reef systems.

Research at Scott Reef has confirmed that there is a high level of biodiversity at the reef and that it is in exceptional condition. A coral bleaching event was noted in 1998 and subsequent recovery of the reef was examined over the following 6 years. Research has included habitat mapping, species identification and zoning, monitoring of physical processes and examining reef connectivity across the broader indo pacific region. These measures have indicated that Scott Reef is an important reef in the oceanic shoals system, it has a high degree of biodiversity, is resilient to disturbance and has an important role to play in connectivity in the indo pacific including species recruitment and larval dispersal.

There are well developed fringing reefs around most of the islands and along the mainland coast, however, little research has been conducted in this habitat. These corals represent a very rich and diverse group that is only beginning to be understood. Blakeway (1997) represents the only published account on coral reefs. Broad scale mapping of coral reef habitat have been prepared, however due to turbid waters and logistics. Further, there has been little investigation into the species of corals making up these communities. The limited evidence suggests these coral communities may be the richest and most diverse in the Region.

#### *Significance*

The offshore reefs, atolls and islands occupy a unique and critical ecological role providing the connectivity between the Kimberley and the Indo Pacific. The atolls and reefs covered a very small area of the bioregion and all are considered to be important for their ecological role in larval recruitment and connectivity between reef systems. It is by noting the value and role of these systems in the broader marine environment that we begin to recognise that the Kimberley and WA are not an isolated marine environment, rather they contain elements of a much broader marine ecosystem that may rely on unique features within the Kimberley. There are only 3 emergent reef systems in the North west and the Rowley shoals is the most pristine of the three. However they are all important to the longer term persistence of coral reef atolls in the OS. In particular, longer term dispersal is critical for assisting in the recovery , maintaining species diversity and preventing fixed genetic differences (Gilmour et al.2007). Further the reefs represent long distant stepping stones between reef systems farther south and the Indo pacific. Given their rarity, all reef systems of the north west are considered of great regional significance (Gilmour et al.2007) and, as such any human activity that could result in significant disturbance should be discouraged. Rather, all reef systems should be considered for inclusion in the marine reserve system.

Preliminary evidence from surveys of the fringing reef in nearshore and coastal waters notes a very high diversity in species, however little is known of coral communities, or ecology. This inshore coral system

may be an ecologically very important feature of the Kimberley and it may represent a unique coral system worldwide with high diversity in a low energy and turbid environment.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Although there has been some research undertaken on the offshore reef systems, there are a number of significant gaps in our knowledge. Habitat mapping and biodiversity surveys of all areas are critical to define baseline population parameters that can be monitored to detect impacts over time, to examine the level of connectivity between reef systems and to detect threats such as coral bleaching, disease and coral predators. Some survey work has been undertaken at each of the reef systems, but to different degrees, and there is still much that remains unknown. For example, replicated surveys of different habitats are required to determine similarity in community within reef systems as well as between reef systems. Habitat mapping and monitoring should cover the range of habitats present, not focus on one particular area. For example, at Scott Reef while there are monitoring programs for the reef slope habitat, there is limited information about community structure of other areas such as lagoon, back reef, reef flat and channel (Gilmour et al. 2007). Further research is required at Scott Reef and other reefs to understand oceanographic processes, the role of surface currents in larval dispersal and recruitment between coral reef systems in the Indo Pacific. Information on the biodiversity of fish communities at the reef systems is minimal. It would be useful to have contemporary baseline of fish biodiversity from shallow and deep water surveys to assess the uniqueness of the fish communities at each reef system and future changes (Gilmour et al. 2007).

Information on species distribution and movement patterns or connectivity between reef systems is important for those species that are commercially harvested (e.g. trochus, holothuria, sharks). There is a need for sufficient information on spatial patterns in movement or life history characteristics so that management strategies can be implemented that will ensure their sustainability.

While the Museum has collected a number of samples of invertebrate species, including corals from the Kimberley region through various surveys this information remains uncatalogued to some degree and unavailable through a digital database system. A top priority to begin to understand the range of biodiversity present should be to provide funding to the museum to properly collate their current information on fish, molluscs, corals and other invertebrates from the Kimberley Region.

In the nearshore environment, mapping of all corals has yet to be undertaken due in part to the difficulty presented by the turbid environment, making the use of aerial photography limited. An initial assessment of the inshore reefs should be undertaken such as a preliminary mapping project of all fringing reef by a geomorphologist.

Due to the potential importance of this reef system, additional fieldwork to survey inshore coral reefs in a systematic way should be initiated following the above priorities.

### **6.7.10 Benthic**

#### *Background*

There is limited information available on the benthic environment of the Kimberley. Broad scale bathymetry is available for most of the region through navigation charts and AMSA.

#### *Significance*

There is too little information to identify values.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

There is no finescale bathymetric mapping that is easily accessible. While there have been some site specific studies that would have provided this information, e.g. aquaculture sites and sites proposed for industrial development, this information is not readily available and would be very patchy and site specific. Generally, benthic habitat mapping has not been conducted for the Kimberley region. It would be possible to use naval marine charts, aerial photography or satellite imagery as a base point to identify

habitat such as mud flat, mangal and coral reef. However, the large tidal range and turbid waters of the Kimberley make photographic analysis difficult and its use in benthic habitat mapping, including for coral will be limited in coastal and nearshore waters.

#### *6.7.11 Oceanography and Physical processes*

Stewart et al.2005 detail data sources for oceanographic data held for the Canning bioregion. This includes CSIRO databases on regional seas, coastal stations and oceanographic regionalisation, CAMRIS wave and oceanographic datasets, and NOAA surface temperature imagery.

Information on tidal processes has been assessed by Holloway (2001) and Cresswell and Badcock (2000).

Several studies have been conducted in north west shelf area by AIMS on wave and current dynamics and on relationships between reef communities.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

There is a need for a more developed understanding of ocean processes including water circulation and connectivity between various reef systems.

#### *6.7.12 Fauna*

The Kimberley marine and coastal environment provides habitat for a variety of important fauna species including migratory birds, seabirds, marine turtles, humpback whales, dugong and benthic intertidal communities. Overall there is a reasonable, though incomplete, taxonomic knowledge of the large and conspicuous marine flora and fauna groups. However representation of other more cryptic or rare groups remain undocumented (Wilson 2006). The majority of this information comes from both early and more recent expeditions and is typically restricted to specimen collections and taxonomic lists, with little detail on known marine ecology and community interactions. Exceptions to this include information on mangrove communities and description of some fringing coral reefs and offshore reefs.

The WA museum holds a database of all fauna specimens from WA including birds, mammals, reptiles, fish, crustaceans, molluscs and other invertebrates. However, this database lists specimen holdings only and does not include information on distribution. Further, specimens have been collected that have not yet been identified and catalogued, making it incomplete. The Australian Biological Resources Study has a published Zoological Catalogue of Australia with taxonomic and distribution information. A publicly available version is available on-line through the DEH, however this catalogue is not yet complete.

##### *6.7.12.1 Invertebrates*

There is no spatial dataset of information on invertebrates for the Kimberley, though research has been conducted at a limited number of sites. AIMS has conducted surveys of holothuria and Trochus in the Ashmore and Cartier reefs (Smith et al.2002, Rees et al.2003, Smith et al.2001) and on genetics of pearl oysters in north west WA (Benzie et al.2003). Datasets of survey sites are held by AIMS. Surveys coordinated by UWA and the WA Museum have included collections of invertebrates at a variety of locations along the Kimberley coast and islands (e.g. Wells et al.1989, Morgan 1992, Wells et al.1995, Walker 1997, Walker et al.1997). A number of studies have also been undertaken on benthic invertebrate fauna, mainly in the Roebuck Bay and Eighty Mile beach area due to their importance in the community ecology of these areas (e.g. Piersma and Watkins 1997, Pepping et al.1999, Piersma et al.1999, 2002, deGoeij et al.2003, Wade 2004). The DEC has conducted research and hold a dataset on aquatic invertebrates, water birds and water chemistry of WA wetlands.

#### *Significance*

There is too little information to identify values.

#### *Gaps and priorities*

Priorities should include improving our understanding of dominant taxa and their distribution and completing species lists for the Kimberley. This may be initiated by supporting the WAM to identify and catalogue the specimens that it already holds for the Kimberley that have yet to be examined.

#### 6.7.12.2 Mammals

A number of marine mammal species are known to occur in the Kimberley region including dugong, humpback whales, the snubfin dolphin as well as several other species of delphinid. These species are important because of their iconic status and public appeal and also for their conservation value. Dugong and humpback whales are specially protected species in WA due to their threatened status. The snubfin dolphin has recently been recognised as a new species in Australia (Beasley et al.2005).

Generally, information on the status and critical habitat requirements of these species is very limited in the Kimberley. While these species are all identified as important to the region and given conservation consideration in the assessment of marine resources for reserve status and development, we know little about population abundance, distribution and habitat requirements. Certain areas may be expected to be important for these species, e.g. sea grass beds as suitable foraging sites for dugong, however there has been little research effort to support this (e.g. Prince 1986, Marsh et al.2001).

Humpback whales migrate annually to northern tropical waters for calving and breeding activity. Jenner et al. (2001) report that Camden Sound in the Kimberley is an important calving ground for this species. They also note the seasonally high concentrations of whales during migration near the Lacepede Islands and offshore of King Sound. However the migration route is not well understood, nor have all critical habitat areas for resting and calving been identified. The Centre for Whale Research (WA) has conducted further research effort in the NW area, however this data is not publicly available.

The dugong is considered vulnerable under international conventions and is afforded special protection under the Wildlife Conservation Act in WA. Dugong are primary grazers feeding on seagrass. Populations have been subject to traditional harvest in the Kimberley and were originally managed under the Department of Fisheries. While some limited research has been undertaken to assess populations and critical habitat, this work has been limited due to lack of funding and access (Prince 1986). There are seagrass communities known to be used by dugong, however there is insufficient information to detect trends in seagrass distribution and habitat loss or degradation. A better understanding is required of dugong population, demographics, habitat requirements and annual take. Prince has recommended an expansion of the dugong research program active in the northwest cape area. NAILSMA have initiated research into the dugong population and sustainable harvest, however this project is in early stages.

There are populations of snubfin dolphin, recently identified as taxonomically unique to Australia, and found in coastal waters of the north (Beasley et al.2005). This species has received limited attention to date, however a research program is currently underway by Deakin Univeristy to examine its distribution, abundance and general ecology and interaction within the Kimberley coastal environment (D. Thiele pers. Comm.).

#### *Significance*

All species noted above are considered to be threatened fauna and afforded legislative protection. Critical habitat for these species including foraging, resting and breeding areas have, to some degree, been identified.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Priorities include identifying population distribution and abundance and habitat use; understanding the traditional take of dugong and assessing the sustainability of this harvest. Some information may be available through the Centre for Whale Research on the distribution and critical habitat of humpback whales and other species as they have conducted a number of surveys both independently and under contract to industry on marine fauna in the Kimberley (C. Jenner Pers. Comm.).

### 6.7.12.3 Reptiles

#### *Background*

There are 6 species of marine turtle that occur in the Kimberley and all are listed as threatened species in WA and nationally. While there are broader research programs on turtle stock assessment, distribution and habitat use in WA, there has been limited focus and effort on populations and sites in the Kimberley. A database of turtle nesting sites exists for WA and is managed by the DEC, however, to date there is little information on sites in the Kimberley and there is no quantification of nesting populations at any site, nor have all potential nesting sites been documented. There is a current study on the nesting activities of flatback turtles at Cape Domett that has identified seasonal nesting patterns (Koch CDU).

Turtle harvest is a traditional activity for the indigenous people of the Kimberley and continues to occur. However, this harvest has not been quantified and has an unknown impact on turtle populations (Limpus 2002, Prince 1994).

#### *Significance*

The region is particularly important for those species with significant nesting sites in the region such as the green and flatback and possibly the olive ridley turtles.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Gaps in knowledge on these species in the Kimberley are significant. Information is required on population or stock assessment, distribution and habitat requirements. Quantification of dugong and turtle harvest by traditional hunters is also required to ensure such harvest is sustainable. Limpus (2001) also outlines further key gaps in information on turtles in Western Australia which would require effort in the Kimberley region. Research programs are initiating to begin to understand these issues. For example, NAILSMA and saltwater country project both include effort to assess local populations of dugong and nesting turtles and quantification of harvest.

### 6.7.12.4 Fish

#### *Background*

Datasets on fish distribution around Australia have been documented by CSIRO and by WA and National Fisheries for commercial and species of interest. Most research on marine fish in the Kimberley region has been undertaken by the Department of Fisheries (DoF) and is strongly biased towards commercially fished species. DoF research has included investigating population parameters and catch rates of the key species for commercial and recreational fishing in both inshore and offshore areas of the Kimberley (Newman et al.2003, Newman et al.2001).

WAM has also gathered data on marine fish species (Hutchins 1999, 2003, Morgan 1992, Newman and Dunk 2002, 2003, Ovenden et al.2002) and a number of studies by AIMS of reef communities at offshore reefs have targeted fish species (e.g. Smith et al.2004).

#### *Significance*

There is a high biodiversity of fish species in the Kimberley and Pilbara region with latitudinal having a strong influence on species composition, i.e. there is a distinct difference in species composition between northern latitudes of the Kimberley and the more southerly Pilbara region (Travers et al.2006).

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Newman et al. (2003) make a number of recommendations for priority research that will inform fisheries management such as estimating biological parameters of key species, evaluating and assessing recreational and aboriginal netting activities and determining the genetic stock, structure of key species in nearshore waters.

### 6.7.12.5 Shorebirds and Seabirds

#### *Background*

There is a reasonable amount of published literature on sea and shorebirds in the Kimberley, particularly from the Canning Bioregion as there are several sites of national and international significance for migratory and shore birds (e.g. Roebuck Bay and Eighty Mile Beach). Long term research programs have been active through the Broome Bird Observatory, Birds Australia and the Wader group (e.g. Storr 1980, Johnstone 1990, Woinarski 1992, Watkins 1993, Tulp and DeGoeij 1994, Collins 1995, Barrett et al. 2003, Hickey et al. 2003). A survey of seabird breeding islands has been conducted by Burbidge and McKenzie (1978)

#### *Significance*

The Kimberley is an important site for seabirds and migratory shorebirds and a large variety and number of these species are present in the Kimberley on a seasonal basis. There are a number of recognised sites where migratory birds congregate, feed and breed in the Kimberley. This habitat is of national and international importance under such bilateral agreements as JAMBA (Agreement between the government of Australia and the Government of Japan for the protection of Migratory Birds in Danger of Extinction) and CAMBA (Agreement between the government of Australia and the Government of Republic of China for the protection of Migratory Birds in Danger of Extinction). These agreements list the bird species which migrate between Australia and other Asian countries and require both parties to protect the birds and protect and conserve their habitats. The northwest of Australia is a first stopping point for many of these bird species on their migratory route from southeast Asia. The islands of the Kimberley and intertidal coastal environment and wetlands contain a number of important areas, not all of which have been identified, where these species congregate, feed and rest.

#### *Gaps and priorities*

As there is some data on known breeding sites and resting areas, research priorities should focus on monitoring these sites to detect changes over time in response to ecological or human factors. Migratory routes of species covered by JAMBA and CAMBA should be clearly identified, including critical habitat for those species that stop off in NW Australia to rest, feed or breed.

## **6.8 Terrestrial**

Most of the research conducted in the Kimberley on both fauna and flora has come about through survey projects run by the DEC (formerly CALM) and WAM. These projects have covered fairly large areas, but have been predominately located in reserve estate and areas of biodiversity interest (e.g. Mitchell Plateau (Western Australian Museum 1981), Drysdale River (Kabay and Burbidge 1977, Edgar Ranges (McKenzie 1981, Dampier Peninsula (McKenzie 1983 and Prince Regent River (Miles and Burbidge 1975). In addition, extensive surveys have been conducted on rainforests (McKenzie et al. 1991) and islands (Burbidge and McKenzie 1978) in the Kimberley. These surveys have added greatly to our knowledge of species distribution in the Kimberley, both fauna and flora and have documented a rich and distinctive biota with more similarities to northern tropical bioregions than other parts Western Australia.

A number of species are considered endemic to the region, including 230 plant species (Wheeler 1992). No summary of the endemic fauna has yet been constructed, however there is believed to be high short range endemism in some invertebrates (e.g. land snails) and at least 16 fish, 10 frog, 31 reptile, 2 bird and 6 mammal species are considered endemic to the Region (WWF AA0706). A number of these species are associated with the rugged sandstone and high rainfall areas of the north Kimberley.

### **6.8.1 Vegetation**

#### *Background*

The Kimberley includes such vegetation associations as grassland, grassland with associated woodland, hummock grasslands, mosaic communities, shrublands, woodlands, mangroves, rainforest.

Vegetation mapping is available across the entire region at the 1:250,000 scale (Beard 1979). More recent vegetation mapping has been conducted by the Tropical Savana CRC, however this mapping is not at a finer scale. The Department of Agriculture has completed some land unit mapping in discrete areas. In addition, Behn (2001) has used remote sensing to map forest cover in the Kimberley as part of

a national exercise (NORFOR). Satellite images from the dry season only were used and, while broadscale mapping of mangrove, rainforest and vine thicket was considered adequate, satellite images could not be used to reliably discriminate between types or height classes of woodland trees.

#### *Significance*

184 vegetation associations are present in the Kimberley and only 51 of these are represented in the reserve system.

#### *Gaps and priorities*

A key priority for the Kimberley is the adequate representation of vegetation communities in the reserve system. A number of recommendations for proposed reserve have been made and are cited elsewhere in this review. These proposed reserves should be enacted and appropriate management plans developed for each.

The broad scale mapping by Beard may be suitable for making assessments on a broad scale basis, but it does not provide a fine scale representation of existing vegetation. This means that while a large area may be depicted as woodland, if smaller areas are examined in more detail, finer gradations and a mosaic of ecological communities are identified. While broad scale information is useful, it has its limitations and finer scale assessment is needed to assess ecological value and true representativeness.

### **6.8.2 Rainforest Patches**

#### *Background*

There are more than 1500 rainforest patches scattered across the Kimberley with a distinct structure and floristic composition that support fauna not found in surrounding savanna. Most patches are in the remote northwest, high rainfall areas. Patch size varies, with an average size of 2.5 ha. Between 1987 and 1989 a broad scale ecological survey was undertaken of the Kimberley rainforest. Data was collected on compositional patterns of biota, disturbance and physical characteristics of the environment. The results of this survey provide information on soil and landform, invertebrate and vertebrate fauna, floristics and vegetation structure and spatial distribution of rainforest patches (McKenzie et al.1991).

#### *Significance*

The many small rainforest patches identified and assessed by McKenzie et al. (1991) also present unique and important value. These patches provide haven for species during the dry season, allowing species to persist in areas where they otherwise might not. Further, they support their own unique communities and contain a high level of short range endemism in the invertebrate fauna. Fire and introduced cattle both have inter related impacts on rainforest patches.

Generally, rainforest patches are not well represented in the reserve system and are vulnerable to disturbance because of the small size of many patches.

#### *Gaps and priorities*

As noted, rainforest patches are not well represented in the reserve system and the top priority should be to enact reserve proposals put forward by the EPA 1981, Burbidge et al.1991 and McKenzie and Belbin 1991) to ensure that this important element of the Kimberley ecosystem is preserved.

### **6.8.3 Islands**

#### *Background*

There are over 1000 islands in the Kimberley that vary in size and topography. Only 343 of these are larger than 20ha (Burbidge 2004). The numerous islands in the Kimberley play an important role in the conservation of native Australian mammals (Burbidge 1991). The islands have remained, for the most part free of feral pests. Larger islands in particular will be important in this regard as they may be more



likely to provide adequate habitat to sustain viable populations and communities. Thus any development of islands should be carefully considered to ensure that islands of similar size and habitat are preserved. A number of islands have a high conservation value as they support breeding sites for seabirds and marine turtles and may provide refuges for species whose populations have declined on the adjacent mainland.

Koolan Island has a long history of mining and exploration and, as such, also has the most thorough inventory of wildlife of islands in the Kimberley. A study in 1995 assessed the recovery of the island since the previous closure of the mine 29 years previously (Keighery et al. 1995, McKenzie et al. 1995). This survey found 282 plant taxa in five major vegetation units, with 12 new weeds identified. Fauna surveys have identified 59 invertebrate species (including 8 land snails), 1 amphibian, 35 reptiles, 116 birds and 18 mammals. Eight species have been introduced including 4 invertebrates and 4 mammals. The vegetation structure and underlying geology was similar to that found on the mainland in nearby sites as were fauna collections. Only one native plant species was known to be restricted to Koolan Island, otherwise the vegetation was considered to be sub humid rainforest species which occur widely across the Kimberley. Several species of endemic land snail and one reptile were found on the island.

#### *Significance*

The islands in general are considered a high value for the Kimberley as they contain a variety of ecosystems, high species diversity and provide an area where these species can persist without the impacts and disturbance caused by human activities on the mainland (Burbidge and McKenzie 1978). The laterite islands represent a very small proportion of islands and should, at the very least, be further assessed to identify ecological values unique to these islands. The richness of fauna on Koolan is deemed to be a good indication that rugged sandstone islands support complex fauna. Islands also represent important refugia for fauna that may be pushed to the extreme limits of their range on the mainland. This factor may become important over time as distribution of species on the mainland contracts and as impacts from feral animals causes species decline. However, it is important to first identify the genetic variation that exists between island and mainland populations and ecosystems that have developed rather than viewing islands as a safe haven for displaced mainland species. Islands are important for biodiversity, genetic diversity, refuge, short range endemism, relief from pressure of tourism ferals. Islands represent a unique environment and are important to indigenous communities.

Islands play an important role in the conservation of native Australian fauna (Burbidge 1991). Australian mammal fauna generally has declined since European settlement, with the introduction of feral animals as a key factor. Islands provide a pristine ecosystem where exotics have not been introduced and native populations have been maintained. Conservation measures such as reservation and careful management can preserve these populations as well as provide refugia for species threatened on the mainland. In addition, the separation of island fauna from mainland means that there are likely to be genetic differences between mainland and island species, giving island species a high conservation value.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Little is known of most of the islands. Another island survey is planned to take place over the next 3 years that will visit 123 islands, some that have been visited on previous surveys. Future needs should include further island surveys to expand our understanding of island biodiversity and comparison with comparable mainland sites. There is a need for better understanding of island biologic and dynamics including comparison with mainland species communities and genetics and the impacts of tourism.

Conservation through reservation and proper management is also critical to the long term sustainability of island populations. Islands in the Kimberley need to be well represented in the reserve system and management measures such as limiting development and ensuring quarantine measures are in place are important to ensure that island biota remains relatively untouched and free from feral invasions. Burbidge and McKenzie (1978) make a number of recommendations for the inclusion of specific islands into the reserve system and also note that, at the very least, all islands offshore of the Kimberley that are not reserved for some other purpose should be declared Class B Reserves.

#### 6.8.4 Flora

In 1998 the Kimberley was considered to contain 2,025 native species of vascular plant. These species comprise 167 families and are dominated by grasses, pea flowers, sedges, eucalypts and paperbarks and wattles. Many species are poorly known and collected and therefore it is difficult to determine the level of endemism present in the Kimberley Flora. The Region's plants bear stronger similarities with vegetation systems across the top end of Australia than they do with other vegetation communities within WA.

Collections of flora in the Kimberley began in 1819 and have continued, boosted by improvements to transportation and access to the Region in the 1960s. The best full records of flora in the Kimberley are contained in "Flora of the Kimberley Region and Broome and Beyond.

Flora of the Kimberley defines 4 phytogeographic districts, 3 of which are covered in the scope of this study: Gardner, Fitzgerald, and Dampier botanical districts. The Gardner botanical district is dominated by savannah woodland but also includes woodland, riverine woodland, small patches of vine thicket, hummock grassland and mangrove communities. Tree and grass species vary with soil and landform. The Fitzgerald botanical district is dominated by tree savannah with trees lower and more scattered than in the Gardner district. Dominant tree species are eucalypts with more diversity in the south. Shale soils support tree and grass steppe.

The Dampier botanical district vegetation is mainly pindan and pindan woodland which is dominated by acacia species. This district also includes low tree savannah, riverine woodland fringing major rivers, grass savannah on clay plains, steppe hummock grass in the ranges and mangrove and samphire communities in sheltered inlets.

##### *Significance*

As of 1997 there were 4 species of Declared Rare Flora in the Kimberley and a further 99 species listed as priority flora. 37 of these species are considered under threat as there are very few known populations. The remaining species are not considered to be under immediate threat. There are also 11 threatened ecological communities (TEC), with an additional 46 communities at risk.

The Kimberley is also characterized by the numerous small rainforest patches with their distinctive floristic composition and fauna assemblages which are quite different to surrounding savannah. These patches are not dependent on the annual rainfall, but are often supported by another water source and may be deciduous during the dry months. The greatest number of such patches are found in the wetter north west coast area of the Kimberley.

##### *Gaps and Priorities*

There is a need for more detailed and longer term studies on the structure and distribution of flora communities. Many of the surveys and collections have occurred during the dry season, meaning that much of the wet season flora may have been missed. There is also a need for a more developed understanding of the ecological processes affecting flora in the Kimberley and changes that may be either man induced or a result of natural or global change. Dedicated research effort is needed into the relationship between fauna and floral dispersal and pollination mechanisms and impacts of changed community structure through variation in fire regime, and its consequent impacts on both flora and fauna.

#### 6.8.5 Fauna

Surveys of fauna in the Kimberley have identified 72 species of native mammal, 295 bird species (many of these short or long term visitors), 178 species of reptile 39 species of amphibian and 12 species of frog. In the Australian Mammal Audit (McKenzie and Burbidge ) the Kimberley shows a rich mammal fauna with high endemism in some areas and low attrition rates. Of note, there have been no mammal extinctions in the Kimberley, though the status and distribution of a number of CWR mammals is of

concern (Burbidge and McKenzie 1989). Further, the Kimberley has the highest diversity of frog species in WA.

Fauna assemblages found in the Kimberley are often not found in areas further south in WA. This is in part due to the difference in fauna assemblages of different climates and changes in assemblage coincide with rainfall (Woinarski 1992). Species in more arid climates tend to be broader ranging and wetter areas have a higher biodiversity. It is believed that European settlement and the introduction of feral animals as well as other habitat disturbance have led to a large decline in the abundance of native fauna species (Kitchener 1978, McKenzie 1981). This issue has not received adequate attention to identify the relationships between fauna and vegetation communities and the affects of grazing. While it is often noted that mammal fauna in the Kimberley has remained intact and that this is likely due to the limited disturbance experienced by fauna in relatively undeveloped areas, this may be misleading as the much of the Kimberley remains unexplored and there has been little work in the way of systematic survey across the Kimberley. In fact, it is suggested that the distribution of many mammal species is shrinking, pushing species into wetter and more rugged areas. In fact, Burbidge (unpub) noted that all records of ground dwelling mammals in the north Kimberley have been recorded within 20km of the coast, i.e. in a narrowing fringe likely associated with high rainfall and rugged terrain.

#### *Significance*

126 species are listed as endangered fauna in the Kimberley and 4 as rare. Species diversity is highest in coastal, high rainfall areas and sandstone ranges (Woinarski 1992).

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

While there have been a number of fauna surveys by the DEC and WAM over the years, many of these have focused on conservation reserves and most have been limited in time and scope. For example, Handasyde (2006) used a map of the location sites for specimens from the Kimberley held by WAM to represent survey effort as both WAM and DEC scientists lodge specimens with the WAM. From the distribution pattern of specimens, it can be noted that most specimens were collected in conservation reserves or along roads, e.g. the places people were most likely to be. Figure 6, shows a similar trend in the distribution of threatened fauna and ecological communities. There are large tracks of land with minimal sample collection and likely minimal or nonexistent survey effort. There is a need for extensive and systematic surveys to assess species, population levels, distribution, conservation status and habitat requirements across the entirety of the Kimberley. Without this information the long term status, real distribution and potential decline of many species remains unknown.

In addition to general species surveys, further work on short range endemics such as land snails and other invertebrates is needed in the Kimberley. The presence of short range endemics is often used as an indication of biodiversity and priority areas. A high degree of short range endemism has been noted in land snails, particularly in the rain forest patches of the Kimberley and islands. Further work should be undertaken to develop an understanding of the importance of these species and whether they may be useful as indicators of habitat change.

Similar to comments noted above, expansion of the reserve system is required to provide adequate and representation of fauna in the Kimberley. Transitional areas between species assemblages and arid, inland areas of the northwest are poorly reserved.

### **6.8.6 Wetlands and Estuaries**

#### *Background*

Information is available on ground water and drainage basins through several national sources. The OzEstuaries Database is an online database holding data on all Australian estuaries. Information is presented via searchable map interface, based on estuary condition assessment. The site provides access to information on each estuary from the National Land and Water Resources audit 2001 and the Australian Estuarine Database (Digby) Survey 1998.

There are 80 sites listed for the study region. The condition of most sites is pristine, with 4 considered to be largely unmodified and one (Drysdale river) modified. Condition modifiers include land uses such as mining, urban and grazing and catchment hydrology, dam. There is no data on water quality or sediment for any site in the northwest Kimberley.

The Wetlands Database Project 2005, hosted by the DEC provides an online information tool on all wetlands in WA. Reports can be generated by specific wetland and include information on the site, tenure, hydrology, geomorphology, flora and fauna.

The Australian Wetlands Database contains information on wetlands of international (Ramsar) and national importance. The database contains information on physical and ecological features, threatened flora and fauna, migratory fauna, social and cultural values, threats and management activities. The WWF have recently undertaken an NHT funded project on establishing priorities for wetland conservation and management in the Kimberley Region (Vernes 2007). This project sought to develop a database of current information on wetlands across the Kimberley to identify threats, uses, and cultural and biological values. This information is intended to be used to establish priorities for wetland management in the Kimberley catchments. Threats to wetlands include grazing pressure from cattle and feral stock, groundwater extraction for agricultural and mining purposes, changed river flows, unsustainable tourism activities, and impacts on vegetation from changed fire regimes (Vernes 2007)

#### *Significance*

Wetlands are an important resource for waterbirds and provide refugia during the dry season for many species. Many wetlands are recognised for their significance at a global level and are listed under the Ramsar Convention. These wetlands are recognised as nationally significant and are provided additional protection under the EPBC Act. There are four Ramsar wetlands in the Kimberley. Only one of these sites is within a nature reserve. However, nature reserves and marine parks recommended in Burbidge 1991 and Wilson 1994 would cover all, or significant portions, of the remaining 3 sites. A further 21 sites are considered nationally important wetlands.

In addition to their ecological significance, wetlands hold high social value including fishing, bird watching, tourism and indigenous heritage.

#### *Gaps and Priorities*

Priorities for wetland conservation have been assessed by the WWF (Vernes 2006). This report suggests monitoring water quality is a good indicator of wetland health and recommends that there is a need to continue to monitor wetlands in the Kimberley as, while most wetlands were in good condition, there was indication of some degradation, in particular in areas subject to disturbance by cattle. Further, Vernes (2007) notes that a much information on wetlands, in particular ecological, is held by local people and programs to uncover this information as well as involve aboriginal communities in wetland management and monitoring should be encouraged.

## **6.9 Data management**

Data and information management is an on-going issue for State government departments, including those who collect the data and those who use it to inform decision-making processes. Government departments often rely on the best available information to make important decisions on planning, development, conservation and management. Yet, often this information can be difficult to identify and to access. For example, research conducted by Universities, particularly students, may go unpublished except in theses and research conducted by environmental consultants on behalf of industry is often contained only in internal reports that are not provided to government. Thus, there is a great deal of research that may have taken place, be it physical, ecological or social, that remains unrecorded, unrecognised and difficult to access.

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inherently complex range of habitats and ecosystems where there are significant gaps in our knowledge due to this complexity and to the remoteness of the area. A systematic program of research similar to that described for the State in the Biodiversity Conservation Strategy (DEC 2004) is required to fine tune our knowledge and understanding of ecosystems, their role and importance and that of the species they comprise.

Existing national parks, conservation parks and nature reserves in the Kimberley, cover 2.3 million hectares. There is one marine park (Rowley Shoals) that covers 87,632 hectares. The current reserve system does not reflect the variety and richness of biodiversity in the Kimberley, a number of ecosystems are not covered in the system. In the recent CAR analysis only 51 out of 184 vegetation classes and 6.5% of the land is included in the current reserve system. The amount in reserve varies by IBRA region, with Northern Kimberley receiving the most cover (14.6% and Dampierland the least (1%). Central Kimberley (4.4%), Ord Victoria (5.9%) and Victoria Bonaparte (5.8%) all have relatively low amounts of coverage.

While various review exercises have made recommendations to expand the reserve system so that it provides a representative sample of the many values in the Kimberley, these recommendations have yet to be actioned (EPA 1981, Burbidge et al.1991). This is in part due to competing land use and concerns raised by the mining industry, pastoral industry and native title. Identification of land worth conserving is dynamic and changing according to the Draft Regional Plan for the Kimberley. The Plan notes that previous recommendations for reserve have been limited to unencumbered land and did not include pastoral land or land with mining interest. There is currently a process underway reviewing the reserve system in the Kimberley with a view to update current recommendations and action them. Until this process is complete and the features of the Kimberley are preserved through an adequate and representative reserve system, it is critical that identified features be recognised in the context of their importance in the Kimberley landscape and not in isolation and that proponents be discouraged from selecting sites where these values have been identified.

### **6.11 Ecological values**

Figure 6 contains a map of locations where threatened fauna and threatened ecological communities have been identified, including known habitat for dugong and marine turtles.

Unique habitat features, particularly those limited spatially to small significant areas or those vulnerable to disturbance are also used to demonstrate ecological values. A number of landscape features, and ecological communities they support, have been identified as containing special values in the Biodiversity Audit 2002. These include:

- stranded remnants of Devonian barrier reef system
- Rainforest patches
- Mound springs and swamp rainforest
- Camballin Floodplain
- Grasslands associated with black soils of Roebuck plains
- Extensive coastal mudflats which support numerous migratory birds at Roebuck Bay and Eighty Mile Beach
- Sunken coastline with extensive coastal archipelagos
- Numerous islands forming a microcosm of the Region and an opportunity to protect intact ecosystems
- Tropical laterite flora with palm dominated landscape unique in WA
- Cape Bougainville rainforest on laterite and volcanic is the largest single rainforest patch in the Kimberley

- A largely intact flora and fauna in the north west margin of the Mitchell subregion
- Exposed folding of the rock strata of the King Leopold Ranges
- Many island and mainland beaches for their potential as turtle nesting sites
- Cave systems – e.g. Lawford Ranges
- Rivers passing through the Devonian reef creating spectacular gorges, eg. Windjana and Geikie gorge
- Claypans
- High species and ecosystem diversity in sandstone communities and laterite rainforests,
- Reef systems along the continental shelf edge (Rowley Shoals, Scott Reef, Ashmore)

Figure 6 includes such habitats for which spatial information is available, e.g. mangrove, rainforest, seagrass, coral reef. Datasets used to make this map are limited, provide information at a broad scale only and are likely incomplete. While more detailed information has been gathered on some specific sites, this is not always available in a digital format, or made available to the DEC. Thus, this map provides information on a minimum representation of these habitats and biodiversity values.

While any planning exercise for the Kimberley would need to take account of recognised important features and ensure that their conservation is assured through appropriate management or other planning mechanisms, in the interim, this report stands to, at the very least, highlight these features so that current planning and development activities take them into account in the broader context of the Kimberley region. However, it should also be recognised, that future planning activities should work towards improving this information in terms of its accuracy and completeness for a comprehensive picture of the Kimberley.

Depicting threatened fauna and recognised valuable features of the Kimberley is useful in identifying critical areas, however, it has its limitations. For example, it has been noted that threatened species are not necessarily good measures of ecological value in the Kimberley due to the lack of information on the Kimberley and the likelihood that species lists are far from complete. Further, areas that contain a rich and diverse fauna and flora should also be recognised as ecologically important.

While there are limitations to information on species richness in the Kimberley due to lack of systematic survey effort, several landscape and climate features can be used as surrogates to identify spatially where biodiversity richness is expected, i.e. rainfall and geology. The highest rainfall areas and landscape that is complex with rugged terrain are both considered to contain higher levels of biodiversity richness and abundance. Figure 7 demonstrates these features and it can be seen that the northwest section of the Kimberley comprises both the wettest and the most rugged terrain. This part of the Kimberley is recognised within the scientific community as one of exceptional species richness, abundance and significance. While populations have notably declined in some parts of the Kimberley, the northwest corner has not experienced such declines, in fact it has been noted that the range of some species has retracted to within this area, likely due to the combined impacts of grazing pressure and changed fire regimes. Thus the northwest corner of the Kimberley is likely a biologically very important area as a biodiversity hotspot and as a refuge for species whose distribution is declining elsewhere. In the absence of better information on species and habitat distribution and status, this entire area should be given careful consideration regarding development activities.

### ***6.12 Information Gaps/Limitations to decision-making***

While there is a reasonable amount of published and unpublished data and information on the Kimberley, data is patchy with varying levels of resolution. Most information is at either a broad spatial scale with little resolution or is at a specific local site. For example, there is extensive research and documentation

of ecological communities in Roebuck Bay due to ongoing research programs whereas many other areas remain unstudied. Further, the majority of research at this site has focussed on sediment communities.

Additionally, there is information on specific sites in the Kimberley that is not readily accessible for various reasons. For example, research conducted by consultants for industry is not in the public domain and is often difficult to identify, acquire and assess in terms of quality and scientific rigour. Further, such site specific research often does not contain a landscape or regional context, limiting the value of the information. Historic data and private research are also often not stored in forms that can be easily accessed and searched. For example, the WAM holds all voucher specimens for marine and terrestrial fauna, yet many have yet to be identified and catalogued in the digital database. Accounts of historical expeditions and research that predates the use of GIS technology also has limitations in its availability for use in current GIS formats. This is a limitation in data usefulness and will be addressed later under priority gaps.

Knowledge gaps have been noted throughout this report. This section will summarise the gaps, in particular noting broad areas or themes where information is limited, and also discuss the limitations these place on regional and local decision-making.

### *6.12.1 Terrestrial*

As demonstrated in Figure 6 and throughout the literature, research and survey effort in the Kimberley has been limited in scope and scale. Survey effort has generally focused on DEC estate and more accessible areas, e.g. Mitchell Plateau, Drysdale. Coastal surveys have been limited to the accessible and productive Roebuck Bay, Scott Reef and some islands. The central Kimberley remains largely unexamined as do the vast tracks of aboriginal land along the northwest coast. Further, Figure 6 and figures in Handasyde (2006) also demonstrate that a number of specimens (and thus species information) have been collected along roads, providing another bias in the information.

There are also limitations to the information from areas that have been studied reasonably well. For example, surveys have typically been limited to the dry season which may result in fauna and flora not identified that are more prevalent during the wet season. Further, survey effort has not been conducted in a systematic design across the Kimberley. Nor has there been repeated survey effort to detect changes over time and to provide information on the status of key species. Even for areas that have been surveyed, coverage of taxa is selective, not comprehensive.

Overall, there are gaps in species inventory, distribution and status across the Kimberley. Systematic quadrat based surveys are required to fill in this information gap and provide data on assessable levels of biodiversity. Key research areas are those vulnerable to exploration and/or development along the coast, the Central Kimberley as it is largely unexplored and aboriginal land.

In addition, there is limited understanding of ecological processes, and how these are affected by disturbance and by human impacts. Research is required on ecological communities and the processes that support them. This is critical in biodiversity hotspots such as rainforest patches and in the river systems. Improved understanding of the biodiversity, current trends and the ecological processes that support them will provide for better decision making in the regional planning process.

Spatial information on the Kimberley, particularly that identifying and mapping habitat and physical characteristics is limited and at a broad scale. This type of information is very useful in identifying key areas based on environmental features and processes. Maps for regional vegetation, soil and environmental geology do not exist at a better than 1:250,000 scale. Finer scale mapping is required to assist in planning exercises and to be used as surrogates for other limited information on biodiversity (McKenzie et al. 2003).



Limited information is available on threats and threatening processes in the Kimberley. While it is recognised that grazing pressure and fire regime represent key pressures to wildlife, a full understanding of these processes and the intensity of their impact across the Kimberley is lacking. There is a need to determine appropriate fire regimes and to develop our understanding of the distribution and abundance of large introduced herbivores and their impacts on biodiversity. Overall, there is a need for clearer understanding of the interaction between fire, weeds, and grazing and the combined impacts on biodiversity.

### 6.12.2 Marine

There are a number of significant gaps in our knowledge of the marine environment in the northwest that are relevant and necessary to regional planning, biodiversity conservation and environmental protection and management. The following list identifies the overall issues of concern, while numerous specific issues have been highlighted in the appropriate sections above:

- There are practically no data available for water, sediment and biota quality for any part of the marine environment of the west Kimberley. These data would be required to establish appropriate water quality and sediment quality criteria to support environmental impact assessment and management.
- The across-shore turbidity gradient which is obvious from aerial and remote sensed imagery has clear implications for benthic community structure, particularly autotrophic organisms, but has not been characterised. Good quality information on suspended solid and turbidity regimes and the flow-on implications for light and sedimentation at the seabed, and the factors that control these variables, is needed to understand the key determinants of ecosystem structure and function. These factors will vary spatially and are likely to display significant seasonality, particularly in the coastal waters influenced by riverine discharges.
- Identification of sufficient reference sites covering all ecosystem types, selected on the basis of a regional scale broadscale survey, should occur as soon as possible. A long term data collection regime should then be established, focussing on these reference sites, to collect time series data of relevant physical/chemical properties of waters and sediment, and measures of health of key biological communities (eg. coral, mangroves, algae and phytoplankton). These reference sites will provide an important baseline to measure trends over time and allow environmental quality guidelines to be developed to support planning, impact assessment and management by the public and private sectors. Ideally, these reference sites should be given tenure to ensure they remain un-impacted in the long term to maximise the benefit and utility of the data collection program over time.
- The extreme tidal range in the Kimberley has implications for the accuracy of coastal mapping. More fine scale and potentially accurate mapping of the coastline would be valuable;
- There are gaps in habitat spatial information, including marine substrate. Even the best studied habitat types (mangrove, estuary and wetlands) are patchy and incomplete across the region. Information is very poor on coral reef, macroalgal, deep water systems, and seagrass assemblages, e.g. subtidal habitats generally. The use of satellite imagery could be a cost effective means of updating and improving broad-scale environmental mapping in some circumstances.
- There is limited information on biological communities. With the exception of fish assemblages (e.g. Newman et al.2003) little effort has been made to survey fauna across the region. Spatial datasets of fauna distribution tend to reflect the site specific survey effort that has been the norm.
- There is minimal information on species of conservation significance such as dugongs and turtles. These species are of particular concern as they are harvested by indigenous communities and, along with a lack of data on distribution and critical habitat, there is limited information on harvest rates that could be used to determine the long term sustainability of populations.
- There is very limited information on marine flora.
- Bathymetry data are available, but not in the required detail for conservation planning and modelling of oceanographic processes. Finer scale bathymetry would be useful for a range of management and

planning exercises, including understanding and modelling biophysical and oceanographic processes important to the biodiversity and health of the system.

- Our understanding and assessment of fringing coral reef in the coastal and nearshore environment is a serious limitation. Very little work has been done in this area and these reefs remain largely unmapped and unexplored. Limited data suggests they represent a vastly different coral community to the offshore coral communities and are likely a rich coral reef province beyond that recognised.
- The research on islands has been limited and needs to be broadened to take into account the variety in island geology and consequent ecosystems. For example, there are very few laterite islands in the Kimberley. These islands should be assessed for impacts post wet season when water runoff may increase impacts. In addition, comparable areas on the mainland should be examined in comparison with island ecology.
- Due to the significant growth in tourism and visitation to the Kimberley it is important to gain a better understanding early on about tourism activities, hotspots and the types of pressures being placed on local environments. This applies to both terrestrial and marine environments.

### **6.13 Research priorities**

Based on the gaps noted above research priorities in the Kimberley can be readily identified. Discussion with experts has identified the following as top priorities in both identifying and managing ecological value in the Kimberley:

Thorough inventory of all research and information in both the marine and terrestrial format in a format that may be queried and added to over time, e.g. an accessible and searchable metadata database. While such a project is underway for the marine environment, a similar project is required for the terrestrial information:

- Systematic quadrat based survey of fauna across the landscape and assessment of the status of fauna populations and changes noted over time.
- Better understanding of inshore coastal habitats including mapping of benthic communities, seagrass, coral reef and mangroves
- Assessment of the inshore reef communities
- Soil and geological mapping of the terrestrial environment at a finer scale than 1:250,000 is required for appropriate vegetation and ecosystem mapping to have value.
- Better understanding of the distribution and habitat requirements of large fauna species that may depend on specific habitat in the Kimberley for a part of their life history, e.g. migratory birds, marine mammals, marine turtles
- Development of a better understanding of the physical oceanographic processes in the near shore environment
- Mapping geomorphology in the marine environment to improve our understanding of the island system in the Kimberley as well as the differences between nearshore and offshore environments
- Better understanding of island biogeography including species distribution and comparison with the mainland
- Clear understanding of human use patterns in the Kimberley particularly in the area of tourism and recreational activities and relevant socioeconomic factors
- Systematic survey across all habitat types in the shelf reef systems to develop a thorough picture of reef and fish biodiversity and communities.

- Further research to examine connectivity between the outer reef systems.

## 7 Recommendations

It should be noted that the Kimberley is a very rich and valuable landscape with much to offer and also much to lose if development outpaces regional planning and careful decision-making for the conservation of valuable biodiversity, ecosystems and landforms. As a very minimum the following should be considered to ensure that the Kimberley maintains its unique wilderness characteristics and can continue to sustain the wide array of values that it contains:

- Figure 1 presents a composite map highlighting areas noted in this review to contain high ecological values. Development should be strongly discouraged in these areas. This would include: the northwestern corner where the high rainfall and landscape complexity equate to very rich biodiversity; islands for their unique values and ability to act as refuges for many species; rainforest patches and mound springs for the unique biota which they contain; mangrove and mudflats for their high productivity and contribution to important ecosystems; and reef systems along the continental shelf for their scarcity and regional significance. The importance of these areas in terms of their ecological value should be taken into consideration in the assessment of proposals for development or mining.
- Areas of highest conservation value need to be protected. The EPA have made recommendations in the past for the expansion of the reserve system in the Kimberley, as have the DEC (white book). These proposed reserves need to be reviewed given the current level of understanding of the Region and then need to be followed through to create a substantive reserve system that meets CAR standards in the Kimberley.
- Consideration of data management and developing a system to identify and make accessible current and future research in the Kimberley is critical. While such a project is being undertaken for the marine environment (NW inventory), there is no such commitment for the terrestrial component. It is critical for future planning activity and to properly assess development applications and research initiatives that this be undertaken in the first instance. Top priority should be given to the development of a metadata database of terrestrial based research in a format that meets the national standards of metadata and can be accessed and searched by those involved in regional planning, land management, conservation and/or research. Once the meta-databases described above are available, the DEC should ensure that this information is accessed and used when assessing development applications.
- In addition to the above, a very useful tool for both planning and assessment activities would be the conversion of the information collated on research in the metadatabases described above into a GIS format that would be compatible with the SIER index described later in this report. This format would include a GIS layer of shapefiles that would spatially depict where research has taken place in the region of interest with links to information on the project, its objectives, any documents or publications that have resulted from the work and a contact for further information. Such a tool should be considered a priority when collecting this type of information across a broad regional area and should be compatible with other similar spatial datasets held by the DEC.
- Assistance should be sought from proponents in compiling regional information. There is a large amount of grey literature (e.g. unpublished, internal reports) on the Kimberley through environmental consultants working on behalf of the various proponents. It would be useful to the EIA process to be able to capture this information so that there is a better understanding of what has and has not been investigated and over what range. In addition, for future proposals, proponents should be required to provide data in a suitable and compatible digital format to the DEC.
- Consideration should be given to regional scale processes when reviewing development applications and making decisions on development and conservation priorities in the Kimberley. These include such issues as migratory species that have both a national and international significance, including international conventions governing the identification and management of critical habitat (e.g. migratory birds, humpback whales, marine turtles) and processes that have the potential to impact on

large parts of, if not all of, the region such as climate change, fire and invasion of feral pests (e.g. cane toads, cats). These factors need to be considered and managed at a regional level and should be recognised and taken into account by decision-makers.

- Indigenous values and issues were not looked at in this review and are critical to any assessment for future planning in the Kimberley. A thorough review of aboriginal land and social values is required, including identifying important sites or areas and harnessing indigenous knowledge of the land and its biodiversity.
- A number of assets identified in the review are largely unexamined and require further information for any reasonable assessment on their value and priorities for protection. Following are the priority research topics identified, however, these are by no means the only information gaps:
  - Systematic quadrat based survey of the terrestrial environment to assess species status and distribution.
  - Systematic survey of the marine environment, shelf reef system and coastal waters, to develop a thorough understanding of reef and fish biodiversity and community interactions.
  - Establishment of a long term data collection regime through Identification of sufficient reference sites covering all ecosystem types, selected on the basis of a regional scale broadscale survey, to collect time series data of relevant physical/chemical properties of waters and sediment, and measures of health of key biological communities (eg. coral, mangroves, algae and phytoplankton). These reference sites will provide an important baseline to measure trends over time and allow environmental quality guidelines to be developed to support planning, impact assessment and management by the public and private sectors. Ideally, these reference sites should be given tenure to ensure they remain un-impacted in the long term to maximise the benefit and utility of the data collection program over time.
  - Expansion of research effort into unexplored areas and at different times of the year (e.g. wet season).
  - Assessment of the geomorphology of the Kimberley coast and nearshore islands and finer scale soil and geological mapping of the terrestrial environment.
  - Updated mapping and assessments of key habitat including mangrove, seagrass, rainforest and coral reef.
  - Identification of critical habitat of the threatened marine fauna that occurs in the Kimberley, e.g. dugong, marine turtle, humpback whale. This should include recognised breeding and feeding areas and temporal scales for these activities. Further, assessment of the indigenous harvest of dugong and marine turtle is critical to assess and manage population sustainability.
  - Development of a better understanding of physical oceanographic processes in the coastal and offshore environment including particle flow, connectivity and potential for impacts of climate change.
  - Better understanding of island biogeography including species distribution and divergence from mainland populations.
  - Understanding human use patterns in the Kimberley, particularly in the area of tourism and recreational activities and relevant socioeconomic factors and impacts.
- The isolation of the Kimberley and difficult terrain makes research in the Kimberley difficult both financially and logistically. Therefore research should be carefully planned so that it is directed towards key objectives and is not repeating or overlapping with other projects. There is a need for collaborative and coordinated research effort. Development of the above mentioned database will assist in coordinating research effort, however collaboration between State agencies, research institutions and industry should be developed so that research is as effective as possible in broadening our understanding of the region. This may involve larger projects jointly funded that

examine physical and ecological parameters on a larger scale. Priority tasks that will move progress this issue would include

- Development of a Kimberley Research Plan that prioritises research projects, potential partners and estimates costs.
- Kimberley symposium providing a forum for the presentation of recent and current research, a joint assessment of the knowledge gaps and the development of linkages and collaboration between researchers, departments and industry in addressing these gaps
- Development of a guidance statement by the DEC which will assist industry to direct research so that it may meet DEC information needs for assessing impacts at a more regional level.

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**Table 1: Summary of ecological values, their relative significance and the critical information gaps identified in this review**

Attribute	Significance	Information Gaps
<b>Marine</b>		
Environmental quality	Yet to be determined	A consultative process to determine Environmental Values (EVs), objectives and where they apply spatially is required, similar to that recently completed for the Pilbara
Water and Sediment	Too little information to be identified	Baseline data is required to begin establishing appropriate water and sediment quality criteria. Ongoing data will then be required to measure trends over time.
Mangrove	High	There is a need for accurate and finescale mapping of mangrove habitat across the Kimberley.  A better understanding of these mangrove system productivity and ecological processes is required.  Baseline and ongoing information is required in key reference sites to measure trends over time in community health
Intertidal Flats	High	Information is limited to several known productive sites (e.g. 80 mile beach, roebuck Bay) and needs to be expanded to include other productive and areas across the Kimberley.  Information on oceanographic processes relating to sedimentation and water flow is required.  Baseline and ongoing information is required in key reference sites to measure trends over time in community health
Sandy Beaches	Moderate- as site for turtle nesting	There is very limited information on turtle nesting sites across the Kimberley and no information on sandy beach communities.
Seagrass	Too little known	There is a need for finescale mapping and assessment of the importance of seagrass in ecological communities, e.g. foraging sites for dugong and turtles, habitat and nursery areas for fish and invertebrate species  Baseline and ongoing information is required in key reference sites to measure trends over time in community health
Macroalgae	Information is too limited to identify	There is a need for identification of this habitat in the marine environment through habitat mapping.  Baseline and ongoing information is required in key reference sites to measure trends over time in community health
Rocky Shores	Information is too limited to identify	Identification of the complete suite of organisms and describe their



Coral Reef - nearshore	Potentially High, but information is too limited to identify	distribution and community structure is needed In the nearshore environment, mapping of all corals has yet to be undertaken due in part to the difficulty presented by the turbid environment, making the use of aerial photography limited. An initial assessment of the inshore reefs should be undertaken such as a preliminary mapping project of all fringing reef by a geomorphologist.  Due to the potential importance of this reef system, additional fieldwork to survey inshore coral reefs in a systematic way should be initiated following the above priorities.
Coral Reef - offshore	High	Baseline and ongoing information is required in key reference sites to measure trends over time in community health  Habitat mapping and biodiversity surveys of all areas are critical to define baseline population parameters that can be monitored to detect impacts over time, to examine the level of connectivity between reef systems and to detect threats such as coral bleaching, disease and coral predators.  Further research is required at Scott Reef and other reefs to understand oceanographic processes, the role of surface currents in larval dispersal and recruitment between coral reef systems in the Indo Pacific.  Collation and processing of all samples held by the Museum would assist in developing an understanding of our current level of knowledge of the biodiversity present in this environment  Baseline and ongoing information is required in key reference sites to measure trends over time in community health
Benthic	Too limited to identify values	Finescale bathymetric or habitat mapping that is easily accessible is needed.
Oceanography and Physical processes	Too limited to identify values	There is a need for a more developed understanding of ocean processes including water circulation, suspended solid and turbidity regimes and connectivity between various reef systems.
Fauna		
<i>Invertebrate</i>	Too limited to identify values	Identification of dominant taxa, their distribution and abundance. Development of complete species lists for the Region.
<i>Mammals</i>	High -- threatened fauna species	Identification of critical habitat for protected and threatened fauna, e.g. whale breeding grounds, dugong habitat. Priorities include identifying population distribution and abundance and habitat use; understanding the traditional take of dugong and assessing the sustainability of this harvest.
<i>Turtles</i>	High	Information is required on population or stock assessment, distribution and habitat requirements. Quantification of turtle harvest by traditional hunters is

<i>Fish</i>	High Biodiversity, distinct from other regions	also required to ensure such harvest is sustainable. Information required to properly manage relevant fisheries includes estimating biological parameters of key species, evaluating and assessing recreational and aboriginal netting activities and determining the genetic stock, structure of key species in nearshore waters.
<i>Seabirds and shore birds</i>	High	As there is some data on known breeding sites and resting areas, research priorities should focus on monitoring these sites to detected changes over time in response to ecological or human factors. Migratory routes of species covered by JAMBA and CAMBA should be clearly identified, including critical habitat for those species that stop off in NW Australia to rest, feed or breed.
<b>Terrestrial</b>		
Geology	High	Mapping of physical characteristics such as geology and soil at a scale finer than 1:250,000 is needed.
Vegetation		A key priority for the Kimberley is the adequate representation of vegetation communities in the reserve system.  Finer scale and complete assessment of vegetative cover is needed to identify habitats, assess ecological value and true representativeness.
Rainforest Patches	High	Need for adequate representation in reserve system and ongoing systematic survey to determine the status of ecological communities, including fauna.
Islands	High	There is a need for better understanding of island biologic and dynamics including comparison with mainland species communities and genetics and the impacts of tourism.  Conservation through reservation and proper management is also critical to the long term sustainability of island populations. Islands in the Kimberley need to be well represented in the reserve system and management measures such as limiting development and ensuring quarantine measures are in place are important to ensure that island biota remains relatively untouched and free from feral invasions.
Flora	Too limited to identify – some TEC and threatened species	There is a need for more detailed and longer term studies on the structure and distribution of flora communities. Many of the surveys and collections have occurred during the dry season, meaning that much of the wet season flora may have been missed. There is also a need for a more developed understanding of the ecological processes affecting flora in the Kimberley and changes that may be either man induced or a result of natural or global change. Dedicated research effort is needed into the relationship between fauna and floral dispersal and pollination mechanisms and impacts of changed community structure through variation in fire regime, and its

		consequent impacts on both flora and fauna.
Fauna		<p>There are large tracks of land with minimal sample collection and likely minimal or non-existent survey effort. There is a need for extensive and systematic surveys to assess species, population levels, distribution, conservation status and habitat requirements across the entirety of the Kimberley. Without this information the long term status, real distribution and potential decline of many species remains unknown.</p> <p>A high degree of short range endemism has been noted in land snails, particularly in the rain forest patches of the Kimberley and islands. Further work should be undertaken to develop an understanding of the importance of these species and whether they may be useful as indicators of habitat change.</p> <p>Need for adequate representation through reserve system.</p>
Wetlands and Estuaries	High	Continue with water monitoring programs. Harness breadth of knowledge of ecological parameters of wetlands held by indigenous communities.

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## ATTACHMENT 2

### KIMBERLEY REVIEW WORKSHOP Thursday, 1 March, 10:00 am

#### Attendees:

Norm Caporn - DEC  
Peter Walkington - DEC  
Kevin Kenneally - DEC  
Tony Start - DEC  
Greg Keighery- DEC  
Lesley Gibson - DEC  
Cam Sim - DEC  
Steve Newman - DoF  
Diana Walker - UWA  
Luke Smith - AIMS  
Barry Wilson – Murex Consulting  
Kelly Waples - DEC

#### Apologies:

Andrew Burbidge – DEC  
Gary Whisson – DEC  
Stephen Van Leeuwen - DEC  
David Morgan – Murdoch

#### Purpose

The workshop was organized to harness the collective knowledge of the Kimberley held by the many scientists and experts who have explored the region. Discussions at the workshop were guided to address the following issues:

- Identifying areas of high value and detailing why
- Considering the best means to depict high value areas in a spatial format, e.g. setting criteria or priorities to define biodiversity value
- Identifying areas/topics where there is insufficient information to make any value judgments
- Determining whether mapping survey effort provides a realistic portrayal of current level of knowledge
- Critically reviewing where and what research is required to fill gaps

#### Outcomes

Discussions at the workshop remained predominantly at a high level, considering broad values of the Kimberley and what is needed to identify and support the critical values this region represents. There was uniform concern that development pressure is outpacing science and our understanding of the biodiversity of the region, and its importance both on a regional and global scale.

Experts were loathe to pinpoint specific areas of value, rather preferred highlighting biodiversity hotspots at the regional level and noting the real need for an overall careful and critical assessment of the Region before development pressures increase further. Key gaps and initial steps to begin to fill these gaps, both at a broad and specific level were noted.

### Attachment 3

List of all datasets identified through this review based on Handasyde 2006, WWF 2006, Stewart et al 2005 and internet searches. Further details on the datasets are held in an excel spreadsheet by the EMB.

Theme	Name	Description	Custodian
Fauna	Aboriginal names for animals	list of aboriginal names for sp	Andrew Burbidge, DEC
Fauna	Assessment of vertebrate fauna of the Yampi Sound Defence Training area (YSTA) Derby WA	Site data only entered. Species data in report	Western Australian Museum
Fauna	Australian National Insect Collection (ANIC)	Structured text data from insect specimen labels obtained from the ANIC, indicators of environmental health	CSIRO
Fauna	Biodiversity audit	A statewide audit performed by CALM per region.	CALM
Fauna	Bird Atlas 2	Atlas of Australian birds, includes information on taxa, collector, dates, location.	Birds Australia
Fauna	Camaenid Land Snail work.		N.McKenzie
Fauna	Checklist of the birds of Australia	checklist of bird sp	Andrew Burbidge, DEC
Fauna	Comparison of fauna recorded at two sites in Drysdale River National Park.	396 records entered by Darwin. Birds are common name only.	Woinarski, J & Start, A.N.
Fauna	CSIRO Australian National Wildlife Collection, Birds and Mammals from Register	Point locality data from data sheets. CSIRO collection.	CSIRO
Fauna	Ecological comparison of three species of tree-rat on the Mitchell Plateau (includes other species trapped).	24 records. Data extracted from "Ecological comparison of three species of tree-rat on the Mitchell Plateau, WA." Kerle, J.A. n.d. Unpublished report to the Science and Industry Endowment Fund.	Anne Kerle
Fauna	Fauna/fire in Mirima National Park. Honours project, McQuarie University	31 records, 17 specimens vouchered in WA Museum.	T.Partridge
Fauna	Fire and Fauna in Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) National Park, East Kimberley - in progress.	Research work (PhD) ~ Thalie Partridge	Thalie Partridge
Fauna	Freshwater fish research (sharks, sawfish).		Dave Morgan
Fauna	Freshwater turtle and dugong management research (Masters project, Edith Cowan University).		Z.Evans.

Theme	Name	Description	Custodian
Fauna	Freshwater Turtle research work		Nancy Fitzsimons/T. Tucker, University of Canberra.
Fauna	Golden bandicoot survey work.	Hard copy only.	G. Graham
Fauna	Gouldian finch work		WWF - TSN
Fauna	Gouldian finch work	1839-1998	P. Dostine
Fauna	Habitat/Fauna Site Data	specimens and locational info on fauna, not necessarily lodged in NT museum	DIPE
Fauna	Kimberley '88 - Royal Geographic Society/Linnaean Society	Records entered from report. Co-ords assigned. WAM data checked and field added with modifications.	Maryane (Sawle) Mills
Fauna	MacroInvertebrate data	MacroInvertebrate data collected by Dave Morgan	Murdoch University
Fauna	MacroInvertebrate data	MacroInvertebrate data collected by Andrew Storey	UWA
Fauna	Mammal Status Survey	Mammal surveys to attempt to compare current mammal status in the Kimberley with previous (1970's '80's) surveys (flora data also collected).	Start A.N.
Fauna	Mammals on Australian islands	maintain records of mammals on islands	Andrew Burbidge, DEC
Fauna	Movements, nest sites and feeding behaviour of the tropical scaly-tailed possum (Wyluda squamicaudata).		Runcie, M.J.
Fauna	Ningbing Range survey.	Bird, Flora and Camaenid Land Snail data.	N. McKenzie
Fauna	Ord Riparian Zone Project - Tropical Savannas CRC/CALM.		Tony Start, CALM
Fauna	ORD RIVER STAGE 2: M2 Development Area: Terrestrial Biological Assessment -Addendum A: Regional Biodiversity & R I	154 records. Data extracted from 'OBPAuditSpeciesDataFromDNA. mdb'.	Garry Connell, Ecologia
Fauna	ORD RIVER STAGE 2: Terrestrial Biological Assessment.	2114 records. Data extracted from 'OBPAuditSpeciesData.mdb'	Garry Connell, Ecologia
Fauna	OZCAM	Australian Museums on-line faunal database, includes information on taxa, collector, dates, location	Various state museums
Fauna	Purnululu Fauna Monitoring (fauna monitoring and feral cat assessment)	Approx. 8 sites. Some data entered by T. Partridge. See Metadata file.	A. Thomson
Fauna	Refugia for biological diversity in arid and semi-arid Australia	digitised boundaries for refugia cited in Morton et al 1995. 9 refugia categories defined	DEH

Theme	Name	Description	Custodian
Fauna	Rock Ringtail Possum - genetic relatedness (University of Hawaii).	Data not acquired.	Berryman, J.R.
Fauna	Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zones: Shore Birds	Distribution and feeding patterns of Shore Birds on Intertidal Zones in Roebuck Bay, Western Australia	G Pearson, DEC
Fauna	Seabird breeding islands database	Maintains breeding records of seabirds (and some other species) on Western Australian islands.	Andrew Burbidge, DEC
Fauna	Species richness and ranges - eucalyptus, land birds and butterflies	species richness and ranges as per ERIN database at July 1993	DEH
Fauna	Survey of Python distribution and status in Western Australia	compilation of all python sightings	David pearson, DEC
Fauna	The macroecology and conservation of the antilopine wallaroo (Macropus antilopinus). School of Tropical Biology, James Cook University.	Data not acquired.	Ritchie, E.
Fauna	Tryphocaria antennal length. Survey of beetle dimensions in relation to sex.		DEC
Fauna	Water bird records for Kimberley.	2,500 waterbird records for Kimberley. Coordinates not assigned. An example of data available. Contact S.Halse for further details	Stuart Halse, CALM
Fauna	Western Australian Museum specimen data.	Site locations of all specimens held by the WA museum and entered in Faunabase	
Flora	"Assessment of the Distribution and Status of Arnhem Cypress Pine <i>Callitris intratropica</i> (R.T.Baker & H.G.Sm.) in the Kimberley Region of Western Australia".	47 survey sites (143 quadrats) were assessed throughout the Kimberley. Site data entered digitally.	G. Graham
Flora	Acacia Names Database	acacia names	Bruce Maslin, DEC
Flora	Allozyme database for genetic diversity in threatened species.		DEC
Flora	Allozyme database for genetic diversity in widespread WA plant species		DEC
Flora	Allozyme database for mating system analysis		DEC
Flora	Amphipogon species (Poaceae), descriptive database		DEC
Flora	Australian Virtual Herbarium	Herbarium collections from state and national herbaria	Various state Herbaria - Council

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Flora	Bibliographic database of the family Asteraceae, tribe Astereae		of the Heads of Australian Herbaria
Flora	CALM monitoring (fire) sites on Curtin Defence Department Land, Yampi Sound Defence Training Area and King Leopold Range	Yampi - 6 sites (4 years data and photos). Curtin - 4 sites. King Leopold - 2 sites.	DEC
Flora	Card index of toxic Australian plants		DEC
Flora	Census of lichens for Western Australia		DEC
Flora	Chloroplast RFLP diversity in WA flora	genetic diversity	DEC
Flora	DELTA dataset of WA Threatened Flora species	flora dataset- DRF	
Flora	Descriptive database of genera in the family Asteraceae tribe Astereae		DEC
Flora	Descriptive database of the genus Olearia.	flora descriptive	DEC
Flora	Fire research sites.	160 fire research sites throughout the Kimberley.	A.Craig
Flora	Flora of the Yampi Sound Defence training Area.		Barrett, R.L., Barrett, M.D., Start, A.N. and Dixon, K.W.
Flora	Flora/Fire sites in Mirima N.P.	Mirima Flora Site locations received from Darwin, 2003. Coordinates have been converted to dec. degrees for OBP Audit (site location data has been truncated). Site data received from T.Start in 'KimberleySites_TStart.xls',	A.N.Start
Flora	FloraBase - Information of the Western Australian flora		
Flora	Incidence of Bullseye Borer across a rainfall gradient in 20-30 year old karri regrowth		DEC
Flora	Kimberley Regional Herbarium (Derby, DAWA) data.	866 records (753 records without coordinates)	Department of Agriculture, Derby
Flora	Kimberley Regional Herbarium (Kununurra, CALM) data.	Data list for plant specimens held at CALM, Kununurra. Some of this data is quite old. Lat and Longs may not therefore be available and ID of many specimens has not been verified.2823 records (includes 199 records without co-ordinates).	CALM

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Flora	Kimberley Regional Herbarium (Kununurra, DAWA) data.	2079 plant specimens held at Department of Agriculture, Kununurra with coordinate data. Are additional records without coordinates. Some data is quite old. ID of many specimens has not been verified.	Department of Agriculture, Kununurra
Flora	KRFMP Flora	6 site surveys	KRFMP (Carol Palmer)
Flora	Land unit mapping site information		Manager, Land Resource Assessment and Monitoring, Department of Agriculture Western Australia
Flora	List of plant specimens recorded at Bachsten Creek, (additional to specimens held in WA Herbarium and Kimberley Regional Herbarium Kununurra ).		T. Handasyde
Flora	National Vegetation Information System (NVIS)	Pre-European and present native vegetation. Published Data - Stage 1, Version 2, National Land and Water Resources Audit.	DEH
Flora	Native and introduced plant species in Western Australia which may cause allergenic or irritant reactions in man.		DEC
Flora	Nomenclature database of Australian Olearia.	flora database	
Flora	Nuclear RFLP diversity in WA flora	genetic diversity	DEC
Flora	Observational records of plant species recorded on north Kimberley AQIS survey, 2002 (additional to specimens held in WA Herbarium and Kimberley Regional Herbarium Kununurra).	Collected between Karacutta (Karakatta) Bay and Koolan Island	
Flora	Ord Riparian Zone Project - Tropical Savannas CRC/CALM.		Tony Start, CALM
Flora	Ord Stage 2 Conservation area and Wolf Creek Crater National Park.	Flora lists for work done for Ord Stage 2 conservation Areas and Wolf Creek Crater N.P. various sites. Data not entered.	T. Vernes
Flora	Purnululu monitoring sites.	17 sites. Originally installed as Department of Agriculture rangeland monitoring photo sites.	
Flora	Purnululu rehabilitation sites.	24 sites. Photo sites of rehabilitation areas.	
Flora	Rare flora population data	Information on the population, location, habitat, biology and the management strategies for rare (Threatened) floral species	CALM

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Flora	Resistance of Jarrah to Phytophthora cinnamomi - Field Validation trials		DEC
Flora	Specimen database of the genus Olearia.	flora database	
Flora	Stipeae species of Australia (Poaceae), descriptive database.		DEC
Flora	Thysanotus species (Anthericaceae), descriptive database		DEC
Flora	Vegetation extent (National land and Water Resources Audit 2001) - WA	A dataset containing vegetation extent polygons from the mapping of remnant vegetation in WA.	DAWA
Flora	VHS Phytophthora detection database.	soil and root samples for phytopherora	Francis Tay, DEC
Flora	WAGENERA, a descriptive database of Western Australian Plant Families and Genera		DEC
Flora	Wattles: Descriptive data of four Australian species of Acacia.	description of wattle	Bruce Maslin, DEC
Flora	Western Australian Rangeland Monitoring System (WARMS) data. Site data is used to derive trends in vegetation (based on species recorded on 5 x 50m transects). Photographic record kept of each site.	384 WARMS sites (there are an additional 736 Pastoralists PhotoMonitoring sites however many of these do not have co-ordinates). bio-physical data for each site. 6900 plant species records from sites.	Department of Agriculture, WA. (Andrew Craig/Phil Thomas).
Geology	Kimberley Division: soil classification (burvill); soil erosion surveys (medcalf); classification base lines (richter) in the ord river basin (1944)		
Geology	West Kimberley - Erosion and Range Condition Report.	survey of land use, fauna, geomorph, soil and erosion	Agriculture WA
Heritage	Aboriginal Sites Register System	Includes, but is not limited to, information on the register of Places and Objects maintained under the AHA	DIA
Heritage	Commonwealth Heritage List Database	Locational and attribute information for places on the Commonwealth Heritage List (Indigenous, natural and historic)	DEH
Heritage	Register of the National Estate	Land Tenure	DEH
Heritage	World Heritage Areas Australia	Spatial database of all 16 WHA properties	DEH
Hydrology	Australian River Assessment System (AusRivAS) National River Health Database	System for assessing health/condition of rivers and streams based on in-stream biota, water quality + habitat. Database contains spatially referenced datasets describing site info, water chem, flow + in-stream habitat conditions, macroinvertebrate	CALM/DEH



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		community assemblage data.	
Hydrology	Drainage Divisions, Basins and Water Catchment Boundaries	The drainage divisions, basins and water catchment boundaries of WA defined at varying scales.	DoE
Hydrology	Facilities Mapping System (Water Data)	Spatial representation of the Water Corporation's water assets	WC
Hydrology	Hydrography, Linear Features	1) Rivers LINEAR FEATURES contains natural LINE water features 2) Rivers POINT FEATURES point water features represented by lines, 3) Pipelines	DoE
Hydrology	Kimberley River Health sites	Kimberley River Health site location and data collected & received	Stuart Halse, CALM
Hydrology	Lake Gregory	Sampling of water chemistry and benthic and planktonic invertebrates at numerous sites between Oct 1989 and Aug 1993, plus extensive waterbird surveying over several years.	S Halse, DEC
Hydrology	Monitoring River Health Initiative (MRHI)	River health and condition through macro-invertebrate and water chemistry parameters	CALM, Stuart Halse
Hydrology	Rivers 25k Lines-DOLA	Natural water features mapped by DOLA at best available scale.	DOLA/DPI
Hydrology	RIWI Act, Surface Water Areas	Area boundaries of areas proclaimed under the RIWI Act	DoE
Hydrology	SOE 2001 Australian Rivers Assessment System (AusRIVAS) Band (Observed:Expected) Scores	These datasets comprise a number of shapefiles that contain O/E band scores for basins, test and reference sites and streams using the Australian Rivers Assessment System.	DEH
Hydrology	WA Drainage	Water courses in WA	DOLA/DPI
Hydrology	WA Hydrogeology	Hydro-geological map of WA, published in 1989.	DoE
Hydrology	WA Rivers	Map of named rivers and creeks across WA	DOLA/DPI
Hydrology	Water Information System - Groundwater	Contains groundwater information for the state.	DoE
Hydrology	Water Information System - Surface Water	Contains surface water information for the state.	DoE
Hydrology	WIN Sites (Water and Rivers Commission)	Shows WIN site data and their locations for sites operated by the DOE	DoE
Land	1" Digital elevation model	1 arc-seconds (30m resolution)	DIGO

Theme	Name	Description	Custodian
Land	3" Digital elevation model	3 arc-seconds (90m resolution)	Geoscience Australia
Land	Australia - Assessment of River Condition (Reach and Basin) - 2001	Assessment incorporates a range of attributes that are considered to indicate key ecological processes at the river reach and basin levels.	DEH
Land	Digital Topographic Data - 1:50 000 (AUSLIG)	Digital topographic map series showing cultural features, relief, drainage and veg cover	DOLA
Land	GEODATA TOPO 250K Series 2 Topographic Data	Medium scale vector representation of the topography of Australia.	Geoscience Australia
Land	Geology (1:2,500,000)	Distribution and age of major stratigraphic, intrusive and medium to high-grade metamorphic rock units of onshore Australia	Geoscience Australia
Land	Inventory sites for land unit mapping of Carlton Hill, Ivanhoe, Bow River and Violet Valley stations. Inventory sites encompass significantly more area than these properties and would be good resource for further land unit mapping.	Includes standards and forms used for land unit mapping, details of work, methodology, issues, etc.	Manager, Land Resource Assessment and Monitoring, Department of Agriculture
Land	Kimberley Region Terrain Studies for Army, 1983	survey to verify terrain data	Ag WA
Land	Land System mapping	Currently being upgraded against 1:50,000 topo's.	DAWA
Land	Land unit mapping		Manager, Land Resource Assessment and Monitoring, Department of Agriculture
Land	North Kimberley - Lands and Pastoral Resources	land system mapping based on Speck	Agriculture WA
Land	Regolith Terrains of Australia (National Geoscience Dataset)	dominant topography, geology and regolith	Geoscience Australia
Land	Relative relief and landform	A relative relief and landform map of Australia	DEH
Land	Resource inventory and condition survey of the Ord River Regeneration Reserve.	Land unit maps form part of this report.	de Salis, J., Department of Agriculture Western, Australia
Land	West Kimberley Rangelands Survey	land system mapping based on Speck	Agriculture WA

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Marine	Aust Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) Northern Prawn	polygon coverage of fishery licence area	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Banana Prawn Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Barramundi Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Black Snapper Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Blue-spotted/Lesser spangled Emperor Dist.	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Brown Tiger Prawn Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Coral Prawn (M. cassissima)	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Coral Prawn Distribution (M.palmensis)	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Coral Trout or Leopard Trout Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Endeavour Prawn Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Estuary Cod Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Giant Threadfin Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Gold Band Snapper or Jobfish	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Grooved Tiger Prawn Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Interim marine and coastal regionalisation of Australia	shape files for all regions of IMCRA	DEH, info@erin.gov.au
Marine	Kimberley Gillnet & Barramundi	polygon coverage of fishery licence area	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Kimberley Prawn Managed Fishery	polygon coverage of fishery licence area	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Marine Habitats of Western Australia	Polygons delineating the broad-scale regional marine habitats (Community level) of selected areas in Western Australia, mostly in existing and proposed marine conservation reserve areas. Habitat mapping was carried out by various organisations, including DEC, using a range of methodologies over many years.	R Lawrie , DEC
Marine	Mud Crab Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Mud Crab Fishery	fishery boundaries	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Northern Demersal Scalefish Managed Fishery	polygon coverage of fishery licence area	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Pearl Oyster Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord

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Marine	Pearl Oyster MF	polygon coverage of fishery licence area	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Rakin Cod Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Red Emperor Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Red throat Emperor	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Red-spot Emperor Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zones: Benthos	Records of invertebrates species in Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zones.	G Pearson, DEC
Marine	Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zones: Sediments	Nature and distribution of sediments in Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zones.	G Pearson, DEC
Marine	Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zones: Water Quality	Baseline nutrient levels for Roebuck Bay Intertidal Zone	G Pearson, DEC
Marine	Roebuck Bay Intertidal Mudflats	invertebrate communities of tropical intertidal mudflats	G Pearson, DEC
Marine	Saddle-tail Snapper Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	School Mackerel Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Spangled Emperor or Nor-West Snapper	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Spanish Mackerel Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Threadfin (salmon/bluenose salmon)	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Threadfin Bream Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Trochus Distribution	polygon coverage of distribution	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Tropical Rock Lobster Fishery	polygon coverage of fishery licence area	Fisheries WA, GIS Coord
Marine	Victoria-Bonaparte Mudflat Monitoring	Waterbirds and aquatic invertebrates using the mudflat, including their conservation value and biogeographic affinities. Aquatic invertebrates collected at five sites. Waterbirds surveyed from the air and ground over several days in Feb and April 1993	S Halse, DEC
Survey	A biological Survey of Mirima National Park. December 1993 - Jan 1994	Hard copy only.	G. Graham
Survey	A Biological Survey of the Cockburn Ranges. February -April 1994.	48 individual? pit-fall traps with fence (chk. GG). Trapping - approx. 14 days each trap. Birds, reptiles, bats, veg.	G. Graham
Survey	A Survey of the Wildlife and Vegetation of Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) National Park and adjacent areas.*	768 records in OldKimberleyFaunaRecords20050 730.mdb. Need to check how these relate to 3 .xls files (filed under Purnululu).	

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Survey	Biological Inventory of Koolan Island	Hard copy only.	Keighery, G.J., et al & McKenzie, N.L.
Survey	Biological survey of the Drysdale River National Park, North Kimberley, Western Australia, 1975	Dataset not originally digitised, some records have been extracted from old Kimberley survey reports and compiled by the Biodiversity Section of the 'Dept.of Planning and Environment/Scientific Services/Natural Systems Division', Darwin.	DEC
Survey	Biological survey of the Prince Regent River Reserve, north-west Kimberley, Western Australia, 1974	Dataset not originally digitised, some records have been extracted from old Kimberley survey reports and compiled by the Biodiversity Section of the 'Dept.of Planning and Environment/Scientific Services/Natural Systems Division', Darwin.	DEC
Survey	Biological survey of Yampi Defence Department Land.		ECOZ: Preece N., et al?
Survey	Botanical survey of Vansittart Bay and Napier Broome Bay, northern Kimberley Western Australia.		DEC
Survey	Botanical survey of Walcott Inlet, Kimberley Western Australia.		DEC
Survey	Bucaneer Biological Survey	Plants and animals on islands of Bucaneer Archipelago	N McKenzie. Burbidge, DEC
Survey	Devonian Reef Ranges of Kimberley (Limestone): Soil Chemical Analysis, Birds and Bats	Quadrats data on flora, vertebrates and land snails taken from sites on and adjacent to ranges covering Oscar, Napier and Nimbing Ranges fringing the Kimberley Plateau	Stuart Halse, DEC
Survey	Kimberley Mound Spring Survey	Diversity and conservation status of invertebrate assemblages of mound springs in the Kimberley Region of the north-west of Western Australia. Invertebrates collected either by sweeping with 50 um mesh net, or scooping several litres of water from natural pools or dug holes through 50 um mesh net. Water chemistry samples taken at one of the invertebrate collection sites per mound spring. Invertebrates identified to species level.	Norm McKenzie, DEC
Survey	Kimberley Rainforest Survey	rainforest survey	Norm McKenzie, DEC
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Bachsten Creek Wildlife Survey.		Carol Palmer

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Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Beagle Bay Wildlife Survey.		Carol Palmer
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Bohemia Downs Wildlife Survey		Carol Palmer
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Edgar Range Wildlife Survey	12/08/2002 - 16/08/2002	Carol Palmer
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Joon Joon Wildlife Survey	26/05/2002 - 30/05/2002	Carol Palmer
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Mount Elizabeth Wildlife Survey		Carol Palmer
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Yampi 1 (Rock) Wildlife Survey.		Carol Palmer
Survey	Kimberley Regional Fire Management Project: Yampi 2 (Eucalypt) Wildlife Survey.		Carol Palmer
Survey	Notes on the vegetation and flora of the Cape Londonderry Peninsula, North Kimberley, Western Australia, 1978		DEC
Survey	Old Kimberley Surveys. Biological Survey of Mitchell Plateau and Admiralty Gulf, Kimberley.*	Dataset not originally digitised, some records have been extracted from old Kimberley survey reports and compiled by the Biodiversity Section of the 'Dept. of Planning and Environment/Scientific Services/Natural Systems Division', Darwin.	WA Museum.
Survey	Old Kimberley Surveys. Fauna Survey of the Argyle Diamond Project.*	Dataset not originally digitised, some records have been extracted from old Kimberley survey reports and compiled by the Biodiversity Section of the 'Dept. of Planning and Environment/Scientific Services/Natural Systems Division', Darwin.	G. Harold
Survey	Old Kimberley Surveys. Islands of the Nth. West Kimberley	Dataset not originally digitised, some records have been extracted from old Kimberley survey reports and compiled by the Biodiversity Section of the 'Dept. of Planning and Environment/Scientific Services/Natural Systems Division', Darwin.	Burbidge & McKenzie
Survey	Wildlife of the Dampier Peninsula, South-west Kimberley, Western Australia, 1983		DEC

Theme	Name	Description	Custodian
Tenure	CALM Science Supplement Core	calm regions and beard class	DEC
Tenure	Collaborative Australian Protected Area Database (CAPAD) 2000	Provides spatial and attribute information about government vested protected areas (PAs) for biodiversity conservation in different jurisdictions in Australia.	DEH
Tenure	Land Tenure	Land tenure Australia wide	AUSLIG
Tenure	Land Tenure in Australia Rangelands (1955-2000)	Snapshots of land tenure per decade to illustrate broad scale land tenure changes across Australia's rangelands.	NLWRA
Tenure	Location of Aboriginal Communities	Location of Aboriginal communities in WA.	DIA
Tenure	National Native Title Register (Determinations) - boundaries and core attributes	Boundaries of claimant and non-claimant native title applications that have been determined in part or full with information about that determination	NNTT
Threat	Species Profile and Threats Database (SPRAT)	Information on plant and animal species listed under the EPBC Act 1999, along with select non-Australian species required for various legislative, treaty and international agreement purposes.	DEH
Threat	West Kimberley Erosion and Range Condition Report	Survey of land use, fauna, geomorphology, vegetation, soil properties and erosion status to compile a resource inventory for evaluation of land use planning, erosion hazard evaluation and an evaluation of grazing.	DAWA
Topo	Digital Topographic Data - 1:50,000 - Cultural and Hydro Features	Digital topographic map series showing cultural and hydrographic features at 1:50,000	DOLA/DPI
Vegetation	NFI Forest Complexes Kimberley	Forest mapping from satellite imagery	DEC IMB Steve Jones
Vegetation	NFI Mudflats, Mangroves and Rainforest	Forest mapping from satellite imagery	Dec IMB Steve Jones
Vegetation	Salinity Action Plan	8 Mound Springs	UWA
Vegetation	The vegetation of the Kimberley area, 1979. Vegetation Survey of Western Australia, 1:1,000,000 Vegetation series	Based on Beard 1979	DEC
Vegetation	Vegetation mapping		Tropical Savannas CRC/EPA
Vegetation	Western Australian Herbarium Specimen Database (WAHERB)	Label data associated with the 500,000 plant specimens housed in WA Herbarium.	CALM
Wetlands	Aquatic invertebrates, waterbirds and water chemistry	Wetlands. Rivers. Aquatic invertebrates. Waterbirds. Water chemistry. Physical and chemical parameters. Wetland location.	Stuart Halse, DEC

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Custodian</b>
		Wetland description and categorisation	
Wetlands	Aquatic invertebrates, waterbirds and water chemistry	Wetland location, description and categorisation, aquatic invert, waterbirds, phys and chem parameters.	CALM
Wetlands	Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia Spatial Database	Polygon coverage of wetlands in Directory. Point coverage of centre of Ramsar site	DEH
Wetlands	Estimated Area of Wetlands	The area covered by each of 17 wetland types.	CSIRO Wildlife and Ecology
Wetlands	Ramsar Sites WA	Official boundaries of the 9 wetland areas proposed in Feb 1990 by WA government for listing as Wetlands of International Importance under the Ramsar Convention	CALM



**ATTACHMENT 4**

This reference list should be considered a living document. It is by no means an exhaustive search of the literature on the Kimberley region. Rather it represents an aggregate of bibliographies from several reviews of the Kimberley (e.g. Handasyde 2005, Wilson 2006 and Jones 2006) and additional library searches. It is still in draft format and is likely to include some errors. Please send any corrections or additions to [kelly.waples@dec.wa.gov.au](mailto:kelly.waples@dec.wa.gov.au).

Key for "Type" (B=Book; J=Journal; R=Report; D=Discussion Paper; M=Monograph; P=Proceedings; T=Thesis; MP=Map; O=Other)

Author	Year	Title	Publication	Vol	No	Pages	Type
	1902	Exploration in the Kimberley district of Western Australia	Geographical journal	20		456-457	J
		Medusa Banks, Kimberley Division [cartographic material]. - Scale 1:253,440	Australia 1:253,440			1 map : b&w	MP
Abbott I.	1979	The distribution and abundance of seabirds at sea and on islands near the mid and north-western coasts of Australia.	Corella	3		93-102	J
Abel, N, Ryan, S	1996	Sustainable habitation in the rangelands : proceedings of a Fenner Conference on the Environment, Canberra 29th and 30th October, 1996	Fenner Conference on the Environment, Canberra 29th and 30th October, 1996				P
ACIL Economics and Policy Pty Ltd	1993	Fitzroy Valley irrigation : a conceptual study	Kimberley Water Resources Development Advisory Board				R
Acil Economics And Policy Pty Ltd, Kimberley Water Resources Development Office (W.A.),	1990	Kimberley Pipeline Environmental Advisory Committee report	Kimberley Water Resources Development Office			75pp	R
Addison, J	1997	A guide to mechanical rangeland regeneration.	Bulletin 4334, Agriculture Western Australia	4334			J
Akerman, K	1975	The double raft or kalwa of the west Kimberley	Mankind.	10		p. 20-23	J
Akerman, K, Bindon, P	1983	The edge-ground stone adze and modern counterparts in the Kimberley region, Western Australia	Records of the Western Australian Museum.	11		p. 357-373	J
Aldrick, JM	1990	Soils of the Ivanhoe Plain, East Kimberley, Western Australia	Department of Agriculture Technical Bulletin	82			J
Allan, G, Willson, A	1995	Learning more about fire in the Top End: processing and interpreting spatial and temporal fire history data	Proc. 2nd North Australian Remote Sensing and GIS Forum, 18-20 July 1995	0		21-26	P

Author	Year	Title	Publication	Vol	No	Pages	Type
Allchurch J.		derived from NOAA AVHRR images.	Darwi				
		Channel response to accelerated erosion in the upper catchment of the Ord River, Western Australia.	Unpublished Honours Thesis, University of Western Australia.				T
Allen, GR, Leggett, R	1988	A collection of freshwater fishes from the Kimberley region of Western Australia	Records of the Western Australian Museum	14		527-545	J
Allen, GR, Swainston, R	1988	The marine fishes of north-western Australia: a guide for anglers and divers	Western Australian Museum				B
Altman, J. C.	1985	An Aboriginal economic base : strategies for remote communities : extracts / from the report of the Committee of Review of Aboriginal Employment and Training Programs	East Kimberley working paper			52 p.	O
Altman, J. C.	1987	The economic impact of tourism on the Warmun (Turkey Creek) community, East Kimberley	East Kimberley working paper			68 p.	O
Altman, J. C.	1987	The potential for reduced dependency at Aboriginal communities in the East Kimberley Region	East Kimberley working paper			22 p.	O
Andersen, AN	1992	The rainforest ant fauna of the northern Kimberley region of Western Australia (Hymenoptera: Formicidae)	Journal of the Australian Entomological Society	3		187-192	J
Andersen, AN	1999	Fire management in northern Australia: beyond command and control	Australian Biologist	12	1	63-70	J
Andersen, AN, Braithwaite, RW	1992	Burning for conservation of the Top End's savannas.	In: I. Moffat, A. Webb (eds), Conservation and Development Issues in North Australia. NARU			117-122	B
Andersen, AN, Burbidge, AH	1991	The ants of a vine thicket near Broome : a comparison with the northwest Kimberley	Journal of the Royal Society of Western Australia.	73		79-82	J
Andrew, Mh	1986	Survivorship of the grass <i>Enneapogon purpurascens</i> in the Victoria River District, North-West Australia.	Australian Rangeland journal	9		63-66	J
Andrew, MH, Corfield, JP	1984	Crustaceans	In Chalmers, CE, and Woods PJ. Draft coastal management plan, shire of Broome. Department of Conservation and Environment Bulletin	166		1-42	R
Andrew, MH, Corfield, JP	1990	Ecology of mid-grass pastures - north-west Australia.	Dowling, P.M. and Garden, D.L. (eds) Native Grass Workshop Proceedings, 16-17 Oct. 1990, Dubbo, NSW.			152-153	P

Author	Year	Title	Publication	Vol	No	Pages	Type
Andrew, MH, Mott, JJ	1983	Annuals with transient seed banks: the population biology of indigenous Sorghum species of tropical north-west Australia.	Australian Journal of Ecology	9		265-276	J
anon	2000	Wetlands nominated by the Government of Western Australia for inclusion on the list of Wetlands of International Importance Ramsar Convection.	Department of Conservation and Land Management				R
Anon	0	Geological history of the Kimberley region	Dept of Minerals and Energy, Western Australia	0			R
Anon.		Further notes on Northern Territory and Kimberley birds. Addendum.	Australian Bird Watcher	4		84-95	J
Arndt, W	1961	Indigenous sorghum as food and in myth: the Tagoman tribe.	Oceania	33		109-112	B
Ash, AJ, Bellamy, JA, Stockwell, TGH	1994	State and transition models for rangelands. 4. Application of state and transition models to rangelands in northern Australia.	Tropical Grasslands	29		223-228	J
Ash, AJ, McIvor, JG, Andrew, MH	1997	Building grass castles: integrating ecology and management of Australia's tropical tallgrass rangelands.	Rangeland Journal	19	2	123-144	J
Atkins, KJ	2005	Declared rare and priority flora list February 2005	Department of Conservation and Land Management				R
Aumann T.	1989	Notes on the birds of the upper and middle reaches of Kimberley rivers during the dry season, 1989.	Australian Bird Watcher	14		51-67	J
Australian Institute of Marine Science		Mapping the shallow habitats (0-60m) of Scott Reef: Progress Report	Report for the Browse Joint Venture Partners				R
Baker, B, Price, O, Connors, G	2001	A biodiversity data assessment of the Ord-Bonaparte Region	Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory				R
Baker, L, Woenne-Green, S, Mutijulu Community	1992	The role of Aboriginal ecological knowledge in ecosystem management.	In: J. Birckhead, T. De Lacy and L. Smith (eds), Aboriginal involvement in parks and protected areas. Proc. conf. at Charles Sturt University, July 22-24, 1992. Australian Studies Press.			65-73	B
Balangarra & Wunambal-Gaambara Traditional Owners, Wightman, G, Mangolamarra, S,		North Kimberley Traditional Owners Land and Sea Management Project Final Report.	Kimberley Land Council and Tropical Savannas CRC.				R

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Bannister, J.L.	1969	A List of Species of Mammals Collected by W.H. Butler for the Archibald Collections of the American Museum of Natural History and for the Western Australian Museum 1963-66.	WA Museum Annual Report 1966/67				R
Bannister, J.L.	1994	Continued increase in humpback whales off western Australia	Report of the International Whaling commission	44		309-310	R
Barker, WR	1990	New taxa, names and combinations in Lindernia, Peplidium, Stemodia and Striga (Scrophulariaceae) mainly of the Kimberley Region, Western Australia	Journal of the Adelaide Botanic Gardens.	13		79-93	J
Barrett, G, Silcocks, A, Barry, S, Cunningham, R, Poulter, R	2003	The new atlas of Australian Birds.	Birds australia, Hawthorn East, Victoria				B
Barrett, RL, Start, AN	2001	Flora of the Yampi Sound Defence training Area.	Report to Australian Heritage Commission. Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority. Perth. 2001				R
Barrow, L	2005	Invertebrates and Fire in Purnululu National	Masters/Honours Thesis, Macquarie University				T
Basedow, H	1918	Narrative of an expedition of exploration in north-western Australia ; A synopsis of the geology of the north-western Australian coastal districts	Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society of Australasia	18		105-295	J
Bassett-Smith, PW	1899	On the formation of the coral-reefs on the NW coast of Australia	Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London			157-159	J
Battye, JS, Fox, MJ	1985	The history of the north west of Australia embracing Kimberley, Gascoyne and Murchison Districts	Hesperian, Carlisle			318	B
Beard JS	1976	The monsoon forests of the Admiralty Gulf, Western Australia.	Vegetatio	31		177-192	J
Beard JS	1979	Vegetation survey of Western Australia: Kimberley	University of Western Australia Press, Perth				B
Beard, JS	1977	Kimberley [cartographic material] : vegetation survey of Western Australia	Western Australia 1:1,000,000 vegetation series				MA

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Beard, JS	1979	Vegetation and flora of the Mitchell Plateau area, north Kimberley district, Western Australia	Vegmap publications, Applecross.			43	M
Beard, JS	1979	Vegetation survey of Western Australia: Kimberley	University of Western Australia				M
Beard, JS, Clayton-Greene, KA, Kenneally, KF	1984	Notes on the vegetation of the Bougainville Peninsula, Osborn and Institute Islands, north Kimberley district, Western Australia	Vegetatio	57		3-13	J
Beard, JS, Kenneally, KF	1993	Dry coastal ecosystems of northern Australia	In E. Vander Maarel (ed) Ecosystems of the World 2B. Elsevier. Amsterdam.			239-258, maps	B
Behn, G	2001	Mapping forest cover, Kimberley region of Western Australia	Australian forestry	64		80-87	J
Benl, G	1988	<i>Ptilotus crispus</i> , a new species of Amaranthaceae in the Kimberley division of Western Australia	Nuytsia	6		319-323	J
Berggren, M	1997	The shrimps of the reefs off the Kimberley, WA	In D. Walker (ed) marine biological survey of the central Kimberley coast, Western Australia. Univeristy of Western Australia, perth. Unpublished report. Western Australian Museum Library UR 377			86-90	R
Bernard, HM	1896	The genus <i>Turbinaria</i> . The genus <i>Astreopora</i> .	Catalogue of the Madreporarian corals in the British Museum (Natural History)	2		1-166	J
Bernard, HM	1897	The genus <i>Montipora</i> , the genus <i>Anacropora</i> .	Catalogue of the Madreporarian corals in the British Museum (Natural History)	3		1-192	J
Bernard, HM	1903	The family <i>Poritidae</i> , I. the genus <i>Goniopora</i> .	Catalogue of the Madreporarian corals in the British Museum (Natural History)	4		1-166	J
Bernard, HM	1905	The family <i>Poritidae</i> , II. the genus <i>Porites</i> Pt 1. <i>Porites</i> of the Indo-Pacific region.	Catalogue of the Madreporarian corals in the British Museum (Natural History)	5		1-303	J
Bernard, HM	1906	The family <i>Poritidae</i> , II. the genus <i>Porites</i> Pt II. <i>Porites</i> of the Atlantic and West Indies with European fossil forms. The genus <i>Goniopora</i> , a supplement to vol IV region.	Catalogue of the Madreporarian corals in the British Museum (Natural History)	6		1-173	J
Berry P.F.	1986	Faunal surveys of the Rowley Shoals, Scott Reef and Seringapatam Reef north-western Australia.	Records of the Western Australian Museum			Supplement 25	J
Berry, PF	2005	Marine faunal survey of Ashmore Reef and Cartier Island: northwestern Australia	Records of the Western Australian Museum, Supplement	44			J
Bindon, P	1978	A survey for aboriginal sites in Central Dampier Land	Unpublished report for Esso exploration				R

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Bittrich, Volker, Western Australian Herbarium,	1989	Hibbertia hooglandii (Dilleniaceae), a new species from the Kimberley region, Western Australia / J.R. Wheeler	Nuytsia. - Vol. 7 (1989)			69-73, maps	J
Black, S	2001	Vine thickets on Dampier Peninsula	Landscape. - Vol. 16, no. 4 (2001)	16		47	J
Black, S	2002	Working with the Kimberley community to conserve rangeland TECs	WATSNU	9	2	1-2	J
Black, S.	2003	CALM north Kimberley mammal survey	Great escape	Sept emb er		2	J
Blakeway,D	1997	Scleractinian corals and reef development	In D. Walker (ed) marine biological survey of the central Kimberley coast, Western Australia. University of Western Australia, Perth. Unpublished report. Western Australian Museum Library UR 377			77-85	R
Boer, B		The legal framework affecting Aboriginal people in the east Kimberley	East Kimberley working paper			89 p.	O
Bolger, A		The effect of public sector activity on Aborigines in the East Kimberley. Part I, public sector agencies in the East Kimberley	East Kimberley working paper			40 p.	O
Bolger, A		The effect of public sector activity on Aborigines in the East Kimberley. Part II, Aboriginal communities in the Kimberley	East Kimberley working paper			63 p.	O
Bolton, BL, Latz, PK	1978	The western hare-wallaby, Lagorchestes hirsutus (Gould) (Macropodidae), in the Tanami Desert.	Australian Wildlife Research	5		285-293	J
Booz, EB	1996	National Geographic's Last wild places	National Geographic			272 ; col. ill.	J
Bowler, SW	1958	Fauna reports: report of the patrol in the Wyndham, Halls Creek, Fitzroy Crossing, Derby and Broome Districts, August 23- Sept 18 1958	Department of Fisheries				R
Bowler, SW	1961	Fauna reports: report of the patrol in the Broome, Derby, Fitzroy Crossing, Halls Creek and Wyndham districts, August 25- Sept 21 1961.	Department of Fisheries				R
Bowler, SW	1965	Fauna reports : report of the patrol in the Murchison, Pilbara [i.e. Pilbaraj and Kimberley, Sept. 14-Nov. 10, 1964	Department of Fisheries			32, 26, 22, 34, 43	R

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Bowman, DMJS	1988	Stability amid turmoil?: towards an ecology of north Australian eucalypt forests.	Proceedings of the Ecological Society of Australia	16		149-158	J
Bowman, DMJS	1992	A burnt out case? Reply to Lonsdale and Braithwaite (1991)	Australian Journal of Ecology	18		103-106	J
Bowman, DMJS	1992	Monsoon forests in north-western Australia. II. Forest savanna transitions.	Australian Journal of Botany	41		89-102	J
Bowman, DMJS Panton, WJ	1993	Decline of <i>Callitris intratropica</i> R.T. Baker & H.G. Smith in the Northern territory: implications for pre- and post-European colonization fire regimes.	Journal of Biogeography	21		373-381	J
Bowman, DMJS, Panton, WJ	1993	Factors that control monsoon-rainforest seedling establishment in north Australian Eucalyptus savanna.	Journal of Ecology	81		297-304	J
Bradley AJ, Kemper CM, Humphreys WF, How RA	1987	Small mammals of the Mitchell Plateau region, Kimberley, Western Australia.	Australian Wildlife Research	14		397-414	J
Braithwaite, RW	1992	Black and green.	Journal of Biogeography	20		113-116	B
Braithwaite, RW	1990	Australia's unique biota: implications for ecological processes.	Journal of Biogeography	18		347-354	J
Braithwaite, RW	1988	Burning for conservation in the north.	NT Rural News (March)			31-32	B
Braithwaite, RW	1991	Aboriginal fire regimes of monsoonal Australia in the 19th century.	Search	23		247-249	A
Braithwaite, RW, Muller, WJ	1997	Rainfall, groundwater and refuges: predicting extinctions of Australian tropical mammal species.	Australian Journal of Ecology	22		57-67	J
Brennan, G	1995	The Kimberley Pastoral Industry: an overview	Range Management Newsletter	Nov		11-13	J
Bridgewater, PB	1985	Variation in the mangal along the west t of Australia.	J of the Ecological society fo Australia	13		243-256	J
Bridgewater, PB, Cresswell, ID	1999	Biogeography of mangrove and saltmarsh vegetation: implications for conservation and management in Australia	Mangroves and Salt Amrshes	'3		117-125	J
Brockman, FS, Crossland, C, House, FM	1902	Report on Exploration of North-West Kimberley.	Government Printer, WA.				R

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Brockway, GE	1959	Visit of Conservator and party to the Kimberleys	Forest notes.	1		26-32	J
Brook, G	1893	The genus Madrepora.	Catalogue of the Madreporarian corals in the British Museum (Natural History)	1		1-112	J
Brooke BP	1996	Geomorphology	In Wells, FE, Hanley JR and Walker DI. Survey of the marine biota of the southern Kimberley isalnds. Western Australian Museum, Perth, unpublished report UR286				B
Brooke BP	1997	Geomorphology of the islands and inner shelf reefs of the central Kimberley coast	In D. Walker (ed) marine biological survey of the central kimmerley coast, Western Australia. Univeristy of Western Australia, Perth. Unpublished report. Western Australian Museum Library UR 377			13-39	B
Brooker, MIH, Done, CC	1986	Eucalyptus ceracea, E. rupestris and E. chlorophylla (Myrtaceae), three new species in the Kimberley Division of Western Australia	Nuytsia	5		381-390	J
Brooker, MIH, Slee, A V	1994	Eucalyptus series Brevifoliae (Myrtaceae), a new series of northern Australian eucalypts	Nuytsia	9		307-314	J
Brown, JR, Ash, AJ	1996	Pastures for prosperity. 4. Managing resources: moving from sustainable yield to sustainability in tropical rangelands.	Tropical Grasslands	30		47-57	J
Brown, RS	1988	Draft management plan for the control of barramundi gillnet fishing in the Kimberley	Fisheries Management paper. Fisheries Department, WA				R
Bryce, C	2000	Kimberley sea slugs: a walk on the slimy side.	Western Fisheries magazine	Autumn		34-37	J
Bryce, C, Hutchins, B, Fromont, J	1997	Restricted marine biological survey of the "garden bottom" of Beagle Bay: a joint survey involving the Western Australian Museum and Arrow Pearls Pty Ltd	Western Australian Museum				B
Bryce, CW, Fromont, J	1997	Garden bottom of Beagle Bay	Western Australian Museum, Perth. Unpub. Report UR377				R
Bryce, CW, Fromont, J	1997	Molluscs	In D. Walker (ed) marine biological survey of the central kimmerley coast, Western Australi. UniveristyofWestern Australia, perth. Unpublished report. Western Australian Museum Library UR 377			46-57	R



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Burbridge AA, Mckenzie N	1989	<b>Patterns in the modern decline of Western Australia's vertebrate fauna: Causes and conservation implications.</b>	<b>Biological conservation</b>	50		143-198	J
Burbridge, A, Done, C, Wilson, B	1988	Prince Regent : jewel of the Kimberley	Landscape	4	1	47-53	J
Burbridge, AA	1987	The management of crocodiles in Western Australia	Wildlife management : crocodiles and alligators			125-127	B
Burbridge, Aa	1999	<b>Conservation values and management of Australian Islands for non-volant mammal conservation.</b>	<b>Australian Mammalogy</b>	21		67-74	J
Burbridge, AA		North Kimberley Mammal Status survey	CALM/Tropical Savannas CRC. Unpublished				U
Burbridge, AA	1990	The tail of the mysterious Kimberley possum	Wildlife Australia	272		26-27	j
Burbridge, AA, Manly, FJ	2002	Mammal extinctions on Australian Islands: causes and conservation implications	Journal of Biogeography	29		465-473	J
Burbridge, AA, McKenzie, NL, Kenneally, KF	1991	Nature conservation reserves in the Kimberley, Western Australia	Department of conservation and Land Management			164 pp	B
Burbridge, AA, Messel, H	1979	The status of the salt-water crocodile in the Glenelg, Prince Regent and Ord River Systems, Kimberley, Western Australia	Report (Western Australia. Dept. of Fisheries and Wildlife)			38	R
Burbridge, AA., McKenzie, NL	1978	The islands of the north-west Kimberley, Western Australia	Wildlife research bulletin, Western Australia	7		16-Feb	J
Burrows, ND, Christensen, PES	1991	A survey of Aboriginal fire patterns in the Western Desert of Australia.	Fire and the Environment Symposium (Proceedings: Knoxville, Tennessee: 1991)			297-305	B
Burvill, GH	1991	Soil surveys and related investigations in the Ord River area, East Kimberley, 1994	Technical bulletin (Western Australia. Dept. of Agriculture)	80		Jan-72	J
Bustard, HR	1969	The current status of crocodiles in Western Australia with recommendations for conservation and managed exploitation	Report (Western Australia. Dept. of Fisheries and Fauna)				R
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Wells, AG	1982	Mangrove vegetation of northern Australia	Mangrove ecosystems in Australia: Structure function and management. ANU Press			57-78	B
Wells, FE	1981	Molluscan fauna of the Admiralty Gulf, Cape Voltaire and the Institute Islands, Kimberley, Western Australia. Chitons , Meso-and Neogastropods	In Wilson, BR (ed) biological survey of Mitchell Plateau and Admiralty Gulf, Kimberley, Western Australia. Part 8. Western Australian Museum Perth			249-263	R



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Wells, FE, Bryce CW	1996	Molluscs	In Walker, DI, Wells, FE, Hanley JR (eds). Marine Biological Survey of the Eastern Kimberley, Western Australia. Part 7. Western Australian Museum, Perth. Unpub report	UR3	53	54-67	R
Wells, FE, Bryce CW	1995	Molluscs	In Wells, FE, Hanley JR and Walker DI. Survey of the Marine Biota of the southern Kimberley Islands. Part 8. Western Australian Museum, Perth. Unpub report	UR2	86	67-80	R
Wells, FE, Hanley, JR, Walker DI	1995	Marine biological survey of the southern Kimberley, Western Australia 1994	Western Australian Museum, Perth. Unpublished report	UR2	86		R
Wells, FE, Slack-Smith, SM	1981	Zonation of mollusc in a mangrove swamp, in the Kimberley, Western Australia	In Wilson, BR (ed) biological survey of Mitchell Plateau and Admiralty Gulf, Kimberley, Western Australia. Part 9. Western Australian Museum Perth			265-274	B
West, NE	1993	Biodiversity of rangelands	Journal of Range Management	47		2-13	J
Western Australia. Dept. Of Fisheries And Wildlife,	1976	State trapping ban for the northern rosella, <i>Platycercus venustus</i> (Kuhl)	Swans	6	1	15	J
Western Australia. Dept. Of Fisheries And Wildlife,	1982	Edgar Ranges : a good case for conservation	Swans	12	3	13-17	J
Western Australia. Dept. Of Fisheries And Wildlife,	1993	The Kimberley exposed	Landscape	9	2	5 : col. ill.	J

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Western Australia. Dept. Of Regional Development And The North West, Kimberley Regional Development Advisory Committee	1983	The Kimberley microwave project	Telecom Australia			16 pp	R
Western Australia. Dept. Of Regional Development And The Northwest	1992	Kimberley strategic marketing plan	Kimberley Tourism Association			19	R
Western Australian Museum		Studies on freshwater fishes of New Guinea and northern Australia.	Records of the Western Australian Museum Supplement 37.				R
Western Australian Museum, Field Museum of Natural History	1981	Biological Survey of Mitchell Plateau and Admiralty Gulf, Kimberley, Western Australia: papers resulting from a joint field expedition by the Western Australian Museum and the Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, 1976-1977	Western Australian Museum, Perth				B
Western Australian Planning Commission	1999	Country land development program : Pilbara- Kimberley update : covering the towns of Broome, Karratha, Kununurra and Port Hedland / prepared by	Western Australian Planning Commission			40	R
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Western Infrastructure/Ecolo gia		CAPE LEVEQUE ROAD: Environmental Assessment and Management Plan	(CAPELEV-1)				R
Wheeler J.R.		<i>Hiberia hooglandii</i> (Dilleniaceae), a new species from the Kimberley Region, Western Australia.	Nuytsia	7		69-74	J
Wheeler JR, Rye, BL, Koch, BL, Wilson, AJG, Western Australian Herbarium	1992	Flora of the Kimberley region	Western Australian Herbarium, Como.				B

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Wheeler, J	1993	Flora of the Kimberley	Landscape	8	2	49-53	J
Wheeler, SH		<i>Rattus villosissimus</i> in the Ord River Irrigation Area - a Plague Hypothesis.	Agricultural Protection Board of WA.				R
White, I	1986	Annotated bibliography on tourism and Aborigines prepared for the East Kimberley Impact Assessment Project and the Central Land council	East Kimberley Impact Assessment Project, Central Land Council				R
White, J.		JARU ORAL HISTORY PROJECT REPORT (draft).	draft report				O
Whitehead, P	2001	Developing an analytical framework for monitoring biodiversity in Australia's rangelands: a report by the Tropical Savannas CRC for the National Land and Water Resources Audit	Tropical Savannas CRC				R
Whitlock, FL		Ten Months on the Fitzroy River, North-western Australia.	Emu	25		69-89	J
Wightman, GM	1989	Mangroves of the Northern Territory.	Northern Territory botanical Bulletin. Conservation commission of the Northern Territory, Darwin	7			J
Wildlife Management International	2003	Results of spotlight and helicopter surveys of Crocodiles in Cambridge Gulf, Lake Argyle and Lake Kununurra, 2003	Wildlife Management International				R
Wilkins, CF	1999	<i>Keraudrenia exastia</i> and <i>Keraudrenia katatona</i> (Malvaceae: Byttnerioideae), a new species from the Kimberley region of Western Australia	Nuytsia	13		233-242, 1 map	J
Williams A.A.E.		Lacepede Islands, July 1987.	CALM Unpublished Report.				R
Williams AAE, Williams, MR, Swann, G	2006	Records of butterflies (Lepidoptera) from the Kimberley region of Western Australia	Victorian Entomologist	36		9 to 16	J
Williams, N. M., Kirkby, I	1989	Summary of findings and recommendations : ethnography of the east Kimberley, work in progress : location and status of Aboriginal communities	East Kimberley working paper			46 p.	O
Williams, RJ, Cook, GD, Gill, AM, Moore, PHR,	1999	Fire regime, fire intensity and tree survival in a tropical savanna in northern Australia.	Australian Journal of Ecology	24		50-59	J
Willing, T	2000	Kimberley Coast: Cape Domett to King George River botany survey report: 18-21 February 2000	Department of Conservation and land management				R

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Willing, T	2001	Ashore Reef and Kimberley Offshore Islands botany survey report: 22-25 February 2001	Department of Conservation and land management				R
Willing, T	2006	Wilson Point, NW Kimberley: Preliminary vegetation mapping and flora assessment	Woodside Energy Ltd				R
Willing, T, Dureau, D	2000	Botanical survey for proposed Tropical Timber Plantation, Beagle Bay, West Kimberley, WA	Conservation and Land Management, Broome				R
Willing, T, Kenneally, K	2002	Under a regent moon	Landscape	17	4	48-53	J
Wilson, B	2002	Managing carbon in rural Australia.	Natural Resource Management	5	2	7-14	J
Wilson, B.	2006	Coastal marine habitats, flora and fauna of the Kimberley Region	Report to INPEX				R
Wilson, BR	1972	Western Australian coral reefs with preliminary notes on a study at Kendrew Island, Dampier Archipelago	Report of the Crown of thorns Starfish Seminar, Brisbane			47-58	R
Wilson, BR	1981	Biological survey of Mitchell Plateau and Admiralty Gulf, Kimberley, Western Australia General Introduction	In Wilson, BR (ed) biological survey of Mitchell Plateau and Admiralty Gulf, Kimberley, Western Australia. Part 1. Western Australian Museum Perth			1-11	B
Wilson, BR	1994	A representative marine reserve system of Western Australia.	Report of the Marine Parks and Reserves Working Group. Department of conservation and land Management, Perth. Unpub Report				R
Wilson, BR, Allen, GA	1987	Major components and distribution of marine fauna,	In Dyne, GR, Walton DW (eds) The fauna of Australia. General articles. Australian Government Publishing Service, Canberra			43-68	B
Wilson, BR, Gillett, K	1971	Australian Shells	AH and AW Reed, Sydney				B
Wilson, BR, Smith, PR	1975	Report on the Mollusca fauna of the Prince Regent River Reserve, North West Kimberley, Western Australia	In Miles, JM and Burbidge, AA. A biological survey of the Prince Regent River Reserve, North-west Kimberley, Western Australia. Wildlife Research Bulletin	3		1-114	J
Wilson, BR, Stoddart, JA	1980	A study of freshwater molluscs of the Ord River region of Western Australia with reference to their	Western Australian Museum				R

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Wilson, GDF, Keable, SJ	2002	New genera of Phreatoicoidea (Crustacea: Isopoda) from Western Australia	Records of the Australian Museum	54	1	41-70	J
Winston R. Kay.		Movements and home ranges of radio-tracked <i>Crocodylus porosus</i> in the Cambridge Gulf region of Western Australia.	Wildlife research	31		495-508	J
Winter, WH	1990	Australia's northern savannas: a time for change in management philosophy.	Journal of Biogeography	18		525-529	J
Woinarski	1992	A survey of the wildlife and vegetation of Purnululu (Bungle Bungle ) national park and adjacent areas	Wildlife research bulletin, Western Australia. Department of Conservation and Land Management	6			R
Woinarski, J		Terrestrial Ecoregions- Kimberley Tropical Savanna	Report for WWF AA0706				R
Woinarski, J, Start, T.		Comparison of fauna recorded at two sites in Drysdale River National Park, 1975 and 1997.	(Unpublished).				U
Woinarski, J.C.Z.	1992	Biogeography and Conservation of Reptiles, Mammals and Birds across North-western Australia: an Inventory and Base for Planning an Ecological Reserve System.	Wildlife Research	19		665-705	J
Woinarski, JCZ	1990	Effects of fire on the bird communities of tropical woodlands and open forests in northern Australia.	Australian Journal of Ecology	16		1-22	J
Woinarski, JCZ, Braithwaite, RW	1990	Conservation foci for Australian birds and mammals.	Search	22		65-67	J
Wolanski, E, Moore, K, Spagnol, S, D'Adamo, N, Pattiaratchi, C	2001	Rapid, human-induced siltation of the macro-tidal Ord River Estuary, Western Australia.	Estuarine, Coastal and Shelf Science	53		717-732	J
Wright, G	1990	Human concerns and natural values in the Buccaneer Archipelago: a resource document	Department of Conservation and land Management				R
Wright, LD, Coleman, JAM, Thom BG	1975	Sediment transport and deposition in macrotidal river channel: Ord River, Western Australia	Estuarine Research Vol 2. Academic Press, New York			309-321	B
Wright, LD, Coleman, JM, Thom, BG	1972	Emerged tidal flats in the Ord River estuary, Western Australia	Search	3		339-341	J

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Wright, RL	1964	Geomorphology of the West Kimberley area	CSIRO Land Research	9		103-118	J
Wyrwoll KH, Hopwood J, McKenzie NL	1992	The Holocene Paleohydrology and climatic history of the northern Great Sandy Desert - Fitzroy trough: with special reference to the history of the northwest Australian monsoon.	Climatic change	22		47-65	J
Yeates, DK	1990	New records of butterflies from the east Kimberley, Western Australia	Australian entomological magazine.	17		73-74	J
Young, RW	1987	Erodibility of sandstone surfaces of the Bungle Bungle Range, East Kimberley region : report to the Heritage Committee of Western Australia					R
Young, RW	1992	Structure heritage and plantation in the evolution of land forms of the East Kimberley.	Australian Journal of Earth Sciences	9		141-151	J
Zell, L	2003	A guide to the Kimberley coast wilderness, north western Western Australia	Wildlife Discovery, Brisbane			167 pp	B

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**Figure 1** Composite map highlighting ecological values as identified in the Kimberley Biodiversity Review 2007: this map represents some of the values identified in the review to highlight areas of the Kimberley that are ecologically significant and potentially vulnerable. Datasets included are those relevant to rainfall, protected and priority species and important habitat such as mangrove and rainforest.

**Figure 2** IMCRA and IBRA regions: depicts these bioregionalisation definitions for the Kimberley terrestrial and marine environments.

**Map 3** Mining and Petroleum tenements: presents these tenements as a demonstration of land use and future impacts in the Kimberley (mining) – fine except add in disclaimer and state waters boundary

**Map 4** Land tenure: presents land ownership and uses throughout the Kimberley.

**Figure 4A** Main marine tourism sites in the Kimberley. Kimberley Marine Tourism Sites map supplied in 2007 by John H Collins an Honorary Research Fellow at the University of Western Australia School of Earth and Geographical Sciences based on field and desktop research. The sites displayed are those visited by wilderness tourism operators in the Kimberley and do not represent infrastructure. Some of the tourism sites are confidential and are shown as a generalised interpretation. This data is not a full representation of all tourism sites within the Kimberley and the Department of Environment is not to be held responsible for the accuracy of data or for omissions.

**Map 5** Aboriginal heritage and traditional owners: represents additional land use issues

**Map 6** Representation of known ecologically important habitats and biodiversity in the Kimberley as identified through the Kimberley Biodiversity Review 2007: including coral, mangrove and identified habitat for protected species such as humpback whales and known sites for threatened fauna, flora and ecological communities.

**Map 7** Rainfall and geology of the Kimberley: High biodiversity is associated with high rainfall and rugged, complex terrain such as sandstone. This map identifies the northwest area of the Kimberley where rainfall is highest and the environment is most complex.

**Map 8** Vegetation classes of the Kimberley based on surveys conducted through the Tropical Savanna CRC





# KIMBERLEY REVIEW

## MAP 1: COMPOSITE MAP HIGHLIGHTING ECOLOGICAL VALUES AS IDENTIFIED IN THE KIMBERLEY BIODIVERSITY REVIEW

- TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES**
- Town
  - Site of interest
  - Principal road
  - Secondary road
  - Major river
- SOCIAL**
- Aboriginal Sites Register
- RAINFALL (mm/year)**
- 250 - 400
  - 401 - 550
  - 551 - 800
  - 801 - 950
  - 951 - 1100
  - 1101 - 1250
  - 1251 - 1400
- AUSTRALIAN MARITIME BOUNDARY**
- Coastal waters
  - Territorial sea
  - Contiguous zone
  - Australian Exclusive Economic Zone
- THREATENED ECOLOGY**
- Threatened
  - Protected
  - Priority
  - Turtle nesting site
  - Seal / sealion habitat
  - Dugong habitat
  - Whale\_Calving
- VEGETATION**
- Mangroves
  - Maiga
- CONSERVATION**
- 5(1)(g) Reserve
  - 5(1)(h) Reserve
  - Conservation Park
  - Ex Dir Freehold
  - Former Leasehold
  - Miscellaneous Reserve
  - National Park
  - Nature Reserve

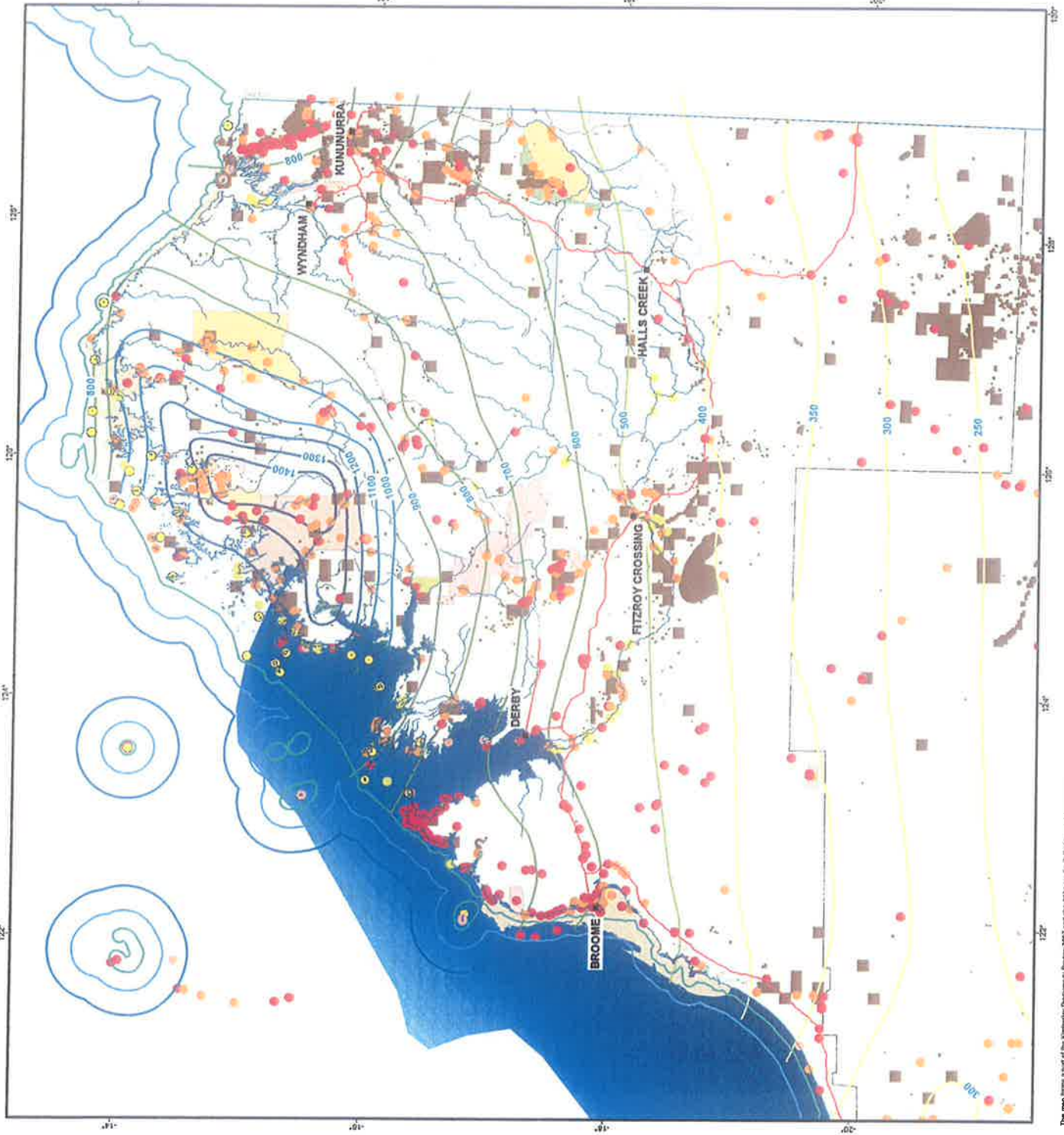


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Population	DMC	2007
Climate	DMC	2007
Hydrology	DMC	2007
Marine Boundaries	DMC	2007
Threatened Ecology	DMC	2007
Whale Calving	DMC	2007
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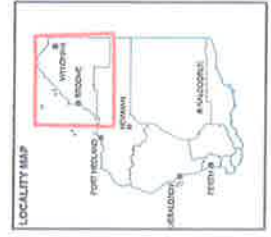


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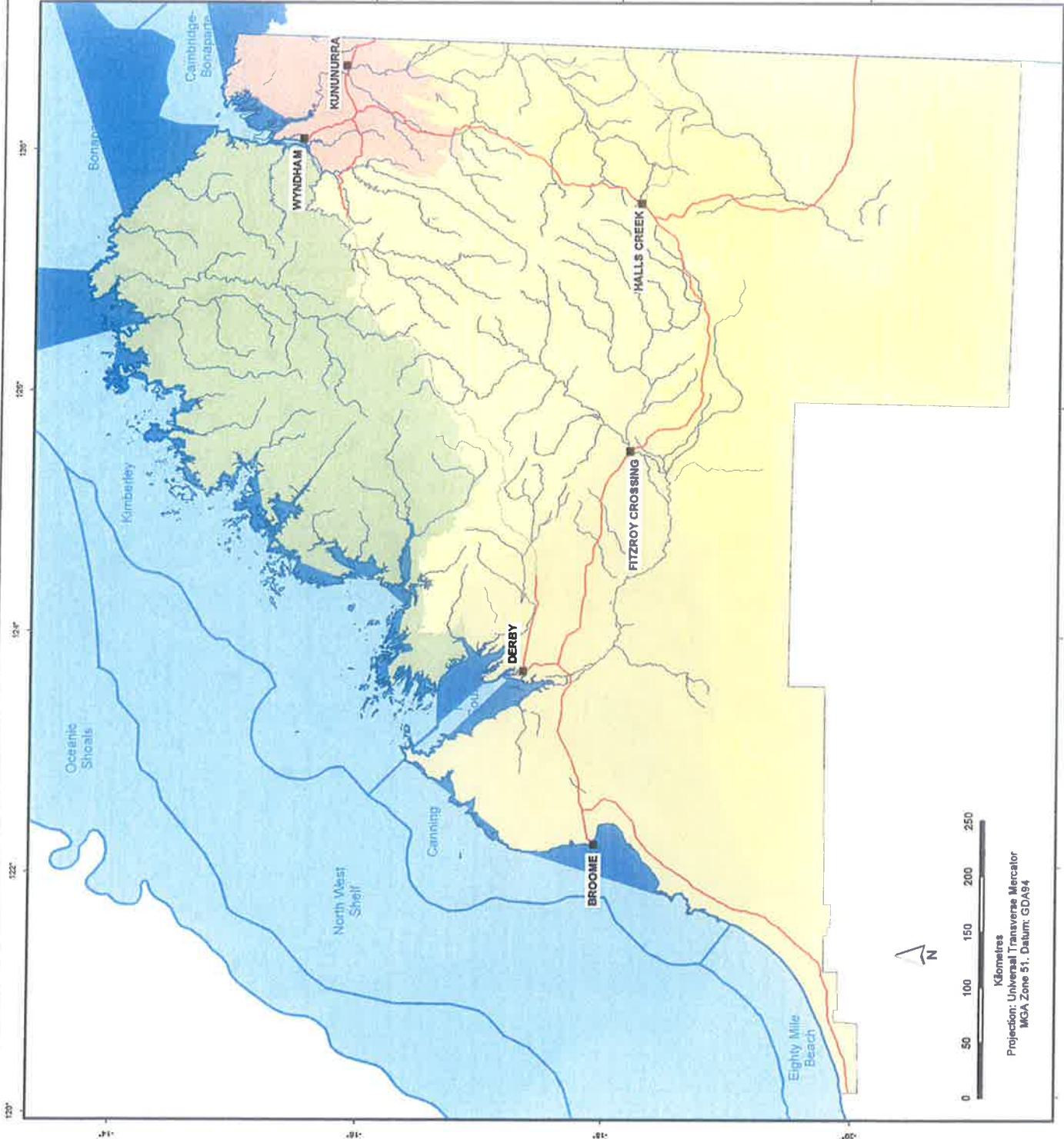
# KIMBERLEY REVIEW MAP 2: IMCRA AND IBRA REGIONS

- TOWN
- Principal road
- Secondary road
- Major watercourse
- IMCRA region
- IBRA REGION**
  - Central Kimberley
  - Dampierland
  - Great Sandy Desert
  - Northern Kimberley
  - Ord Victoria Plain
  - Tanami
  - Victoria Bonaparte

Dataset	Contourline	Date
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IMCRA region	ISDC	2008
IMCRA	EA	1999
IBRA	ISCM	1999/2000
Contourline	ISDC	1999/2000



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# KIMBERLEY REVIEW MAP 3: MINING AND PETROLEUM TENEMENTS

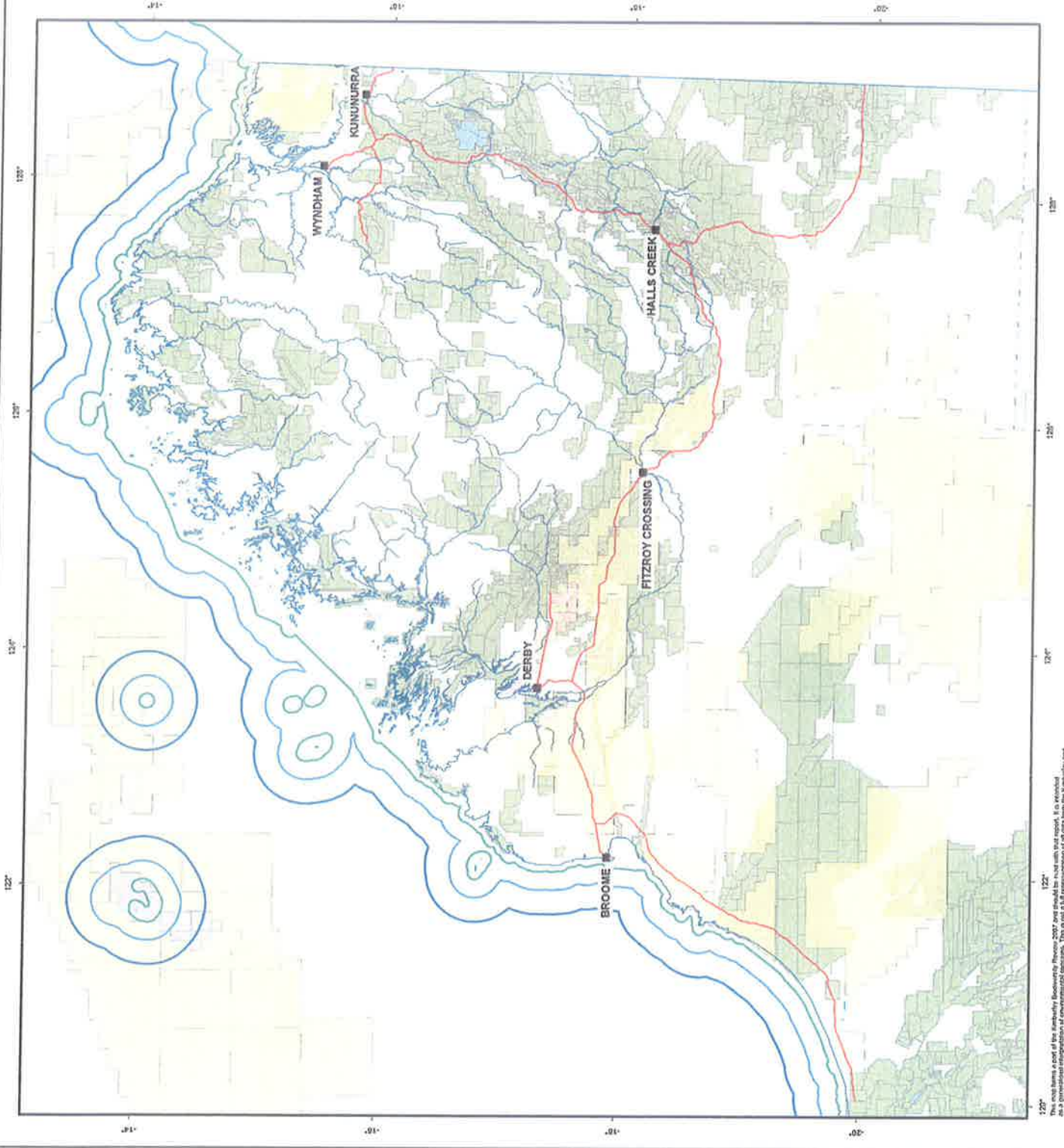
- Town
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- - - Secondary road
- Major river
- AUSTRALIAN MARITIME BOUNDARY**
- Coastal waters
- Territorial sea
- Contiguous zone
- Australian Exclusive Economic Zone
- PETROLEUM TENEMENTS**
- Exploration Permit
- Production Licence
- Retention Lease
- Special Prospecting Authority
- MINING TENEMENTS**
- Surveyed
- Unsurveyed



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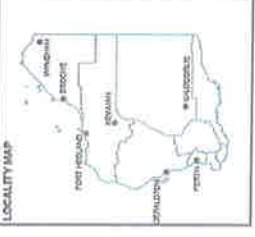
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# KIMBERLEY REVIEW MAP 4: LAND TENURE

- Town**
- Major river
  - Principal road
  - Secondary road
- AUSTRALIAN MARITIME BOUNDARY**
- Coastal waters
  - Territorial sea
  - Contiguous zone
  - Australian Exclusive Economic Zone
- CALM Estate**
- 5(1)(g) Reserve
  - 5(1)(h) Reserve
  - Conservation Park
  - Ex Dir Freehold
  - Former Leasehold
  - Miscellaneous Reserve
  - National Park
  - Nature Reserve
- Cadastre**
- Pastoral lease
  - Aquaculture
  - Crown Reserve
  - Other



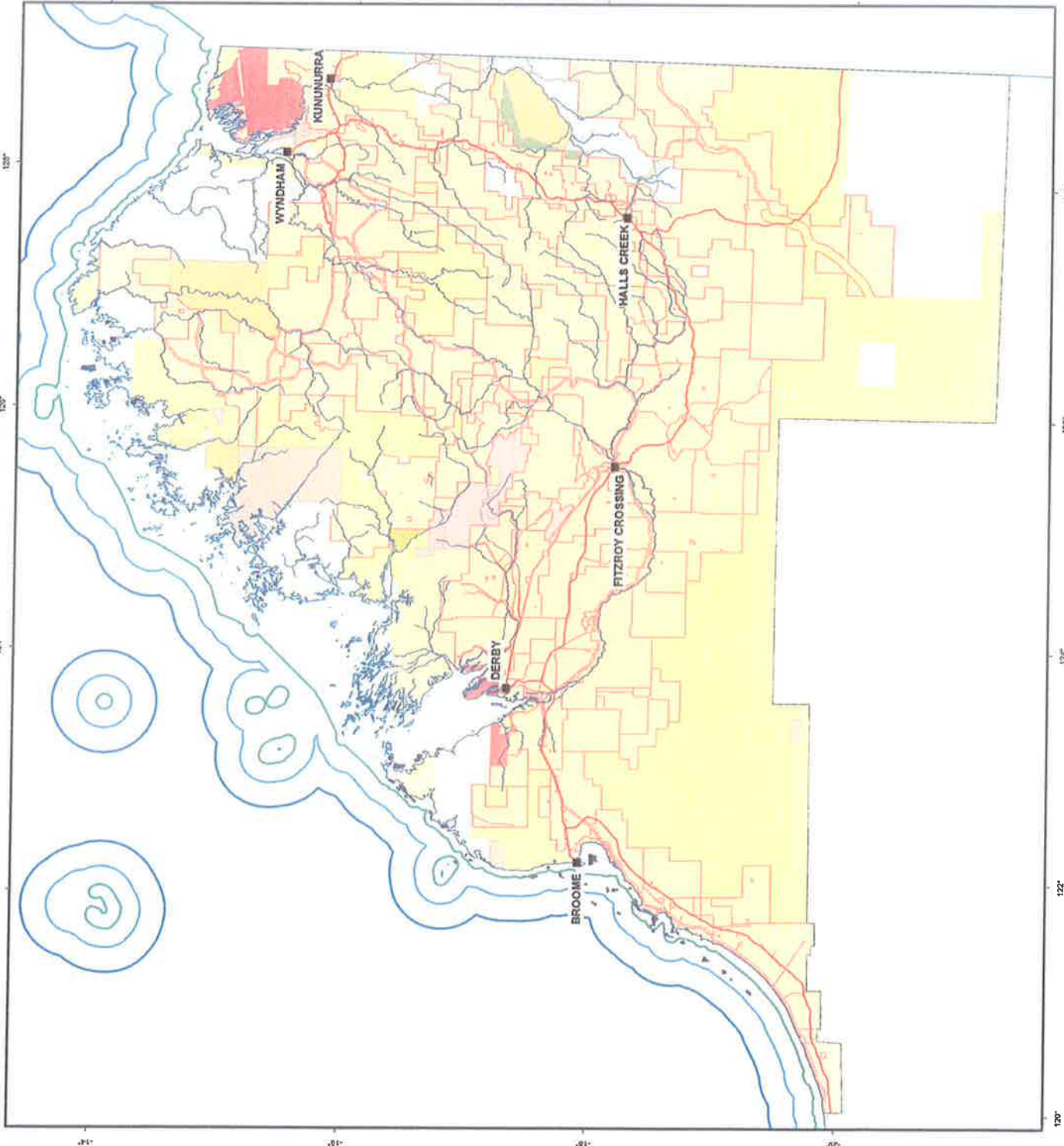
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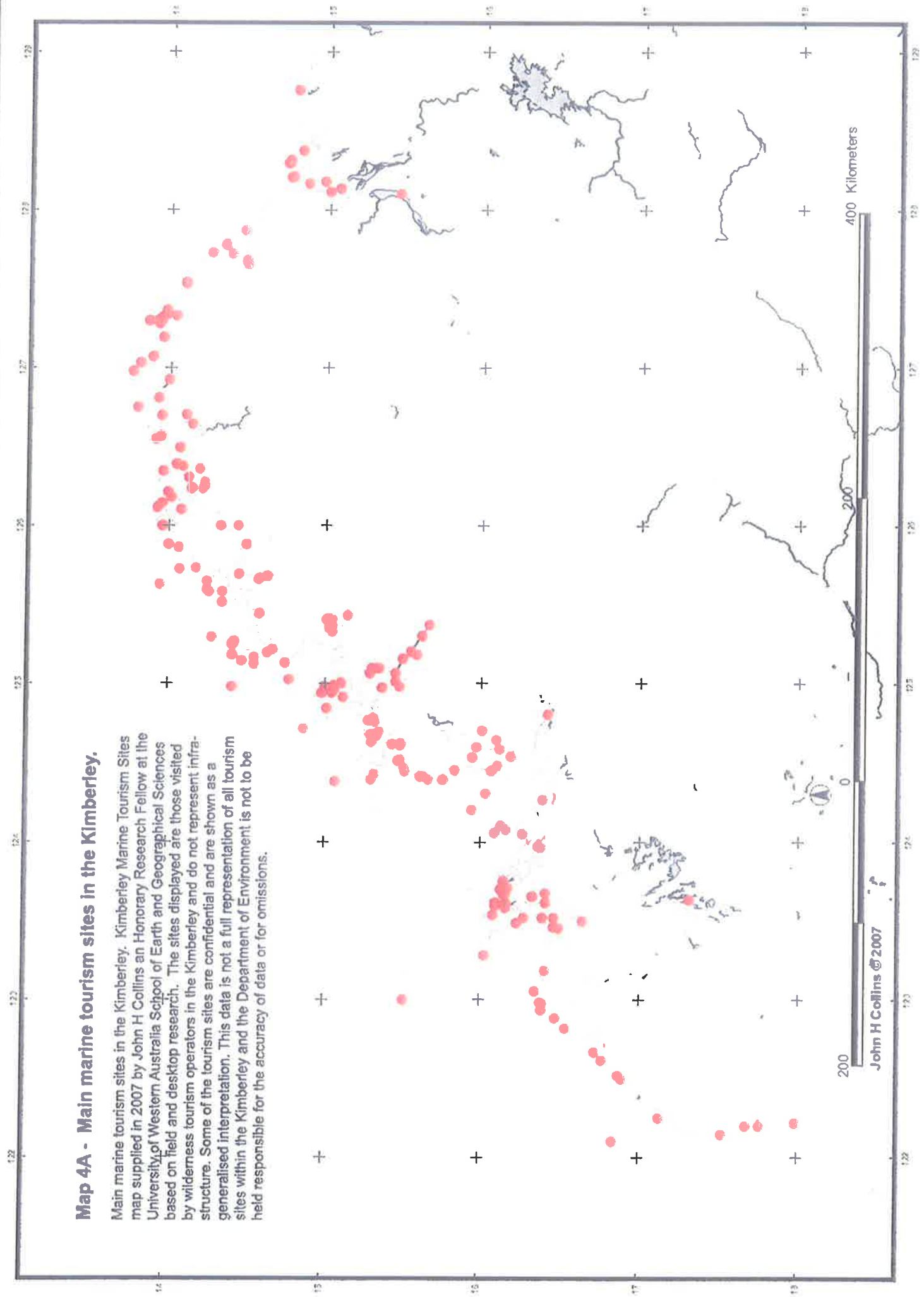


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### Map 4A - Main marine tourism sites in the Kimberley.

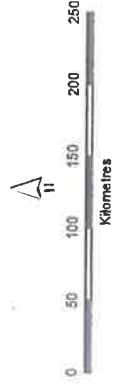
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# KIMBERLEY REVIEW MAP 5: ABORIGINAL HERITAGE AND TRADITIONAL OWNER BOUNDARIES

- Town
- Major river
- Principal road
- Secondary road
- Mangroves (3km buffer)
- Aboriginal Sites Register
- Traditional Owner Groups (TINDALE)

The Aboriginal sites shown on this map are in the Aboriginal Sites Register. This may not be the complete dataset and there may be some Aboriginal sites not included in the register.

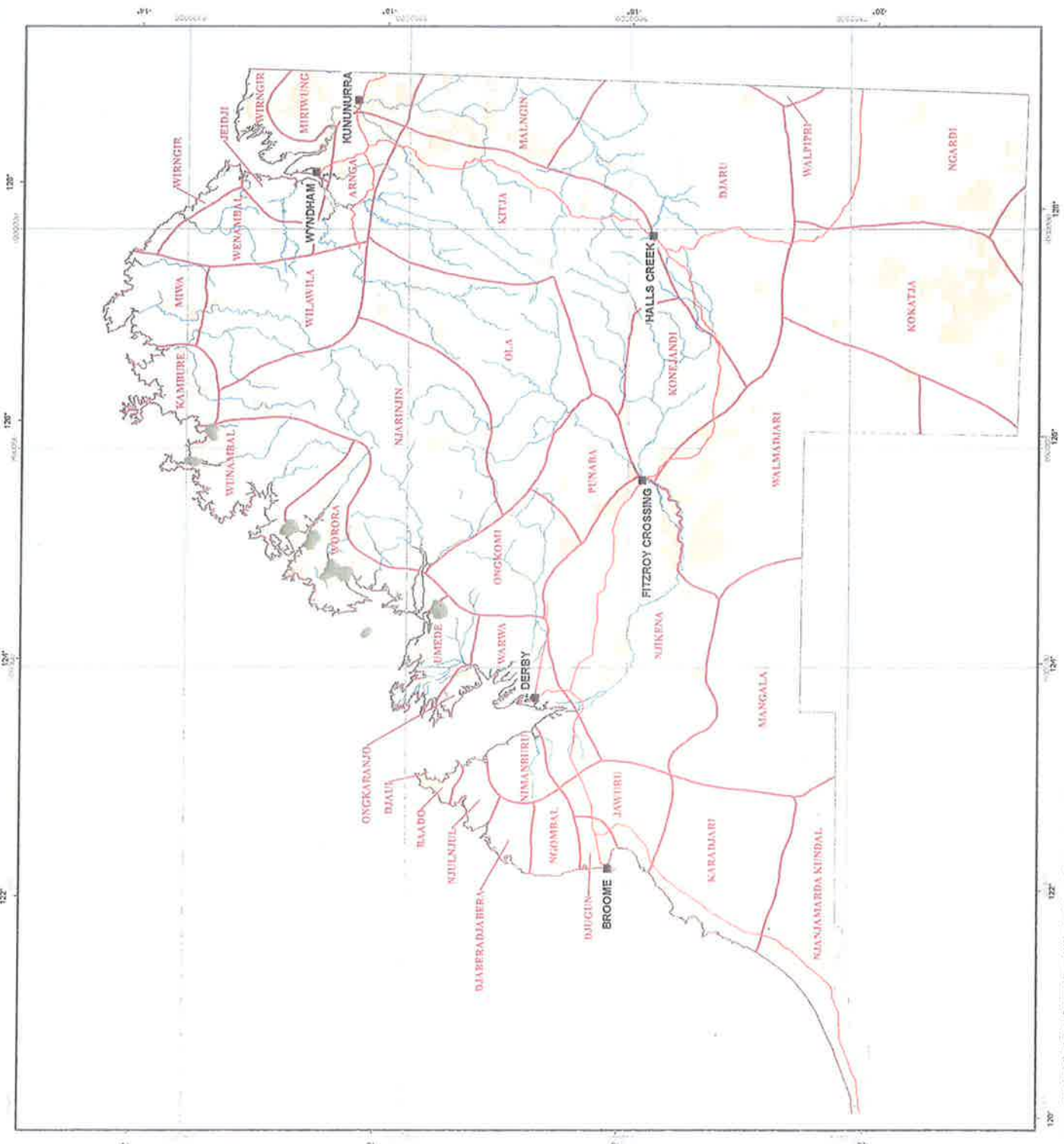


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**MAP 6: A REPRESENTATIVE OF**  
**KNOWN ECOLOGICALLY IMPORTANT**  
**HABITATS AND BIODIVERSITY IN THE**  
**KIMBERLEY AS IDENTIFIED THROUGH THE**  
**KIMBERLEY BIODIVERSITY REVIEW 2007**

- TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES**
- Town
  - Principal road
  - Secondary road
  - Major river
- VEGETATION**
- Mangroves
  - Malga
- FAUNA HABITATS**
- Seabird nesting site
  - Turtle nesting site
  - Seal / sealion habitat
  - Dugong habitat
  - Corals
  - Whale calving and migration

**FAUNA CLASSIFICATION**

- Threatened
- Protected
- Priority



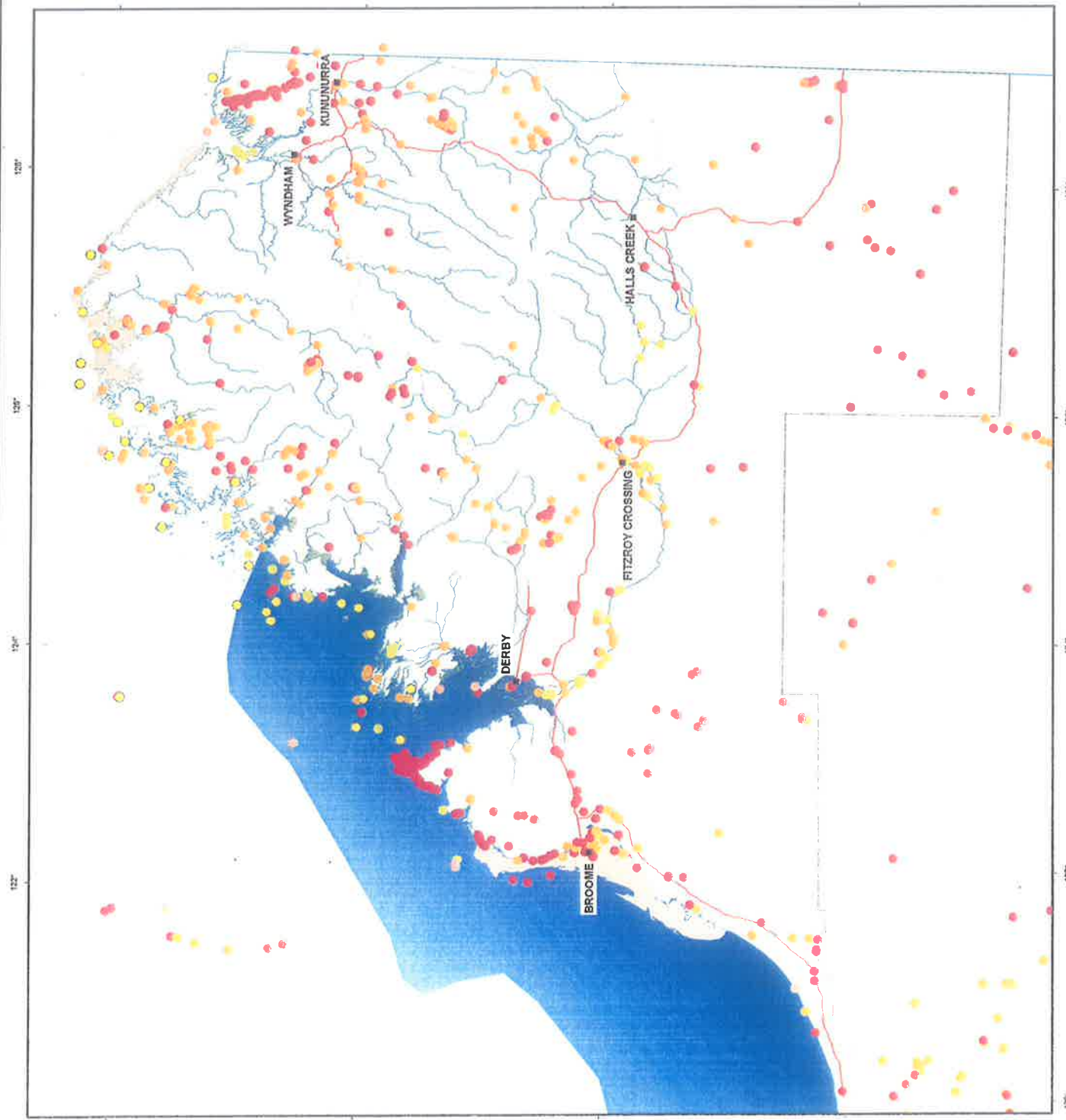
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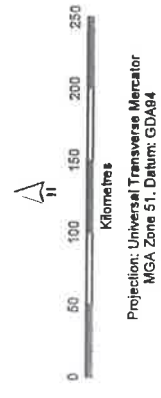
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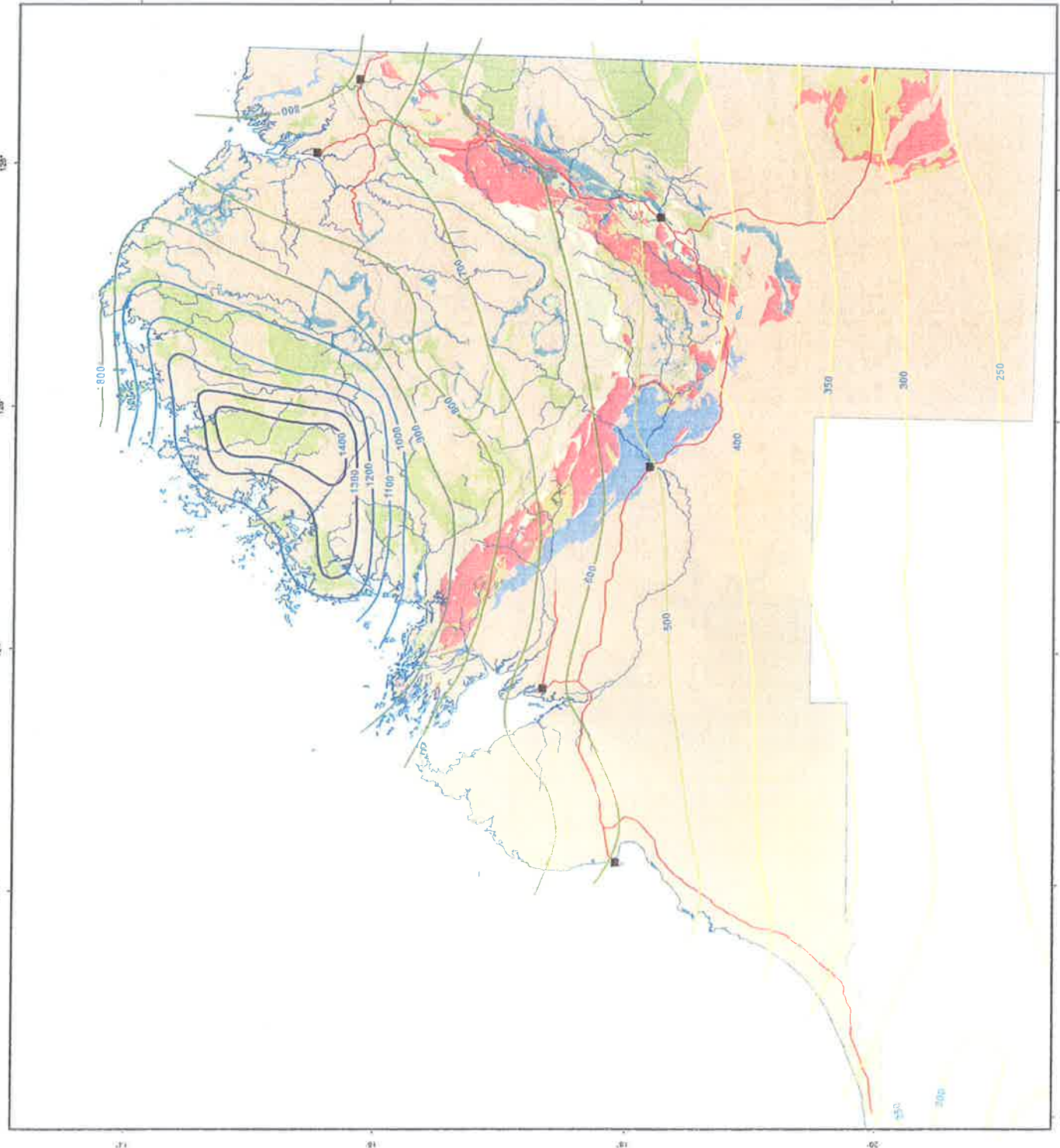
## MAP 7: RAINFALL AND GEOLOGY OF THE KIMBERLEY



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Element	Scale	Contour Interval	Zone
Topography	1:50,000	10m	2004
Geology	1:50,000	10m	2004
Hydrology	1:50,000	10m	2004
Soil	1:50,000	10m	2004
Vegetation	1:50,000	10m	2004
Climate	1:50,000	10m	2004

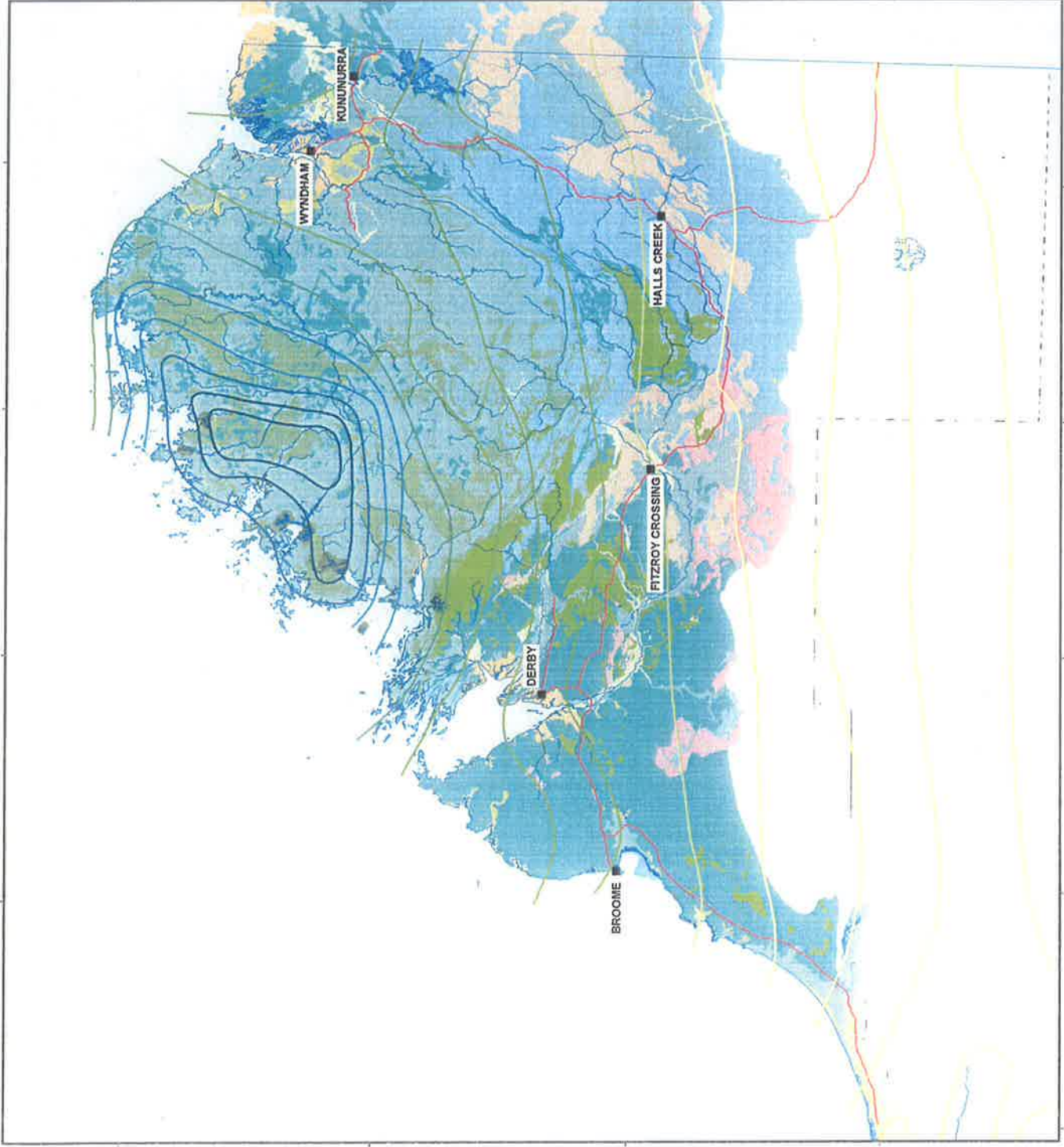


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# KIMBERLEY REVIEW MAP 8: VEGETATION CLASSES OF THE KIMBERLEY BASED ON SURVEYS CONDUCTED THROUGH THE TROPICAL SAVANNA CRC



- TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES**
- Town
  - Principal road
  - Secondary road
  - Major river
  - Mangroves
  - Melga
- WETLANDS**
- Important wetlands
- RAMSAR Sites**
- RAINFALL (mm/year)**
- 250 - 400
  - 401 - 550
  - 551 - 800
  - 801 - 950
  - 951 - 1100
  - 1101 - 1250
  - 1251 - 1400

- TROPICAL SAVANNA**
- Acacia spp.
  - Closed-forest communities
  - Communities of the littoral zone.
  - Eastern sub-humid woodlands
  - Heathlands and closed shrublands.
  - Hummock grasslands.
  - Low woodlands dominated by Melaleuca spp. on depositional plains and alluvium.
  - Monsoon low open woodlands
  - Monsoon low woodlands
  - Monsoon mixed species woodlands to low open-woodlands.
  - Monsoon woodland and open-woodlands
  - Open-forests and woodlands
  - Open-forests dominated by Eucalyptus spp. and Corymbia spp.
  - Sedgeplains, lakes and lagoons and ephemeral heathlands and grasslands.
  - Tussock grasslands.
  - Woodlands and open-woodlands dominated by Eucalyptus spp. and Corymbia spp. on basalt.

0 30 60 90 120 150  
Kilometres

Projection: Universal Transverse Mercator  
MGA Zone 51, Datum: GDA94



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DATE CONTINUED	
Revised	Date
Topography	2004
Boundaries	2004
Vegetation	2004
Water	2004
Soil	2004
Population	2004
Infrastructure	2004
Administrative	2004
Other	2004
Legend	2004
Scale	2004

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