

# **DEPT CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT**

## **North West Cape Karst Management Advisory Committee Annual Report 2000**

### **Summary**

Membership of the committee includes government (commonwealth, state and local), and local community members. The group meets two or three times per year, to oversee conservation actions relating to protection and management of biological values associated with subterranean karst environments on North West Cape. Focus for attention so far has been management the listed Threatened Ecological Communities of Cameron's Cave and Bundera Sinkhole.

### **Membership**

The NWCKMAC is chaired by CALM. Membership is unchanged from the previous Annual Report.

### **Meetings**

One meeting of the committee was held in 2000 (11 September). The group aims to meet two or three times per year, or as required.

### **Outcomes**

Major outcomes in 2000 for the committee have included

- Nomination of Camerons Cave and Bundera Sinkhole Threatened Ecological Communities as Nationally Endangered to the Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC).
- Preparation of Interim Management Guidelines for Camerons Cave and Bundera Sinkhole. These are being finalised after input from Committee members.
- Preparation of on-site interpretive material for Bundera Sinkhole and Camerons Cave. Signs are fabricated and are ready for installation.
- Detailed surveying of surface contours in the vicinity of Camerons Cave, to assess the potential of impacts of surface runoff on the cave.
- Preparation of an initial proposal for reservation around Camerons Cave, and submission of this proposal to Exmouth Shire Council for comment. This proposal has the support of the Exmouth Shire Council.
- The feral fish population at the Kailis bore outflow is being finalised-by Fisheries WA. A stock trough will be supplied by Kailis, and unconfined outflow from the bore will cease.