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Photograph of Bilby on front cover by Babs & Bert Wells/CALM

Foxes and feral cats are making a meal of our native wildlife. They have contributed to the extinction of 10 native mammal species and threaten a further 31 animal species. The bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*) is one such species that is fighting for survival.

To bring our native wildlife back from the brink of extinction, CALM has embarked on the world's biggest campaign against feral predators, Western Shield, which aims to control foxes and feral cats on more than 5 million hectares of WA's conservation lands. By controlling the threat of introduced predators we can save our native animals and return them to areas where they once roamed freely.





*On behalf of the people of Western Australia, the
Department of Conservation and Land Management
(CALM) manages over 20 million hectares or 7% of WA:
its national parks, conservation parks, State forests
and timber reserves, nature reserves, marine nature reserves,
and all associated forest produce, native plants and animals.
CALM is also responsible for conserving native plants
and animals throughout the State.*

*CALM is an agency with several integrated responsibilities.
We manage lands and waters for their
renewable resources, for the recreation and tourism they can
support, and for the conservation of the native wildlife,
both plant and animal, which they sustain.*

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*Best Wishes
for a
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year*

