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Supervising scientist: David Pearson

Project: SPP 2006/005 - The importance of fox, cat and native predator interactions to sustained fauna recovery in the northern jarrah forest: is there a mesopredator release effect? Supervising scientist: Paul de Tores

Project: SPP 2006/006 - Translocation outcomes and monitoring of naturally occurring populations of the western ringtail possum, Pseudocheirus occidentalis.

Supervising scientist: Paul de Tores

Project: SPP 2006/007 - Sustained fauna recovery in a fragmented landscape (Dryandra Woodland and Tutanning Nature Reserve). Supervising scientist: Nicky Marlow

Project: SPP 2006/008 - Identification of seed collection zones for rehabilitation.

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