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Forest Management Plan NEWSLETTER

The Government of Western Australia acknowledges the traditional owners throughout Western Australia and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders past, present and emerging.

In particular, DBCA acknowledges the Noongar people as the traditional owners and native title holders within the Forest Management Plan area in the south-west of Western Australia and respects the continuing connection and importance of forests to their cultural, physical and spiritual health.

Welcome to Issue 9 of the FMP 2024-2033 eNewsletter

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Do you have feedback on the draft plan?

We're more than halfway through the public comment period for the *Draft Forest Management Plan 2024-2033*, and there's still time to have your say.

You can make a submission until **11:59pm Sunday 18 December 2022**. Your considered feedback may inform the development of the final plan.



Visit the FMP webpage to read the draft plan, learn about the submission criteria, use the online submission form, or review numerous fact sheets and frequently asked questions at <u>dbca.wa.gov.au/forest-management-plan</u>.

Following the public comment period, a summary of submissions will be published on the FMP webpage. The final plan will be released in 2023.

What is the forest management plan?

A forest management plan outlines the approach to protecting and managing forests in Western Australia's south-west national parks, conservation parks, nature reserves, State forests and timber reserves, and provide direction on how new Government policy settings will be achieved.

The *Draft Forest Management Plan* 2024-2033 was prepared by the Conservation and Parks Commission (through the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions) in



accordance with the Conservation and Land Management Act 1984.

This followed wide-ranging consultation with government agencies, key stakeholders and the community, and is informed by scientific research and management experience, input from technical experts and results from monitoring and evaluation processes.

Designed to be more concise and readable than the current FMP, the draft plan has an increased focus on Noongar values and the drying and warming climate of the south-west. It also provides for improved protection of our south-west forests, including at least an additional 400,000 hectares being included in national parks, conservation parks and nature reserves.

More information

If anyone you know might like to receive these eNewsletters, please invite them to <u>complete this online form</u> and we'll add them to our stakeholder register.

Join us on social media - we'll share key milestones about the draft plan on

WA Parks and Wildlife Service channels such as <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

If you have any questions about the forest management plan, please email the team at <u>forest.info@dbca.wa.gov.au</u>

You are receiving this newsletter as someone who's interested in the management of Western Australia's native forests. If you do not wish to receive updates about the FMP 2024-2033, you can unsubscribe here: forest.info@dbca.wa.gov.au



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