



THE SENATE

**ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**Australia's faunal extinction crisis**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Friday 23 August 2019**

**Committee Room 2S1  
Parliament House, Canberra**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.00 am	<b>Panel: Grasslands threatened faunal species and ecological communities</b> Friends of Grasslands (Submission 22), Ms Sarah Sharp, Committee member and former President Honorary Professor Sue McIntyre Professor Stephen Sarre, Institute of Applied Ecology, University of Canberra (No submission) (Private capacity) Dr Colin Hocking, Adjunct Senior Lecturer, La Trobe University (Submission 289) (Private capacity) (via teleconference) Dr Jane Melville, Senior Curator of Terrestrial Vertebrates, Museums Victoria (No submission) (via teleconference) Dr Damian Michael, Senior Research Fellow, Charles Sturt University (No submission) (Private capacity) (via teleconference)
10.20 am	<b>Former Senator John Williams, (No submission) (Private capacity) (via teleconference)</b>
<b>10.50 am</b>	<b><i>Morning Tea</i></b>
11.05 am	<b>Dr Wendy Craik, (No submission) (Private capacity)</b>
<b>11.45 am</b>	<b><i>Lunch</i></b>
12.15 pm	<b>Department of the Environment and Energy (Submission 57)</b> Mr Dean Knudson, Deputy Secretary, Environment Protection Group Mr Stephen Oxley, First Assistant Secretary, Heritage, Reef and Marine Division Mr Geoff Richardson, Assistant Secretary, Protected Species and Communities Ms Margaret Tregurtha, Acting First Assistant Secretary Ms Monica Collins, Assistant Secretary Ms Emma Campbell, Acting First Assistant Secretary, Biodiversity Conservation Division
<b>2.30 pm</b>	<b><i>Adjournment</i></b>