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**Senator Urquhart asked:**

1. Can you please tell the Committee what stage the Recovery Plan is at for the 'Thylacine of the mainland', the Spot-tailed Quoll?

**Answer:**

In June 2015 the Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning submitted the final draft National Recovery Plan for the Spotted-tailed Quoll *Dasyurus maculatus* to the Department of the Environment for consideration. The Department is seeking endorsement of the plan by those other states and territories in which the species is found. Once this endorsement has been received, Ministerial approval for the adoption of the plan under the EPBC Act will be sought. This is expected to occur by the end of 2015.