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**Senator Urquhart asked:**

Have you started working with the community on Norfolk Island on a broader threatened species plan yet? How is that going?

**Answer:**

The Director of National Parks (DNP), on behalf of the Department, worked with the Norfolk Island Administration and community groups to develop the *Norfolk Island Region Threatened Species Recovery Plan* in 2010. This plan outlines the threats for threatened species within the Norfolk Island group, and lists actions to support their recovery. Relevant actions in the plan have been incorporated into the operations of the Norfolk Island National Park, including those related to management of introduced flora and vertebrate fauna. Other actions are relevant to the Administration of Norfolk Island. For some actions, for example *Action 3.5: Control or eradicate invertebrate pests*, DNP works with the local Administration to provide support on Argentine Ant eradication.

An extra \$300,000 over three years has recently been made available to the park to double the rodent control effort, an identified Key Threatening Process on Norfolk Island.