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Senator Waters asked:

What is the main theme of the updates to the Australian Biodiversity Conservation Strategy?
What areas will be, or are being, focused upon?

Answer:

Australia's Biodiversity Conservation Strategy 2010-2030 (the Strategy) is a national framework guiding Australia's biodiversity conservation policies and programmes. It also forms Australia's National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

The inbuilt 2015 Review of the Strategy will assess:

1. progress in implementing the Strategy; and
2. advising on how best to update the Strategy, particularly in the context of meeting obligations as a Party to the Convention on Biological Diversity.