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Senator Urquhart asked:

Are you also able to clarify how you will ensure that funding for species recovery is allocated to priority activities identified in threatened species or ecological community recovery plans?

Answer:

Recovery plans and conservation advices identify priority actions based on best practice scientific advice. These are used to guide investments including through natural resource management programmes. In addition, the Australian Government is developing a Threatened Species Strategy which will be launched at the Threatened Species Summit on 16 July 2015. This strategy will address effective recovery planning for species, as well as having key action areas, targets and principles for prioritisation.