

Monday 20 July

8:30	REGISTRATION	PRESENTER
9:00	SESSION 1	Chair: Jason Berrigan
9:00	Conference Welcome	Andrew Lothian, President of the ECA of NSW
9:05	Welcome to Country	Raymond Weatherall, Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council
9:15	Conservation Overview and Novel Survey Applications for Small Mammals at North Head Sanctuary	Toni Blackwell, Anderson Environment and Planning
9:40	The Fauna Escape Hatch: A New Tool for Fauna Barrier Fencing	Natasha Banville, Endeavour Veterinary Ecology
10:05	Managing Habitat Corridors with One Arm behind the back: Wollondilly's experiences	David Henry, Wollondilly Council
10:15	Harvesting for Habitat: Mobile Game Meat Processing to Reduce Threats to Native Species	Brendan Maier, Australian Bush Harvest
10:30	MORNING TEA	
11:00	SESSION 2	Chair: Rebecca Hogan
11:00	A new non-invasive 'omics' toolkit for the management of threatened terrestrial species	Celine Frere, University of Queensland
11:25	NSW DCCEEW Update on Accreditation and Training	Dr Kate Newman, NSW DCCEEW
11:50	The revised Plant Community Classification and Mapping for the Western Slopes Bioregions and transitional arrangements for the Biodiversity Offsets Scheme	Karen Caves and Daniel Connolly, NSW DCCEEW
12:30	Q and A NSW DCCEEW – Session 2	
12:45	LUNCH	
1:20	Trade stall presentation: Frontier Labs	
1:30	SESSION 3	Chair: David Carr
1:30	NSW DCCEEW What's next for the BOS portal	Lucian McElwain, NSW DCCEEW
1:55	The future of the Biodiversity Assessment Method	Vanessa Owen, NSW DCCEEW
2:20	Lessons learned from establishing, managing and owning biodiversity stewardship sites	Greg Steenbeeke, Thesium
2:45	Q and A NSW DCCEEW – Session 3	
3:10	AFTERNOON TEA	
3:40	SESSION 4	Chair: Daniel McDonald
3:40	Habitat now, tree later: deployable biodegradable habitat structures for mitigation and rehabilitation	Alex Carthey, ReHabitat
4:05	Introduction to the purpose designed Comfy Creatures nest box monitoring camera and its dedicated public database	Wesly Nielsen, Comfy Homes
4:30	Trade stall presentation: Titley Scientific	
4:40	ECA Annual General Meeting Notice	Andrew Lothian, President of the ECA of NSW
4.45	ECA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	
6:00	ANNUAL CONFERENCE DINNER and TRIVA	

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9:00	SESSION 1	Chair: Kat Duchatel
9:00	Conference Welcome	Andrew Lothian, President of the ECA of NSW
9:15	The LEC and the BC Act... What's new?	Alan McKelvey, Partner, Sparke Helmore Lawyers
9:40	Make Australian Wetlands Wet Again	Jan Kreibich, ECA Research Grant Recipient
10:05	Inland Rail: Challenging Engineering Design using an Offset Cost Mapping Tool	Dave Fleming, Inland Rail
10:30	MORNING TEA	
11:00	SESSION 2	Chair: Deryk Engel
11:00	Commonwealth DCCEEW - Renewables Environmental Research Initiative (RERI)	Montana de Meillon, Commonwealth DCCEEW
11:25	Commonwealth DCCEEW – Australia's Environment Protection Reforms	Kathleen Patroni, Commonwealth DCCEEW
12:15	Demonstration of the new BioNet Map Viewer	Roie Atkins, Biodiversity Information Systems Team, NSW DCCEEW
12:45	LUNCH	
1:20	Trade stall presentation: Saffron Environmental	
1:30	SESSION 3	Chair: Nick Tong
1:30	Stark seasonal difference in attractiveness of a food lure: insight into foraging ecology and reliability of a potential survey tool for Sugar Gliders <i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	Amelia Hamer, UNSW
1:55	Hollow Promises for Biodiversity: Improving Artificial Habitat Outcomes	Carl Tippler, Habitat Innovation
2:20	Buying and Planning Native Seed for Restoration	David Carr, Stringybark Ecological
2:45	What is prescribed burning	Duncan Scott-Lawson, Bushfire & Environmental Management Consultancy
3:10	AFTERNOON TEA	
3:40	SESSION 4	Chair: Rebecca Hogan
3:40	Strategic burn planning for biodiversity stewardship sites	Duncan Scott-Lawson, Controlled Burning Contractors
4:05	Who's eating our tree seedlings & can neighbours help stop them?	Jordan Fraser, Sydney University, University of Tasmania, Sustainable Timbers Tasmania, with funding provided by AFWI
4:30	Open Discussion Forum	Ecological Consultants Association of NSW Council
5:00	CONFERENCE CLOSE	2026-27 President of the Ecological Consultants Association of NSW