



**FLORA & FAUNA
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FLORA AND FAUNA GUARANTEE - SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FINAL RECOMMENDATION ON UPDATES TO THE *FLORA AND FAUNA GUARANTEE ACT*
1988 THREATENED LIST

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Required updates to the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* Threatened List

Victoria has committed to align its threatened flora and fauna listing process under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* (FFG Act) with the nationally consistent Common Assessment Method (CAM) under the Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding Agreement on a Common Assessment Method for Listing of Threatened Species (CAM MoU). See <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/environment/biodiversity/threatened/cam>.

Part of the CAM MoU is a commitment to establish in each jurisdiction a single operational list of threatened species. Therefore, when taxa occurring in Victoria are newly listed or updated (with a CAM-compliant assessment) under the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), Victoria has an obligation to reflect those updates on the FFG Act Threatened List.

In conjunction with the updates under section 16E of the FFG Act, there are also minor amendments required to the names of taxa on the Threatened List in accordance with section 16I of the FFG Act. These minor amendments enable alignment between the Threatened List and the CAM-compliant assessment and/or reflect the current name of listed taxa.

Eligibility for listing on the FFG Act Threatened List

Taxa included in Table 1 are recommended for minor amendment only, and all have previously been assessed by the SAC as eligible for inclusion in the Threatened List.

The SAC has assessed the eligibility of the taxa in Tables 2, 3, 4 and 5 below in accordance with Division 3 of Part 3 (*Section 16E: Taxon assessed by another jurisdiction as to its risk of extinction in Australia*) of the FFG Act. The SAC is of the opinion that the assessments of the below taxa were conducted in accordance with the CAM and therefore makes a final recommendation under Section 16F to adopt the same conservation status as that arising from the EPBC Act assessments (see links in the tables below for the EPBC Act listing assessments).

Decision by the Scientific Advisory Committee

This final recommendation by the SAC relates to multiple categories of updates to the FFG Act Threatened List:

	Description	SAC recommendation
Table 1	Taxa requiring minor amendments to their listed names. This ensures the names of the taxa align with CAM-compliant assessments and reflect the current name of listed taxa.	Amend taxa in the Threatened List (under section 16I of the FFG Act)
Table 2	New or updated EPBC Act listings of taxa that occur in Victoria and are not currently FFG Act listed. The assessments are CAM-compliant.	Specify taxa in the Threatened List (under section 16E of the FFG Act)
Table 3	New or updated EPBC Act listings of taxa that occur in Victoria and are currently FFG Act listed. The assessments are CAM-compliant. This group includes the Group 1 taxa, which require a name change in addition to category of threat and/or extinction	Amend taxa in the Threatened List (under section 16E of the FFG Act)

	risk amendment. The names used in Table 3 reflect the updated names.	
Table 4	EPBC Act assessments of taxa that occur in Victoria and are currently FFG Act listed. The CAM-compliant assessments found the taxa ineligible for listing.	Remove taxa from the Threatened List (under section 16E of the FFG Act)
Table 5	New or updated EPBC Act listings of taxa that occur in Victoria and are currently FFG Act listed. The assessments are CAM-compliant and result in no change to the FFG Act Threatened List extinction risk or category of threat.	No amendment required to the Threatened List. DEECA will update listing documentation on the Threatened List website.

Table 1: FFG-listed taxa for which a minor amendment to the listed name is recommended under S16I of the Act.

Taxon ID	Currently Listed Name		Amended Name	
	Scientific Name	Common Name	Scientific Name	Common Name
10422	<i>Psophodes nigrogularis leucogaster</i>	Western Whipbird (Mallee)	<i>Psophodes leucogaster leucogaster</i>	Mallee Whipbird
10385	<i>Melanodryas cucullata</i>	Hooded Robin	<i>Melanodryas cucullata cucullata</i>	Hooded Robin (south-eastern)
10270	<i>Lophocroa leadbeateri</i>	Major Mitchell's Cockatoo	<i>Lophochroa leadbeateri leadbeateri</i>	Pink Cockatoo (eastern)
505608	<i>Astrotricha</i> sp. 3	Wingan Star-hair	<i>Astrotricha</i> sp. Wingan Inlet (J.A.Jeanes 2268)	No change
504241	<i>Astrotricha</i> sp. 2	Long-leaf Star-hair	<i>Astrotricha</i> sp. Howe Range (D.E.Albrecht 1054)	No change
10153	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica baueri</i>	Alaskan Bar-tailed Godwit

Table 2: New or updated EPBC Act listings of taxa that occur in Victoria and are not currently FFG Act listed. These taxa are recommended to be specified in the Threatened List.

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	FFG Act Extinction Risk	FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
500547	<i>Caladenia tessellata</i>	Thick-lip Spider-orchid	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10466	<i>Aphelocephala leucopsis</i>	Southern Whiteface	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
503530	<i>Viola improcera</i>	Dwarf Violet	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
10306	<i>Neophema chrysostoma</i>	Blue-winged Parrot	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
903622	<i>Olearia rugosa</i> subsp. <i>distalilobata</i>	Wrinkled Daisy-bush	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
10070	<i>Ardenna grisea</i>	Sooty Shearwater	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10163	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10168	<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	Latham's Snipe	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
4604	<i>Mordacia praecox</i>	Precocious Lamprey	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
903821	<i>Euastacus</i> sp. 1 coughrani (McCormack & Fetzner)	Coughran's crayfish	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
903593	<i>Galaxias</i> sp. nov 'Morwell'	Morwell Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	FFG Act Extinction Risk	FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
903594	<i>Galaxias</i> sp. nov. 'Moroka'	Moroka Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
60555	<i>Climacteris picumnus victoriae</i>	Brown Treecreeper (south-eastern)	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10513	<i>Amytornis striatus howei</i>	Murray Mallee Striated Grasswren	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
11830	<i>Arctocephalus tropicalis</i>	Subantarctic Fur-seal	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice

Table 3: New or updated EPBC Act listings of taxa that occur in Victoria and are currently FFG Act listed. These taxa are recommended to be amended in the Threatened List.

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Current FFG Act Extinction Risk	Updated FFG Act Extinction Risk	Current FFG Act Category of Threat	Updated FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
505092	<i>Acacia lanigera</i> var. <i>gracilipes</i>	Woolly Wattle	Victoria	Australia	Vulnerable	Endangered	Conservation Advice
1633	<i>Euastacus bidawalus</i>	East Gippsland Spiny Crayfish	Australia	No change	Vulnerable	Endangered	Conservation Advice
501539	<i>Grevillea jephcottii</i>	Green Grevillea	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
12407	<i>Lissolepis coventryi</i>	Swamp Skink	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
4882	<i>Nannoperca obscura</i>	Yarra Pygmy Perch	Victoria	Australia	Vulnerable	Endangered	Conservation Advice
504365	<i>Correa lawrenceana</i> var. <i>genoensis</i>	Genoa River Correa	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
502219	<i>Monotoca rotundifolia</i>	Trailing Monotoca	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
10652	<i>Stagonopleura guttata</i>	Diamond Firetail	Victoria	Australia	Vulnerable	No change	Conservation Advice
11438	<i>Mastacomys fuscus mordicus</i>	Broad-toothed Rat	Australia	No change	Vulnerable	Endangered	Conservation Advice
504611	<i>Deyeuxia ramosa</i>	Climbing Bent-grass	Victoria	Australia	Vulnerable	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
13930	<i>Uperoleia martini</i>	Martin's Toadlet	Victoria	Australia	Critically endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
528544	<i>Bidyanus bidyanus</i>	Silver Perch	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
503233	<i>Spyridium cinereum</i>	Tiny Spyridium	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
12550	<i>Eulamprus kosciuskoi</i>	Alpine Water Skink	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10129	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Ruddy Turnstone	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
4686	<i>Prototroctes maraena</i>	Australian Grayling	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Current FFG Act Extinction Risk	Updated FFG Act Extinction Risk	Current FFG Act Category of Threat	Updated FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
503378	<i>Thelymitra matthewsii</i>	Spiral Sun-orchid	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
903835	<i>Thelymitra orientalis</i>	Hoary Sun-orchid	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
503568	<i>Westringia cremnophila</i>	Snowy River Westringia	Australia	No change	Endangered	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
502672	<i>Pomaderris sericea</i>	Bent Pomaderris	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
10164	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	Red Knot	Australia	No change	Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10165	<i>Calidris tenuirostris</i>	Great Knot	Australia	No change	Critically Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
528553	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	Black-tailed Godwit	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
10136	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	Grey Plover	Victoria	Australia	Vulnerable	No change	Conservation Advice
10158	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common Greenshank	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
10160	<i>Xenus cinereus</i>	Terek Sandpiper	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
4692	<i>Galaxias rostratus</i>	Flat-headed Galaxias	Australia	No change	Vulnerable	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
10270	<i>Lophochroa leadbeateri leadbeateri</i> (originally listed as <i>Lophochroa leadbeateri</i>)	Pink Cockatoo	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
10385	<i>Melanodryas cucullata cucullata</i> (originally listed as <i>Melanodryas cucullata</i>)	Hooded Robin	Victoria	Australia	Vulnerable	Endangered	Conservation Advice
11455	<i>Pseudomys novaehollandiae</i>	New Holland Mouse	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
10422	<i>Psophodes leucogaster leucogaster</i> (originally listed as <i>Psophodes nigrogularis leucogaster</i>)	Mallee Whipbird	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
505608	<i>Astrotricha</i> sp. Wingan Inlet (J.A.Jeanes 2268) (originally listed as <i>Astrotricha</i> sp. 3)	Wingan Star-hair	Victoria	Australia	Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice
504241	<i>Astrotricha</i> sp. Howe Range (D.E.Albrecht 1054) (originally listed as <i>Astrotricha</i> sp. 2)	Long-leaf Star-hair	Victoria	Australia	Critically Endangered	No change	Conservation Advice

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Current FFG Act Extinction Risk	Updated FFG Act Extinction Risk	Current FFG Act Category of Threat	Updated FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
528520	<i>Galaxias terenusus</i>	Roundsnout Galaxias	Victoria	Australia	Critically endangered	Endangered	Conservation Advice
10153	<i>Limosa lapponica baueri</i> (originally listed as <i>Limosa lapponica</i>)	Alaskan Bar-tailed Godwit	Australia	No change	Vulnerable	Endangered	Conservation Advice

Table 4: EPBC Act assessments of taxa that occur in Victoria and are currently FFG Act listed. The CAM-compliant assessments found the taxa ineligible for listing. These taxa are recommended to be removed from the Threatened List.

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Current FFG Act Extinction Risk	Current FFG Act Category of Threat	Recommended FFG Act Status	Link to Conservation Advice
14207	<i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>	Southern Bluefin Tuna	Victoria	Conservation Dependent	Remove	Conservation Advice
11575	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae australis</i>	Southern Humpback Whale	Victoria	Critically Endangered	Remove	Conservation Advice

Table 5: New or updated EPBC Act listings of taxa that occur in Victoria and are currently FFG Act listed. The assessments are CAM-compliant and result in no change to the FFG Act Threatened List extinction risk or category of threat. No change to the Threatened List is recommended for these taxa.

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Current FFG Act Extinction Risk	Current FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
1635	<i>Euastacus diversus</i>	Orbost Spiny Crayfish	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
505443	<i>Prasophyllum uvidulum</i>	Summer Leek-orchid	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
10141	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	Greater Sand Plover	Australia	Vulnerable	Conservation Advice
528439	<i>Eucalyptus forresterae</i>	Brumby Sallee	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
903494	<i>Eucalyptus phoenix</i>	Brumby Mallee-gum	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
528521	<i>Galaxias aequipinnis</i>	East Gippsland Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
528524	<i>Galaxias gunaikurnai</i>	Shaw Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
528525	<i>Galaxias lanceolatus</i>	Tapered Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
528526	<i>Galaxias longifundus</i>	West Gippsland Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
528522	<i>Galaxias mcdowalli</i>	McDowall's Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
528523	<i>Galaxias mungadhan</i>	Dargo Galaxias	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice

Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Current FFG Act Extinction Risk	Current FFG Act Category of Threat	Link to Conservation Advice
4701	<i>Galaxiella pusilla</i>	Dwarf Galaxias	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice
505709	<i>Grevillea burrowa</i>	Burrowa Grevillea	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
503930	<i>Nematolepis frondosa</i>	Leafy Nematolepis	Australia	Critically Endangered	Conservation Advice
12992	<i>Pseudemoia cryodroma</i>	Alpine Bog Skink	Australia	Endangered	Conservation Advice

Documentation

The published information provided to and sourced by the SAC has been assessed. To the best of their knowledge, the SAC believes that the data presented are not the subject of scientific dispute and the inferences drawn are reasonable and well supported.

Final Recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Committee

The Scientific Advisory Committee makes the following final recommendations:

1. Amend taxa in Table 1 in the Threatened List under section 16I of the FFG Act.
2. Specify taxa in Table 2 in the Threatened List under section 16E of the FFG Act.
3. Amend taxa in Table 3 in the Threatened List under section 16E of the FFG Act.
4. Remove taxa in Table 4 from the Threatened List under section 16E of the FFG Act, and
5. Retain taxa in Table 5 in the Threatened List with no change required to extinction risk or category of threat.

Endorsement by the Convenor of the Scientific Advisory Committee

Date



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Convenor

20 March 2025