



Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

Notice under subsection 368(2)

**NOTICE INVITING COMMENTS ON A PROPOSAL TO PREPARE MANAGEMENT
PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS ISLAND NATIONAL PARK AND PULU KEELING
NATIONAL PARK**

This instrument is to let interested parties know that the Director of National Parks (the Director) proposes to prepare a draft of the 5th Christmas Island National Park Management Plan and the 3rd Pulu Keeling National Park Management Plan.

The Director now invites members of the public to provide comments as part of the development of these plans. Comments must clearly identify the National Park which is the subject of the comments. If comments are intended to apply to both National Parks, this must be clearly expressed.

Comments will inform the preparation of draft management plans for Christmas Island National Park and Pulu Keeling National Park. The draft management plans will be made available for comment in accordance with subsection 368(5) of the EPBC Act before they are finalised. Once finalised, the plans will guide management of the two national parks for a period of 10 years.

How to Comment

The Comment Period opens on **January 31st** and all comments must be submitted no later than **11.30 PM AEDT (7:30pm Christmas Island time and 7:00pm Cocos (Keeling) Islands time)** on **21st March 2025** by one of the following means:

1. The 'Have your Say' portal at the following web address: <https://consult.dcceew.gov.au/>.
2. Hand delivery to either of the following addresses:

Christmas Island National Park
Headquarters
Nursery Court
Drumsite
Christmas Island

Pulu (Keeling) National Park
Headquarters
Jalan Bunga Mawar
Home Island
Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Comments submitted after the indicated date or via other means may not be considered in the preparation of the draft management plans.

Privacy Notice

If you choose to make a submission to this consultation process, we will collect personal information about you. Please review this notice before submitting your response.

We are bound by the Australian Privacy Principles in Schedule 1 of the *Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)*. The Privacy Act regulates how we may collect, use, disclose and store personal information. We also hold personal information in accordance with the *Archives Act 1983 (Cth)*.

We use technology by Converlens Pty Ltd to provide this consultation service and website. Our contractual arrangements require Converlens to comply with the Privacy Act and store data securely in Australia.

What personal information will be collected

Personal information means information or an opinion about an individual, or an individual who is reasonably identifiable, whether or not it is true or recorded in material form.

By submitting a response to this consultation, you consent to the Director of National Parks collecting your personal information provided in your response. This may include:

- your name, address, email address and telephone number
- your opinions about the Christmas Island National Park and/or Pulu Keeling National Park and how the proposed management of Christmas Island National Park and/or Pulu Keeling National Park may impact you or your community.

How we will use and disclose your personal information

Personal information will be disclosed to staff in the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, the Director of National Parks, the Minister for the Environment and Water and the Minister's office for the purpose of informing the development of draft management plans for Christmas Island National Park and Pulu Keeling Park. We will not use or disclose personal information without your consent, except where authorised or required by law.

If you need to include personal information about another individual in your submission, you will need to inform that individual of the contents of this statement and obtain their consent to us collecting their personal information.

For more information, please refer to <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/national-parks/parks-australia/privacy-policy> or <https://converlens.com/privacy.html>.

We may also disclose your personal information where authorised or required by law.

Public disclosure

Your submission will not be published or made publicly available in any format. However, your submission and any personal information provided in response to this consultation process may be used and disclosed as described above.

The Director of National Parks reserves its right to edit, and/ or not consider or publish submissions that contain potentially offensive, defamatory or irrelevant material.

Submissions marked as confidential may be disclosed on a confidential basis as authorised or required by law.

Anonymous submissions

You can provide an anonymous submission. However, this means we cannot contact you about your submission, the consultation process, or other matters relevant to you. It may also limit our ability to take your submission into account.

Privacy Policy and Contact Us

For more information on how we handle personal information, how to access or correct your personal information, and how to make a complaint, see our see our Privacy Policy at <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/national-parks/parks-australia/privacy-policy>.

The Coverlens privacy policy is available at <https://converlens.com/privacy.html>.

If you have a question about this privacy notice, please use the Contact Us link on our website at <https://parksaustralia.gov.au/about/contact-us/>

Further Information

More information about Christmas Island National Park is available at <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/national-parks/christmas-island-national-park>

More information about Pulu Keeling National Park is available at <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/national-parks/pulu-keeling-national-park>

For further information or if you have a question, please email IOTnationalparks@dcceew.gov.au.

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On behalf of the Director of National Parks
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