



Kakadu National Park

TARGETING THREATS FROM FIRE, WEEDS AND FERAL ANIMALS

This project takes action to improve the conservation of Kakadu's threatened species through intensive fire management with associated weed and feral animal control.

Year 1 update (3-year project)

OVERVIEW OF PROGRESS

- Traditional owners have approved the use of three sections of the park for the project. The areas to be used include a 300km² site near Nourlangie Rock, a 1,500km² site in northern Kakadu between the East and South Alligator Rivers, and a 300km² site in the northwest section of the park. A fourth site in the southern region of the park about 200km² is being discussed with traditional owners.
- Extensive consultation with traditional owners about fire management has been undertaken.
- The Northern Territory Government Department of Land and Resource Management will oversee biological monitoring with funding provided through the National Environmental Science Programme (NESP) Northern Australia Environmental Resources and Threatened Species Recovery Hubs. Methods to control feral cats are being explored. This includes the possible trial of a cat grooming trap. Cat control is expected to start in the dry season.
- Consultation with community members is ongoing and fire management plans will be developed for each of the project sites.
- Further exploration of cat control methods will take place in 2016.



Fire management in Kakadu National Park