

The latest Alert and items still open for review:

1. Develop Land for Rural Residential Subdivision – Myola, Kuranda – open for public comment – close 24th June 2008.
2. National Park Management Plans in the Hinchinbrook, South Mission Beach, Undara and Wet Tropical Coast under review – comments close 27th June
3. Species and Ecological Communities Plans and Notifications.

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1. Invitation on public comment on referral

2008/4255	Christensen Family Trust/Residential development/Lot 15 and 16, 138 Myola-Oakforest Rd Kuranda/QLD/Develop Land For a Rural Residential Subdivision	Invitation for Public Comment on Referral	Deadline 24 Jun 2008
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The project is a large lot lifestyle subdivision with 28 proposed lots ranging from about 4200 m² to over 3 Ha and a Park area of about 5.97 Ha. The 28 lots are largely on land previously used as a forestry plot (Pine) and for grazing. Some of the site is mapped as remnant vegetation under the provisions of the Vegetation Management Act (Qld).

The property is located 1km from a World Heritage Area, with 21 threatened identified as present in the area, 18 migratory species may also be present in the area. It is identified that the proposed action is likely to have significant impacts under sections 18 and 18A (listed threatened species and communities) of the EPBC Act.

For further information on how to comment refer to the [Help](#) document provided by the Department of the Environment and Water Resources.

2. Protected Area Management Plans under Review

Environment Protection Agency has notified that National Park Management Plans are under review. There are 59 plans within Queensland under review. Some of interest are:

- ? Hinchinbrook National Park including Orpheus Island, Horseshoe Lagoon, Bowling Green Bay
- ? South Mission Beach
- ? Undara Volcanic National Park
- ? Wet Tropical Coast

[For a full list visit](#) of the Draft Management Plans and to access the submission form visit the EPA website.

Closing date for submissions – 27th June 2008

3. Species and Ecological Communities Plans and Notifications

[Deepwater Fin Fish Fishery](#) and [Queensland Coral Reef Fin Fish Fishery](#) assessments are now open for comment – comment by Friday 4th July 2008

Others:

Draft Threat Abatement Plan – comment by Friday 18th July 2008

Still open for public comment is invited from interested groups and individuals on a Draft Threat Abatement Plan to reduce the impacts of exotic rodents on biodiversity on Australian offshore islands of less than 100 000 hectares.

[Further details..](#)

Draft Recovery Plan – comment by Friday 25th July 2008

[Large-eared pied bat *Chalinolobus dwyeri*](#) – and is listed as “Rare” under the Queensland Nature Conservation Act 1992.

Threat Abatement Plan – The impacts of marine debris on vertebrate marine life – comment by Thursday, 14th August 2008

[Further details and background paper](#)

Comment on Nomination – Damage to marine ecosystems by trawling in the area of the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery – comment by Tuesday 30th September

Key factors that contribute to the process of overfishing are discussed in [two documents](#) and are available for review.

Regards,

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