

## World Heritage Sites – Queensland

## FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

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Additional terms	<p>Queensland will be responsible for providing a financial and/or in-kind contribution to support the implementation of this Agreement.</p> <p>Queensland will ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That advisory committees use and provide the expert scientific, technical and community advice available</li> <li>• Effective consultation and engagement with First Nations people with rights and interests in the World Heritage areas</li> </ul>																																																	

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• That its World Heritage areas are managed in a manner consistent with the EPBC Act.</li></ul> |
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Variations to Annual Business Plans that directly affect milestones and payments are subject to written agreement between the relevant Commonwealth and Queensland minister.

**Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary**

<b>Output</b>	<b>Performance milestones</b>	<b>Report due</b>	<b>Payment</b>
Provide expert advice through an executive officer and advisory committees for each of the Gondwana Rainforests of Australia (Qld section), K'gari (Fraser Island), Australian Fossil Mammal Sites – Riversleigh World Heritage areas.	Commonwealth acceptance of a 2023-24 Annual Business Plan for each World Heritage Sites, including state financial contribution. Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee.	30/11/2023	Nil
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	Commonwealth acceptance of a final report detailing performance against milestones over the five-year period for each of the World Heritage Sites, including state financial contribution.	30/04/2028	\$439,000

	Continued employment of executive officers. Continued operation of advisory committee.		
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

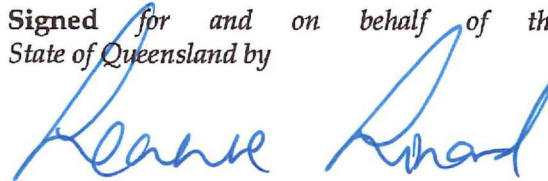
*Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth  
of Australia by*



**The Honourable Tanya Plibersek MP**  
Minister for the Environment and Water

Date: 30-11-23

*Signed for and on behalf of the  
State of Queensland by*



**The Honourable Leanne Linard MP**  
Minister for the Environment and the Great Barrier  
Reef

Date: 18/04/24