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## Project Description

The Northern Agricultural Region (NAR) is nationally and internationally renowned as being one of the world's most floristically diverse areas. It is home to a large number of native plant species, many of which are endemic to the area; the high level of endemism has contributed to a number of species becoming threatened. There are 109 species of Declared Rare Flora (43 Critically Endangered, 44 Endangered and 22 Vulnerable) in the NAR. This incredible floristic diversity which has been recognized through the declaration of two Australian Biodiversity Hotspots supports an array of fauna species.

This project will implement Recovery Actions for a suite of threatened flora species, threatened and priority and other specially protected fauna as well as Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) which occur in the NAR.

The majority of these recovery actions will be drawn from 37 and several draft Interim Recovery Plans (IRPs) for threatened flora, 11 endorsed and several draft IRPs for TECs and 3 endorsed recovery plans for Threatened Fauna. In addition, urgent actions for other threatened or priority species without Recovery Plans will be implemented.

Recovery actions will include weed control, fencing, habitat rehabilitation, communication and capacity building, seed collection and germplasm storage, translocations, research, surveying for new population and occurrences and monitoring of known populations and occurrences. These recovery actions will be implemented across a range of tenures including private property, shire lands, lands vested with public utility groups, unallocated crown land and conservation estate. All works will be undertaken in partnership with landowners and managers.

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