



# What is Saving our Species?

Saving our Species (SoS) is one of the biggest conservation commitments ever undertaken in NSW. It is a movement involving volunteers, scientists, businesses, community groups and the NSW Government, all coming together to secure the future of Australia's unique plants and animals.

\$175 million over 10 years (2016 – 2026) has been invested into SoS and has established the NSW Government as a national leader in threatened species conservation.

The main objectives of SoS are to increase the number of threatened species that are secure in the wild in NSW for 100 years, and control the key threats facing them.

## How are we saving species?

- SoS protects, monitors and conserves threatened species in different ways, taking into account what we know about their ecology and threats. Each species is then allocated, by our experts, to one of 9 management streams.
- SoS provides targeted conservation projects that set out the actions required to save specific plants and animals. These actions might include habitat restoration, weed and feral pest control, along with breeding programs, translocations, seed collections and solutions to protect threatened species against climate change.
- SoS regularly monitors the effectiveness of projects so they can be improved.

### How do we prioritise our work?

Every decision SoS makes is backed by science and research. We use best practice prioritisation techniques to invest in cost-effective projects that will benefit the greatest number of species.

SoS consults with experts and applies independent peer reviewed science to our projects.

#### What have we achieved since 2016?



**472** threatened plants, animals and ecological communities invested in and actively managed



**89%** of species SoS are investing in are on track to survive the next 100 years (species from site-managed, iconic and population management streams only)



**16** key threatening processes under strategic research and management



978 sites in NSW with active SoS projects



Worked with **336** partners on SoS projects



Secured **\$175 million** investment from the NSW Government over 10 years (2016 – 2026)

## Where can I learn more?

To find out more about the SoS program, visit environment.nsw.gov.au/sos.