

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to Minister for Environment and Natural Resources:

Funding Agreements

1. Please provide a list of the funding agreements your Department has entered into; including the organisations, the annual amount and the number of years applicable to each agreement.
2. What impact will the efficiency dividend have on these agreements?
3. Please specify for each of those on the list (per question 1) what amount will be deducted from their annual grant?
4. Please specify for each of those on the list, when you advised the individual organisations of the funding cut as well as their response.

1.

Environment Multi Year Agreements

Organisation	Commencement year	Annual Amount	# of years
Arid Lands Environment Centre	2016-17	\$100,000	5
Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc.	2016-17	\$30,000 ¹	5
Environmental Defenders Office NT Inc,	2016-17	\$50,000, increased to \$100,000 in 2018-19	5
Keep Australia Beautiful Council	2018-19	\$150,000	5

Local Government Association of the NT	2017-18	\$120,000, increase to \$150,000 in 2018-19	5
The Environment Centre NT Inc.	2016-17	\$100,000	5

¹ Agreement signed in 2016-17, however first payment not made until 2017-18

Aboriginal Ranger Grants – Land Management Conservation Multi Year Agreements

Organisation	Purpose	Commencement year	Total Grant Amount (\$)⁽¹⁾	# of years⁽²⁾
Arafura Swamp Rangers Aboriginal Corporation	Integrated feral animal and weed management in the Arafura swamp	2017-18	102,350	1
Central Land Council for all ranger groups	Tracker training	2018-19	207,000	3
Central Land Council for Alyawarra ALT	Fire Management	2018-19	45,000	1
Central Land Council for Docker River & Mutitjulu Rangers	Access to Country	2018-19	130,150	2
Central Land Council for Muru-Warinyi Ankkul Rangers	Strategic Fire Management in the Tennant Creek region	2017-18	115,000	2
Central Land Council for Tennant Creek, Anmatyerr, Ntaria & Ltyentye Apurte Rangers	Healthy Country Plans	2018-19	200,550	2
DEMED Aboriginal Corporation	Targeted Land Management: Fresh Water Bininj Mundbalk to Saltwater Bininj Mundbalk	2017-18	266,231	3
Dhimurru Land Management Aboriginal Corporation for Dhimurru Rangers	Cultural Landscape Mapping - Port Bradshaw	2017-18	36,200	1
Dhimurru Land Management Aboriginal Corporation Dhimurru Rangers	Harnessing drone technology for Sea grass mapping in Dhimurru Indigenous Protected Area	2017-18	41,890	1
Dhimurru Land Management Aboriginal	IPA marine debris management	2018-19	56,000	2

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Corporation Dhimurru Rangers				
Dhimurru Land Management Aboriginal Corporation Dhimurru Rangers	Surface water temperature loggers - Dhimurru IPA	2017-18	3,500	1
Indigenous Land Corporation for Fish River Rangers	Fish River Rangers' threatened species and biodiversity monitoring program	2017-18	44,500	2
Jawoyn Association Aboriginal Corporation Centralised	strategic, Regional and sustainable Ranger led response to the threat of Gamba Grass on Jawoyn Lands	2017-18	100,000	3
Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation	Monitoring and managing traditional intertidal seafood	2018-19	70,250	3
Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation for Yirralka Rangers	Laynhapuy IPA Feral Animal Control	2017-18	135,534	3
Milingimbi & Outstations Progress Resource Association Incorporated	Using novel methods to establish turtle nesting monitoring techniques in remote locations, on Gurriba Island Turtle Sanctuary	2017-18	30,319	1
Mimal Land Management Aboriginal Corporation	Rangers delivering on country to manage weeds, fire, ferals and keep culture strong	2017-18	315,560	3
North Australian Indigenous Land & Sea Management Alliance	Indigenous State of the Region Report 2018-2020	2017-18	300,000	2
Northern Land Council for all NLC Ranger groups	Ranger strategic training program	2018-19	490,050	3
Northern Land Council for Bulgul Rangers	Increasing Aboriginal Ranger capacity in caring for country within the Finnis-Reynolds catchment	2017-18	495,854	3
Northern Land Council for Ganalanga-Mindiberrina Indigenous Protected Area	Feral animal survey	2018-19	82,353	1
Northern Land Council for Kenbi Rangers	Cultural and natural resource management	2017-18	305,000	3

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	activities on Kenbi land and sea country			
Northern Land Council for Wardaman Rangers	Land Management Projects for Improved Conservation Practices & Cultural Maintenance on the Wardaman IPA	2017-18	197,360	2
Northern Land Council for Yugul Mangi and Numbulwar Numburindi ranger groups	Management of feral animals in the South East Arnhem Land Indigenous Protected Area (SEAL IPA)	2017-18	346,901	3
Northern Land Council for Yugul Mangi and Numbulwar Numburindi Rangers	Protecting Art and Culture: Aboriginal Rock Art Site Management	2017-18	96,000	1
Roper River Landcare Incorporated for Mangarrayi Rangers	Leadership in Neem Control and Eradication in the Never-Never	2017-18	82,100	3
Thamarrurr Development Corporation Ltd for Thamarrurr, Asyrikarrak Kirim, Wudicupidilyerr and Malak Malak Rangers	Collaborative management of mimosa and gamba grass in the western Top End region	2017-18	505,000	3
Tiwi Land Council	Control and eradication of outlier weeds and ferals - Tiwi Islands	2017-18	404,250	3
Tiwi Land Council	Towards an Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) on the Tiwi Islands	2017-18	36,450	1
Warddeken Land Management Limited	Transforming Philanthropic Support into a sustainable funding source for Indigenous Land and Sea Management	2017-18	500,00	3

⁽¹⁾These grants are based on a cashflow of the projects and milestone completion so annual amount will vary.

⁽²⁾ 1 year agreements reported in the table go over 2 financial years, i.e. initial payment paid in 1st financial year and completion paid in 2nd financial year, however it is only a 12 month agreement.

2.

There is a nil impact on these agreements as the decision was made to maintain the multi year funding agreements at existing levels. The efficiency dividend applied to grants would result in a reduction to the other grants on offer by the Environment Division under the Environment Grants Program. With respect to the Aboriginal Ranger Grants, not all funding available under the program has been allocated, unallocated amounts covered the efficiency dividend and reduced the pool for new projects.

3.

Nil – please see Q2 response

4.

N/A as no funding cuts to these payments