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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES HELP FROGWATCH GET READY FOR THE WET SEASON

New Justice Minister, Syd Stirling, has seen first hand the efforts being made by inmates and officers to help in the fight against the Cane Toad in Darwin.

The Minister was given a quick demonstration by inmates of how they've been constructing large Cane Toad traps for FrogWatch from donated materials.

"These beasts are a scourge on the environment and it's to their credit that Correctional Services agreed to help out FrogWatch with the building of these much needed traps," Mr Stirling said.

"The inmates get to make reparation to the community while FrogWatch get a supply of effective traps. It's a great partnership and beneficial not just to those involved but ultimately to the community.

"I congratulate both NTCS and FrogWatch on their innovative partnership."

The Minister said the prison would also continue to take any donations of relevant materials for more trap building.

"Earlier in the project FrogWatch was donated a plastic welder by NT Plastics and Acrylics but I understand the project needs ongoing donations of cordless drills, screwdrivers and five inch angle grinders to continue building more traps," Mr Stirling said.

"I urge anyone who is able to donate such items to contact Correctional Services."

The trap building at the prison will continue as long as materials are available and through the Wet Season.

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