



Delia Lawrie

MINISTER FOR PARKS AND WILDLIFE

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Protecting Threatened Species

For the first time Territorians and visitors can learn about all the threatened species of the Northern Territory in one book.

Environment Minister Delia Lawrie today launched “Lost From Our Landscape” a publication sponsored by the Territory Government which documents all 203 threatened species in the Territory.

“The Northern Territory has some of the most spectacular wilderness in the world,” said Ms Lawrie.

“Significant areas of our environment are pristine; so many species which have disappeared in other parts of the world still survive in the Territory.

“To ensure our continued biodiversity it’s necessary to become aware of the unique plants and animals under threat so we can do our best to protect them and their habitats.

“This book offers Territorians and visitors the chance to learn about these species and the problems they face.”

Ms Lawrie said some flora and fauna which existed in the Territory has already become extinct and other species are under threat.

“Thank you to everyone in the Department of Natural Resources, Environment and the Arts who worked on ‘Lost from Our Landscape’.”

The book is on sale around the Territory and profiles of all the threatened species have been listed on the Government website.

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