

WATERFALL SPRINGS WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



Mission Statement

To coordinate and unite with the community and organisations to conduct recovery projects for Australian endangered species at Waterfall Springs.

- Waterfall Springs co-ordinates and unites with the community and organisations to conduct endangered native species recovery projects.
- Waterfall Springs' objective is to put in place world's best-practice captive breeding facilities in support of the endangered Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby (BTRW) species that have declined in both population and distribution in the wild.
- Waterfall Springs conducts innovative managed breeding program for BTRW that aim to generate sufficient new animal numbers for eventual reintroduction into the wild.
- Purpose built enclosures replicate as best possible the natural habitats of the BTRW species to allow for the natural behaviour of the animals and ensure their well being.
- Waterfall Springs provides responsible community education relevant to the plight of endangered species.
- Waterfall Springs actively promotes that wild habitat preservation and regeneration is the primary means for ensuring the long-term survival of Australia's vitally important native species.
- The major causes of population decline in wallaby species are predation by introduced animals such as foxes, competition for habitat by introduced pests such as rabbits and goats and habitat destruction.
- Waterfall Springs supports important research on biodiversity conservation in Australia in an effort to assist in the production of practical scientific outcomes relating to threatened species.
- Waterfall Springs provides significant environmental and biodiversity benefits to the community and state by contributing to regenerating and growing declining BTRW populations to ensure the sustainability and future enjoyment of this rare Australian native species.
- Waterfall Springs is an integral partner in the NSW and VIC BTRW Recovery Programs whose long term objective is to research and manage actions to promote the recovery of Brush-tailed Rock-wallabies, improve the species population status and ensure their future sustainability in the wild.

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Key Messages