








# Standardising pest fauna monitoring and data systems using the **Ecological Monitoring System Australia - EMSA**

## Developed by TERN for the Australian Government

Twenty-four EMSA standardised protocol modules have been developed to enable natural resource managers and ecologists to collect, manage and deliver quality, repeatable data for decision-making. Standardised ecological field survey and monitoring protocols will strengthen the evidence base for assessing and quantifying the impact of pest fauna on conservation and restoration programs.

-  Camera Trapping
-  Targeted Surveys
-  Opportune
-  Interventions
-  Fauna Aerial Surveys
-  Fauna Ground Counts
-  Sign-based Fauna Surveys
-  Herbivory and Physical Damage
-  Pest Fauna Control Activities

The EMSA pest fauna focused protocols and field data collection app will:

-  Provide standards for data collection when monitoring key pest fauna species
-  Improve the understanding and measurement of the effectiveness of pest fauna management
-  Allow the user to complete the modules most relevant to their project
-  Facilitate better access to, and re-use of pest fauna survey data for adaptive management, research and policy
-  Ensure that survey design and implementation, as well as data access is streamlined, consistent, automated and robust

The EMSA pest fauna focused protocols were developed through:

-  Literature review
-  Expert consultation
-  Workshops
-  Field testing
-  External review



EMSA modules most relevant to pest fauna monitoring programs

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