

# Restricted Access Species Data (RASD) Pathways Project

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## Project End Date

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### OVERVIEW

The project, funded by Australian Research Data Commons and the Atlas of Living Australia, is designed to respond to multiple government and non-government calls to improve access to withheld or modified biodiversity data. By streamlining processes and systems, this will enable the sharing of sensitive species (restricted access species) data for authorised / approved users.



### DELIVERABLES

- A best practice national framework for sharing RASD including a method for modifying these data for public release.
- A Restricted Access Species Data Service (RASDS) for requesting and accessing RASD from custodians.
- A trial trusted environment for using sensitive species data for modelling and analysis.



### SCOPE

#### IN

- National framework for managing RASD
- Guidance on public release of RASD
- RASDS for opt in users
- A pilot data analysis platform
- Work within existing government processes

#### OUT

- Biodiversity data other than point data
- Cultural sensitivity data classes relating to species



### PARTNERS

- Atlas of Living Australia
- Australian Research Data Commons
- Australian Government, State and Territory conservation agencies
- Museums and herbaria
- EcoCommons program
- Western Australian Biodiversity Science Institute.



### PRINCIPLES FOR SHARING RASD

- RASD should be consistently classified
- RASD should be shared through negotiated legal agreements
- RASD should be handled consistently with government requirements and the principles of FAIR and CARE

- RASD should be discoverable and consistently described
- RASD requests should follow a structured, transparent process
- RASD should be transformed consistently if made public or be as complete as possible if provided to approved data requestors



### SCHEDULE

