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Election Costing Request Form

Details of request	
Party:	Australian Labor Party (NSW Branch)
Name of Policy:	Wildlife corridors
Date of request:	12 March 2015

Description of policy	
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	Fund a Wildlife Corridors program under the Environmental Trust at \$35 million over four years.
What is the purpose or intention of the policy?	Fund community activity to restore wildlife corridors.
Has the policy been publicly released yet?	

Your estimated costing of the policy ¹						
	2014/15 \$'000	2015/16 \$'000	2016/17 \$'000	2017/18 \$'000	4 Yr Total \$'000	Other years ² \$'000
Impact on General Government Sector (GGS) net operating result ³						
Impact on GGS capital expenditure ⁴						
If different from above, impact on total State Sector net financial liabilities ⁵						

¹ Amounts should be expressed in nominal dollars. GGS - General Government Sector.

² Please provide information on other years if spending occurs outside the forward estimate years and will be required to cost the policy.

³ Negative for a saving that reduces expenditure

⁴ Negative for a reduction in capital expenditure.

⁵ Only required if proposal is outside GGS. Negative for a reduction in net financial liabilities.

Key assumptions made in the policy	
Does the policy relate to a previous announcement? If yes, which announcement?	No.
What assumptions have been made in deriving the financial impacts in your estimated costing? <i>(See checklist)</i>	<p>The Green Corridors program delivered funding of \$40 million from 2011-12 to 2014-15.</p> <p>The policy is to extend this funding for another four years for a “Wildlife Corridors” program by providing \$8.75 million in each of the four years from 2015-16 to 2018-19.</p> <p>This should include an allocation of \$4.6 million to the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative.</p>
Is there a range for the costing or any sensitivity analysis that you have undertaken?	No.
Are there associated savings, offsets or expenses? If yes, please provide details.	This should be funded from within existing Environmental Trust resourcing. In particular, any existing amounts allocated to Green Corridors should be adjusted to the amounts outlined in the <u>Assumptions</u> and reallocated to the new initiative.

Administration of policy	
Intended date of implementation:	1 July 2015.
Intended duration of policy:	30 June 2019.
Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)?	Environmental Trust.
Are there any specific administrative arrangements for the policy that need to be taken into account?	No.
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?	..

If the policy is mainly an expenditure⁶ commitment	
Demand driven or a capped amount:	Capped.
Eligibility criteria or thresholds:	To be finalised in government.

⁶ Expenditure is operating expenses, e.g. salaries, interest cost and grants. Expenditures are fully included in the impact on operating balance.