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Election Costing Request Form

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

Description of policy			
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	Provide \$500,000 to support koala population mapping, and hold a "koala summit".		
What is the purpose or intention of the policy?	Support the protection of koalas.		
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? (See checklist)	Allocate a fixed amount of \$250,000 in each of 2015-16 and 2016-17 to support the mapping of koala populations by experts. The scope of the mapping will be scalable to funds available. The koala summit will bring together experts and stakeholders from across the state.		
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.	Funds to support the koala population monitoring should be reallocated from the existing budget of the Policy and Science Service Group of the Office of Environment and Heritage. Costs associated with the koala summit are not expected to be significant and will be		
	scalable to resources that can be practicably reprioritised from the existing budget of the Office of Environment and Heritage.		

Administration of policy			
Intended date of implementation:	1 July 2015.		
Intended duration of policy:	30 June 2017.		
Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)?	Office of Environment and Heritage.		
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 expenditure ⁶ commitment		
Demand driven or a capped amount:	Capped.	
Eligibility criteria or thresholds:	N/a.	

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