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MUNGARRU LODGE SANCTUARY

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Mahogany Glider – Cyclone Yasi - Info Bulletin 4 – 11.03.11 Daryl Dickson

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- Mahogany Glider TC Yasi stakeholder meeting was held in Cardwell to formulate actions and discuss co-ordination and resources

- DERM/QPWS

now providing co-ordination

now taking all enquiries from volunteers and recording sightings thru 1300 130 372

have created base level mapping to track feed and den box sites

website now has information regarding mahogany glider and TC Yasi

<http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/>

vegetation management fact sheet to assist landholders has been posted on the DERM website

- All on ground progress for feed stations and den box installation has been delayed by torrential rain in the areas that are in most need of assistance. Many volunteers and QPWS staff remain isolated by flood waters

- Observation of gliders at Mungarru Lodge Sanctuary indicate increased predator activity with both Rufous Owl & Python activity recorded during the last week. Gliders are having to forage for longer periods with little or no shelter
- Gliders have not been observed for 5 days at Mungarru Lodge Sanctuary during the worst of the weather but observation were recorded again 10/03 when rain ceased briefly. Insect levels are extremely low at present due to continued rain and low temperatures. This will *hopefully* change as soon as the heavy rain ceases.
- QPWS advise that all camera traps have had to be temp withdrawn due to adverse weather but will be reinstated the moment the flooding and rain subsides.
- Sourcing and co-ordination of projects and supplies has been continuing through DERM/QPWS now liaising directly with volunteers and external donors and organisations
- RSPCA is providing additional feed station supplies to ensure that stocks are available for continued distribution
- Additional volunteers are being organized to package feed station kits in the Cardwell
- The Wildlife Preservation Society QLD & Tully Branch are continuing to look at avenues to assist in funding equipment and science projects
- Den boxes continue to be completed and are being dispatched from many volunteer organizations – installations to commence in key areas as soon as weather permits.
- TC Yasi Natural Environment Recovery Group continues to meet – next meeting 15/03/11
- Terrain will be updating info at <http://www.terrain.org.au/programs/biodiversity/cyclone-yasi-recovery.html> and providing links to additional information
- Further media about the Mahogany Glider & TC Yasi -
<http://www.fnqroc.qld.gov.au/admin/Newsletters/LatestFNQROCnewsletter.pdf>
http://www.wetropics.gov.au/res/res_cyclone.html
<http://www.wildlife.org.au/news/2011/cycloneyasi2.html>
<http://www.2b.abc.net.au/science/scribblygum/newposts/496/topic496426.shtm>
<http://www.dailymercury.com.au/story/2011/02/28/nest-boxes-help-save-rare-glider-mackay/>
<http://www.scientificamerican.com/blog/post.cfm?id=australians-team-up-to-help-rare-ma-2011-03-03>
http://www.wildcardart.com.au/Cyclone_Yasi/cyclone_yasi.html

Mungarru Lodge Sanctuary is a private wildlife sanctuary. Our primary focus is the conservation of the endangered mahogany glider, *Petaurus gracilis* and the species that share its lowland coastal woodland habitat. The sanctuary is a members of the Humane Society International Wildlife Land Trust global wildlife sanctuary system, Queensland Land for Wildlife & a licensed wildlife rescue and rehabilitation shelter.