WELCOME EVENT | SUNDAY 22 MARCH 2026

Speed talks and poster session with drinks and nibbles

NETWORKING EVENT

5:30pm - 7:30pm South Brisbane venue

3:45pm - 6.00pm

7:30pm - 10:30pm

DAY ONE N	MONDAY 23 MARCH 2026		
8:30am - 9:00am	WELCOME Introduction and Welcome to Country		
9:00am - 10:00am	KEYNOTE SPEAKER Bill Laurance Ghost roads and the destruction of tropical forests – with lessons for the developed world		
10:00am - 10:30am	MORNING TEA		
10:30am - 11:00am	PLENARY Professor Emeritus Darryl Jones Road ecology in Australia: Dead end or changed conditions ahead?		
11:00am - 11:30am	PLENARY TBA		
11:30am - 12:00pm	PLENARY Bernadette May Building a fauna infrastructure network - a 10 year journey		
12:00pm - 1:00pm	LUNCH		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
1:00pm - 2:30pm	PROJECTS, LANDSCAPES AND REGIONS: CORRIDORS, NETWORKS AND NATURE-POSITIVE DESIGN	ADVANCING TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS: WILDLIFE MONITORING, SENSORS AND APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES	
	Peter Sparshott Staying connected on the Toowoomba Second Range Crossing	Tahlia Townsend Technological solutions to reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions: A framework to develop, asses and implement mitigation measures	
	Cassie Thompson Designing for the unknown: Integrating ecology and genetics to future-proof connectivity for cryptic species	Julie Ravallion AI-Assisted roadside signage trial to reduce wildlife vehicle collisions on the Monaro Highway, NSW	
	Monica Barker Nature-Positive Railways: Valuing ecosystem services for resilient transport networks	Deidre de Villiers Thinking like a koala: Developing a camera collar for more strategic vehicle collision mitigation	
	Ben Roberts Restoring native grasslands in a metro rail network using direct seeding	May-Le Ng and Bernadette May Monitoring fauna crossings: Transforming camera trap images into long-term planning support	
	Butch Rossouw Achieving an ISC Leading Scope of 81.74 through ecological enhancement and ecological design innovation	Celine Frere Innovative technologies and threatened species management: The koala as a case study	
	TBA	Jun Zhou An intelligent road sign system to reduce road-related impacts on koalas	
2.30pm - 3.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA		
	WORKSHOP 1	WORKSHOP 2	
3:00pm - 3:45pm	Benjamin Cotton Forward planning for fish passage	Leisa Prowse Breaking the barriers between community and project: Harnessing community insights to move the conversation forward	

3.00am - 8.45am	BREAKFAST WORKSHOP Introduction to Ecoacoustics and Wildlife Acoustics Tools: Song Meter Micro 2, Mini 2 & SM4 and Kaleidoscope analysis software		
3:50am - 9:00am	WELCOME Day two and recap of day one		
9:00am - 10.00am	KEYNOTE SPEAKER Lenore Fahrig The inconvenient truth about mitigating road impacts on wildlife		
10:00am - 10:30am	PLENARY Taoho Patuawa Kauri Dieback, Roads, and Cultural Stewardship: Innovative land management in waipoua forest		
10:30am - 11:00am	MORNING TEA		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
11:00am - 12:15pm	PROJECTS, LANDSCAPES AND REGIONS: SPECIES-FOCUSED CASE STUDIES ALONG TRANSPORT CORRIDORS	COMMUNICATION AND BEHAVIOUR-CHANGE: REDUCING WILDLIFE-VEHICLE COLLISIONS AND INFLUENCING DRIVER BEHAVIOUR	
	Brenton Hays From local hotspot to regional link: Reconnecting koalas across sydney transport barriers	Mary Timms and David Borreto From data to decisions: Advancing road network fauna signs and signals in the City of Moreton Bay	
	Emi Arnold An unexpected journey: Canopy bridge monitoring leads to new life history insights for the Brush-tailed Phascogale	Andrew Douglas The City of Moreton Bay wildlife speed limit review	
	Helen Vickers Highway to habitat: When bandicoots crash your road project	Josie Stokes Challenges implementing a wildlife vehicle-collision mitigation program for local government	
	Kate Dutton-Regester Echidnas and roads: Filling the evidence gap for effective mitigation	Beau Hobba Assessing animal visibility on roads: A comparative study of pale and standard pavements	
	Rodney van der Ree Lack of a detectable effect of a new road and bridge on woodland birds	Cynthia Dunphy Leveraging Transport infrastructure to nudge behavioural change	
.2:15pm - 1:15pm	LUNCH		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
1:15pm - 2:30pm	IMPLEMENTING BEST PRACTISE: LINEAR CORRIDORS, MONITORING AND PROGRAM PERFORMANCE	IMPLEMENTING BEST PRACTISE: SITE- AND SPECIES-BASED MITIGATION ON PROJECTS	
	TBA	Robyn Simcock Underground/overground at Northern Gateway Toll Road: 15-yr assessment of interventions in ecologically important landscapes	
	David Francis If a glider pole falls at a crossing, does anyone hear?	Victoria Thompson Co-Designing with koalas: Integrating behaviour and design for koala-safe infrastructure.	
	William Bartley Avoiding, minimising and mitigating ecological impacts as part of Victoria's Big Build	Lizzy Buckby Managing threatened flora on a major road upgrade- a continuation of the story!	
	Nicholas Williams Has management of Melbourne urban rail corridors improved biodiversity?	Rieke Behrens Fit-for-purpose or flawed? A critical look at lizard salvage practices in Aotearoa, New Zealand.	
	Rick Haywood M1 Pacific Motorway Upgrade (VL2T) - Connecting environmental communities	Vanessa Gorecki From baseline to mitigation: Using genetic data to improve environmental impact assessments	
2:30pm - 3:00pm	AFTERNOON TEA		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
3:00pm - 4:15pm	IMPLEMENTING BEST PRACTISE: GUIDELINES, GOVERNANCE AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT	ADVANCING TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS: DECISION-SUPPORT TOOLS FOR PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT	
	John Martin Lessons from the New South Wales Pacific Highway to inform implementing Best Practice	Dave Fleming The use of an offset cost heat map tool to challenge engineering assumptions on the Inland Rail Narromine to Narrabri Project	
	Fanny Delor No time to waste - audit, innovate, implement, review	Christopher Johnson From Evidence gaps to better monitoring: Species-tuned acoustics for avian road ecology in Australia	
	Joanne Vanselow Embedding biodiversity in transport: Insights from the Austroads Environment and Sustainability Program	James Wyatt The challenge of defining a waterway for waterway barrier works and maintaining fish passage	
	Austin O'Malley VIDA Roads fauna sensitive road design guidelines	Kate Brodie Digital innovation reshaping ecological impact assessment of linear infrastructure	
	TBA	Tim Hackwood Applied satellite-derived 4D environmental intelligence to support landscape-scale impact assessment of habitats along linear corridors across Australia	

FIELD TRIP | WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH 2026

FIELD TRIP BRIEFING AND SAFETY OVERVIEW

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