



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND BIODIVERSITY
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Terms of Reference

Inquiry into Environmental Volunteerism

The Standing Committee on Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity will inquire into and report on matters relating to environmental volunteerism in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT), with particular reference to:

1. the type and nature of volunteerism in the environment sector in the ACT and the existing or potential benefits and challenges they bring to Canberra's:
 - biodiversity conservation and enhancement;
 - parks and conservation;
 - environmental protection;
 - climate resilience;
 - wildlife protection;
 - landcare; and
 - other areas;
2. opportunities to improve environmental volunteerism in the ACT, including in encouraging the involvement of young people and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and to improve community stewardship;
3. managing relationships between volunteers and their organisations, the ACT Government and the public;
4. current policy or regulatory settings that facilitate and/or impede the work and the involvement of volunteers and volunteer organisations in the ACT; and
5. any other relevant matters.