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Social landscape of the night parrot in western Queensland, Australia

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Table S1. Questionnaire used to elicit information about pastoralist attitudes to Night Parrot conservation in western Queensland

Questionnaire (final version)

1. Date
2. Property name
3. Your name
4. Number of years on this property?
5. Number of years in primary production
6. Property ownership structure (Individual, Partnership, Private company, Public company, Other)
7. Name of owning entity.
8. Name of ultimate decision maker.
9. Are you the owner or manager?
10. Do you intend to pass the place on to family eventually?
11. Do you own other places?
12. What proportion of your income is derived from cattle grazing on this place?
13. Do you get any non-grazing income from this place?
14. How sensitive is your grazing business to interest rates?
15. Which is the most important of the following? (Economic growth, Education, Employment, Conservation, Healthcare, Immigration)
16. Which is the second-most important of the following? (Economic growth, Education, Employment, Conservation, Healthcare, Immigration)
17. Which is the third-most important of the following? (Economic growth, Education, Employment, Conservation, Healthcare, Immigration)
18. Which is the fourth-most important of the following? (Economic growth, Education, Employment, Conservation, Healthcare, Immigration)

19. Which is the fifth-most important of the following? (Economic growth, Education, Employment, Conservation, Healthcare, Immigration)
20. Which is the least important of the following? (Economic growth, Education, Employment, Conservation, Healthcare, Immigration)
21. If you have comments on why you prioritised them this way, please enter them here.
22. Who should look after threatened species on private land? (Landholder, Government, Both, Other)
23. Who should bear the cost of looking after threatened species on private land? (Landholder, Government, Both, Other)
24. Do you think private conservation organisations have a role to play?
25. How well do you think governments are looking after threatened species on National Parks?
26. How well do you think governments are looking after threatened species with off-park conservation programs?
27. How well do you think governments are managing National Parks generally?
28. Had you heard about Night Parrots before you were contacted for this research?
29. When did you first hear about them?
30. Did you hear about the 2013 rediscovery of the Night Parrot?
31. If so, how did you hear about it?
32. Do you think you would know a Night Parrot if you saw one?
33. Have you, or anyone you know, ever seen a Night Parrot?
34. What do you know about Night Parrot habitat?
35. What do you know about the current Night Parrot project?
36. Would you be willing to allow access to your land for Night Parrot research or surveys?
37. If you were willing to allow access, what would you want in return?

38. If Night Parrots were found on your land, would you wish to remain anonymous and the location to remain secret?
39. If Night Parrots were found in your spinifex country, would you consider changing the way you manage stock in that area to improve Night Parrot habitat?
40. Would you consider changing the way you manage stock in your spinifex country if you were paid for projected lost production?
41. Would you consider fencing off spinifex country for Night Parrot conservation if you were paid for projected lost production?
42. How much spinifex country do you think you would be prepared to fence off?
43. What is your attitude to dingoes? (Shoot on sight, Tolerate them, Natural kangaroo and feral cat control, Like to have them around)
44. Do you think they are dingoes or feral dogs?
45. Do you have a dog problem?
46. Why do you think it is that you don't have a dog problem?
47. Have you always had a dog problem?
48. Why do you think it is that you have a dog problem now?
49. How many dog-bitten calves and weaners would you get each year?
50. What are your calf losses to dogs each year?
51. What would be the cost of such damage each year?
52. What form of dog control do you use on your property?
53. Who does this? (Yourself, Specialist, Consortium of graziers, Local government, Government agency, Other)
54. If Night Parrots were found on your property, would you consider modifying dog baiting in that area?
55. Would you consider modifying dog baiting if you were paid for projected stock losses or damage?
56. What would you think if surrounding properties relaxed their dog control?

57. Do you ever burn country to improve grazing value?
58. Do you ever burn country to create pre-emptive fire breaks?
59. Do you ever burn country to fight active bushfires?
60. Would you consider changing your fire management if Night Parrots were found on your property?
61. Would you consider doing this if you were paid for projected losses in productivity?
62. Have you ever been involved in tourism as a business?
63. If Night Parrots were found on your property, would you mind birdwatchers coming to see them?
64. Could you see that as an alternative source of income for the property?
65. Any other comments ...