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Dear Mr Patterson,

**Letter of Approval – Heart Morass covenant**

***Certificates of Title Volume 11192 Folio 874, Volume 01952 Folio 325, Volume 03924 Folio 772, Volume 04202 Folio 259, Volume 04322 Folio 259, Volume 06101 Folio 101, Volume 06984 Folio 748, Volume 07594 Folio 097, Volume 10159 Folio 422, Volume 10786 Folio 865, Volume 10860 Folio 708, Volume 10860 Folio 709, Volume 10860 Folio 710***

I write in relation to the proposed covenant affecting the above Land and further to the discretion vested in the Trust pursuant to clause 3.2 of the deed of covenant.

Trust for Nature covenants do not permit duck or Stubble Quail hunting. Permission for this activity may be granted through a letter of approval where the primary objective of the covenant is the conservation of the natural and cultural environment and, on balance, the arrangements will deliver important conservation outcomes that could not otherwise be achieved.

The covenanting of Heart Morass is such a case. The work undertaken through the Heart Morass Restoration Action Plan highlights a comprehensive restoration management plan with a hierarchy of conservation objectives. The land is of exceptional ecological value and it is not practicable to exclude duck and Stubble Quail hunting within the area subject to the covenant.

It is noted that all hunting activity permitted by this letter of approval must be in accordance with the management guidelines set out in the Management Plan. This Letter of Approval applies to the Tier 2 of the covenant only, and no permission is granted to allow hunting activities within Tier 1 (offset area).

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2. The use of the Land for camping and day use by members and friends of Field and Game Australia; Hugh Williamson Foundation; and Watermark on the basis that such use is consistent with the objectives, intentions and management guidelines set out in the Management Plan and does not have any adverse impacts on the wetlands.
3. The use of dogs on the property is permitted for game retrieval in conjunction with seasonal duck and Stubble Quail hunting in accordance with the law and any other applicable government requirements. Outside this period:
  - All dogs for game retrieval must be removed from the Land.
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4. The grazing of livestock in accordance with the Management Plan.

The activities covered by this letter of approval will be permitted providing they are carried out in accordance with state legislation, the conditions contained in this letter and the management plan. The activities will be monitored through Trust for Nature's stewardship review process to ensure no adverse impacts occur to the Land as a result of the activities. If, in the opinion of the Trust, the activities permitted under this Letter of Approval cause material damage to the conservation values of the Land, these activities must cease until a resolution has been mutually agreed by both parties in accordance with clause 11 (dispute resolution) of the deed of covenant.

This Letter of Approval provides approval for duck and Stubble Quail hunting on the above conditions to the current owner of the Land and it does not provide such approval to subsequent owners. New owners will need to request a new letter of approval. Compliance with the conditions stipulated in this letter by the current owner will be relevant to the Trust's consideration of such a request.

Yours sincerely,



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24 September, 2013

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***Certificates of Title volume 2881 folio 001, volume 10860 folio 710, volume 7594 folio 097***  
***and volume 6101 folio 101***

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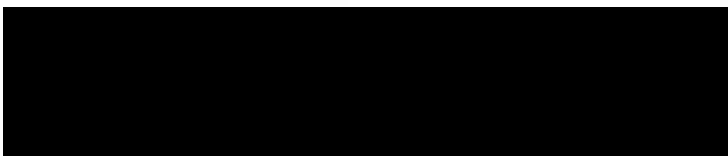
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This Letter of Approval provides approval for duck and Stubble Quail hunting on the above conditions to the current owner of the Land and it does not provide such approval to subsequent owners. New owners will need to request a new letter of approval. Compliance with the conditions stipulated in this letter by the current owner will be relevant to the Trust's consideration of such a request.

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5 June, 2013

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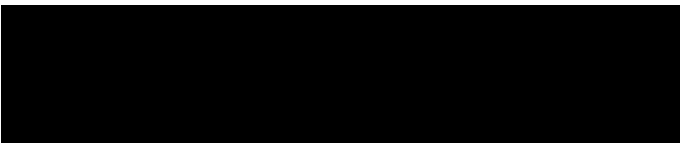
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Victoria Marles  
Chief Executive Officer



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6 February 2014

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