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Mr Graeme Chapman,
Photographer and Ornithologist

Dear Mr Chapman,

I live near Liverpool in Western Sydney. I am fighting to save a regionally significant piece of woodland habitat from being destroyed for an industrial development.

A recent ecological constraints report for the developer found nine threatened species, four locally significant species, two nationally significant migratory species and a total of 63 native species. Two Birds Australia surveys bring the tally to well over 100, and we know that all the species aren't counted yet! All this a couple of kilometres from the CBD of a major city!

The land we are working to save is called Cooper's Paddock. Our website is savecooperspaddock.com. There is a page with some of the officially recorded species: <http://savecooperspaddock.com/the-birds-of-coopers-paddock/>

I am putting together a beautiful booklet with a photo of every species. I would send it to ministers and councillors and such persons as may be able to assist the cause. I would use both printed and emailed PDF versions. People can't grasp how important this woodland is by looking at a list. If I show them the pictures, I know it will make an impression on even the busiest people.

As I started to search for photos, I came upon your magnificent photos of Australian birds. I wonder if you would give me permission to use some of your images for this purpose? If it were possible, there are about 12 images I would be very grateful to use.

Kind regards,
Cherie Saxby