

Western Cape Turtle Threat Abatement Alliance

Who we are

The Western Cape Turtle Threat Abatement Alliance (WCTTAA) is a partnership of land and sea owners and managers from Northern Peninsula Area, Mapoon, Napranum, Pormpuraaw and Kowanyama who work together for the protection of marine turtles along the west coast of Cape York.

WCTTAA was formally established in 2013, driven by the communities' desire to set priorities, seek solutions and share knowledge to improve outcomes for turtle conservation on the western Cape.

What we do

WCTTAA seeks to efficiently manage threats to coastal habitats and enhance opportunities for nesting marine turtle populations of the western Cape.

We do this by:

- ✓ undertaking regional coordination of marine turtle work programs
- ✓ delivering projects in priority areas
- ✓ data collection and analysis
- ✓ providing training to build capacity in local communities
- ✓ recognition and utilisation of local expertise

Why we do it

The beaches of western Cape York are important nesting sites for marine turtles, particularly the flatback turtle (*Natator depressus*) and olive ridley turtle (*Lepidochelys olivacea*).

All marine turtles are listed as threatened species. The greatest danger to turtle nests on western Cape York is predation by feral pigs, wild dogs and goannas.

Flatback Turtle
Image: Kerry Trapnell



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Where we work



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