Tiwi Land Council

Environmental Policy

Our vision:

Our vision is of an independent and resilient Tiwi society built on the orderly and well managed utilisation of our natural resources.

Inherent in this is the maintenance and protection of our unique cultural and natural resource values for the enjoyment and benefit of future generations of Tiwi.

Strategies

Our strategies to realise our vision are:

- Develop and implement a Regional Natural Resource Management Strategy for the Tiwi Islands that will provide a framework for the integration of development, environment protection and conservation.
- Record and catalogue baseline data on topography, soils, flora, fauna and water resources.
- Identify and quantify potential resource development options that are consistent with the maintenance and protection of cultural and natural resource values.
- Preserve and protect areas of significance to our people, and areas of high contemporary scientific conservation significance.
- Identify and manage processes that threaten our natural resource values.
- Develop and implement Action Plans for weeds, feral animals, quarantine, water quality, soil erosion, revegetation and infrastructure management.
- Monitor the health of the environment and take remedial action where necessary.
- Promote community involvement in natural resource management, and develop interesting and appropriate tools for the transfer of information and decision making.
- Encourage and support educational and employment opportunities for Tiwi people in natural resource management.

Application

The Tiwi Land Council undertakes functions and exercises powers provided under the Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976, primarily to faithfully and responsibly represent the interests of their people in respect to the management of, and their various interests in, land.