

# Restricted Data Access Project

A national project addressing major challenges for people and institutions working with sensitive and threatened species data.

## How can we best protect our sensitive species?

The ALA is committed to open and accessible biodiversity data, but sharing the precise location of rare or threatened species can put them at further risk of being disturbed, poached, or contracting disease.

People who work on sensitive threatened species need restricted access to the data.

At the moment, all states and territories manage separate datasets for threatened species. This means developing a national plan for threatened species is very challenging.



Great Barred river Frog (*Mixophyes iteratus*) © delfw (CC BY-NC 4.0)



## Restricted data access framework

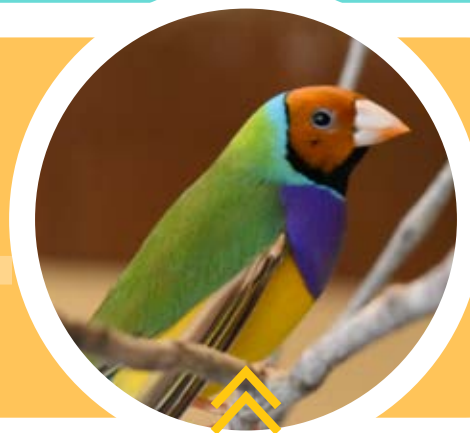
We're working in partnership with conservation agencies to better protect species listed as sensitive across all states and territories

Together we're developing common approaches to safeguarding sensitive species data.

This project will allow people working on threatened species projects to share data securely and safely.

## A national evidence-based approach to help protect our rare and threatened species

The restricted data access framework will be the first nationally consistent approach to managing sensitive species data in Australia.



Gouldian Finch (*Erythrura (Chloebia) gouldiae*)  
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## Project partners

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