

**DISTRIBUTION, STATUS AND OPTIONS FOR THE FUTURE
MANAGEMENT OF THE GREY GRASSWREN *Amytornis barbatus*
barbatus IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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This paper reviews the current and historic distribution of the Grey Grasswren *Amytornis barbatus barbatus* in New South Wales, its abundance and its prospects for survival in this State. None of its habitat is protected under conservation legislation and its remaining habitat suffers from continued degradation by grazing domestic stock. The options for habitat protection and future management are discussed and comment on the potential impact of climate change on the species' very specific habitat requirements is also raised.