

**A SURVEY OF THE SUPERB PARROT *Polytelis swainsonii* AND
POTENTIAL NESTING TREE HOLLOWES ALONG ROADS OF THE SOUTH-
WESTERN SLOPES, NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Action Plans for the management of Superb Parrot *Polytelis swainsonii* populations have been developed yet measures of abundance are lacking. We present a series of counts to determine the abundance of Superb Parrots and the number of potential nesting trees along road verges on the south-western slopes New South Wales. There were 2.5 possible nesting trees per kilometre whilst just prior to the start of the breeding season there were 0.62 birds per kilometre. Birds were reported throughout the survey area but their distribution did not correspond to an increase in the number of trees with potential nesting hollows. The survey provides benchmark data for future reference on the number of potential nesting trees and, due to the lack of correlation between Superb Parrot numbers and nesting trees, highlights the importance of retaining all trees whether isolated or not along road verges.