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 Contributed to the EP Goannas Citizen Science Project

Eyre Peninsula Goannas

A rural citizen science project

Background

- Rosenberg's goanna (*Varanus rosenbergi*)
- Once widespread across Australia
- Listed as vulnerable in South Australia
- Kangaroo Island thought to be last stronghold
- How many do we have in SA?

Methodology

- Minimal funds available
- Focused on Coffin Bay and Lincoln National Parks
- Web portal – www.epgoannas.com.au
- Paper data sheets
- Sightings verified by photos
- Promotion via banners and social media
- Education sessions at local schools

Outcomes

- People want to contribute through citizen science!
- Over 1100 sightings
- Local, interstate and international contributions
- Increased community awareness
- Data available through Biological Databases of SA
- Flickr gallery of photos
- Greater understanding of goanna distribution
- Fostered other citizen science projects including EP Koalas, EP Native Fish and EP King Tides



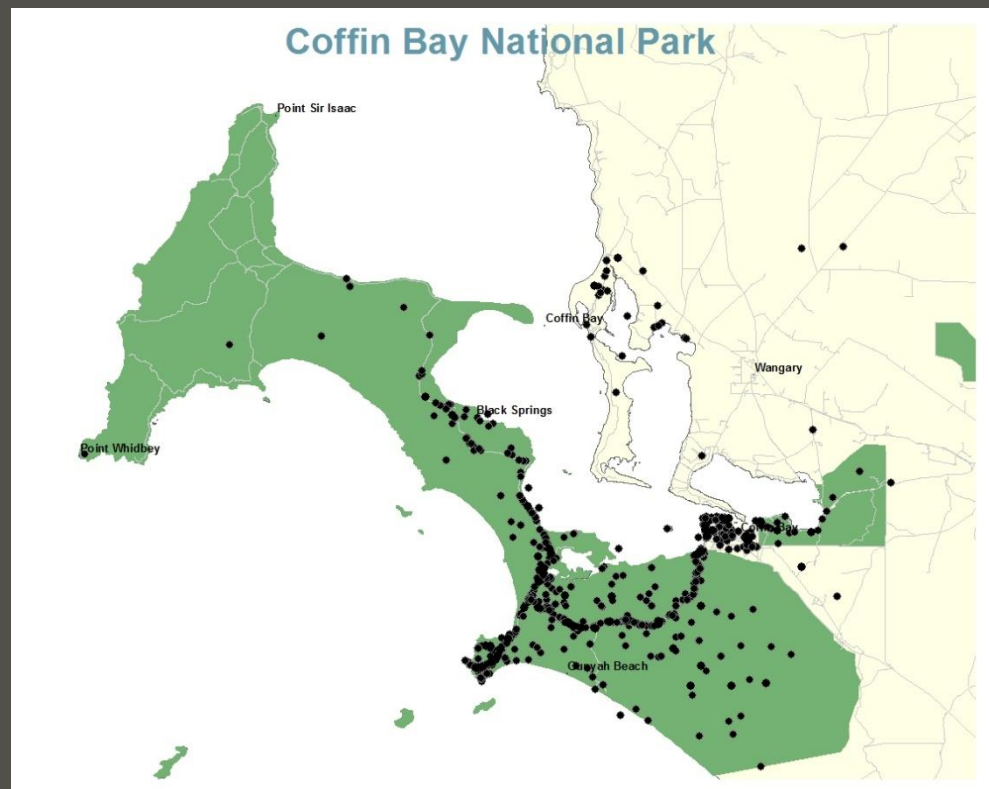
Entrance to Lincoln National Park



Goanna spotting



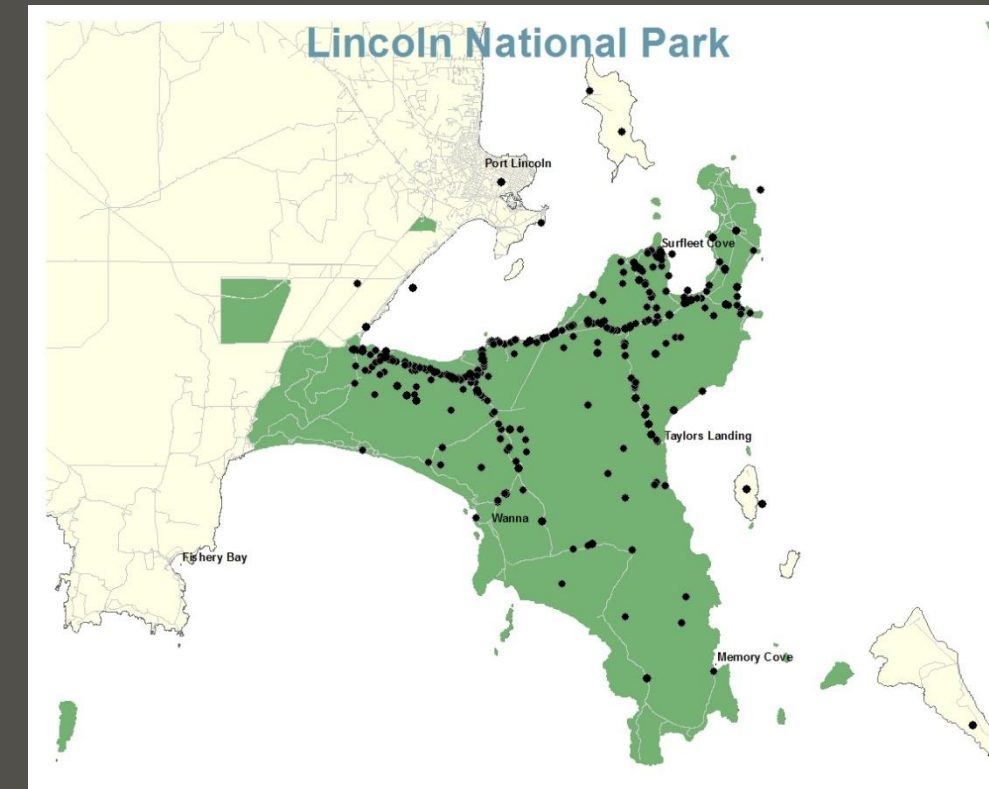
Sightings before EP Goannas



Sightings since EP Goannas



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