Ichthys Coastal Management Offset - Round 6 Grants approved for funding

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| Applicant | Grant title |  | Project duration (years) |
| MOPRA - Crocodile Island Rangers | Use of drones to identify, count and monitor nesting sea turtles. | The project will be an opportunity to utilise new technology and develop a marine turtle monitoring program that provides high quality outputs with a non-invasive approach. It is designed to introduce new concepts at a steady pace, and each activity will build on previous skills gained. | 3 |
| Tiwi Resources | Planning for culturally and ecologically appropriate management of feral pigs on the Tiwi Islands. | Tiwi have significant concerns about this highly destructive species and Traditional Owners, through the Tiwi Resources Board and IPA Planning Committee, have directed Tiwi Resources to develop and implement a culturally appropriate and ecologically effective feral pig management plan. This grant is for Phases one and two of the three phase project: an aerial survey undertaken by NT DEPWS scientists in partnership with Tiwi Rangers, and participatory planning with Traditional Owners, community engagement, and preparation of a report reflecting Tiwi environmental and cultural goals. | 1 |
| Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation | Manufacture and installation of moorings at Junction Bay | This project will see four marine moorings designed and constructed by Custom Works Marine in Darwin. The moorings will be installed at Junction Bay to safely secure Bawinanga vessels while Rangers carry out sea and land conservation activities, which will increase through the INPEX/BAC Conservation Agreement Area Partnership developed last year to conserve the Junction Bay area. | 1 |
| Tiwi Resources | Understanding olive Ridley turtle mortality on Tiwi Islands | The project aims to quantify hatchling recruitment and the source and rate of mortality of olive Ridley turtles, and build the capacity of the Tiwi Rangers to design and conduct an ongoing monitoring program which will guide turtle management and develop mitigation processes to maximise hatching and nesting success. | 2 |