Andy Hutcheon - additional points.

- In response to Allen Ingles: I regularly saw the creek run very fast and several meters above its normal level, and also saw it diminish to isolated pools with no flow between them. A single visit would not seem adequate to understand these flow dynamics.
- In response to Smantha King: I understand the effort it takes to monitor lizard response to conservation efforts; the programme I managed spent as much on monitoring as it did on protection. But without monitoring any protection or translocation could well be ineffective, thus futile. To say monitoring is a cost issue is, to me, saying that the lizards are not valued.
- To native species in general: habitat is lost a square meter at a time, by becoming unsuitable due to modification or pest incursion. This goes for both lizards and falcons: waiting for nesting activity to complete before modifying the habitat does not mitigate the long-term effect.