MN (Minor) Porphyrio porphyrio

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Eicat category	MN (Minor)
Justification for EICAT assessment	The Purple Swamphen has been observed feeding on native snails and earthworms. There is no evidence that predation by the Purple Swamphen has caused the decline of these species (Pranty et al. 2005, Johnson and McGarrity 2009).
Confidence rating	Low
Mechanism(s) of maximum impact	Predation
Countries of most severe impact	U.S.A.
Description of impact	The Purple Swamphen feeds on native snail, earthworm and plant species in Florida. It was also observed competing with native bird species.
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