Talking Turkey – Bird & Mound Spotting Record Sheet



Have you seen a brush turkey or its mound in the Bingara, Warialda, Back Creek, Pallal, Gravesend or surrounding area? Brush turkeys in this area are part of a rare population, separated from their cousins on the coast. We would like to know more about where brush turkeys live or used to live so we can make better decisions to ensure their survival in this area. Can you help by recording some information about your sighting on this sheet and sending it to: **PO Box 108 BINGARA, NSW 2404 or email ugla@gwydir.nsw.gov.au**

1. Did you see a live turkey (or turkeys)?
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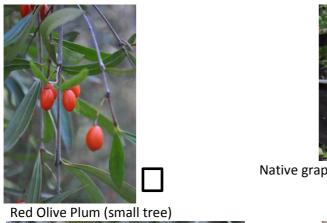
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•	Yes How many?	What was it doing?

Was it on or near a mound? Go to 2.

2.Did you find a mound?

(A brush turkey mound is a roughly dome-shaped pile of dirt, leaf litter, twigs and rocks up to 2m high and 8m wide.)

- Is the mound active (freshly scratched leaf litter) or inactive?
- Are any of these plants present within 20m of the mound? (Please tick)





Native grape or currant bush (low growing, spiny shrub)





Red Ash (small tree, bottom of leaves are white)

Holly-leaved birdseye. (small tree with toothed leaves)

• Can you name any other trees, shrubs or plants nearby?										
Slope										
Flat or near flat		Moderate			Steep					
Aspect (which dire	ction are	you facing v	when your f	feet poi	nt dow	/nhill?)				
N NE	E	SE	S	SW		W	NW			
Slope Position Lower or creek flats	Middle	Middle		Upper		Crest or Ridge				
Canopy cover										
Tree layer (trees a	nd shrubs	taller than	6m)							
Dense (shady)					Light					
Middle layer (shru	bs and sn		to 6m tall)	T						
Dense (shady)		Moderate			Light					
Ground layer (gras	ses and s									
Dense		Moderate			Light					
How big is the pat	ch of bush	hland wher								
<1 ha 1-10 ha		a	10-100 ha			>100ha				
How big is the mo	und?									
V		- H			Height					
Distance to neares	t track or	· road								
Distance to neares										
Are there rocks in the mound?										



Are there saplings or trees growing out of the mound?



Thank you for your time