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The Honourable Anna Bligh
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Dear Premier Bligh

Re: Cape York Peninsula's wild rivers and World Heritage values

Cape York Peninsula is one of the last great wild places on Earth. It is as important and rare as places like the Serengeti, the Congo and the Amazon. Just like these places, it deserves the highest form of recognition the world can give, World Heritage.

The *Cape York Peninsula Heritage Act 2007* provides the framework to ensure an ecologically sustainable future for Cape York, including World Heritage protection and management. It has now been 2 years since that Act was established and although some progress has been made, implementation has been extremely slow. I urge you to implement the initiatives contained within the Act to progress a Cape York Peninsula World Heritage nomination as a matter of priority.

An important step in protecting the World Heritage values of the region is to protect the thirteen Cape York river basins identified by your Government for Wild River status under the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, and the Government is to be congratulated for declaring the Archer, Stewart and Lockhart Rivers. However, I strongly urge the finalisation of the Wenlock River declaration and I eagerly await the protection of the remaining 9 river systems on Cape York within this term of government.

Yours sincerely

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