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- Aquatic invertebrate diversity and biomass were sampled at three Western Swamp Tortoise translocation sites on two occasions in spring 2016, one in Moore River Nature Reserve and two new sites along the south coast (near Northcliffe and East Augusta). Western Swamp Tortoise gut contents were also obtained and biomass calculated. All samples have been processed. Analyses will commence shortly and will contribute to an assessment of the suitability of new translocation sites for the Western Swamp Tortoise along the south coast.