

TRAFFIC Recommendations on the Proposals to Amend the CITES Appendices at the 16th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Proposal #/ Proponent	Species covered by the proposal	Proposal	RECOMMENDATION
# 22 New Zealand	<i>Sceloglaux albigularis</i> Laughing Owl	Deletion from Appendix II	<p>Although unconfirmed sightings persisted until the 1960s, there seems little doubt the Laughing Owl <i>Sceloglaux albigularis</i>, a species endemic to New Zealand, is extinct. There have been no credible records of the species in trade since it was included in the CITES Appendices in 1979. In the unlikely event of its rediscovery, there is no reason to assume that it would be affected by international commercial trade, which would anyway be prohibited under New Zealand legislation.</p> <p>ACCEPT</p>