



Wheezer
the lungfish
says, "Save the
Mary River!"

Dam the Mary River? Save the Mary River!

MEDIA ALERT

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Meet a real live Mary River Turtle - endangered turtle on show for school kids

When: Wednesday, September 6

Where: Jones Hill State School, Gympie

Time: 10am

Why: Freshwater turtle association reps Craig and Gabrielle Latta present award to students for entry in Federal "Hands on for Habitat" competition; they will have a Mary River Turtle specimen with them

NB National Threatened Species Day – Thursday - September 7

Traveston Crossing Dam on the Mary River could spell the end for the Threatened QUEENSLAND LUNGFISH and

Endangered MARY RIVER TURTLE, MARY RIVER COD

The 2006 Hands on for Habitat Awards give Australian primary school students a great opportunity to learn about and help Australia's threatened species. Held each year in the lead up to National Threatened Species Day on 7 September, the Awards encourage 6-12 year olds to learn more about Australia's unique threatened species and to participate in activities to protect our native animals and plants. There are fantastic prizes for schools and the artwork of winning entries is featured on the annual National Threatened Species Day poster and stickers. The 2006 Hands on for Habitat winners will be announced in early September.

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