

Media Release

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Devils fly home to Forestier

Twenty two healthy Tasmanian Devils are flying home to Tasmania today for release on the Forestier Peninsula.

The flight to Tasmania from the animals' current home at Devil Ark in Barrington Tops in New South Wales, has been funded by public donations received through the Save the Tasmanian Devil Appeal, administered by the University of Tasmania.

Devils were removed from the Forestier Peninsula in 2012 following the discovery of Deadly Facial Tumour Disease (DFTD).

Today's release of healthy animals is the next step in re-populating the area with a disease free population of Tasmanian Devils.

Manager of the Save the Devil Appeal, Rebecca Cuthill said that generous public donations are having a direct impact on the success of the Wild Devil Recovery Project.

"By flying the devils home to the Forestier Peninsula we are helping to re-establish a healthy Tasmanian population of devils that are free of DFTD."

"Today's flight from New South Wales to Tasmania is tangible support for our local devil population that is only made possible through public donations we receive," Ms Cuthill said.

"We are very grateful for the clear public interest and support for the devils amazing journey home.

For more information on today's release visit the Save the Devil Appeal Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/SaveTheTasmanianDevilAppeal/>

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