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AN UPDATE ON THE EXPLORATION OF THE NULLARBOR KARST

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ABSTRACT

A detailed description was given at the last Conference of exploration up to and including the collecting of megafauna bones from three caves in May 2002. The W.A. Museum continues to work on these.

Two post-Easter trips in 2003 and 2004 have yielded a further 194 and 603 features respectively. Many features located from the air remain to be documented on the ground.

Those visited so far include several respectable caves, one of which is a smaller version of Thampanna doline and entrance named 'Whispering Cavern'. Features are seen to be somewhat clustered, and other areas are all but devoid of any. The significance of the data remains to be understood. The documentation process is outlined.

Exploration is ongoing, typically some 1500 sq. km per year. The focus continues to be on all karst related features rather than just caves.

