

**The Conservancy Association
Statement on The Northern Metropolis**

The Northern Metropolis has been planned to host a population of about 2.5 million people. With development at such mammoth scale, The Conservancy Association considers that a series of measures and actions are required to ensure current conservation efforts are not compromised by developments in the Northern Metropolis area before and during the planning, construction and operation phases. We have been calling for a holistic conservation policy in Northern Metropolis, includes but not limited to, conduct detailed study in the proposed Wetland Conservation Parks to safeguard connectivity and function of wetland ecosystem; make good use of the Wetland Buffer Area, such as aligning it with the planning and design of the Wetland Conservation Parks; put a stop to any forms of eco-vandalism to reduce land restoration costs in future, etc.

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