

Appendix E.1 Ecology Assessment



Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct

Ecological Assessment Report





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Acronyms and Abbreviations

28 South – 28 South Environmental (ecological consultant for the Applicant)

Applicant – Kalfresh Pty Ltd

DA – Development Application

DAFF – (Queensland) Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

DAFF – (Commonwealth) Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

DES - (Queensland) Department of Environment and Science

DCCEEW – (Commonwealth) Department of Climate Change, Energy the Environment and Water

QDR – (Queensland) Department of Resources

Draft IAR – Draft Impact Assessment Report

EAR – (This) ecological assessment report

EcoSM – Ecological Survey & Management Pty Ltd

EP Act – *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Qld)

EPBC Act – Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth)

ERA – Environmentally Relevant Activity

CREVNT – Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened species listed under the NCAR

Fauna MNES - Fauna species listed under the EPBC Act

Fauna MSES – Fauna species listed as Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened under the NCAR



Fauna MLES - Fauna listed as Priority Species of the Scenic Rim Region, as defined by Appendix F of *Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments* within the Draft Planning Scheme

Flora MNES - Threatened Ecological Communities and flora species listed as MNES under the EPBC Act

Flora MSES - Flora species listed as Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened under the NCAR

Flora MLES - Flora listed as Priority Species of the Scenic Rim Region, as defined by Appendix F of *Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments* within the Draft Planning Scheme

FMP - Fauna Management Plan

Habitat trees – a native tree which contains conspicuous hollows and provides important wildlife habitat (in the absence of a definition for "habitat trees" within the *Scenic Rim Planning Scheme*, this definition has been adopted for this report).

IAS – Initial Advice Statement (Initial Advice Statement for Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct, April 2019)

KADA - Koala Assessable Development Area

KPA – Koala Priority Area

CKHA - Core Koala Habitat Area

Koala Conservation Plan – Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan (2017)

Koala – *Phascolarctos cinereus* (koala) (combined populations of Qld, NSW and the ACT)

Koala Habitat Tree – defined by the *Planning Regulation 2017* (Qld) as: (a) a food tree of the *Corymbia*, or *Melaleuca*, or *Lophostemon* or *Eucalyptus* genera; or (b) a preferred shelter species such as *Angophora* genera.

Koala mapping – Koala habitat mapping supporting the Planning Regulation



LGA - Local Government Area

Lot 1 – Lot 1 on RP216694 (a small lot comprising some of the Applicant's existing facilities and with access to the Cunningham Highway)

Lot 2RP – Lot 2 on RP20974 (the northernmost lot within the Project Site, which extends a considerable way in the north-west and contains the only regulated vegetation within the Project Site – a large distance from the proposed development)

Lot 2SP – Lot 2 on SP192221 (a relatively small lot containing some of the Applicant's existing facilities and with access to the Cunningham Highway)

Lot 3 - Lot 3 on SP192221 (the southernmost lot within the Project Site)

Lot 4 – Lot 4 on SP192221 (the central lot within the Project Site)

MCU - Material Change of Use

MLES – Matter(s) of Local Environmental Significance

MNES - Matter(s) of National Environmental Significance

MSES – Matter(s) of State Environmental Significance

NCAR – Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020

NJKHT – Non-juvenile koala habitat tree (defined by the Planning Regulation as a koala habitat tree with: (a) a height of more than four metres; or (b) a trunk with a circumference of more than 31.5 cm at 1.3 m above the ground)

OCG – Office of the Coordinator-General

Planning Act – Planning Act 2016 (Qld)

Planning Regulation - Planning Regulation 2017 (Qld)

Planning Scheme – Scenic Rim Planning Scheme

PMAV – Property Map of Assessable Vegetation



Project Footprint – The proposed physical extent of the SRAIP (refer **Figure 3**), within the wider Project Site

Project Site – Lot 1 on RP216694, Lot 2 on SP192221, Lot 2 on RP20974, Lot 3 on SP192221 and Lot 4 on SP192221 (Refer **Figure 2**)

RoL – Reconfiguring a Lot

RE – Regional Ecosystem

RVMM – Regulated Vegetation Management Map

SARA – State Assessment and Referral Agency

SAT – Spot Assessment Technique (Phillips and Callaghan 2011)

Scope of Work – The OCG's Scope of work for a draft impact assessment report: Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct – 19 August 2019

SDPWO Act - (Queensland) State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971

SEQ - South East Queensland

ShapingSEQ - ShapingSEQ - South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017

SRAIP – Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct

SRRC – Scenic Rim Regional Council (the local government authority)

Superseded Planning Scheme – Superseded Boonah Shire Planning Scheme 2006

VM Act – Vegetation Management Act 1999 (Qld)

VMP – Vegetation Management Plan

1 Introduction

1.1 Background

28 South Environmental Pty Ltd (28 South) has been engaged by Kalfresh Pty Ltd (the Applicant) to prepare an Ecological Assessment Report (EAR) for the proposed Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct (SRAIP) to form the ecological components of the Draft Impact Assessment Report (Draft IAR) in response to the Queensland Government's Scope of work for a draft impact assessment report – Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct project (Scope of Work). The SRAIP is a proposed hub for fresh and frozen food production (a Rural Enterprise Precinct) that expands on existing agricultural production uses on the Applicant's land in Kalbar; Lot 1 on RP216694 (Lot 1), Lot 2 on SP192221 (Lot 2SP), Lot 2 on RP20974 (Lot 2RP), Lot 2 on RP44024 (Lot 2RP4); Lot 3 on SP192221 (Lot 3) and Lot 4 on SP192221 (Lot 4). Collectively, these properties are referred to in this EAR as the 'Project Site'.

The Project Site is in Kalbar, within the Scenic Rim Regional Council (SRRC) local government area (LGA) in South East Queensland (SEQ). Figure 1 shows the Project Site's sub-regional context. Figure 2 shows the Project Site's boundaries, relationship to adjoining lands and characteristics. Figure 3 shows the proposed physical extent of the SRAIP (the Project Footprint), which covers only a portion of the Project Site and is largely limited to land adjoining the Cunningham Highway. Further description is provided in Section 2.

The Applicant seeks to establish the SRAIP in the eastern parts of the Project Site, adjoining the Cunningham Highway, while leaving the balance of the Project Site as rural land. **Attachment 1** shows the proposed development (also Appendix A and B of the draft IAR package). Further detail is provided in **Section 1.2**.

Following consideration of the Applicant's Initial Advice Statement (IAS), the SRAIP was declared a Coordinated Project for which an Impact Assessment Report is required under Part 4 of the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (SDWPO Act) by the Coordinator-General on 31 May 2019.

1.2 The Proposed Development

1.2.1 Planning Context

The Draft IAR should provide the Office of the Coordinator-General (**OCG**) with sufficient information to allow assessment of the SRAIP against primary approval requirements including:

- (i) a Material Change of Use (**MCU**) variation approval to vary the effect of the local planning instrument under the *Planning Act 2016*; and
- (ii) an Environmental Authority for Environmentally Relevant Activities (**ERA**s) under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (**EP Act**), including:
 - a. ERA 63 Sewerage treatment;
 - b. ERA 53A Organic material processing (by composting the organic material);
 - c. ERA 53B Organic material processing (by anaerobic digestion);

Other operational works approvals for the SRAIP will also likely be required prior to works commencing.

Upon the OCG advising satisfaction of the SRAIP and recommending conditions of approval under the SDWPO Act, it is expected that the SRRC will pass on this approval with conditions to the Applicant for formality under the Scenic Rim Planning Scheme (**Planning Scheme**) and not the Superseded Boonah Shire Planning Scheme (**Superseded Planning Scheme**).

1.2.2 Key Aspects of the SRAIP

A full description of the SRAIP is provided within the Draft IAR. Key elements of the proposed development include:

- c. 32 ha of developable land for industrial allotments ranging from 0.5 ha to over 3 ha;
- Internal roads (c. 2.5 ha), project office areas and perimeter fence;

- Construction of access point/s to the Cunningham Highway;
- Onsite sewerage and wastewater treatment;
- Engineered overland flow path for stormwater;
- Connection to power, telecommunications and water utilities;
- A 2 MW bioenergy facility with anaerobic digester for the processing of food and urban waste to produce baseload power to supply the SRAIP;
- Digestate storage in a series of tanks;
- A composting area consisting of 29 x 75 m windrows, a demountable office and weighbridge;
- A proposed dam/leachate pond associated with the composting area;
- Effluent pivot irrigation area (c. 0.5 ha); and

A fundamental part of the SRAIP is the concept of a circular agricultural economy, utilising wastes from one process as inputs for another. Greywater and waste products from the processing of crops will form inputs to the anaerobic digester as part of the bioenergy facility. Refer to detailed information provided in Appendix D of the draft IAR package.

The SRAIP will focus development on land adjoining the Cunningham Highway and surrounding the Applicant's existing operations within the Project Site (see **Attachment 1**).

1.3 Project Site and Project Footprint

For the purposes of this EAR, it is critical to differentiate the "<u>Project Site</u>" and the "<u>Project Footprint</u>".

- The *Project Site* comprises the entirety of the six subject lots; a total of 248.718 ha.
- The <u>Project Footprint</u> comprises the extent of the physical SRAIP development described in **Section 1.2**; a total of 145.5ha (see **Figure 3**).

1.4 Purpose of this Ecological Assessment Report

The purpose of this EAR is to respond to the ecological elements of the Scope of Work (sections 2.1.3 (1) to (3)):

- (i) describe the ecological values of the Project Site and its role/function in the surrounding landscape;
- (ii) describe how the SRAIP responds to the identified ecological values;
- (iii) identify potential development impacts on these ecological values, and propose effective mitigation;
- (iv) provide a Vegetation Management Plan (**VMP**) and a Fauna Management Plan (**FMP**) for the SRAIP; and
- (v) assess compliance with relevant Federal, State and local environmental planning requirements, including the Planning Scheme.



1.5 Scope of Work

Table 1 provides a cross-referencing tool for the elements of the Scope of Work relevant to this EAR and the corresponding sections of this EAR that address these elements.

Table 1: Scope of Work Element and Corresponding EAR Section

Scope of Work	EAR Section Reference
Section 2.1.3 – Ecology and Natural Resources – 1. Ecological Asses	sment
Submit an Ecological Assessment, prepared by a suitably qualified person addresses the following:	which This EAR is prepared by suitably qualified persons and a Certified Environmental Practitioner (CEnvP).
a) Includes a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP) and a Management Plan (FMP).	Fauna Attachment 2
 b) Provides details of existing vegetation and proposed / future veg removal including regional ecosystem (RE) type, extent and loca well as methods of removal. 	
c) Describe how the VMP and FMP incorporates a proactive approminimise the effects of development on the flora and fauna. Avoi mitigation, restoration and management measures are to be inclubed the construction and operational phases of development.	idance, Section 7.1 (Impact
d) Provide an assessment against the Environmental Significance C Code within the new Draft Scenic Rim Planning Scheme ¹ .	Overlay Section 8.6
e) Identification as to whether the project is likely to trigger asses under the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> , <i>Nature Conservation Act 1994</i> , Veg <i>Management Act 1999</i> and the <i>Water Act 2000</i> .	

¹ In effect as 20 March 2020 and no longer draft.

	Scope of Work	EAR Section Reference
f)	Provide details of the presence or otherwise of water features including	Section 2.3
	rivers and streams and freshwater wetlands and the potential impacts on	Section 3.3
	the ecology of waters from the project.	
g)	Provide details of works/development in or near waters, aquatic fauna	Section 6.2
	and flora, and rehabilitation measures.	
h)	Coordination of the recommendations of the Ecological Assessment with	SMP provided under
	those of the SMP.	separate cover
i)	Where habitat or vegetation is proposed to be damaged, management	Attachment 2
	strategies to be included to ensure the protection and safety of wildlife	
	and the protection of nearby habitat in areas identified as either Matters	
	of State or Local Environmental Significance.	
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Section	2.1.3 – Ecology and Natural Resources – 2. Flora and Fauna	
The Fee	ological Assessment must also address the following:	
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a)	Flora and Fauna – surveys	Section 4
۵,	Thora and Fadina Garvoye	
i.	describe flora and fauna surveys methodologies used to verify the	
	presence of protected flora and fauna onsite and adjacent the site.	
	Flora and fauna surveys must be completed as per guidelines referred to in the department's EIS Information Guideline-Flora and	
	Fauna available at:	
	https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/pollution/management/eis- process/about-the-eis-process/terms-of-reference	
ii.	if a threatened species that could potentially occur within the	
	survey area is not found during field surveys, then the desktop	
	potential habitat assessment in conjunction with survey data could be used to estimate the likelihood of this species occurring at the	
	site;	
iii.	where detailed surveys are not undertaken, threatened species	
	and communities that are likely to occur in the survey area (based on the presence of suitable habitat) should be assumed to occur in	
	the identified habitat.	
b)	Flora and Fauna – protected plants framework	Section 3.3
		Section 5.2
i.	describe the verified presence of any protected plants on site for which a clearing permit is required (following field verification) and	Section 8.3
	include all information required for the department to determine	
	whether a clearing permit could be approved.	
c)	Flora and Fauna – koala	Section 4 (survey
		methods)
		Section 6.6 (koala habitat)

	Scope of Work	EAR Section Reference
i.	carry out field surveys that meet best practice professional standards to identify koala habitat, including single koala habitat trees, within and adjacent to the project area;	Section 6.7 (koala population)
ii.	identify the local koala population, taking into account information on koala home range and movement patterns;	Section 7.1 (avoidance) Section 7.2.2 (impacts)
iii.	identify any impacts or likely impacts including indirect and cumulative impacts on koalas and their habitat on the project site and surrounding environs;	Section 7.3 (mitigation) Section 7.4 (offsets)
iv.	depending on the development type and koala habitat type, the project must demonstrate;	
٧.	avoiding, minimising or providing an offset for the clearing of non- juvenile koala habitat trees;	
vi.	site design that provides safe koala movement opportunities appropriate to the development type and habitat connectivity values of the site;	
vii.	construction phases that do not increase the risk of death or injury to koalas;	
viii.	clearing of native vegetation, undertaken as sequential clearing	
ix.	clearing of koala habitat trees, undertaken in the presence of a koala spotter;	
Χ.	outline commitments and mitigation measures to ensure that the project will not have a permanent and irreversible impacts on the local koala population; and	
xi.	propose offsets, where required, in accordance with Environmental Offsets Act 2014 and the department's significant residual impact available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/assets/documents/pollution/management/offsets/significant-residual-impact-guide.pdf .	
d)	Flora and Fauna – listed threatened species (other than the koala)	Section 4 (survey methods)
i.	carry out field surveys to verify the presence (and/or habitat) of listed threatened species and communities within and adjacent to the project area;	Section 7.1 (avoidance) Section 7.2 (impacts)
ii.	provide evidence as to why species and communities identified would not be found within and adjacent to the project area;	Section 7.3 (mitigation) Section 7.4 (offsets)
iii.	provide options that show avoidance is incorporated and considered in all stages of the project. If avoidance is not possible, describe in detail the proposed mitigation and management measures that minimise impacts;	Section 7.4 (onsets)
iv.	if species and communities are found, undertake a significant impact assessment against the Significant residual impact guideline, available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/assets/documents/pollution/management/offsets/significant-residual-impact-guide.pdf	
٧.	outline commitments and mitigation measures to ensure that the proposed project will not have permanent and irreversible impacts on the identified listed threatened species and communities.	
e)	Flora and Fauna – protected plants and essential wildlife habitat	Figure 5
i.	The location of all protect activities and infrastructure relative to the confirmed distribution of protected plants and essential wildlife	

	Scope of Work	EAR Section Reference
	habitat should be shown on suitably scaled and georeferenced	
	maps in the draft IAR.	
f)	Flora and Fauna – impact assessment	Section 7.1 (avoidance)
		Section 7.2 (impacts)
i.	describe the assessment of potential impacts of the project activities on fauna that may be present on or adjacent the site, including the potential indirect impacts of increased traffic, light, air pollution, noise and odour. This includes the koala and other listed threatened species and communities	Section 7.3 (mitigation)
ii.	before assessing what impacts the project could have on terrestrial ecological values, the proponent must plan all stages of the operations (construction, operation and decommissioning) and design the infrastructure to avoid impacts. If avoidance is not possible, propose measures that would minimise and mitigate any unavoidable impacts, and assess the EIS on that basis	
iii.	describe specific success criteria to assess the health and integrity of the natural environment impacted by project activities, in particular MSES, listed threatened species and communities, riparian vegetation and wetlands	
iv.	outline commitments and mitigation measures to ensure that the proposed project will not have a permanent and irreversible impacts on the natural environment.	
g)	Flora and Fauna – residual impact on prescribed matters	Section 7.2.3
i.	describe, quantify, and assess the significance of any potential residual impacts on prescribed matters. Where a SRI results, calculate offsets required for the project as per the departments SRI guideline available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/assets/documents/pollution/ma	
ii.	nagement/offsets/significant-residual-impact-guide.pdf describe in detail how the offsets were determined or justify why no offsets are proposed. Calculate the required offset based on the habitat quality in the impact area and the proposed offset area.	
Section	2.1.3 - Ecology and Natural Resources - 3. Clearing Native Vegetation	on .
		
	ological Assessment must also address the following:	
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	ological Assessment must also address the following: identify any exempt clearing created by material change of use (MCU)	Section 8.2
The Eco	identify any exempt clearing created by material change of use (MCU)	
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The Eco	identify any exempt clearing created by material change of use (MCU) variation request, MCU and/or reconfiguration of a lot (RoL) development approvals	Section 8.2
The Eco	identify any exempt clearing created by material change of use (MCU) variation request, MCU and/or reconfiguration of a lot (RoL) development approvals provide details on whether the intended clearing is exempt work or	Section 8.2
a)	identify any exempt clearing created by material change of use (MCU) variation request, MCU and/or reconfiguration of a lot (RoL) development approvals provide details on whether the intended clearing is exempt work or accepted development under the <i>Planning Regulation 2017</i>	Section 8.2 Section 8.2

	Scope of Work	EAR Section Reference
i.	details on why the development cannot be located outside	Attachment 1 (Project
ii.	Category B areas; written confirmation from Queensland Department of Resources	Footprint, Proposed
11.	(QDR) that a development application (MCU or Operational Works)	Infrastructure)
	for clearing was for a relevant purpose under s22A of the Vegetation Management Act 1999;	Section 7.4 (offsets)
iii.	a map/plan (together with a shapefile), illustrating the extent of clearing, including but not limited to: roads; associated infrastructure; energy reticulation and associated infrastructure for supplying energy to the grid/end users;	
iv.	details of the development intent for Lot 2 on RP20974 and Lot 2 on RP44024;	
V.	maps showing all proposed infrastructure, labelled, to scale, and clearly identifiable to enable an accurate assessment of native vegetation clearing;	
vi.	an assessment against SDAP State Code 16 for where clearing is for infrastructure activities, focussing on Table 16.2.2 PO1 to PO4, and Table 16.2.3 PO7, PO11, PO16, PO20, PO22 to PO24 and PO27; and	
vii.	confirmation of whether vegetation clearing offsets are required and, if so, how they will be provided.	
d)	Demonstrate that any clearing of Category C areas is either exempt in	Section 8.2
	accordance with activities listed in schedule 20 of the Planning	
	Regulation 2017, or that the clearing can occur in accordance with an	
	Accepted Development Vegetation Clearing Code.	

1.6 Amendments to address CG and Referral Agency Feedback

It is understood that this draft EAR was submitted as part of the draft IAR to the OCG on the 20 December 2019. Feedback and comments were provided by the CG and relevant referral agencies for consideration in the overall SRAIP IAR in January 2020. **Table 2** below summarises the relevant ecological and environmental planning comment items raised by the CG and referral agencies and how they have been addressed as part of this amended EAR.

Table 2 - Summary Table of Responses

Agency	Comments	Response and Relevant Sections
CPD	methodologies, including the timing of	As per Table 1 above, the original draft EAR that was included as supporting documentation for the draft IAR (dated 20 November 2019), included details regarding

	included in the draft IAR. Please address this.	the extent of flora and fauna surveys undertaken, the methodologies adopted, the specific timeframes the surveys were undertaken and credentials of ecologists undertaking the survey. This information was provided in Section 4.2 and 4.3 of the draft EAR. See also Table 1 above outlining the ecological items called for in the Scope of Work and the corresponding section/s of this report that address/es these item/s.
		It is considered that the in-field assessment undertaken to date is sufficient and appropriate for the proposed MCU application for the SRAIP given the highly modified nature of the development footprint, being areas under heavy cropping and cattle grazing with highly scattered trees. Further the proposed development footprint and infrastructure has been situated to maximise the separation distance to those areas of higher ecological significance in the north western extent of the Site (remnant and high quality regrowth vegetation); which also occur on much higher topography to that of the proposed development area.
DAFF	Fisheries Queensland believes that the subject Site does contain waterway providing for fish passage, in accordance with the definition of waterways under the Fisheries Act 1994. Consequently, there is a requirement to assess ecological impacts to fish passage by the proposed development. Proponent to note that any works impacting waterways constitutes operation work (constructing or raising waterway barrier works) and requires assessment in accordance with the	It is understood that Cardno Pty Ltd has been engaged to undertake assessment and provide a response for these matters as part of the draft IAR.

	planning framework under the Planning	
	Act 2016.	
QDR	Ecological Assessment Report (EAR)	Whilst the proposed MCU application for the SRAIP
	- Native Vegetation Clearing	encompasses the entirety of the Site bounds, no uses,
	Any lots containing Category B vegetation included in the proposed 'MCU Preliminary Approval: Variation Request' will trigger referral for native vegetation clearing (Schedule 10, Part 3, Division 4, Table 3 of the Planning Regulation 2017). If referral is triggered, the impact assessment must provide the information required by Section 2.1.3(3) of the SoW. In accordance with Section 2.1.1(5) of	works or infrastructures are proposed for approval in this application within or adjacent to any mapped areas of native vegetation regulated under the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> (Category B Regulated Vegetation and Category C High Value). This is illustrated on the proposed Masterplan (Attachment 1) through the overlay of the Environmental Protection Area (EPA). This overlay covers the entirety of the mapped Category B and C areas. Further detail has been provided in Section 8.2 to specifically outline how the proposed MCU application appropriately avoids clearing or any indirect or theoretical impacts to this
	the SoW, ensure detail is provided on	vegetation.
	the area of land covered by the 'Preliminary Approval' application as well as the proposed zoning. Demonstrate that any clearing of Category C areas is either exempt in accordance with activities listed in Schedule 20 of the Planning Regulation 2017 or that the clearing can occur in accordance with an Accepted	The proposed Industrial precinct within the Site's south eastern extent is situated further than 700 m from the EPA overlay. Further, infrastructure (e.g. temporary demountable offices) associated with the proposed composting area centrally with the Site is situated more than 400 m from the EPA overlay. Should any future works be proposed within the EPA, they will be subject to significant approval frameworks and require further detailed assessment including flora
	Development Vegetation Clearing Code.	and fauna surveys to meet the requirements of all relevant state assessment agencies, State Development Assessment Provisions and code requirements. It is also highlighted that the proposed Future Road Connection (Attachment 1) is illustrative only. This Future Road Connection is the subject of a separate application (Fraserview Quarry – MCU19/005 & RAL19/003).



	Should this separate application not be approved or
	approval not enacted, this road will not be constructed.



2 The Project Site and Surrounding Area

2.1 Sub-regional Context and Locality

Figure 1 shows that the Project Site is located in the productive Fassifern Valley, one the western edge of a strip of croplands that follow the productive floodplain of Warrill Creek. The South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (**ShapingSEQ**) (DILGIP 2017) shows that the Project Site is located within the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area, with areas of Regional Biodiversity Value mapped in Lot 2RP, Lot 4 and Lot 3 (**Figure 1**). Notably, some of these polygons of mapped Regional Biodiversity Value conflict with the Proposed Development footprint, further addressed in **Section 7.9**.

The Site's more immediate locality is depicted in **Figure 2**. The Project Site is largely cleared for agricultural purposes, with the north-western extent of Lot 2RP containing dense remnant vegetation that is connective with vegetation in adjoining lands to the east, north and west. A modified waterway which now occurs as a large bunded drainage channel (**Photo Plates 3-5, 16-17** and **Figure 2**) extends across the Project Site in a general south-west to north-east direction, to the rear of the existing cropping areas. This drainage channel, coupled with historical cropping and earthworks, has altered water drainage across the immediate locality, conveying all stormwater and greywater in channelised systems and table drains (refer **Section 2.3**) northward through grazing and cropping lands before it enters a more natural water system piped under the Cunningham Highway and draining into Warrill Creek some 1.5-2 km north of the Project Site (**Figure 1**). A lower plain within Lot 4 is constantly inundated with treated greywater from the existing Kalfresh operations (e.g. washing vegetables).

To the immediate north of the Project Site are quarrying operations on Lots 1 and 2 on SP120240. Also adjoining the Project Site in the north is a recently-approved quarry within Lot 9 on RP20973 that will also require a haul road connection to the Cunningham Highway through Lot 2SP². Quarrying activities also occur on land to the south-west of the Project Site

² This proposed quarry and surrounding area was subject to a detailed ecological assessment for the purposes of the development application by a member of the 28 South Environmental ecology team. The proposed haul road was assessed through this process (application no. MCU19/005 & RAL 19/003) and is therefore not subject to assessment as part of the SRAIP and associated Draft IAR.

on Lots 14 and 15 on SP229448. Elsewhere to the west of the Project Site, properties are generally used for grazing or cropping purposes. Immediately east of the Project Site is the Cunningham Highway. To the east of the highway is Warrill Creek and a vast band of irrigated cropland that follows this creek system to the west of the township of Kalbar (approximately 4 km east of the Project Site). The cropping lands between Warrill Creek and Cunningham Highway range between 400 and 900 m in width while the broader cropping areas bounding Warrill Creek (both east and west) along its fertile alluvial plains varies between c.2.5 km to c.6 km with native woody vegetation strictly limited to the immediate riparian corridor of Warrill Creek and Kent's Lagoon (both ranging between 20-50 m in width).

2.2 Project Site Characteristics

The Project Site is 248.7 ha in area and predominantly cleared of native vegetation (see **Photo Plates 1-20**). The Project Site has been largely modified for agricultural purposes (grazing in the north and west (c.150 ha), cropping in the south and east (c.38 ha). The agricultural processing facilities associated with the Applicant's existing operations are located in the south-eastern portion of the Project Site (c.4 ha), adjoining the Cunningham Highway.

Queensland Herbarium pre-clear Regional Ecosystem (**RE**) mapping shows that the Project Site was characterised by three main vegetation types:

- RE 12.3.3 and RE 12.3.7 in the Warrill Creek floodplain;
- RE 12.8.16 in the higher areas to the west and south-west; and
- RE 12.8.17 and 12.8.9 in the north and north-west.

The mapping and a description of these REs is provided in **Attachment 3**. Sequential historic aerial photography (**Attachment 4**) shows the Project Site's disturbance history. The earliest available aerial photography (1944) shows that the Project Site was largely cleared to its current extent, with cropping throughout the areas of lower elevation and much more extensive than the areas currently cropped. Thus, the Project Site is an area that has been highly modified for on-going intensive agricultural purposes for more than 75 years.

As shown by this analysis, floodplain woodland communities that historically occupied the lower portions of the Project Site were historically removed for intensive cropping pursuits in the most productive areas of the Warrill Creek floodplain, significantly reducing ecological values of the locality and the Project Site alike. The Site's specific ecological values are discussed further in **Section 5** and **Section 6**.

2.3 Current Water Management on the Project Site

The following describes how water management processes currently operate within the Project Site:

- 1. The existing packing facility currently utilises water from local bores to wash and process produce.
- 2. This water is collected, treated and pumped to a high point west of the facility and drainage channel where it is discharged into a perched table drain (see **Figure 4a**).
- 3. The table drain has been cut into a contour of the hill to direct water around the hill to the northwest for polishing as overland flow through the centre of the Project Site.
- 4. This sheet flow of treated grey water disperses over a very broad and flat basin within the Project Site (see **Figure 2** and **Figure 4a**, and **Photo Plates 7-9**, **14-15**, **19**).
- 5. Sheet flow has created a broad, densely vegetated low plain completely dominated by exotic weed growth which is under constant graze from stocked cattle which in turn, impact the soil profile by trampling wet heavy clays.
- 6. The sheet flow is captured by the channelised drain and dispersed northwards with other captured stormwater from the larger catchments to the south and west.

2.4 Landscape Connectivity / Corridor Values

Maps supporting the Biodiversity Planning Assessment for the Southeast Queensland Bioregion (DEHP, 2016) shows that the Project Site is not within a State or Regional Biodiversity Corridor.



3 Desktop Assessment - Identifying Matters for Consideration

3.1 Previous Surveys

Part of the Project Site is subject to a recent development application for a proposed hard-rock (trachyandesite) quarry and haul road. The quarry is proposed on Lot 9 on RP20973 to the north of the Project Site, while the haul road is proposed within Lot 2. Importantly for the SRAIP, recent ecological surveys were conducted by Ecological Survey & Management Pty Ltd (**EcoSM**) and an Ecological Assessment Report prepared to identify the ecological characteristics of the two lots comprising the proposed quarry and haul road. The survey results from the EcoSM (2018)³ report are referenced where appropriate and relevant throughout this EAR.

3.2 Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

The EPBC Act provides the legal framework to protect and manage nationally and internationally important flora, fauna, ecological communities and heritage places. These are defined under the Act as 'Matters of National Environmental Significance' (**MNES**).

Under the EPBC Act, a referral to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (**DAFF**) is required if development could give rise to a Significant Impact on MNES. The determination of whether a Significant Impact will occur is made with reference to the Matters of National Environmental Significance Significant Impact Guidelines 1.1 (DoE 2013) and other EPBC Act policy statements⁴.

A search⁵ of the Protected Matters Search tool indicates the likely or potential occurrence of MNES in this locality (**Attachment 5**). The Wildlife Online database was searched to determine confirmed records of MNES within a 5 km radius of the Project Site. The search also identifies confirmed records of species listed as Endangered, Vulnerable or Near

³ Ecological Survey & Management, 2018. *Frazerview Quarry – Ecological Assessment Report*, for Wagner Investments Pty Ltd, Brendale, Qld.

⁴ Including significant impact guidelines for individual threatened species, groups of species and threatened ecological communities (http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/publications/guidelines.html)
5 A 5km radius around the point -27.32326 152.95597 was specified.



Threatened under the *Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020* (**NCAR**). Results are provided in **Attachment 6**.

3.3 Matters of State Interest

State-based ecological legislation and policies relevant to the assessment of the SRAIP against mapped and ground-truthed environmental values are described in the following sections.

3.3.1 Nature Conservation Act 1992

The *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (**NC Act**) establishes approval triggers and an assessment process for clearing protected plants. The Project Site is <u>not</u> located within a mapped "High Risk Trigger Area" (**Attachment 7**). Despite this, a detailed botanical survey was undertaken on 15 October 2019 to identify the presence of protected plants and/or suitable habitat within the Project Site. Surveys were taken generally in accordance with the Queensland Government's *Flora Survey Guidelines - Protected Plants Version 2.01* which included a detailed time meander survey within the Project Site and on publicly accessible terrestrial lands immediately adjoining the Project Site.

The *Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020* (**NC Reg**) also lists Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened (**CREVNT**) fauna species. CREVNT species are afforded special protection under the NC Act. An assessment of the SRAIP against the provisions of the NC Act is provided in **Section 8.3**.

3.3.2 State Planning Policy

The Queensland SPP clarifies matters of State interest in land use planning and development. The SPP contains 17 State interests, one of which is "Biodiversity" and of direct relevance to this EAR.

The SRAIP is assessed against the Biodiversity State Interest in Section 8.1.

3.3.3 State Codes and other State Interests

A number of other State interests are identified within the State Development Assessment Provisions (**SDAP**) State Codes. State Codes and interests of relevance to this EAR are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3 - State Codes and Interests

State Interest	Comment	Further Assessment Required / Provided
State Code 12 -	N/A	No – the Project Site is not within
Declared Fish		a Declared Fish Habitat Area.
Habitat Areas		
State Code 16 -	The Project Site is mapped to contain Category X,	Yes. An assessment of the
Native	Category B and Category C Regulated Vegetation (see	SRAIP's impacts on vegetation is
Vegetation	Attachment 7).	provided in Section 7.2.1 . An
Clearing		assessment of the SRAIP against
	The Project Footprint is considerably removed from the	State Code 16 is provided in
	mapped Category B and Category C Regulated	Section 8.2.
	Vegetation (see Figure 6). As all necessary built	
	infrastructure is located > 1.5 times the height of the	
	tallest tree within Regulated Vegetation and Regulated	
	Regrowth Vegetation and no change to zoning is	
	applicable to these areas. <u>As such no Relevant</u>	
	<u>Purposed Determination is warranted</u> . Further all	
	Category B and C Regulated Vegetation is located	
	within the Structure Plans 'Environmental Protection	
	Area'.	
State Code 18 -	The Project Site is mapped to contain two waterways	No – further information to be
Constructing or	for waterway barrier works; within Lot 4 and Lot 2RP	provided at the Operational Works
Raising	(see Attachment 8). The waterway mapping is grossly	stage if required.
Waterway Barrier	inaccurate and does not reflect the heavily-altered	stage ii required.
Works in Fish	nature of the Project Site's hydrological characteristics.	
Habitats	It is noted that the channelised drain running in a	
Tiabitato	generally north direction is not identified as a waterway	
	for waterway barrier works and intersects the mapped	
	waterway in a perpendicular manner.	
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State Interest	Comment	Further Assessment Required /
		Provided
State Code 25 -	The Project Site is <u>not</u> within a Koala Assessable	No – No statutory assessment
Koala Habitat	Development Area (KADA) mapping under the	against the provisions of
Areas	Planning Act 2016. The Project Site is also not mapped	Schedule 10, Part 10 of the
	within a Koala Priority Area (KPA) or mapped under	Planning Regulation 2017 is
	any Core Koala Habitat Area (CKHA)	required for the SRAIP as the
	The Project Site is mapped to contain primarily	Project Site is outside a CKHA
	"Suitable for Rehabilitation" koala habitat, with	and KPA. The Site is also located
	"Bushland Habitat" also identified in patches (see	outside of the KADA and PKADA.
	Attachment 9).	
	Attachment 9).	
	Mapped Bushland Habitat within and in proximity to the	
	Project Footprint is clearly mapping error (refer to	
	Section 5.2).	
	,	
	This mapping is not statutory under the development	
	assessment process, but was part of the 2009 South	
	East Queensland Koala Habitat Values assessment	
	mapping and is used for guidance in land use planning.	
	It is further noted that Nature Conservation (Koala)	
	Conservation Plan 2017 has recently been adopted (7	
	February 2020). The Site is situated outside of a	
	Priority Koala Area regulated under this legislation. The	
	Site is mapped to contain Koala Habitat Area within the	
	far northern and north western extent of the Site. The	
	proposed development including infrastructure and	
	proposed disturbance areas are well removed from this	
	mapped koala habitat (more than ~400 m) and will not	
	result in any direct or indirect impacts to koala habitat	
	areas.	
Wetland	N/A	No – no areas mapped.
Protection Area	19/4	no → no areas mappeu.
Frotection Area		

State Interest	Comment	Further Assessment Required / Provided
Riverine	Riverine Protection Permits are required under the	It has been determined as part of
Protection	Water Act 2000 for any proposed activity to excavate,	an additional consultation process
Permit	place fill or destroy vegetation in a watercourse, lake or	with the CG and relevant
	spring. A watercourse assessment undertaken by	Departments that the Water Act
	DAFF on the Project Site (see Attachment 10)	2000 is not relevant to the SRAIP
	determined that no "watercourse" is present; however,	development and a Riverine
	the wetland to the rear of the development is classified	Protection Permit is not required.
	as a "lake".	Any other reference to a Riverine
		Protection Permit has been
	It must be noted that this wetland area is of	removed from this EAR.
	anthropogenic origin and does not function as a natural	
	lake or wetland due to its reliance on greywater from	
	the existing Kalfresh operations (Section 2.3 and	
	Figure 4a). This wetland is highly likely to dry out and	
	be significantly altered through grazing if its greywater	
	supply was removed. See Section 2.3 for further	
	details. Consequently, the wetland feature cannot be	
	a "lake" under the Water Act 2000 as it is not identified	
	as a "lake" on the Watercourse Identification Map and	
	it is not a natural collection of water.	

3.4 The Planning Scheme

The Project Site is zoned as Rural under the Planning Scheme (see **Attachment 11**).

3.4.1 Strategic Framework

The Strategic Framework in Part 3 of the Planning Scheme sets out the strategy for the future settlement pattern and location of economic activity of the region, the associated infrastructure required to enable development and service communities, and for the protection and enhancement of the region's environmental values. This strategy is expressed through the themes, strategic intent, and strategic outcomes that will guide development of the region to 2041.



There are three maps illustrating the themes at a regional scale (see **Attachment 12**). The Project Site is identified as a Rural Area within the Communities and Character Map.

Within the Growing Economy Map (**Attachment 12**), the Project Site and surrounding areas are located within Key Resource Area (**KRA**) 141 owing to the presence of quarry rock resources (see **Attachment 13**).

Of relevance to this EAR, section 3.6 of the Strategic Framework describes the future management of environmental values within the Scenic Rim Region, through a Strategic Intent and associated Strategic Outcomes.

Compliance with Strategic Outcome 3.6.2 of the Planning Scheme is discussed in **Section 8.5**.

3.4.2 Environmental Significance Overlay Code and Map

The Environmental Significance Overlay Code within the Planning Scheme is intended to apply to development within the Environmental Significance Overlay, to ensure that matters of environmental significance are protected and enhanced, that biodiversity values of the Scenic Rim are protected, and that connectedness and condition of ecological systems are enhanced.

The Environmental Significance Overlay Map series (**Attachment 14**) within the Planning Scheme shows that the Project Site is mapped to contain:

- Regulated vegetation within the Biodiversity Map (OM-04-A.1);
- No Core Corridors, Node Corridors, Stepping Stones or Critical Linkages identified as MLES within the Local Biodiversity Map (OM-04-B.1);
- No recognised habitat for MSES (State Significant Species) or MLES (koalas) within the Priority Species Map (OM-04-C.1);
- No recognised MSES waterways and wetlands within the Wetlands and Waterways Map (OM-04-D.1); and

 MLES Local Watercourses (Stream Orders 2 and 3, and associated Watercourse Buffer Areas A and B) within the Local Watercourses Map (OM-04-E.1).

Compliance of the SRAIP with the relevant provisions of the Environmental Significance Overlay Code within the Planning Scheme is discussed in **Section 8.6**.

3.5 The Superseded Planning Scheme

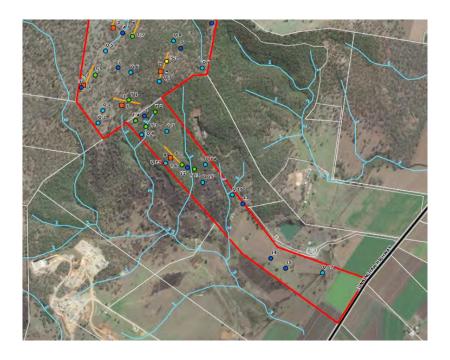
The Project Site is zoned as Rural under the Superseded Planning Scheme. The Project Site is also mapped to contain ecological features within the Natural Features Overlay (Map 2A) under the Superseded Planning Scheme. For completeness, compliance of the SRAIP with the relevant provisions of the Natural Features Overlay Code is discussed in **Section 8.7**.



4 Ecological Assessment Methods

4.1 Implications of Previous Surveys

The Scope of Work listed substantial ecological survey requirements for the Draft IAR within the Project Site, including areas significantly removed from the Project Footprint and at a much higher elevation⁶ such as Lot 2RP and its associated remnant Regulated Vegetation in the Project Site's north-west (a minimum of 500 m distance from any earthworks or infrastructure)⁷. Importantly, the EcoSM (2018) survey for the Frazerview Quarry included 6 Quaternary Assessment Sites, 1 koala Sport Assessment Technique (SAT) survey site and 1 koala transect within Lot 2RP as illustrated in Inset 1.



Inset 1: EcoSM 2018 - Figure 4: Locations of flora and fauna survey sites

⁶ In most instances a minimum of 40 m in elevation between civil works and infrastructure and Regulated Vegetation, or native vegetation in general.

⁷ Non-invasive elements of the Proposed Development (e.g. the proposed effluent irrigation area) are a minimum of approximately 400 m from Regulated Vegetation within the Project Site and a minimum of approximately 200 m from Regulated Vegetation outside the Project Site.



The data from the EcoSM surveys is directly relevant to the SRAIP in the context of the Scope of Work and the desire for a description of the ecological values of the broader Project Site.

The surveys undertaken by EcoSM on the proposed quarry site are also relevant in the context of gaining an appreciation of the koala population dynamics in the areas surrounding the SRAIP (i.e. within the peripheral Regulated Vegetation and non-remnant areas). The resultant EAR for the Frazerview Quarry is provided in **Attachment 15**.

Furthermore, the principal ecologist who undertook the EcoSM (quarry) surveys also led the 28 South (SRAIP) surveys for this EAR; ensuring consistency in approach and relevance of results.

A justification for the survey methods utilised for this EAR, in response to the Scope of Work requirements, is provided in **Attachment 16**. Where survey efforts employed for the SRAIP EAR are not as extensive as the methodologies listed within the Scope of Work, this is justified within **Attachment 16**. A precautionary approach has been applied to the impact assessment component of the EAR and 28 South contends that the survey techniques employed for this EAR do not increase the risk that species of conservation significance that may utilise the Project Area (and specifically the Project Footprint) have been overlooked in this assessment.

4.2 Flora Survey

A flora survey was undertaken within the Project Site on 15 October 2019 by qualified and experienced ecologists Chris Hansen and Rebecca Freese⁸. Flora surveys were undertaken for a period of 20 person hours and involved:

- (i) classifying the Project Site's discrete vegetation communities, surveying their constituent flora species, and spatially defining their boundaries;
- (ii) ground-truthing the RVMM and VMSM to ensure that the boundaries of the remnant polygons were correct in relation to the Project Site (noting that Regulated Vegetation within the Project Site was mapped via a PMAV by EcoSM for the Frazerview Quarry);

⁸ CVs for the survey team are provided in **Attachment 17**.

- (iii) searching for Threatened Ecological Communities and flora species listed as MNES under the EPBC Act (**flora MNES**). Communities and species known from the locality (**Attachments 5** and **6**) were a focus of the survey;
- (iv) searching for flora species listed as Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened (CREVNT) under the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020 (flora MSES). Species known from the locality (Attachment 6) were a focus of the survey;
- (v) searching for flora listed as Priority Species of the Scenic Rim Region, as defined by Appendix F of *Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments* within the Planning Scheme (flora MLES);
- (vi) ground-truthing the Planning Scheme's Environmental Significance Overlay map;
- (vii) searching for native trees conspicuous hollows that provide important wildlife habitat (habitat trees); and
- (viii) determining the composition, condition and more general conservation value of vegetation.

4.3 Fauna Survey

Fauna habitat assessment survey was undertaken across the Project Site with a more detailed analysis of habitats and microhabitat features within the Project Footprint. Fauna habitat assessments included a complete and thorough traverse of the Project Footprint by three suitably qualified and experienced ecologists for a period of 30 person hours and employed a range of active searching methods including:

Active searches of logs, rocks and ground debris – Logs, rock and ground debris
was turned in order to detect amphibians, reptiles and small terrestrial mammals;

- Active searches for habitat trees searches were completed for hollow bearing trees providing potential habitat for a range of tree hollow dependent fauna⁹;
- Random meander searches and aural surveys searches of riparian and vegetated areas were undertaken to identify any potential important habitats;
- Point census and flushing surveys fixed stationary observation assessments for fauna species (namely avian) were undertaken in proximity to habitat features or anthropogenic features such as soaks/dams/drains and habitat trees. Flushing surveys involved foot traverse of areas where taller sedges/grasses occurred in proximity to soaks/drains to flush any cryptic avian species (e.g. bitterns, rails, quails and snipes)
- Koala Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) searches SAT ¹⁰ surveys were undertaken during survey efforts to determine the presence of koala throughout the Project Site. These surveys were also coupled with general scratch and scat searches while traversing the Project Site.
- Opportunistic observation while undertaking general survey across the Project Site, opportunistic observations were made to account for fauna observed during survey efforts.

Important fauna habitat features such as large fallen debris / logs and hollow-bearing trees were spatially located along with all native trees within and immediately surrounding the Project Footprint.

Given the significant separation distances (> 500 m) and elevation changes (>40 m) between the Project Footprint (specifically where civil works and permanent infrastructure is proposed) and mapped remnant vegetation within the Project Site, more detailed surveys of the greater Project Site were not warranted (as outlined within **Section 4.1**). It is considered that a precautionary approach to on-ground habitat assessment and fauna species associations is

⁹ For example, small hollow bearing trees providing roost sites for microchiropteran bats and gliders, medium sized hollows providing nest sites for small-medium sized birds and possums, and large hollows providing potential nest sites for large forest owls.

¹⁰ Stephen Phillips and John Callaghan (2011) The Spot Assessment Technique: a tool for determining localised levels of habitat use by Koalas *Phascolarctos cinereus*. Australian Zoologist: 2011, Vol. 35, No. 3, pp. 774-780.

sufficient to determine the likelihood of species presence and potential impact of the Project Footprint in such a highly modified environment. Further, the Project Footprint is limited to areas which are currently:

- i) under heavy cropping;
- ii) used as channelised drainage and under heavy cattle grazing; or
- iii) under heavy cattle grazing.

Importantly, no part of the proposed Project Footprint supports any significant area of native vegetation, with only a small number of highly scattered relict paddock trees occurring on the periphery of the Project Footprint as shown in **Figure 7**. As such, habitat assessment and species associations are considered more than adequate to determine species' potential presence and the impacts of the SRAIP on these species and their habitat.

To assist within on-ground habitat assessments and species associations; a review of relevant, publicly available Government databases (**Attachments 5** and **6**) was undertaken to identify a potential suite of fauna that may occur within the broader locality (radii of 5 km). Further to this, a review of the fauna assessments undertaken by EcoSM (2018) for the adjoining quarry site (inclusive of the northern components of the Project Site and Project Footprint) was also undertaken. This review enabled the identification of a shortlist of target fauna species to guide habitat assessments and associations while on-ground survey was undertaken. The results of the desktop review and 2018 EcoSM study have been applied to the Project Footprint and more broadly the Project Site.

Database searches indicate known records and the potential occurrence of fauna listed under the EPBC Act within a 5 km radius of the Project Site (**fauna MNES**) (**Attachments 5** and **6**). Database searches also indicate known records of CREVNT fauna (**fauna MSES**) within a 5 km radius of the Project Site (**Attachment 6**). Appendix F of *Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments* within the Planning Scheme lists locally significant fauna species for the Scenic Rim Region (**fauna MLES**).

In order to develop a working list of target species for on-ground habitat assessment, the habitat requirements of each species were considered, and a review of local records



undertaken. Where it was found that suitable habitat was absent from the Project Site or Project Footprint and adjoining areas, and there was a lack of local records¹¹, it was deemed that the species under consideration was a highly unlikely occurrence. In such cases no further survey was proposed for this species.

Shortlisting based on Government database records (**Attachment 6**¹²), known habitats present within the Project Site and immediate locale and those identified as known, likely or possibly occurring within the EcoSM Report (refer Appendix F of **Attachment 15**) identified the following conservation-significant species for targeted fauna habitat survey:

- Hirundapus caudacutus (white-throated needle-tail);
- Petrogale penicillata (brush-tailed rock-wallaby);
- Phascolarctos cinereus (koala); and
- Acanthophis antarcticus (common death adder).

Several migratory species identified within database searches and the EcoSM Reporting were also considered as part of habitat assessment surveys which include:

- Apus pacificus (fork-tailed swift);
- Symposiachrus trivirgatus (spectacled monarch);
- Monarcha melanopsis (black-faced monarch); and
- Rhipidura rufifrons (rufous fantail).

¹¹ This was determined by way of Wildlife Online database searches established at 5km and 2km radii from the Site, and a range of other sources, including: aerial photography; publicly available ecological reports; Atlas of Living Australia threatened species mapping/modelling; Queensland Museum records; Regional Ecosystem mapping; Threatened flora trigger mapping; Wetland Protection Area mapping.

¹² It is noted that this assessment has ruled out records of marine species such as the record of *Phaethon rubricauda* (redtailed tropicbird). The Site is well removed from marine environs and it would appear this record is an anomaly.

5 Flora Survey Results

5.1 Vegetation Community Descriptions

Figure 4 illustrates that much of the Project Site is heavily cleared and subject to various agricultural land management practices. Outside of the existing Kalfresh operating facilities, the Project Site supports open expanses of cultivated cropping in the east with engineered drainage and areas of overland flow, as well as open paddocks with scattered mature canopy trees subject to heavy cattle grazing. The north-western finger of the Project Site (Lot 2RP) transitions into undulating low hills and slopes with a mixed cohort of regrowth and remnant native woodland to open forest communities.

5.1.1 Cultivation Areas

The active cultivation occurring in the eastern extent of the Project Site were left fallow at the time of the survey, with *Daucus carrota* spp. *sativus* (carrot) harvested the morning of the survey to the north of the existing facilities and a grain crop having been previously harvested south of the existing facilities. The intervening carriageways (access tracks) were subject to ongoing mechanical maintenance including slashing and regular vehicle flattening. These access tracks supported exotic species including, but not limited to, *Eragrostis tenuifolia*13* (elastic grass), *Cynodon dactylon* (couch grass), *Cyclospermum leptophyllum** (celery top), *Dichanthium aristatum** (angleton grass) and *Polygonum aviculare** (prostrate knotweed) at the time of the survey.

5.1.2 Drainage Channel and Basin

A constructed drainage channel borders the western edge of the cultivation area and also occurs through the open paddocks in the north-eastern extent of the Project Site. A broader drainage basin extends to the north centrally within the Project Site and is fed by the facility's recycled grey water. The augmented channel and the basin supported an array of mostly exotic hydrophytes. Woody vegetation is largely absent from this community and limited to localised knolls within the basin and the edges of the drainage channel. The understorey is

^{13 *} denotes exotic species

dominated by *Ranunculus sceleratus* ssp. *sceleratus** (celery-top buttercup), *Paspalum distichum* (knot grass) and *Typha orientalis** (cumbungi) with associated couch grass, *Juncus polyanthemus* (many-flowered rush) and *Symphyotrichum subulatum** (wild aster). It is noted that the augmented drainage channel does not reflect the mapped QDR waterway (**Attachment 8**).

5.1.3 Grazed Paddocks with Scattered Mature Trees

The open paddock areas were largely situated on the gently undulating lower rise west of the existing facility operations and were actively grazed at the time of the ecological inspection. The paddocks contained highly scattered mature canopy trees dominated by *Eucalyptus tereticornis* ssp. *tereticornis* (Queensland blue gum) with associated *Corymbia tessellaris* (Moreton Bay ash) and *Eucalyptus melanophloia* (silver-leaved ironbark). All other woody vegetation, including shrubs, was entirely absent due to the existing land use practices. The understorey was dominated by exotic pasture grasses including *Chloris gayana** (rhodes grass) and associated exotic herbs such as *Verbena officinalis** (common verbena) and *Gomphrena celosioides** (gomphrena weed).

5.1.4 Brush Box Open Forest

The lower to mid slope of the north-western finger of the Project Site supported a small polygon of *Lophostemon confertus* (brush box) low open forest. As described in the EcoSM EAR (2018), this community was dominated by brush box to a height of 9 m with a very sparse canopy of emergent *Eucalyptus crebra* (narrow-leaved ironbark) and *Corymbia intermedia* (pink bloodwood). It is considered likely that the community historically contained a canopy dominated by narrow-leaved ironbark over the brush box sub-canopy; however, evidence of cut-stumps suggests historical thinning has occurred. The shrub strata composition was complex and consisted of juvenile brush box as well as *Psydrax odorata* (shiny-leaved canthium), *Bridelia exaltata* (scrub ironbark), *Alphitonia excelsa* (red ash), *Eustrephus latifolius* (wombat berry) and scattered incursions of *Lantana camara** (lantana). The understorey was sparse and dominated by native grass species including *Aristida gracilipes* (a speargrass) and *Heteropogon contortus* (black speargrass).

5.1.5 Narrow-leaved Ironbark Open Forest

The balance of the Project Site supported a narrow-leaved ironbark open forest which was associated with the undulating slopes and trachyandesite deposits. This community was characterised by a canopy dominated by narrow-leaved ironbark at a height of 22 m with other associated species such as Angophora leiocarpa (smooth-barked apple), pink bloodwood, Moreton Bay ash and silver-leaved ironbark also present. The composition and distribution of the sub-canopy and shrub strata were variable, increasing in density in the gullies and tending to very sparse on the higher slopes and hill crests. The sub-canopy was characterised by regenerating canopy species as well as red ash and brush box to a median height of 9 m to 12 m. The shrub layer also included regenerating canopy species, Acacia maidenii (maiden's wattle) and shiny-leaved canthium with vine thicket generalists prevalent within the gullies and higher slopes. Such species included scrub ironbark, Alectryon diversifolius (scrub boonaree), Mallotus philippensis (red kamala), Petalostigma pubescens (quinine bush) and Psydrax odorata forma buxifolia (stiff-leaved canthium). Lantana was also observed in low densities throughout the community. The groundcover was characterised by native grasses such as black speargrass, Ancistrachne uncinulata (hooky grass), wiregrasses and barbed-wire grasses.

The far northern reaches of this community contained a variation with the canopy becoming dominated by *Eucalyptus moluccana* (gum-topped box) with scattered narrow-leaved ironbark. This was documented within the EcoSM EAR (2018).

A full flora species list for the areas subject to cultivation, the open paddocks and the drainage channel and basin is included in **Attachment 18.** Further, the extent of each described vegetation community is illustrated in **Figure 4**. All mature native canopy trees located within and surrounding the Project Footprint have also been surveyed and are shown on **Figure 7**.

5.2 Species and Features of Conservation Significance

The following conclusions can be drawn from the flora survey and ecological condition assessment:

(i) The Project Site does not support any flora MNES or MSES;

- (ii) The Project Site does not support any Flora MLES.
- (iii) The occurrence of habitat trees within and adjacent to the Project Footprint is shown within the Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan in **Attachment 2**.
- (iv) The Queensland Government's koala habitat mapping within **Attachment 9** doesn't reflect the on ground values of the Site, with some cleared areas under cropping and the denuded wetland feature both mapped as containing Bushland Habitat. Surveys indicated that within the Project Footprint, no areas could reasonably be considered Koala Bushland Habitat. The only areas of the Project Site that could potentially be considered as Koala Bushland Habitat are the areas of Regulated Vegetation in the north-west of Lot 2RP.

6 Fauna Habitat Assessment Results

6.1 Likelihood of Occurrence

Utilising known records within a 5 km radius (**Attachment 6**) and perceived habitat suitability within the Project Site, the presence of conservation significant fauna¹⁴ was evaluated as 'Known', 'Likely', 'Possible', 'Unlikely', 'Will not Occur' or 'Transient' based on their perceived probability of inhabiting/frequenting the Project Site (**Table 4**). The outcome of this habitat suitability assessment is provided in the following sections.

Table 4: Likelihood Assessment Criteria

Assessment	Habitat Criteria	Local Record Criteria	Perceived
			Probability
Known	The species has been confirm	ed as present within the Project Site, and	100%
	those records are unlikely to re	present transient or vagrant individuals.	
Likely	Habitat is considered	There is a number (~5 or greater) of local	>50%
	moderately to good quality	(≤ 5 km from the Project Site),	
	and similar to other locations	contemporary (post 1990) records of the	
	where the species is found	species,	
		or	
		There is strong evidence that a cryptic	
		species (which may not be frequently	
		recorded in databases) has a nearby	
		resident population(s).	
		rootdont population(5).	
Possible	Habitat is marginal to	The species is known by a few local	20-50%
	moderate	contemporary records and is not a	
		transient species.	

¹⁴ Conservation significant fauna is defined as a MNES species under the EPBC Act, an CREVNT species under the NC Act, and a Priority Species under Appendix F of the Planning Scheme *Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments*.



Assessment	Habitat Criteria	Local Record Criteria	Perceived Probability
Unlikely	The habitat is marginal	There are few, if any, local contemporary records.	≤19%
Will not Occur	The habitat is unsuitable	There are few, if any, local contemporary records.	0%
Transient	The habitat is suitable, marginal or good quality	The species is highly mobile and vagrant. They may infrequently appear in the local area over a long timeframe (e.g. 100+years) but are never resident or frequent visitors (e.g. return migrants). These species are typically birds which, while having some probability of occurring, are unlikely rely on the Project Site for their lifecycle or maintaining populations.	N/A

Where it was found that there were local records of conservation-significant species, and the habitat was broadly suitable, more detailed assessment of the SRAIP and potential impacts is warranted. The Precautionary Principle underpinned this decision-making process.

A further process of sieving occurred whereby species that are rare in the landscape and not readily detected by single surveys were considered a potential occurrence at the Project Site in the longer term if suitable habitat was present. For example, *Lathamus discolor* (swift parrot) is a rare winter migrant to south-east Queensland. During its over-wintering visit, *Eucalyptus tereticornis* (Queensland blue gum) is an important blossom resource. Queensland blue gum occurs at the Project Site, and swift parrot is tolerant of habitat fragmentation. Therefore, when assessed over time, it is reasonable to assume that swift parrot could utilise the Project Site's habitats (noting that habitats within the Project Footprint provide limited foraging habitat for this species, which is highly abundant in the immediate and broader region). It is generally accepted that there is little value in conducting targeted surveys for such species when habitat assessment is a reliable predictor of potential occurrence (even if the use is – ultimately - very rare).

In-field assessments considered a variety of factors such as vegetation complexities and structures, ground cover and debris, water bodies, hollows, weed infestations and important microhabitats for specific features (e.g. foraging resources such as winter flowering trees).

6.2 Amphibians

No amphibian species of conservation significance were identified as potentially occurring within the Project Site. Habitat Assessments undertaken during field assessments confirmed that the Project Footprint and broader Project Site lack any habitat features suitable for conservation significant amphibian species. Habitats observed within the Project Footprint and the immediate surrounds take the form of cleared, heavily degraded grazing lands on steeper slopes or areas under cropping.

The lower plain and channelised drain in the central components of the Project Site provide the most notable habitat for amphibian species in general. As described in **Section 2.3**, this broad basin area is under constant soaking from dispersed greywater. Within this area, heavy clays support a dense covering of exotic forbs (namely buttercup) with highly scattered native sedges and rushes; all of which exhibited regular grazing impacts. Small areas of ponding occurred infrequently where low depressions were present (with evidence of cattle trampling and wallowing). Habitats within these areas are considered marginal for most native amphibian species given the lack of suitable vegetative or ground structure combined with the constant grazing and trampling of habitats by cattle. It is likely that a reduced native amphibian species assemblage occurs within the Project Site and that this is limited to robust species. Further, the open nature of the environment lends itself to the proliferation of exotic fauna species such as *Rhinella marina* (cane toad) or predation from avian and reptile species.

6.3 Reptiles

The remnant habitats, particularly those with a denser understorey and high levels of course woody debris and leaf/mulch litter provide the highest quality habitat for reptiles within the Project Site. Cleared grazing or cropping lands represent very low-quality habitat for this group; however, where heavier clays occur, fossorial species are likely to persist despite the cleared and heavily grazed nature of the Project Site or Project Footprint.

A review of desktop database searches and the EcoSM (2018) reporting identified one reptile species of conservation significance recorded within the region; the common death adder. Habitat assessments identified that much of the Project Site and all of the Project Footprint do not support suitable habitat for this species, particularly given most habitats occur as either cleared grazed paddock or under heavy crop and distinctly lacking any form of coarse woody debris and leaf litter which are critical microhabitats for this species. Higher quality habitats for this species are associated with remnants in the far north-west of the Project Site which occurs at a minimum distance of 400 m from the Project Footprint (i.e. proposed civil works and permanent infrastructure while other agricultural components such as yards and pivot areas are >100 m from these areas), with the land in between not supporting suitable foraging or movement habitat as it is heavily grazed open paddocks lacking debris. Although suitable habitats for this species occur some distance from the Project Footprint, the fragmentation in the immediate landscape coupled with limited records in the locality (Wildlife Online has 1 record), suggests that there is only a low likelihood that this species would occur within the broader Project Site.

6.4 Birds

The Wildlife Online database indicates the presence of a diverse bird community in this locality. The PMST indicates the occurrence of several MNES and MSES bird species.

During habitat assessment surveys, the greatest diversity and abundance of bird species was found in the anthropogenically created soak areas centrally located within the Project Site. This area contains moist soils and pools of water, providing foraging and watering points for a range of open country and wetland oriented avian species.

The small area of remnant vegetation in the far north-west of the Project Site supported a moderate composition of common open country aves; however, did not support any uncommon or specific habitat features such as vine thickets, riparian corridors, sheltered gullies, etc. which would provide habitat for cryptic aves requiring such amenity or niches to persist.

The residual of the Project Site and the entirety of the Project Footprint support completely cleared habitats which are either: i) heavily grazed; or ii) under heavy cropping. These areas

are of low value for avian species, providing habitat for aggressive open country species as well as encouraging the dominance of aggressive sedentary avian species such as noisy minor, Torresian crow, butcherbirds and exotic avian species. European pigeons and starlings were regularly observed overflying the Project Footprint and observed utilising most built infrastructures for shelter.

It is likely that most of the common rural and peri-urban inhabitants known from the locality will reside, move through or overfly the Project Site at some point (refer Wildlife Online data – **Attachment 6**); including terrestrial migratory species. It is, however, unlikely that many of the noted species of conservation significance would reside within or rely on the Project Site as a core component of their habitat or life cycle. A review of desktop database searches and the EcoSM (2018) reporting identified one avian species of conservation significance and four migratory species known or likely to occur within the Project Site. A review of each species is provided below:

- Hiundapus caudacutus (white-throated needletail) This species is not frequently recorded along the east coast, but has potential to occur anywhere, including in the air space above the Project Site as this species is wide ranging and highly mobile. Larger tree species within the Project Site, and in particular old-growth trees with hollows, may provide some roosting opportunity for white-throated needletails. Habitats within the Project Site are highly abundant within the broader region and it is unlikely that white-throated needle-tail would be reliant on the Project Site or surrounding terrestrial environs.
- Apus pacificus (fork-tailed swift) This species is not frequently recorded along the
 east coast, but has potential to occur anywhere, including in the air-space above the
 Project Site. This species is wide ranging and highly mobile. It readily forages above
 urban areas and rural areas, and as such no particular values on the Project Site are
 uniquely important for this species.
- Monarcha melanopsis (black-faced monarch) Habitat assessments across the Project Site failed to identify any suitable habitat for this species; however, it is noted that the EcoSM (2018) surveys identified this species on adjoining remnant parcels.
 These observations were restricted to areas of steeply incised drainage gullies

occurring west of the Project Site. Remnant habitats in the far north-east of the Project Site may facilitate movement opportunities for this species; however, these areas are well removed (>500 m) from the Project Footprint. The land between the remnant habitat and the Project Footprint supported no suitable habitat for this species.

- Symposiachrus trivirgatus (spectacled monarch) Similar to the black-faced monarch, habitat assessments across the Project Site have identified that most of the areas which support remnant habitats in the far north-east of the Project Site may facilitate movement opportunities for this species; however, these areas are well removed (>500 m) from the Project Footprint. The land between the remnant habitat and the Project Footprint supported no suitable habitat for this species.
- Rhipidura rufifrons (rufous fantail) Habitat assessments across the Project Site have failed to identify any suitable habitat for this species; however, it is noted that the EcoSM (2018) surveys identified this species on adjoining remnant parcels. These observations were restricted to areas of steeply incised drainage gullies occurring west of the Project Site. Remnant habitats in the far north-east of the Project Site may facilitate movement opportunities for this species; however, these areas are well removed (>500 m) from the Project Footprint. The land between the remnant habitat and the Project Footprint supported no suitable habitat for this species.

6.5 Mammals

A review of Government databases and the EcoSM (2018) ecological assessments indicated the known or potential occurrence of two mammal species of conservation significance in the broader locality. The shortlisting assessment has determined that one mammal species (koala) should be considered in further detail and that no suitable habitat for the brush-tailed rock-wallaby is present within the Project Site or surrounding remnants (i.e. those higher remnant areas lack rocky outcrops and other critical microhabitats for this species – known populations in the locality are restricted to national parks such as Mt French, Moogerah Peaks and Main Range National Parks).

6.6 Koala and Koala Habitat

The EcoSM (2018) ecological surveys directly and indirectly observed koala or koala evidence (scat or scratch). These observations were recorded in lower slope remnants dominated by the recognised favoured forage tree Queensland blue gum (within RE 12.9-10-7 and lower slopes of 12.8.17).

Active searches (canopy scanning) of all trees within the Project Footprint failed to detect the physical presence of koala. Passive search techniques did, however, identify old koala scats in the far north-east of the Project Site where a small number of relict Queensland blue gums occur. Stands of young and advanced regrowth Queensland blue gum were observed to the north of the Project Footprint surrounding on-line dams / drainage features; while further north c.700 m larger tracts of remnant vegetation dominated by Queensland blue gum are present.

Within the Project Site limited stands of suitable koala habitat occur and these are restricted to the remnants within the extreme, higher north-west of the Project Site (**Figure 6**). Within the Project Footprint, only very highly scattered koala trees are present; most of which occur within the existing and/or proposed overland flow path. Some of these will be retained, while others will be removed for the Proposed Development (see **Figure 7** and **Attachment 2**, which shows all koala habitat trees within and surrounding the Project Footprint).

An assessment of the Project Footprint clearly demonstrates the that habitats supported within the SRAIP do not support important koala habitat or suitable koala movement corridors. The vast majority of the Project Footprint comprises either areas under heavy cropping or cleared grazed paddocks generally devoid of vegetation. Further, the areas surrounding the Project Footprint to the east and south (off Site) also comprise areas under heavy cropping and intersected by the Cunningham Highway.

In relation to the koala habitat supported within the Site, **Section 7.2.2** provides an assessment of the SRAIP against the DAFF's Significant Impact Criteria for the Vulnerable koala.

6.7 Koala Population

The Project Footprint does not occur within any areas that could be conceivably considered as important koala habitat given the distinct lack of woodland, open forest or connective habitats for dispersal and breeding. It is acknowledged and well known that koalas will readily move across non-core habitat and utilise individual trees; however, the widely scattered, isolated paddock trees within the Project Footprint do not provide critical habitat elements for the local koala population; given the abundance of more favourable, intact or more aggregated habitats to the west and north of the Project Footprint and its immediate surrounds.

The individual koala(s) that, on occasion utilise these isolated trees belong to a larger meta-population which would occur in varying densities across the region and are likely to be more abundant where more intact tracts of vegetation persist on low fertile plains and their adjoining lower slopes (particularly where favoured feed trees are present and or dominant). The population and individuals residing in proximity to the Project Footprint are unlikely to be unique or disjunct from any other populations. Limited ecological or bio-regional barriers occur within the region that would result in the population being isolated from other populations and rendering the population genetically disjunct from others.

7 Potential Impacts and Proposed Mitigation Measures

7.1 Impact Avoidance

The location of the Project Footprint has been designed to consider ways to minimise impacts from the SRAIP on ecological constraints wherever possible. Where design allows, the project disturbance areas have been positioned to be confined to agricultural land which was historically cleared for its current use as cropping and grazing land, thereby preserving the more intact habitats in the north-western portion of the Project Site on Lot 2RP44024 & Lot 2RP20974. The design has been amended where possible to ensure that impacts to environmental values are avoided as much as practicable and any residual impacts associated with the SRAIP are minor and mitigated (discussed in **Section 7.2** and **Section 7.3**, respectively).

Further, the proposal establishes the EPA overlay over the native vegetation in the northern extents of the Site. No uses, works or infrastructures are proposed for approval in this application within or adjacent to any mapped areas of native vegetation. Any future works proposed here will be subject to detailed ecological assessment and relevant planning frameworks relevant at the time of the application.

7.1.1 Development Location

With regard to overarching selection of the project location, alternative development sites or locations for the proposed project are not considered feasible. For value-added benefits of the project to be realised (particularly the principles of circular economy), the Precinct is needed to occur close to existing productive agricultural land, agricultural processing (industry) and with easy access to state transport routes. Without this nexus, the biodigester becomes unfeasible, significantly impacting the economic and environmental outcomes of the project. Although land elsewhere may be available in the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area (RLRPA) under the ShapingSEQ Plan, the specific characteristics of the proposed location were determined to be ideal for the scale and intensity of the project.

7.1.2 Layout Design

As previously mentioned, the design of the development has undergone several design iterations in order to maintain the Site's existing environmental values as much as practicable. As such, the current proposed design's size, layout, and supporting infrastructure cannot be further modified in a significant manner due to engineering, topography, access, and flooding constraints. Where possible, minor footprint amendments have been made to reduce the extent of potential disturbance on fragmented populations of the NJKHT's associated with the cut and fill extents as depicted in **Figure 7**. Engineering considerations were also necessary to achieve a 1% AEP flood immunity.

To reduce impacts to NJKHT's on site, the project disturbance is not proposed to the far northwest of the property where more intact populations of koala habitat exists.

7.1.3 Land Use Restrictions

The proposed development location is burdened by various governing planning requirements and engineering challenges. As the disturbance footprint for the project is partially situated within pre-cleared areas of Class A & B agricultural land and it is located within the RLRPA, the project is constrained to uses that:

- Maximise value-addition for agricultural produce grown within the region;
- Consider site topography which is significantly steeper northeast of the project;
- Avoid highest-value cropping land on the site which is fragmented and confined to the road frontage on Cunningham Highway, noting:
 - The bulk of the subject site is currently utilised for lower-value cattle grazing. Areas
 containing higher ecological values are confined to the far northeast section of the
 block where remnant vegetation exists
- Avoid existing and proposed quarrying activities associated with the Kangaroo Mountain KRA 141
 - Use of this land must achieve compliance with the Extractive Resources Overly Code
 - The current proposal has taken the associated requirements into account by reducing the proposed industrial precinct boundaries to comply with the identified

setbacks (buffers) outlined under this code, and in consultation with the Department of Resources

 The project requires engineering that accounts for regional flood events and achieves a 1% AEP flood level immunity. This is facilitated by cut and fill activity making it more difficult to avoid all impacts to NJKHT's

7.1.4 Direct Clearing Mitigation

The location of the Project Footprint has been designed to consider ways to minimise direct clearing impacts from the SRAIP on ecological constraints wherever possible. Where design allows, the project disturbance areas have been positioned to be confined to agricultural land which was historically cleared for its current use as cropping and grazing land, thereby preserving the more intact habitats in the north-western portion of the Project Site and requiring minimal additional clearing. The design has been amended where possible to ensure that clearing impacts to NJKHT's are avoided as much as practicable.

7.2 Residual Impacts

7.2.1 Vegetation

The Proposed Development will require the establishment of the proposed uses over a predominantly cleared and heavily modified landscape. The extent of each surveyed vegetation community type within the Project Site (defined in **Section 5.1**) is detailed in **Table 5**.

Table 5: Extent of surveyed Vegetation Communities within Project Footprint

Vegetation Community	Area within Project Footprint
Cultivation Areas	34.23 ha
Drainage Channel and Basin	9.8 ha
Grazed Paddocks with Scattered Mature Trees	34.6 ha
Brush Box Open Forest	Nil

Vegetation Community	Area within Project Footprint
Narrow-leaved Ironbark Open Forest	Nil

The balance of the Project Footprint (5.09 ha) is located within Kalfresh existing operational facilities

Within the vegetation community described as grazed paddocks and scattered mature trees, the Proposed Development will require the removal of 20 Non-Juvenile Koala Habitat Trees (**NJKHTs**). The location of these NJKHTs is shown in **Figure 7**, and also within a Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan in **Attachment 2**. It is noted; at the time of survey, no threatened flora species were detected within the Site.

To further emphasise vegetation impact mitigation measures, the project disturbance areas occur predominantly on historically cleared agricultural land. The result of which preserves the more intact vegetation communities in the north-western portion of the Project Site on Lot 2RP44024 & Lot 2RP20974. The design has been amended where possible to ensure that impacts to NJKHT's, and vegetation generally, are avoided as much as practicable. Residual vegetative impacts associated with the SRAIP are minor and are discussed in **Section 7.3**.

7.2.2 Fauna

General Habitat Impacts

Based on the highly degraded and heavily modified nature of the Project Footprint, the SRAIP will have minimal impacts on native fauna species. The habitats that will be directly impacted consist of currently cropped lands, a table drain, and heavily grazed paddock areas with sporadic relict native trees.

The areas within the Project Footprint are not considered to provide important habitat for any fauna of significance. The primary fauna assemblages that utilise these areas are likely to consist of introduced species (e.g. field mouse) and locally common and robust species such as reptiles (see **Section 6.3**) and arboreal mammals such as possums.

While clearing of 20 NJKHT's is necessary, their scattered and isolated nature does not provide ideal habitat for more sedentary species, and would mostly serve as a foraging resource for opportunistic highly mobile avi-fauna or transient species. As such, species likely to use these trees are species which are unlikely to be impacted by the removal of the trees due to their high mobility. When considering during construction impact mitigation measures such as the use of a suitably qualified fauna spotter catcher, the risk to fauna is considerably low.

Indirect Impacts

There is potential for the SRAIP to lead to indirect impacts on fauna within and surrounding the Project through increased traffic, light, air pollution, noise and odour. Air pollution, noise and odour elements are being assessed under ERA processes; it is expected that the regulations governing the ERAs will be sufficient for the purposes of avoiding notable impacts on resident fauna in what is a highly disturbed area. With respect to traffic and light generation, these aspects will likely increase through the establishment of the SRAIP. However, it must be noted that the Project Site is highly modified and largely devoid of important fauna habitat; particularly in proximity to the Project Footprint. As such, it is considered that the SRAIP is located in an area that is well-suited to absorb increases in traffic and light spill. The indirect impacts associated with the SRAIP are also likely to further deter native animals from entering the operational areas of the Proposed Development; thus, promoting the ongoing use of peripheral habitat areas.

Fauna of Conservation Significance

No significant impacts on fauna species of conservation significance are expected to result from the SRAIP. Nevertheless, based on its sporadic presence within the Project Site and potentially the Project Footprint, an impact assessment focusing on koalas is provided below. A total of 20 NJKHTs will be impacted to establish the SRAIP (see **Figure 7**). The impacts to NJKHTs have been reviewed for offsetting purposes below (refer to **Section 7.4**).

This section of the EAR provides an assessment of the SRAIP against the DAFF's Significant Impact Criteria for the Vulnerable koala.

An action is likely to have a significant impact on a vulnerable species if there is a real chance of possibility that it will:

(a) Lead to a long-term decrease in the size of an important population of a species

As noted in **Section 6.7**, koalas in the locality are not considered to be an important population. The proposed SRAIP will result in the establishment of a concentrated industrial and agricultural precinct adjacent to the Cunningham Highway and will be co-located with areas under heavy cropping and focused around an existing primary produce process and packing facility. Impacts arising from the SRAIP are negligible (20 highly isolated koala habitat trees) in the context of resident koala populations. Secondary impacts are also considered to be negligible in this context as works will be localised to the Project Footprint and consistent with the surrounding landscape. A minor increase in traffic will arise as a result of the SRAIP; however, no new roads will be established and all traffic generated will be utilising an already heavily trafficked highway with limited koala habitat adjoining it in the immediate area (i.e. bound by areas under heavy cropping).

(b) Reduce the area of occupancy of an important population

As noted in **Section 6.7**, koalas in the locality are not considered to be an important population. The proposed SRAIP will not reduce the area of favourable or movement habitat for koala. It is unlikely that the removal of NJKHTs associated with the SRIAP or associated facilities/ uses will impact the broader koala population; this impact is negligible for koala populations and can be significantly improved through landscaping mitigation measures within the Project Site and Project Footprint (within drainage areas).

(c) Fragment an existing important population into two or more populations

As noted in **Section 6.7**, koalas in the locality are not considered to be an important population. It is considered that the Project Footprint and immediate surrounds does not constitute important koala habitat; however, it is acknowledged that individuals will on occasion move through these areas despite their general poor quality and potential risks (e.g. dogs and cars). The SRAIP will not establish a barrier to movement nor is it proposed to be located in an area considered to be important for koala movement (i.e. it is positioned in an area of existing cropping land that stretches over a width of more than 1 km with a major highway bisecting

the cropping area). As noted, a minor increase in traffic (slow moving as it will be pulling in or departing the SRAIP – reducing collision potential) will arise as a result of the SRAIP. There will be localised traffic increases within the internal road to be established within the SRAIP; however, increases on the Cunningham Highway are likely to be minor or negligible (refer to Traffic Impact Assessment prepared under separate cover). All generated traffic will occur within areas where limited koala habitat adjoins the carriageways; thereby reducing the likelihood of koala interaction with any traffic associated with the SRAIP.

(d) Adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of a species

The Project Footprint and immediately surrounding areas (c.400 m) do not support habitat critical to the survival of the koala. Consequently, the SRAIP will not adversely impact any habitat critical to the survival of koala.

(e) Disrupt the breeding cycle of an important population

As noted above, the Project Footprint and immediately surrounding areas do not support habitat critical to the survival of koala, nor does the broader locality support an important population. It is unlikely that the aggregated nature of the SRAIP and its co-location with heavily cleared (cropped or grassed) habitats will impact opportunities for koalas to breed, to seek out mates or to disperse during breeding season.

(f) Modify, destroy, remove or isolate or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the species is likely to decline

The SRAIP will not impact any habitat critical to the survival of koala. It will result in the removal of NJKHTs in a heavily cleared and intensely used agricultural precinct (cropped and grazed) adjoining a major highway. The impacts from the removal of individual NJKHTs and the establishment of the SRAIP and associated uses over areas under heavy crop or grazing and enveloped by similar uses is unlikely to negatively impact on koala and lead to a decline in the species or local population. Landscaping mitigation measures within the broader Project Site (e.g. the proposed overland flow path) can significantly increase the available koala habitat, foraging resources and movement opportunities for koala.

(g) Result in invasive species that are harmful to a vulnerable species becoming established in the vulnerable species' habitat

The SRAIP does not occur within any core koala habitat and is well removed from such. It is not expected that the establishment of the SRAIP will increase the level of invasive species that impact koala such as dog or fox.

(h) Introduce disease that may cause the species to decline

The SRAIP is unlikely to introduce pressures to the broader population that do not already existing in the region. The isolated nature of the Project Footprint in relation to the more intact habitat and movement corridors would also separate the proposed uses from koala populations. Individuals moving through the Project Site are unlikely to be incentivised to move towards or through the SRAIP, owing to a lack of suitable habitat (forage or roosting) within or adjoining the SRAIP or to the east across the highway.

(i) Interfere substantially with the recovery of the species

As noted above, the Project Footprint and immediately surrounding areas do not support habitat critical to the survival of koala, nor does the broader locality support an important population. Opportunities that currently exist for koala movement through the Project Site will not be impacted by the SRAIP as they generally occur a large distance from the Project Footprint. Further, koalas are unlikely to be incentivised to move towards or through the SRAIP as there is no koala forage or roosting opportunities in this area (see **Figure 6**).

Based on this assessment:

- the Project Footprint and its immediate surrounds do not support habitat critical to the survival of the koala;
- the broader locality does not support a defined important population;
- the SRAIP does not occur in areas that support intact koala habitat nor will the SRAIP interfere with koala movement. Further, the location and setting of the Project Footprint does not provide an incentive or any habitat amenity for koala (post development) as there are no koala trees or other vegetation within or proximate to the location (i.e.

koalas are unlikely to move through the SRAIP as there is no habitat to move to or adjoining it to the east); and

 koala habitat can be significantly improved within the Project Site through landscaping mitigation measures and/or active natural regeneration in areas not under graze or cropping.

7.2.3 Prescribed Matters

The SRAIP will not have a Significant Residual Impact on a prescribed matter.

7.3 Proposed Mitigation

Owing to the nature of impacts to flora and fauna resulting from the SRAIP and impact avoidance measures described in **Section 7.1**, impacts on existing flora and fauna values are considered minimal. Nonetheless, mitigation measures are required and have been employed where beneficial to further descale any resultant impact. Any minor residual impacts can be mitigated through landscaping measures for some of the habitats within the Project Site, as described below:

• Landscaping mitigation plantings of Queensland blue gum within the proposed overland flow path. These landscape plantings will be established at 1/400m² (or 20m spacings) throughout the Overland Flow Path, as well as buffer areas adjoining the northern connection road and the future haul road (Figure 7). Revegetation plantings will equate to three Queensland Blue Gums for every NJKHT impacted by the Proposed Development. Therefore, there will be a total establishment of 60 Queensland Blue Gum plantings in these areas which will more than adequately compensate for the impacts to the NJKHTs as a result of the SRAIP development. The landscaping area totals 12.95 hectares and where occurring within the Overland Flow Path, will not affect any Manning's coefficient for stormwater and will further increase the presence of koala trees in this area from the existing sparse and scattered prevalence. This is not an offset planting but rather a landscaping mitigation measure that will result in an uplift in the utility of the area for koalas and other arboreal fauna. Further, the landscaping works will provide additional stabilisation of the Overland Flow Path and the localised buffer areas as well as increased shading and cooling of these

environs that currently exists as actively grazed open paddocks with isolated and highly scattered trees.

Waterway embellishments or retention of soak areas utilising produced greywater.

Furthermore, the establishment of the SRAIP will be guided by an approved Vegetation Management Plan (**VMP**) and Fauna Management Plan (**FMP**) prepared in accordance with the Planning Scheme's Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments. A conceptual VMP and FMP is provided for the SRAIP in **Attachment 2**.

7.4 Offsets

As previously identified, the proposed SRAIP development will result in removal of 20 NJKHTs in a heavily cleared and intensely used agricultural precinct.

The Project Footprint is located entirely outside of a KPA or a mapped Core Koala Habitat Area and does not constitute a significant residual impact under the Assessment Benchmarks of the Planning Reg (Schedule 11, Part 2, 7). Notwithstanding, it is understood that as the project is a Coordinated Project under the SDWPO Act, the removal of NJKHTs outside of areas that are mapped to be koala habitat areas, should be considered a significant residual impact for Coordinated Projects, and consequently trigger an offset in accordance with Chapter 2A of the Queensland Environmental Offsets Policy (Version 1.8) (**QEOP**).

The QEOP allows for the provision of either a proponent driven (on-ground) offset; a financial offset or a combination of both. The Applicant has elected to provide a financial offset to acquit the significant residual impact to the NJKHTs. This has been calculated based on each NJKHT equating to an impact of 0.004 hectares (or $40m^2$) as specified in the QEOP. As such, the impact to 20 NJKHTs equates to a significant residual impact of 0.08 hectares and can be acquitted through the financial contribution of \$8,030.88 (refer to **Attachment 20**). The Applicant is committed to undertaking this financial contribution for the SRAIP development. Compliance with Relevant State and Local Requirements.



7.5 State Planning Policy

An assessment of the Proposed Development against the five Biodiversity State Interest Policies is provided in **Table 6**.



Table 6: Assessment of the Proposed Development against the Biodiversity State Interest Policies

Biodive	ersity State Interest Policies	Response
1.	Development is located in areas to avoid significant	Complies.
	impacts on matters of national environmental significance	The Proposed Development will not have a significant impact on a MNES.
	and considers the requirements of the EPBC Act.	
2.	Matters of State Environmental Significance area	Complies.
	identified and development is located in areas that avoid	This EAR identifies MSES of relevance to the Proposed Development (Section 6). The SRAIP
	adverse impacts; where adverse impacts cannot be	has avoided impacts to MSES where possible and will result in minor impact to 20 NJKHTs. It is noted
	reasonably avoided, they are minimised.	that the inundation area is separated from any Regulated Vegetation by a minimum c. 50 m and
		occurs down slope of this vegetation. The Applicant is committed to the provision of a financial offset
		to acquit the minor significant residual impact for Koala in accordance with the QEOP (refer to
		Section 7.4).
3.	Matters of Local Environmental Significance are identified	Complies.
	and development is located in areas that avoid adverse	This EAR identifies MLES of relevance to the Proposed Development (Section 6). The Proposed
	impacts; where adverse impacts cannot be reasonably	Development will not have an adverse impact on any MLES.
	avoided, they are minimised.	
4.	Ecological processes and connectivity is maintained or	Complies.
	enhanced by avoiding fragmentation of matters of	The SRAIP is located within a highly modified landscape and will have minimal impacts on ecological
	environmental significance.	processes and connectivity. The Project Footprint does not contain any habitat of significance, nor is it
		located within an important movement corridor for fauna.
	N	
5.	Viable koala populations in South East Queensland are	Complies.
	protected by conserving and enhancing koala habitat	Koalas are known to exist within the Project Site, though the habitat of most utility to the species is far
	extent and condition.	removed from the Project Footprint and restricted to remnant areas in the north-west of Lot. Proposed
		Landscape mitigation measures within the Project Site will result in a benefit for the species (see



Biodiversity State Interest Policies	Response
	Section 7.3). Notwithstanding, the Applicant is committed to the provision of a financial offset for
	impacts NJKHTs in accordance with the QEOP (refer to Section 7.4).

7.6 State Code 16

Section 22A Relevant Purpose Determination

SARA mapping shows that areas defined as Category B and Category C on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map (**RVMM**) are limited to the north-western extent of Lot 2RP44024 and Lot 2RP20974 within the Project Site; some 500 m or more from any proposed built infrastructure of the Project Footprint (**Attachment 7**). The balance of the Project Area is mapped as Category X vegetation.

The SRAIP will not impact Category B or Category C Regulated Vegetation <u>either directly or indirectly</u>. As such, the proposal will not require a Section 22A Relevant Purpose Determination under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (Qld) (**VM Act**).

Under the *Planning Regulation 2017* (Qld) (**Planning Regulation**) and the VM Act, a development permit is required for vegetation clearing (operational work and MCU) unless that clearing is exempt clearing work. <u>Under Schedule 20, Part 2, Section 2 of the Planning Regulation, clearing vegetation on freehold land in a Category X area is "exempt clearing work".</u>

Despite no impact to Category B and Category C Regulated Vegetation, the proposed MCU application is proposed over the whole of the Site, including the areas mapped to contain this native vegetation. As such, a response has been provided to State Code 16: Native vegetation Clearing below for completeness in **Table 7** below.



Table 7 - Response to State Code 16: Native Vegetation Clearing

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Response
Clearing avoids or minimises impacts		
P01	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Complies with PO1
Clearing of vegetation is consistent with any notice		The proposed development does not involve any clearing of native vegetation.
requiring compliance on the land subject to the		
development application, unless a better environmental outcome can be achieved.		
PO2	No acceptable outcome is prescribed	Complies with PO2
Clearing of vegetation is consistent with		The proposed development does not involve any clearing of native vegetation.
vegetation management requirements for particular		
regulated areas unless a better environmental		
outcome can be achieved.		
PO3	No acceptable outcome is prescribed	Complies with PO3
Clearing of vegetation in a legally secured offset area:		The proposed development does not involve any clearing of native vegetation.
1. is consistent with the offset delivery plan; or		
2. is consistent with an agreement for the offset area		
on the land subject to the development application; or		
3. only occurs if an additional offset is provided.		
PO4	No acceptable outcome is prescribed	Complies with PO4
Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of clearing		The proposed development avoids any clearing of native vegetation ¹⁵ .
vegetation do not occur unless the application has		The proposed MCU application for the SRAIP has included an Environmental Protection Area
demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse		(EPA) precinct within the Masterplan (Attachment 1). This encompasses the Category B and
impacts of clearing have been:		Category C Regulated Vegetation within the north western extent of the Site. Subsequently, the
1. reasonably avoided; or reasonably minimised		Industrial precinct within the Site's south eastern extent is situated a minimum of 750m from the
where it cannot be reasonably mavoided.		EPA precinct. Further, infrastructure associated with the proposed composting area centrally with
		the Site is situated more than 400m from the EPA precinct. No works, including clearing or the
		establishment of any built infrastructure, are proposed within or adjoining the EPA precinct as part
		of this proposed MCU application. Further, no works or infrastructure is proposed within 1.5 times
		the average canopy height of the vegetation within the EPA precinct (as such no direct or indirect
		impacts will arise from the proposal and no Section 22A Relevant Purpose Determination is
		required). Further, any future works proposed within the EPA precinct will be subject to further

¹⁵ Native Vegetation being Regulated Vegetation Category A, B, C or R.



Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Response
		detailed assessment including the full requirements outlined within the Scope of Work as well as
		referral to all relevant state assessment agencies.
		Further, it is highlighted that the proposed Future Road Connection illustrated to occur through
		the EPA precinct is subject to a separate application; being proposed as part of the Fraserview
		Quarry over the properties adjoining the subject Site to the north (MCU19/005 & RAL19/003).
		Should this proposed MCU for the SRAIP Masterplan be approved, the proposed future road
		connection for the Fraserview Quarry will not be constructed until such time as the separate
		application is also approved. Should this separate application for Fraserview Quarry be refused,
		any future road connection through the EPA precinct will require another separate application and
		detailed assessment required by the State and relevant referral agencies.

7.7 Nature Conservation Act 1992

The Project Site is <u>not</u> located within a mapped "High Risk Trigger Area" (**Attachment 7**). The detailed botanical survey of the Project Footprint and surrounding area failed to identify the presence of protected plants and/or suitable habitat for these. Consequently, based on the information presently at hand, a Protected Plant Clearing Permit under the NC Act is not likely to be required for the SRAIP. Furthermore, an Exempt Clearing Notification under the NC Act is also not warranted.

Some of the relict trees that will be removed within the Project Footprint (see **Attachment 2**) contain hollows that would serve as animal breeding places. Therefore, clearing of these trees will require a Permit to Tamper with an Animal Breeding Place prior to works occurring. This in turn will require the preparation of a Species Management Program to the satisfaction of DES.

7.8 Operational Works – Waterway Barrier Works

As identified in **Section 3.3.3**, the Operational Works phase of the Proposed Development will potentially require referral to DAFF (waterway barrier works). The waterway mapping within the Project Site is grossly inaccurate and does not reflect the heavily-altered nature of the Project Site's hydrological characteristics. It is noted that the channelised drain running in a generally north direction is not identified as a waterway for waterway barrier works. Notwithstanding, it is understood that Cardno Pty Ltd have been engaged to undertake assessment potential impacts posed to fish passage and habitat for the draft IAR (Appendix M of the draft IAR package).

It must be noted that this wetland area is of anthropogenic origin and does not function as a natural lake or wetland due to its reliance on greywater from the existing Kalfresh operations. This wetland would likely dry out and be significantly altered through grazing if its greywater supply was removed, as will be the case once the Proposed Development is operational (i.e. with a closed wastewater loop).

7.9 South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017

Regional Biodiversity Values

Regional biodiversity values have been mapped in SEQ as part of the ShapingSEQ regional plan and identify values that represent large tracts of vegetation; aquatic connectivity; areas of

species richness and diversity; areas of ecosystem representation and uniqueness; and climate adaptation zones and refugia. DAMS mapping indicates that polygons of Regional Biodiversity Value are mapped within the project area under the ShapingSEQ regional plan. Proposed infrastructure will conflict with these areas, predominantly on Lot 4 and Lot 2RP.

However, while these areas are proposed to be impacted, the mapped polygons are largely erroneous in the values they are trying to represent as these polygons are mapped over predominantly cleared areas with limited environmental value. Notably, one (1) polygon is mapped over an entirely cleared area with an access track traversing the mapping. Where impacts are proposed, there is limited ecological value and only minor levels (sparse, individual trees in grazed paddock) of impact would be resultant of the proposal which are readily recoverable through the proposed landscaping works. Values that the mapping layer seeks to represent (such as large tracts of vegetation, aquatic connectivity, species richness, ecosystem representation and uniqueness, and climate adaptation zones) do not reflect actual on-ground values.

To further emphasise vegetation impact mitigation measures, the project disturbance areas occur predominantly on historically cleared agricultural land. The result of which preserves the more intact vegetation communities in the north-western portion of the Project Site on Lot 2RP44024 & Lot 2RP20974. The design has been amended where possible to ensure that impacts to vegetation generally is avoided as much as practicable. **Section 7.1** to **Section 7.1.4** further discusses impact avoidance measures which demonstrate that even though Regional biodiversity values are impacted, they represent the greatest environmental outcome in the context of the Proposed Development. Residual vegetative impacts associated with the SRAIP are minor and are discussed in **Section 7.3**.

7.10 Planning Scheme Strategic Framework

An assessment of the SRAIP against the Strategic Outcomes in Section 3.6.2 of the Planning Scheme Strategic Framework is provided in **Table 8**.



Table 8: Assessment of the SRAIP against environmental Strategic Outcomes (section 3.6.2) of the Planning Scheme Strategic Framework

Strategic	Outcome	Comment	
Natural La	Natural Landscape and Environmental Values		
(1) D	evelopment is located to avoid significant impacts on MNES	Complies. The SRAIP will not have a significant impact on a MNES.	
(2) D	evelopment protects and enhances the ecological values of MSES, including:	Complies.	
(a	a) Protected Areas;	The SRAIP has avoided impacts to MSES where possible and will result in minor impact to 20 NJKHTs. The Applicant is committed to the provision of a	
(b	P) Regulated Vegetation (as defined under the State Planning Policy);	financial offset to acquit the minor significant residual impact for Koala in accordance with the QEOP (refer to Section 7.4).	
(c	c) State Significance Species;		
(c	d) High Ecological Value Waters (Watercourse);		
(€	e) High Ecological Value Waters (Wetland);		
(f) High Ecological Significance wetlands; and		
(9	g) Waterways and Wetlands Buffer Areas.		
(3) D	evelopment protects and enhances the ecological values of MLES including:	Complies. The SRAIP does not contain any MLES listed as (a) to (e).	
(a	a) Core Corridor;	The mapped waterways will be augmented and improved where these intersect the Project Footprint.	
(b	o) Node Corridor;		
(c	c) Stepping Stone;		
(c	d) Critical linkage;		
(€	e) Koala Habitat; and		
(f) Stream Orders 2-7 and Watercourse Buffer Areas		



Strateg	c Outcome	Comment
(4)	Development location and design considers biodiversity values and does not compromise the intended function of intended biodiversity linkages.	Complies. The SRAIP avoids areas of biodiversity value within the Project Site and will not affect any biodiversity linkages or ecological corridors.
(5)	Development protects habitat identified for State Significant Species.	Complies. The SRAIP avoids habitat of State Significant Species.
(6)	Development protects viable koala populations by conserving and enhancing known koala habitat extent and condition.	Complies. The SRAIP avoids mapped koala habitat within the Project Site and in doing so, protects the local koala population. The SRAIP will not adversely affect movement of koalas through the landscape, as it is significantly removed from any notable koala habitat and surrounded by significant impediments (i.e. expansive cropping land, cleared grazed areas and the Cunningham Highway). Further detail is provided in Section 7.2.2. Landscaping mitigation measures described in Section 7.3 will lead to enhancements to the Project Site's provision of koala habitat. The Applicant is committed to the provision of a financial offset to acquit the impact to NJKHTs in accordance with the QEOP (refer to Section 7.4).
(7)	The habitat and ecological value of vegetated corridors and biodiversity linkages are protected and enhanced.	Complies. The SRAIP avoids areas of biodiversity value within the Project Site and will not affect any biodiversity linkages or ecological corridors.
(8)	Development in an area having regionally significant landscape value, being the Border Ranges (including the Gondwana Rainforest World Heritage Area of Lamington National Park), Scenic Rim Corridor (including the Main Range, Mount Barney, Mount Maroon, Mount Chingee and Lamington national parks, Mount Lindesay and Tamborine Mountain, specifically land in the Rural Zone – Escarpment Precinct) and Flinders-Karawatha Corridor (including Mt Flinders, Teviot Range, Mt Joyce, Wyaralong Dam and south to Mt Barney), maintains the scenic amenity value of the area.	Complies. The SRAIP does not propose development in areas of regionally significant landscape value.
(9)	Scenic amenity and landscape character is maintained, including through the protection of significant trees in the Vegetation Management Area.	Complies. The SRAIP is not within the mapped Vegetation Management Area.
(10	Development is located, designed and operated to avoid adverse impacts on the biodiversity values of MSES.	Complies. The SRAIP avoids adverse impacts on the biodiversity values of MSES.



Strategic Outcome	Comment
(11) Development is located, designed and operated to avoid adverse impacts on the biodiversity values of MLES.	Complies. The SRAIP avoids adverse impacts on the biodiversity values of MLES.
 (12) The impacts of development on MLES are effectively managed by: (a) Avoiding impacts, where practicable; (b) Minimising impacts, where impacts cannot be reasonably avoided; (c) Restoring values on the same premises and in an appropriate location, where impacts cannot be reasonably avoided or minimised. 	Complies. The SRAIP predominantly avoids adverse impacts on MLES. The establishment of the Project Footprint will require some modification to the man-made waterways within the Project Site; particularly the channelised drain that directs sheet flow northwards. These impacts will be managed through the re-establishment of natural characteristics within the modified drain (incorporating pools and riffles) to provide amenity for fish and other aquatic species. Native vegetation can also be established along the waterway corridor. This is described in Section 7.3 and will lead to improvements in the ecological values of, and water quality within, the mapped MLES waterway.
(13) Development maintains, and where possible, enhances the quality of surface water and groundwater.	N/A This matter is addressed under separate cover.
(14) Development within a Watercourse Buffer Area is designed and located to maintain native vegetation, terrestrial and aquatic habitat, ecological function (including maintenance of fish passage) and water quality.	Complies. The establishment of the Project Footprint will require some modification to the man-made waterways within the Project Site; particularly the channelised drain that directs sheet flow northwards. These impacts will be managed through the re-establishment of natural characteristics within the modified drain (incorporating pools and riffles) to provide amenity for fish and other aquatic species. Native vegetation can also be established along the waterway corridor. This is described in Section 7.3 and will lead to improvements in the ecological values of, and water quality within, the mapped MLES waterway.
(15) Development protects and enhances the water quality and biodiversity values (including the maintenance of fish passage) of waterways and wetlands and is appropriately set back and provides buffers.	Complies The Proposed Development will not create any barriers to fish passage and will result in the improvement of waterway values through embellishments and restorative planting within the engineered overland flow path.
(16) Water quality is protected and enhanced in the following Urban Water Supply Storages:(a) Maroon;	N/A The SRAIP will not affect any of the listed urban water supply storages. Water quality matters are addressed under separate cover (refer to Appendix L of the draft IAR package).
(b) Moogerah; and	



Strategic Outcome	Comment	
(c) Wyaralong.		
(17) Development facilitates public access to the region's waterways at appropriate locations where the environmental values of the waterway are maintained.	N/A Waterways within the Project Site are not accessible to the public, as these are minor engineered drains to facilitate the collection and conveyance of sheet flow. It is not considered logical to encourage public access of such modified waterways within the boundaries of a commercial agricultural operation (and a proposed agricultural industrial precinct).	
(18) Development is designed to incorporate the principles of total water cycle management and water sensitive urban design.	Complies One of the fundamental elements underpinning the SRAIP is the principles of total water cycle management, as evidenced through the symbiotic relationship of the proposed operations within the precinct. Wastes from one process will be used inputs for another. Greywater and waste products from the processing of crops will form inputs to the anaerobic digester as part of the bioenergy facility. Further information in relation to these processes is provided under separate cover.	
(19) Development within a Water Resource Buffer Area is planned, designed and managed to avoid or otherwise minimise adverse impacts on the water quality of drinking water.	N/A The SRAIP is not proposed within a Water Resource Buffer Area.	
(20) Stormwater quality, quantity and velocity are managed in a manner which protects and improves water quality in waterways and wetlands.	Complies Stormwater quality, quantity and velocity associated with the SRAIP will be managed in accordance with the Stormwater Management Plan prepared under separate cover.	
(21) The water quality of surface and groundwater systems is protected and improved.	N/A Stormwater and groundwater quality, quantity and velocity associated with the SRAIP are addressed under separate cover.	
Cultural Heritage		
Cultural heritage elements of the SRAIP are addressed under separate cover.		
Natural Hazards, Risk and Resilience		



Strategic Outcome Comment

Natural hazard elements of the SRAIP are addressed under separate cover.

Emissions and Hazardous Activities

Emissions and hazardous activities (e.g. Environmentally Relevant Activities) associated with the SRAIP are addressed under separate cover.

7.11 Planning Scheme Codes

An assessment of the SRAIP against the relevant components of the Environmental Significance Overlay Code of the Planning Scheme is provided in **Table 9**.



Table 9: Assessment of the SRAIP against relevant components of the Environmental Significance Overlay Code of the Planning Scheme

Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment		
Protection of Matters of State and Local Environmental Significance				
PO1 Development protects and avoids impact on MSES and/or MLES	AO1.1 Development has no impact on the relevant environmental values of MSES and/or MLES OR AO1.2 An Ecological Assessment Report prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments demonstrates that the development site does not contain any MSES and/or MLES OR AO1.3 An Ecological Assessment Report prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments demonstrates that development is located, designed and operated to mitigate adverse impacts on the relevant environmental values of MSES and/or MLES.	Complies. This EAR demonstrates that the SRAIP is designed to avoid, minimise and mitigate impacts on MLES. The SRAIP has avoided impacts to MSES where possible and will result in minor impact to NJKHTs. The Applicant is committed to the provision of a financial offset to acquit the minor significant residual impact for Koala in accordance with the QEOP (refer to Section 7.4).		
PO2 Development is designed and constructed to: 1. avoid significant adverse impact on MSES and/or MLES; and 2. protect and enhance ecological connectivity and habitat extent between areas of MSES and/or MLES	AO2 The design and layout of development minimises adverse impacts on Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance by: (1) focusing development in non-vegetated areas to protect existing habitat; (2) using urban design to consolidate density and preserve existing habitat and native vegetation; (3) aligning property boundaries to maintain ecologically important areas;	Complies. (1) The Project Footprint is located in cleared areas currently cropped and grazed, and is centred around existing Kalfresh operations. (2) The SRAIP largely avoids areas of habitat value and native vegetation. Some individual relict trees can be retained in the north-west of the Project Footprint as demonstrated in the VMP (Attachment 2). (3) No ecologically important areas will be impacted by the SRAIP. (4) No ecologically important areas are located within an area of influence from the SRAIP. Existing regulated vegetation with highest habitat values within the Project Site are located more than 500 m from the Project Footprint. The low basin area located centrally		



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment
	(4) ensuring that alterations to natural landforms, hydrology and drainage patterns on the development site do not negatively affect ecologically important areas;	within the Project Site is anthropogenic in origin and is completely dominated by exotic weed growth which is under constant graze from stocked cattle which in turn, impact the soil profile by trampling wet heavy clays.
	(5) avoiding impacts on flora and fauna and their habitat as identified in the <i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> and locally significant species;	The SRAIP avoids areas of ecological importance. (5) The SRAIP has avoided impacts to MSES where possible and will result in minor impact to NJKHTs. The
	(6) ensuring that significant fauna and flora and their habitats are protected in their environmental context and incorporate measures that allow for the safe movement of fauna through the site;	Applicant is committed to the provision of a financial offset to acquit the minor significant residual impact for Koala in accordance with the QEOP (refer to Section 7.4).
	(7) ensuring the clearing of native vegetation is minimised;	(6) The SRAIP avoids impacts to significant flora and fauna through the location of the Project Footprint in
	(8) ensuring development does not isolate areas identified as Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance;	areas devoid of habitat value. The SRAIP will not impact any movement of fauna through the Project Site, as the existing impediments to movement are a significant disincentive for fauna to move through this
	(9) ensuring development retains native vegetation in areas large enough to maintain ecological values, functions and processes; and	area, in the presence of suitable surrounding habitat to the west. (7) The SRAIP will require minimal native vegetation
	(10) ensuring development is operated and managed in a manner to ensure long term viability of the matter of environmental significance.	clearing, as demonstrated in the VMP (Attachment 2). (8) The SRAIP will not isolate areas identified as MSES and/or MLES.
		(9) The SRAIP will retain native vegetation in the areas of highest habitat value (i.e. the north-western areas of regulated vegetation within Lot 2RP). Ecological
		values, functions and processes will be retained. (10) The SRAIP will not affect the long-term viability of any matters of environmental significance within or proximate to the Project Site.
PO3 Buffers are provided and maintained that protect the long term viability of MSES and/or MLES	AO3.1 Development provides and maintains a buffer to MSES and/or MLES, the width of which is supported by an evaluation of the environmental values prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments.	Complies. The Project Footprint is not within 100m of an area identified as High Ecological Value Waters (Watercourse), High Ecological Value Waters (Wetland) or High Ecological Significance Wetlands.
	OR	



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment
	Where involving a wetland or watercourse, development provides a buffer from an area identified as High Ecological Value Waters (Watercourse), High Ecological Value Waters (Wetland) and High Ecological Significance Wetlands which has a minimum width of: (1) 100m where the area is located outside an urban area; or (2) 50m where the area is located within an urban area.	
PO4 The ongoing management, operation and tenure of MSES and/or MLES ensures impacts on biodiversity values and ecological processes are avoided or minimised.	AO4.1 No ongoing impacts occur from the operation of the development. OR	Complies. The SRAIP will not have ongoing impacts on MSES and/or MLES.
are avoided or minimised.	AO4.2 Where impacts are ongoing:	
	(1) They are mitigated by appropriate management, tenure or monitoring and reporting; and	
	(2) Relevant management plans and reporting are provided for assessment and approval.	
PO5 Disturbed or cleared or degraded areas are rehabilitated.	AO5.1 Development provides for cleared, degraded or disturbed areas to be rehabilitated or allowed to regenerate naturally, where development is located in areas identified as:	Complies. The SRAIP will include the landscape mitigation measures with in the Project Site, as described in Section 7.3 which will include locally endemic species. Refer to Figure 7.
	(1) Protected Areas;	reactioningule 1.
	(2) Regulated Vegetation (as defined in the SPP);	
	(3) Mapped areas of Local Environmental Significance; or	
	(4) Other MSES and/or MLES identified within an Ecological Assessment Report as requiring rehabilitation	



	AO5.2 Development provides for locally significant species to be predominantly used in revegetation and landscape planting on the site.	
PO6	AO6	Complies.
Where habitat or vegetation is proposed to be damaged, management strategies are	Development ensures that:	The SRAIP will generally avoid habitat for MSES and/or MLES.
implemented to ensure the protection and safety of wildlife and the protection of nearby	(1) the native fauna is safely relocated to an area of similar habitat;	The FMP (Attachment 2) provides appropriate detail to address items (1) to (5).
habitat in areas identified as either MSES and/or MLES.	(2) the sequence of habitat disturbance ensures that fauna is not isolated from adjoining areas of habitat;	The VMP (Attachment 2) responds to the requirements of item (6). With respect to item (7), vegetation clearing will be
	(3) fauna relocation occurs immediately prior to habitat disturbance;	undertaken in accordance with Policy 6 of the DEHP Koala Sensitive Design Guideline and will be
	(4) qualified fauna spotter catchers, licenced by the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, are present on the site at the time of the damage, to direct and undertake the removal and relocation of fauna;	undertaken in accordance with Schedule 11, Part 3, Section 8 of the <i>Planning Regulation 2017</i> .
	(5) where possible, damaged habitat and nesting sites are rehabilitated outside of development areas;	
	(6) vegetation planned for retention is protected from damage, in accordance with AS4970.	
	(7) vegetation is cleared in accordance with Policy 6 of the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection's: Koala-Sensitive Design Guideline.	
P07	A07	Complies.
Development design and location provides for the safe movement of native fauna through the site.	Where infrastructure crosses native fauna movement paths, the design of new development incorporates fauna friendly movement solutions.	The SRAIP will not cross any native fauna movement path.



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment
N/A – the Project Site is not mapped to contain a	ny areas identified as koala habitat within the Priority Species Overlay	Мар.
Local Vegetation Clearing - Offsets		
PO10 Where significant residual impacts resulting from damage to vegetation in areas identified as MLES (and where not identified as MSES) cannot be avoided or mitigated, the impacts are offset so that the environmental value proposed to be removed from the site is maintained.	AO10 No Acceptable Outcome is prescribed.	Complies. The SRAIP will not result in a significant residual impact on a MLES.
Water Quality – Waterways and Wetlands		
PO11 Development located in areas identified on Environmental Significance Overlay Map - Wetlands and Waterways OM-04-D: (1) protects or enhances habitat values (including maintenance of fish passage), ecological connectivity and other ecological functions and values; (2) protects water quality and aquatic conditions;	AO11.1 Development, including any associated filling or excavation (other than rehabilitation or restorative works) does not occur within a High Ecological Value Waters (Watercourse), High Ecological Value Waters (Wetland), High Ecological Significance Wetlands and Waterways and Wetlands Buffer Area. AO11.2 Development provides a buffer from an area identified as High Ecological Value Waters (Watercourse), High Ecological Value Waters (Wetland), and High Ecological Significance Wetlands which has a minimum width of:	Complies. The Project Footprint is not within 100m of an area identified as High Ecological Value Waters (Watercourse), High Ecological Value Waters (Wetland) or High Ecological Significance Wetlands.
 (3) maintains natural micro-climatic conditions; (4) maintains natural hydrological processes; (5) prevents mass soil movement, gully erosion, rill erosion, sheet erosion, tunnel erosion, stream bank erosion, wind erosion, or scalding; and 	(1) 100m where the area is located outside an urban area; or(2) 50m where the area is located within an urban area; or(3) the buffer width of which is supported by an evaluation of the environmental values (identified by a suitably qualified person), including the function and threats.	



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment
(6) avoids loss or modification of chemical, physical or biological properties or functions of soil.		
PO12 Development within a Watercourse Buffer Area (A, B or C) shown on Environmental Significance Overlay Map – Local Watercourse OM-04-E has no adverse impact on: (1) native vegetation; (2) terrestrial and aquatic habitat; (3) ecological functions; and (4) nature conservation functions.	AO12 The development footprint is not located within: (1) 10m from the high or outer bank of the watercourse located in Watercourse Buffer Area A; (2) 25m from the high or outer bank of the watercourse located in Watercourse Buffer Area B; (3) 50m from the high or outer bank of the watercourse located in Watercourse Buffer Area C.	Performance The establishment of the Project Footprint will require some modification to the man-made waterways within the Project Site; particularly the channelised drain that directs sheet flow northwards. These impacts will be managed through the re-establishment of natural characteristics within the modified drain (incorporating pools and riffles) to provide amenity for fish and other aquatic species. Native vegetation can also be established along the waterway corridor. This is described in Section 7.3 and will lead to improvements in the ecological values of, and water quality within, the mapped MLES waterway.
Water Quality – All Waterways and Wetlands	and Local Watercourses	
PO13 Development appropriately manages stormwater quality to: (1) protect natural ecosystems; (2) protect water quality; (3) reduce runoff and peak flows; and (4) meet the water quality objectives and environmental values for Queensland waters.	AO13 A site-based stormwater quality management plan (SQMP) is prepared by a suitably qualified person that demonstrates that the stormwater quality treatment measures meet the design objectives identified in Table 8.2.4.3.2 - Stormwater Management Design Objectives.	N/A A SQMP is prepared for the SRAIP under separate cover.
PO14 Stormwater quantity management outcomes demonstrate no adverse impact on stormwater flooding or the drainage of properties external to the subject site.	AO14.1 A site-based stormwater quantity management plan (SQMP) is prepared by a suitably qualified person: (1) that demonstrates achievable stormwater quantity control measures for discharge during both the construction and operational phases of development; and (2) is designed in accordance with the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual (QUDM).	N/A A SQMP is prepared for the SRAIP under separate cover.



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment
	AO14.2 Stormwater flows discharged from development are either within the capacity of the downstream drainage system such that non-worsening occurs, or are mitigated to pre-development characteristics.	
PO15 Development does not discharge wastewater to a waterway or wetland off-site unless demonstrated to be best practice environmental management for that site and addresses the: (1) applicable water quality objectives for the receiving waters; and (2) the potential adverse impact on ecosystem health of receiving waters.	Where the development involves the discharge of wastewater, a site-based Wastewater Management Plan is prepared by a suitably qualified person and addresses: (1) wastewater type; (2) climatic conditions; (3) water quality design objectives; and (4) best-practice environmental management. AO15.2 The site-based Wastewater Management Plan required in AO15.1 provides that wastewater is managed in accordance with a waste management hierarchy that: (1) avoids wastewater discharges to waterways, wetlands and watercourses; and (2) if wastewater discharge to waterways, wetlands or watercourses cannot practicably be avoided, minimises wastewater discharge to waterways, wetlands or watercourses by re-use, recycling, recovery and treatment for disposal to sewer, surface water and groundwater.	N/A A site-based Wastewater Management Plan is prepared for the SRAIP under separate cover.
PO16 The environmental value of receiving waters and the functionality of stormwater infrastructure are protected from the impacts of erosion, turbidity and sedimentation.	AO16 An erosion and sediment control plan is prepared by a suitably qualified person that achieves the design objectives in Table 8.2.4.3.2 - Stormwater Management Design Objectives.	Complies An erosion and sediment control plan for the SRAIP will be prepared to meet the required Stormwater Management Design Objectives at the operational works stage.
PO17 Development does not cause land degradation in areas identified as Matters of State Environmental Significance Waterways and Wetlands (identified on Environmental Significance Overlay Map - Wetlands and Waterways OM-04-D) or Matters of Local Environmental Significance Local Watercourses (identified on Environmental Significance Overlay Map - Local Watercourses	AO17 Development does not change the natural surface water or groundwater hydrologic regime, including through channelization, redirection or interruption of flow, where located in areas identified as: (1) Matters of State Environmental Significance Waterways and Wetlands (identified on Environmental Significance Overlay Map - Wetlands and Waterways OM-04-D); or (2) Matters of Local Environmental Significance Local Watercourses (identified on	Performance Outcome. The establishment of the Project Footprint will require some modification to the man-made waterways within the Project Site; particularly the channelised drain that directs sheet flow northwards. These impacts will be managed through the re-establishment of natural characteristics within the modified drain (incorporating pools and riffles) to provide amenity for fish and other aquatic species. Native vegetation can also be established along the waterway corridor. This is



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Comment
OM-04-E), including: (1) mass soil movement, gully erosion, rill erosion, sheet erosion, tunnel erosion, stream bank erosion, wind erosion, or scalding; and (2) loss or modification of chemical, physical or biological properties or functions of soil.	Environmental Significance Overlay Map - Local Watercourses OM-04-E).	described in Section 7.3 and will lead to improvements in the ecological values of, and water quality within, the mapped MLES waterway.
Reconfiguring a Lot		
Where the site is identified as having Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance the ecological function and biodiversity values of existing habitat are maintained by ensuring that reconfiguring a lot does not result in the: (1) fragmentation of habitat; (2) loss of habitat; and (3) loss of environmental values.	Where required, areas that are mapped as containing Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance are dedicated as public open space for purposes consistent with the ecological values and functions of the area. AO18.2 The design, location and shape of the development does not impact on Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance by: (1) ensuring the boundaries do not result in the clearing of Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance. (2) the shape size and location of lots and there boundaries minimise the impact of Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance. (3) dedicated Matters of State and/or Local Environmental Significance as conservation area in a private property conservation mechanism. AO18.3 Where required, open space is provided adjacent to waterway buffers with roads servicing linear parkland and lots located on the opposite side of the road. AO18.4 Where required, open space for conservation purposes is consolidated with existing conservation areas to allow for a connected movement corridor.	Complies. By focusing the development on highly modified areas surrounding the existing Kalfresh operations and with negligible habitat value, the SRAIP will not result in the fragmentation of habitat, loss of habitat or loss of environmental values.

Development in a Vegetation Management Area on Environmental Significance Overlay Map – Vegetation Management Area OM-04-F

N/A – the Project Site is not within a Vegetation Management Area on Environmental Significance Overlay Map – Vegetation Management Area OM-04-F

7.12 Superseded Planning Scheme Codes

An assessment of the SRAIP against the relevant components of the Natural Features Overlay Code of the Superseded Planning Scheme is provided in **Table 10**.



Table 10: Assessment of the SRAIP against relevant components of the Natural Features Overlay Code of the current Planning Scheme

Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions	Comment
Element (i): Overlay Map 2A - Na	tural Values	
SO1 Biodiversity and habitat values are protected.	PS1.1 Buildings and associated infrastructure are located: i. 40 meters from any watercourse or wetland; ii. On land that has been previously cleared; iii. In an area not demonstrated as being an important ecological corridor. PS1.2 A vegetated buffer of at least 50 meters width is provided between any waterway or wetland and any incompatible development activity.	Complies. 1.1(i) The establishment of the Project Footprint will require some modification to the man-made waterways within the Project Site; particularly the channelised drain that directs sheet flow northwards. These impacts will be managed through the resestablishment of natural characteristics within the modified drain (incorporating pools and riffles) to provide amenity for fish and other aquatic species. Native vegetation can also be established along the waterway corridor. This is described in Section 7.3 and will lead to improvements in the ecological values of, and water quality within, the mapped MLES waterway. (ii) The Project Footprint is located in cleared areas currently cropped and grazed, and is centred around existing Kalfresh operations. (iii) The SRAIP largely avoids areas of habitat value and native vegetation. Some individual relict trees can be retained in the north-west of the Project Footprint as demonstrated in the VMP (Attachment 2). These trees are not considered to form an important ecological corridor. Existing regulated vegetation with highest habitat values within the Project Site are located more than 500 m from the Project Footprint. 1.2 As illustrated within Figure 7, the proposed SRAIP development will include the establishment of landscaping and revegetation works throughout the Overland Flow Path as well as buffering the northern connection road and the future haul road. The landscaping within the Overland Flow Path will provide a significant uplift in the resources and foraging available for local common fauna species in a more consolidated and functional manner, with the Overland Flow Path averaging 100m in width. The establishment of the landscaping will consist of Queensland Blue Gum plantings at 1/400m² (or 20m spacings) and will not effect the Manning's coefficient for stormwater flows. Whilst the Overland Flow Path is not expected to receive high velocities of water movement, the provision of the landscape plantings will provide additional stabilisation of the are
SO2 Water quality is not adversely affected by development.	PS2 Buildings and associated infrastructure are not located in areas identified on Overlay Map 2B.	Complies. The Project Site does not contain mapping of any features identified on Overlay Map 2B.



Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions	Comment
SO3 Viable networks of wildlife habitat area maintained or enhanced.	PS3 The maintenance of remnant native vegetation and other areas of habitat significant and wildlife corridor are achieved through site layout and the identification of "no-go" areas within the Site boundaries where the development must not occur.	Complies. Existing regulated vegetation with highest habitat values within the Project Site are located more than 500 m from the Project Footprint. Further, the SRAIP will include the restoration of ecological values within the Project Site, as described in Section 7.3. Landscaping mitigation measures will include locally endemic species.
SO4 The ecological values of an area identified in Overlay Map 2A are protected and/or enhanced.	SP4 Vegetation in areas identified as having 'state' or 'regional' value on Overlay Map 2A is retained.	Complies. The northern extent of the Project Site contain mapping of 'State Values' under Map 2A. This mapping reflects the regulated vegetation mapped within the Project Site. As previously discussed, the Project Footprint is located more than 500 m from the regulated vegetation which will be retained as part of the SRAIP.
SO5 Development will not negatively affect the integrity of the future water storage.	SPO5 Buildings, structures, infrastructure on lands with slopes over 15% are designed and sited so as: (i) natural drainage patterns are retained; (ii) hard surfaces such as paved and roofed areas are minimised: (iii) the length of driveways and roads and the number of water course crossings is minimised: (iv) slab on ground construction is minimised.	Complies. The Project Site is located outside of the areas identified on Overlay Map 2B. Notwithstanding, the establishment of the Project Footprint will require some modification to the man-made waterways within the Project Site; particularly the channelised drain that directs sheet flow northwards. These impacts will be managed through the re-establishment of natural characteristics within the modified drain (incorporating pools and riffles) to provide amenity for fish and other aquatic species. Native vegetation can also be established along the waterway corridor. This is described in Section 7.3 and will lead to improvements in the ecological values of, and water quality within, the mapped MLES waterway.
SO6 The level of nutrients entering the surface and ground water system is minimised.	SPO6 All runoff and infiltration will be contained and treated on site.	Complies. The Project Site is located outside of the areas identified on Overlay Map 2B. Notwithstanding, a SQMP is prepared for the SRAIP under separate cover.



Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions	Comment
SO7 Stormwater management minimises discharge of waterborne pollutants to watercourse.	SPO7 No probable solution.	Complies. The Project Site is located outside of the areas identified on Overlay Map 2B. Notwithstanding, a SQMP is prepared for the SRAIP under separate cover.
S8 Development will not negatively affect the integrity of the future water storage.	SP8 Development is not located on steep slopes (great than 20%) or erosion prone areas.	Complies. The Project Site is located outside of the areas identified on Overlay Map 2B. Further, it is understood that the Site does not contain erosion prone areas and the Project Footprint does not occur on steep slopes.

8 Conclusion

State and SRRC environmental constraint mapping identify environmental values within and surrounding the Project Site. The more significant values are located in areas well-removed from the Project Footprint; particularly those requiring earthworks and permanent infrastructure and are protected by virtue of an Environmental Protection Area Overlay proposed as part of the masterplan layout.

The location of the Project Footprint is such that many potential impacts associated with the SRAIP are avoided through physical separation from areas of notable ecological value within the Project Site. The SRAIP focuses on areas of existing and historic disturbance, thereby preserving the more intact habitats in the north-western portion of the Project Site on Lot 2RP20974 and Lot 2RP44024.

Owing to the nature of impacts to flora and fauna resulting from the SRAIP, impacts on existing flora and fauna values are considered minimal. Nonetheless, mitigation measures are required and have been employed where beneficial to further descale any resultant impact. Any minor residual impacts can be mitigated through landscaping mitigation measures of some of the habitats within the Project Site, including planting works within the proposed overland flow path, and waterway embellishments or retention of soak areas that utilise greywater from existing operations. Further, the Applicant is committed to the provision of a financial offset to acquit the minor significant residual impact for Koala in accordance with the QEOP.

Operational Works phase of the Proposed Development will potentially require referral to DAFF (waterway barrier works) though these areas are shown within this EAR to be highly modified and not reflective of current mapping.

The Proposed Development complies with all relevant environmental planning instruments and should be approved.

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PHOTO PLATES



Photo Plate 1 – View north within Project Footprint (proposed Lot 12) showing existing Kalfresh operations (right) and cropping (left).



Photo Plate 2 – View north-west within proposed Lot 12 showing existing cropping.



Photo Plate 3 – View north-east along existing overland flow path/engineered channel. Note relict trees in the background.



Photo Plate 4 – View south-west along existing overland flow path/engineered channel.



Photo Plate 5 – An example of the infrequent relict trees in proximity to the current (and proposed) overland flow path.



Photo Plate 6 – View west across the Project Footprint. Note the lack of ecological values.



Photo Plate 7 – View south along channel current used for conveyance of greywater from Kalfresh existing operations.



Photo Plate 8 – View north across the existing "lake" where the greywater is currently released. In the background is the closest Regulated Vegetation to the Development Footprint.



Photo Plate 9 – View west at a diversion in the engineered greywater channel..



Photo Plate 10 – Existing disturbed area proposed for the dam pond.



Photo Plate 11 – Western view from hill. In the background are existing quarrying operations on a neighbouring property. The vast expanse of cleared flat land is proposed for composting associated with the Proposed Development.



Photo Plate 12 – Eastern view from hill. In the mid-ground is existing cropping land, and the existing Kalfresh infrastructure. The vast expanse of land contains few trees to promote fauna movement to the Warrill Creek riparian corridor (line of trees in the background).



Photo Plate 13 – View north-east from the hill central to site. In the mid-ground is existing cropping land, and the existing Kalfresh infrastructure. The vast expanse of land contains few trees to promote fauna movement from the habitat within and off-Site (to the right of picture) to the Warrill Creek riparian corridor (line of trees in the background).



Photo Plate 14 – View north across the existing "lake" showing current grazing pressures and exotic vegetation. In the background is mapped regulated vegetation.



Photo Plate 15 – Typical exotic vegetation within the anthropogenically influenced "lake" in the central portion of the Site.



Photo Plate 16 – View north-east along existing overland flow path. The scattered relict trees will be impacted by the proposed industrial lots in this area.



Photo Plate 17 – View north at the continued conveyance of water through the Site. This area is within the proposed overland flow path associated with the Proposed Development.



Photo Plate 18 – View west towards existing borrow pit (existing trees to be retained).

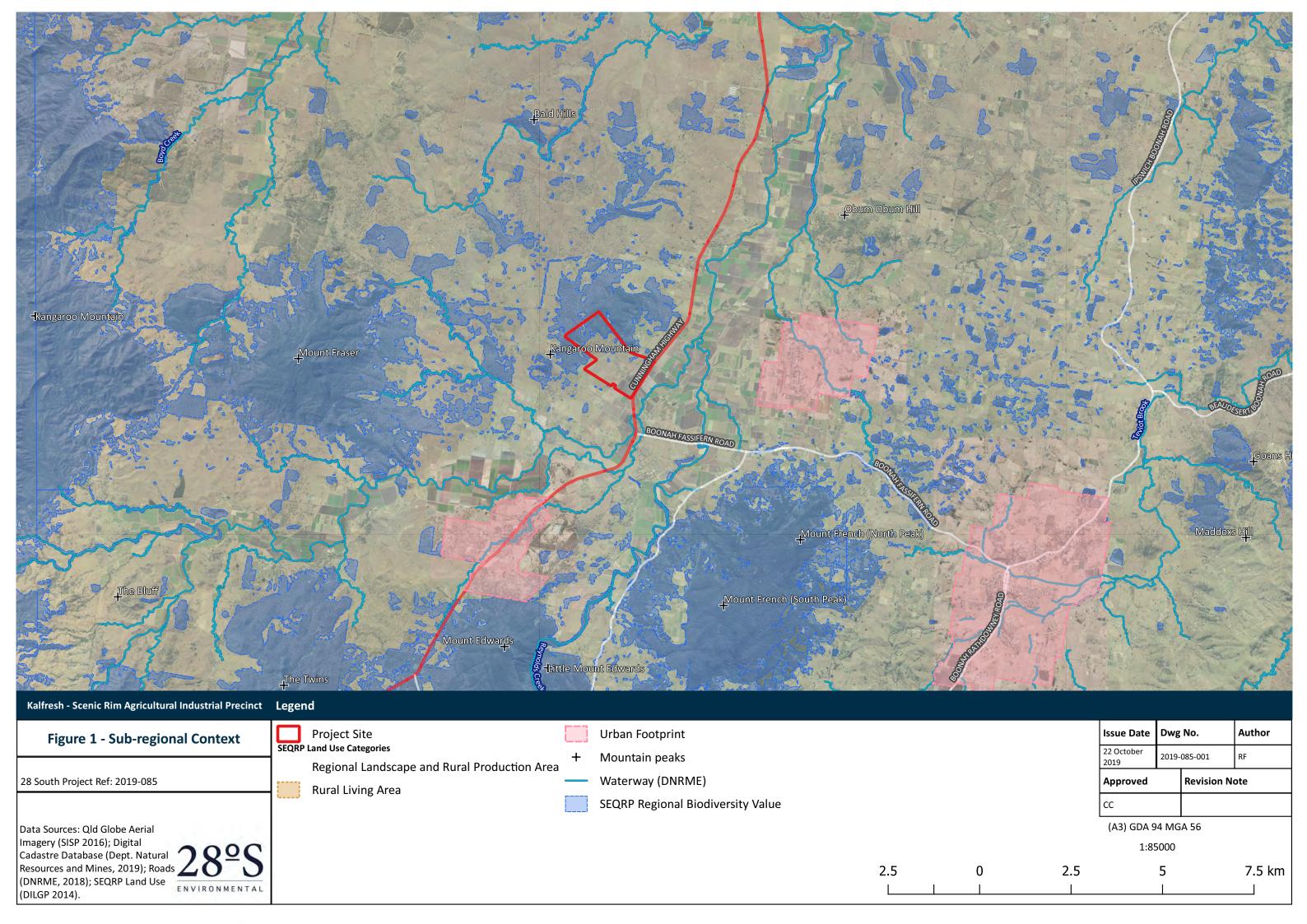


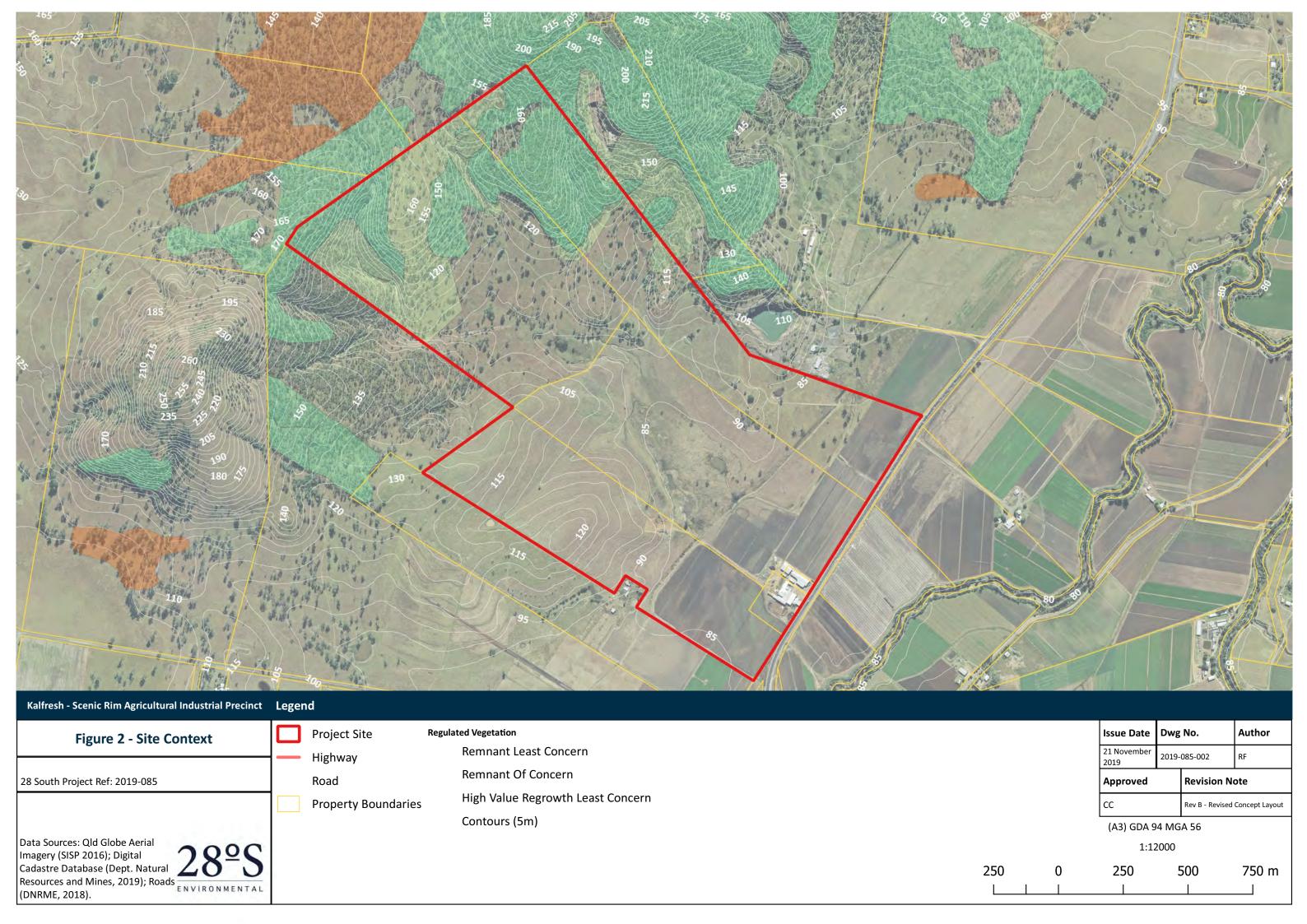
Photo Plate 19 – View north across the Site. Current greywater release point in the foreground, with the resultant "lake" in the mid-ground. Mapped regulated vegetation is in the background, beyond the Project Footprint.



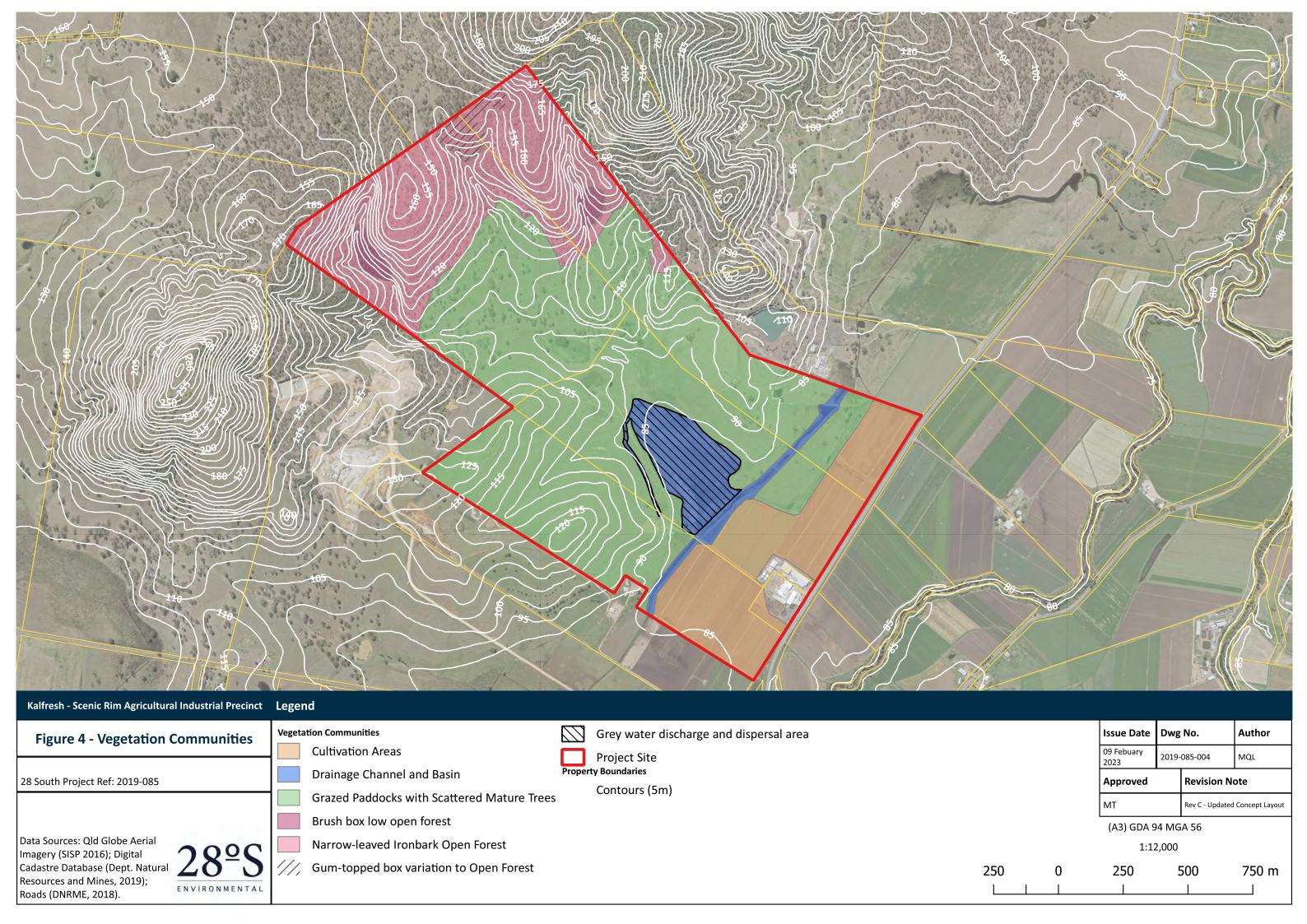
Photo Plate 20 – Existing Kalfresh cropping activities within the Site and Project Footprint.

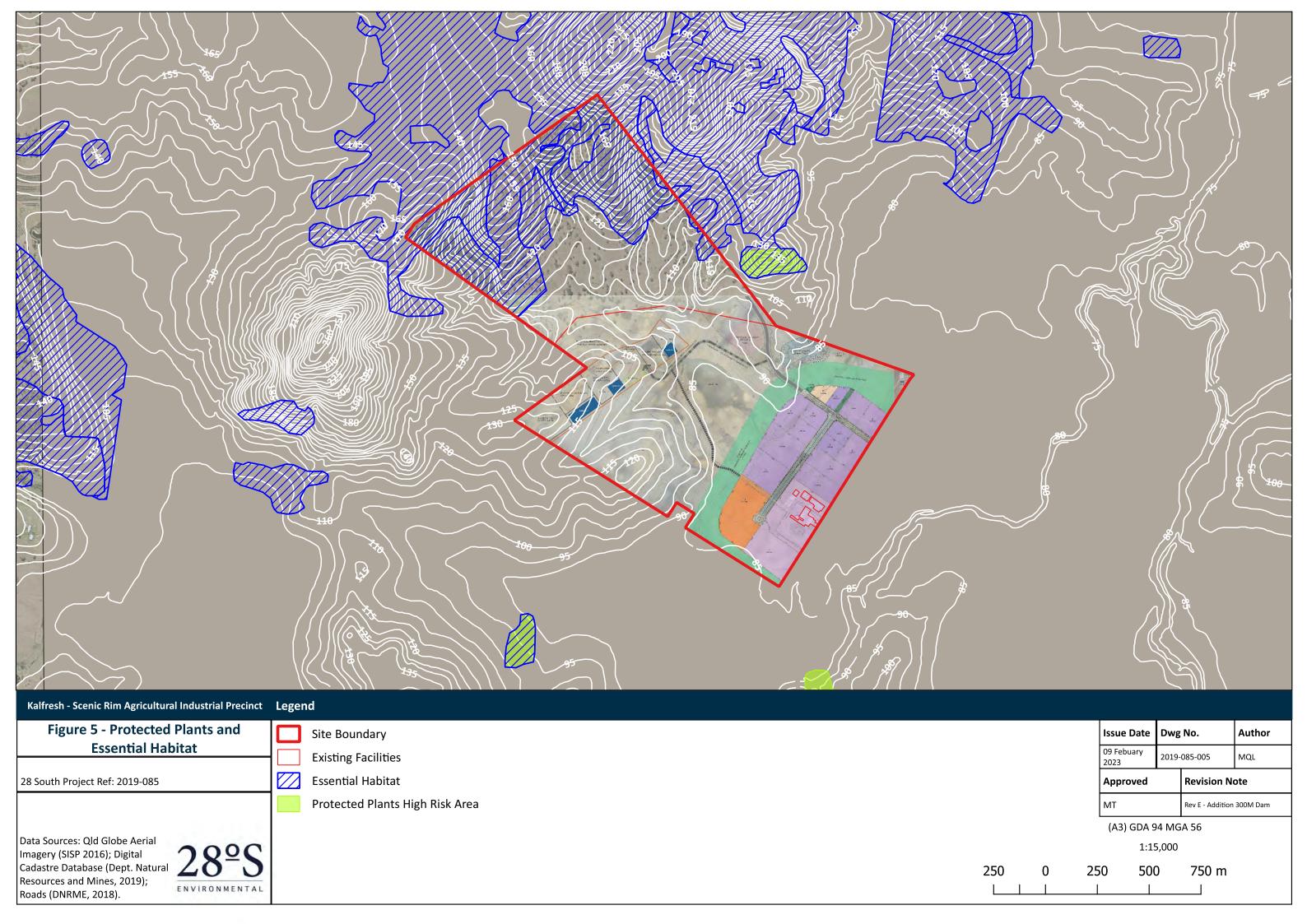
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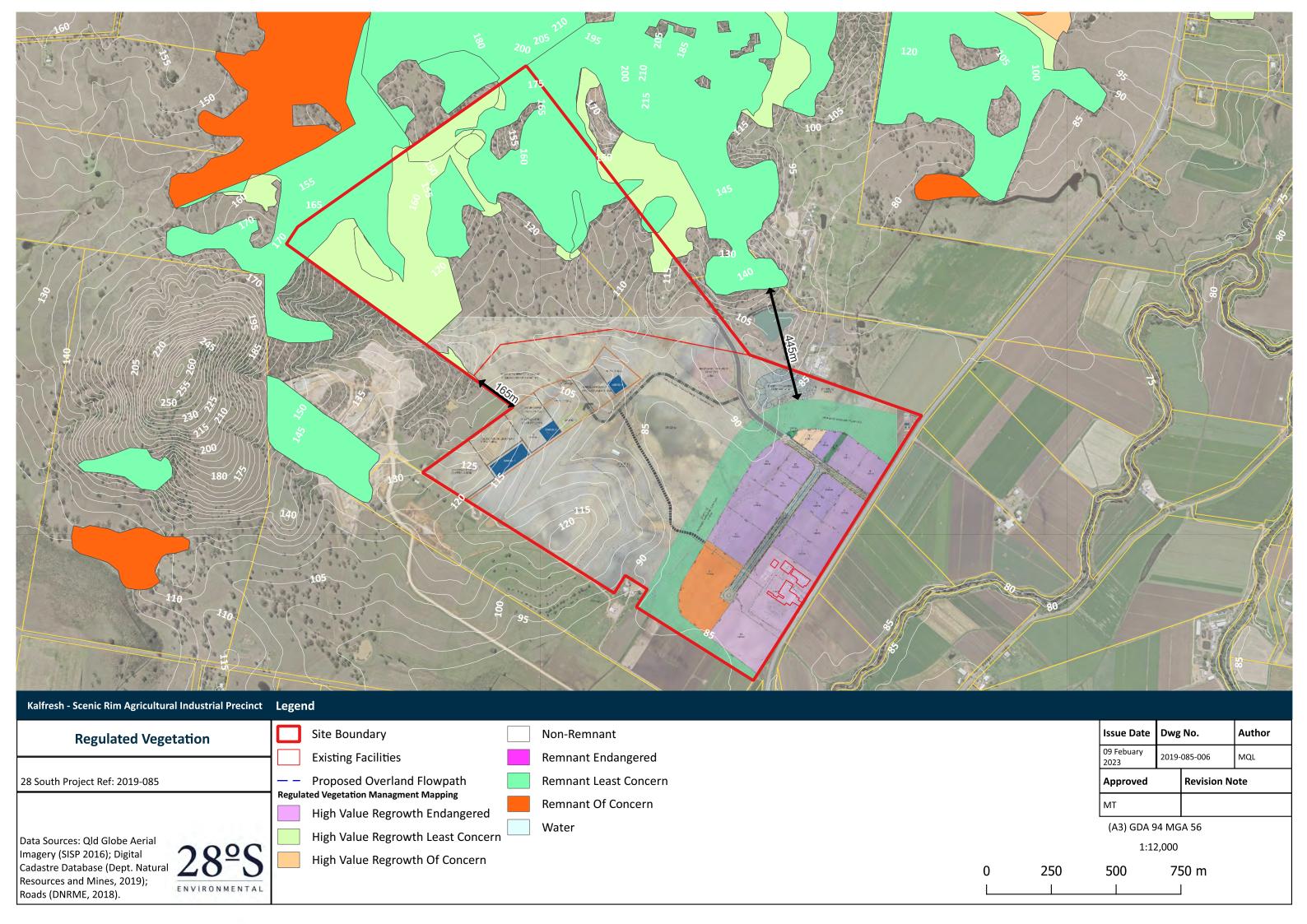


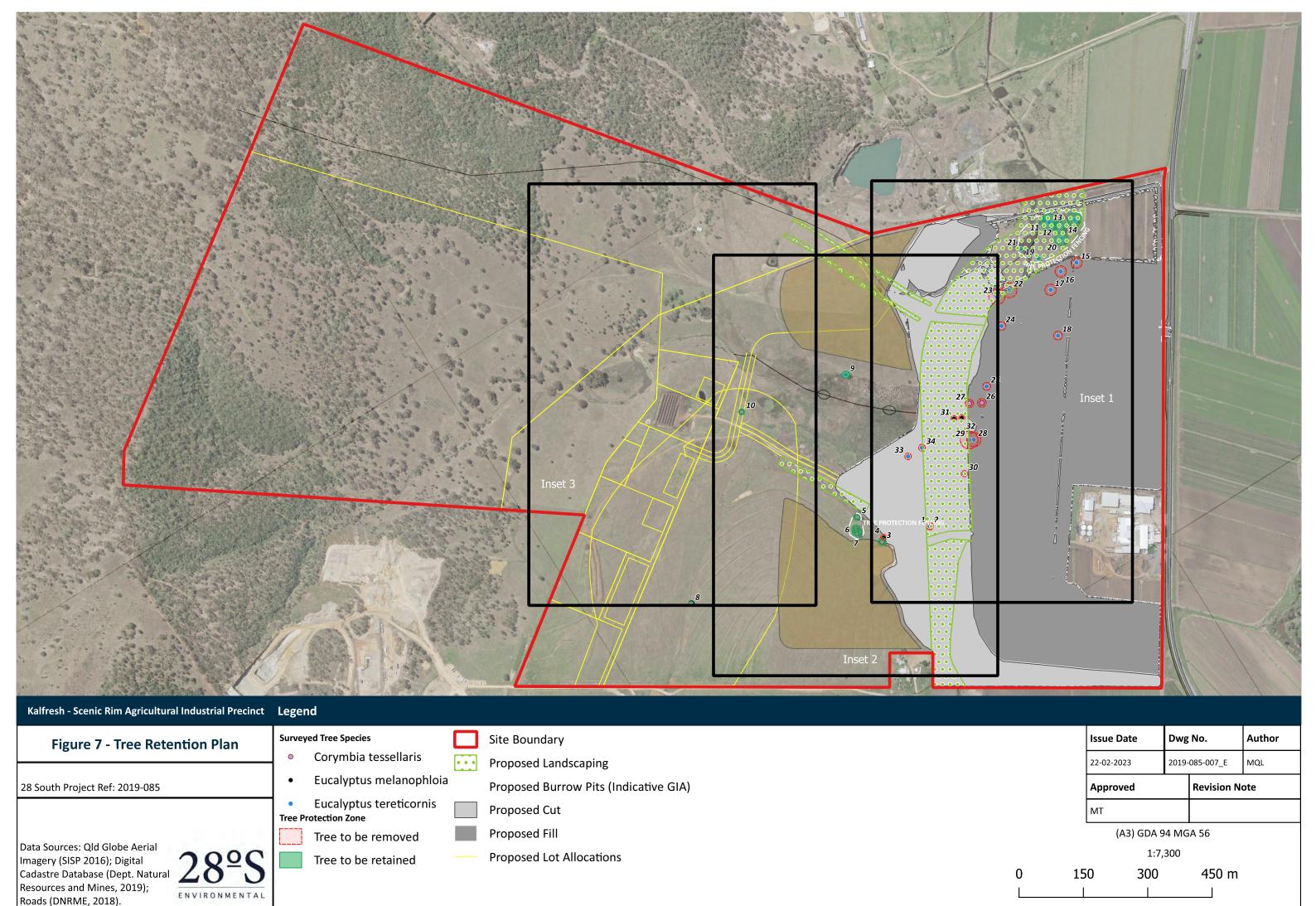


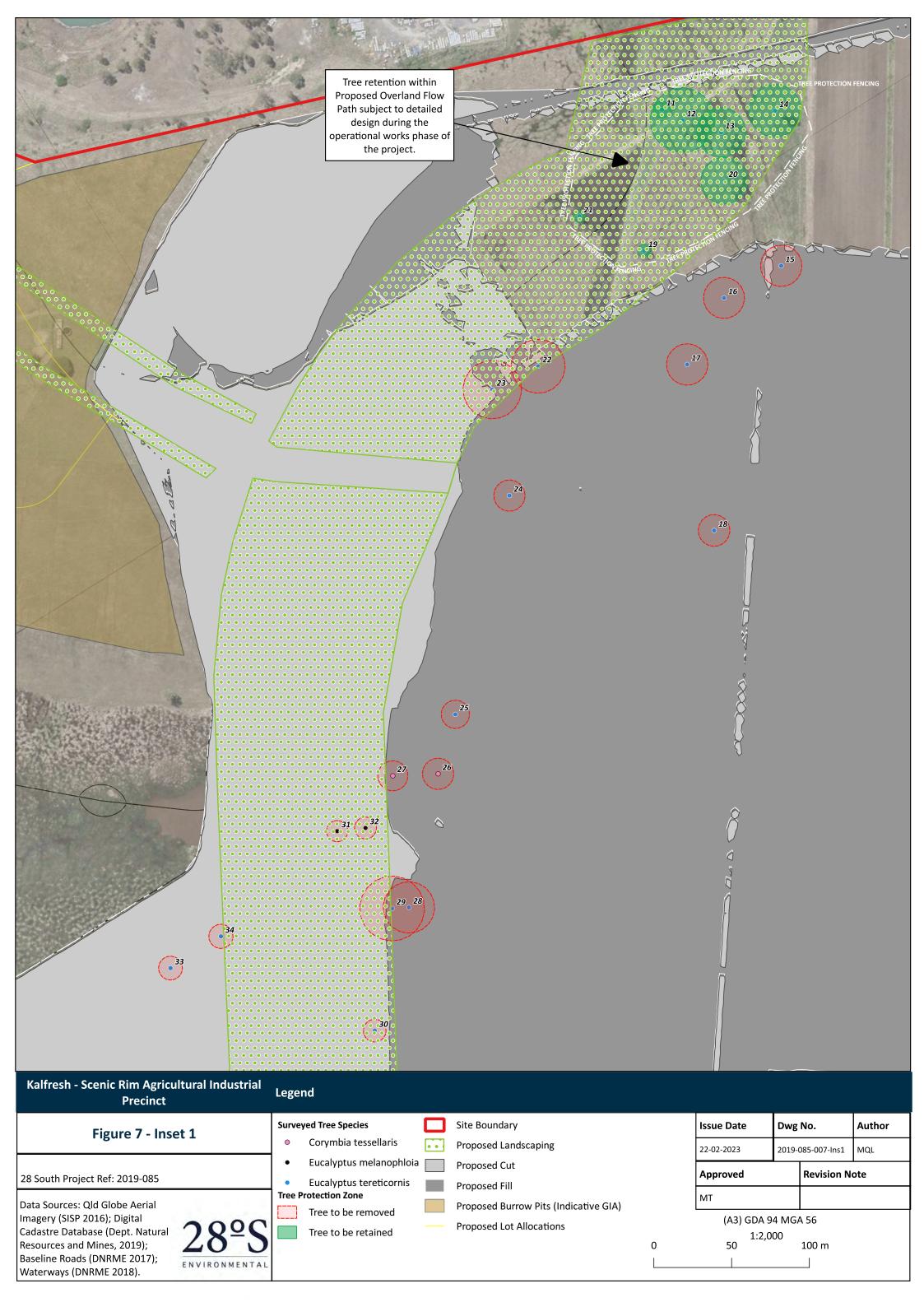


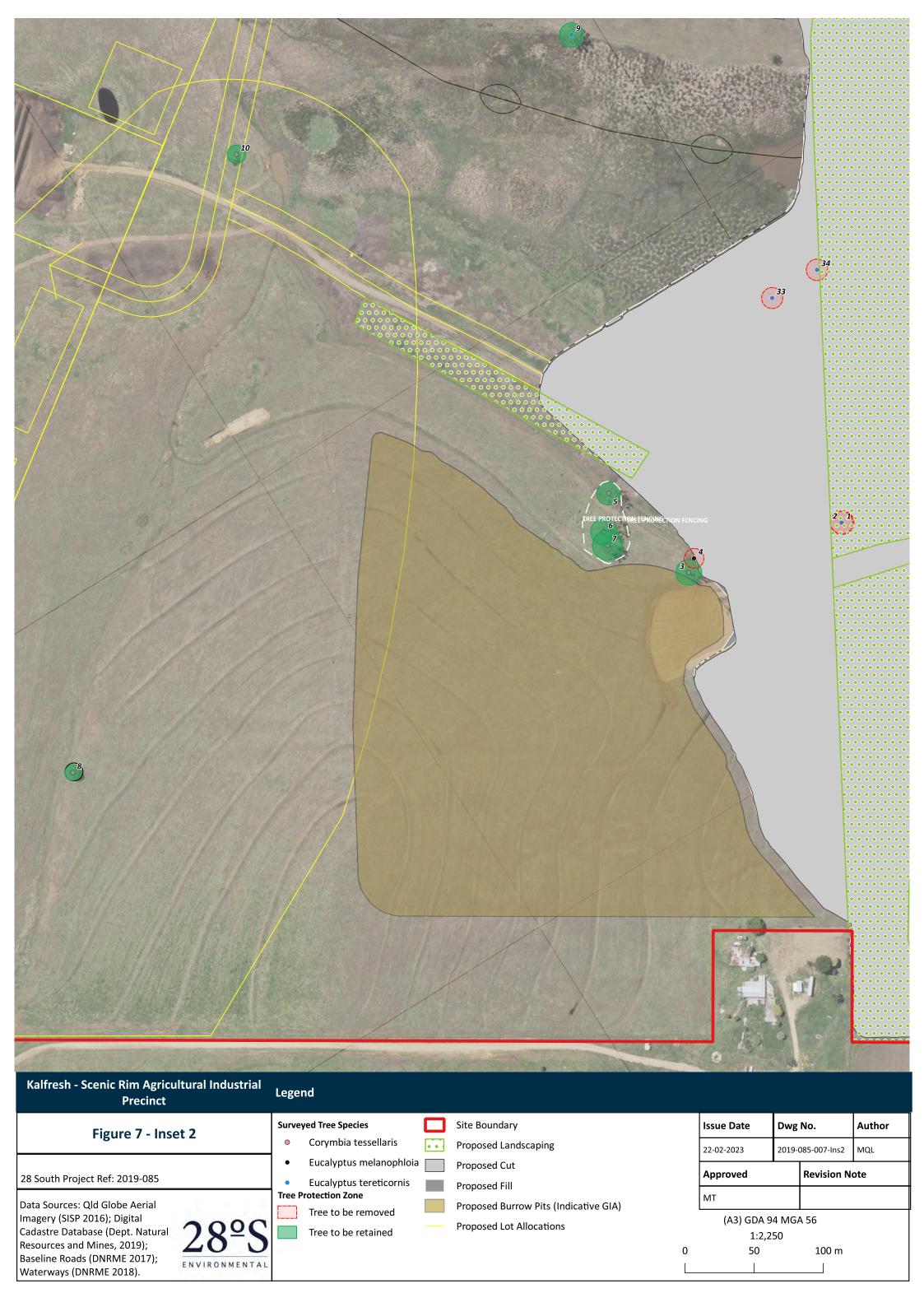












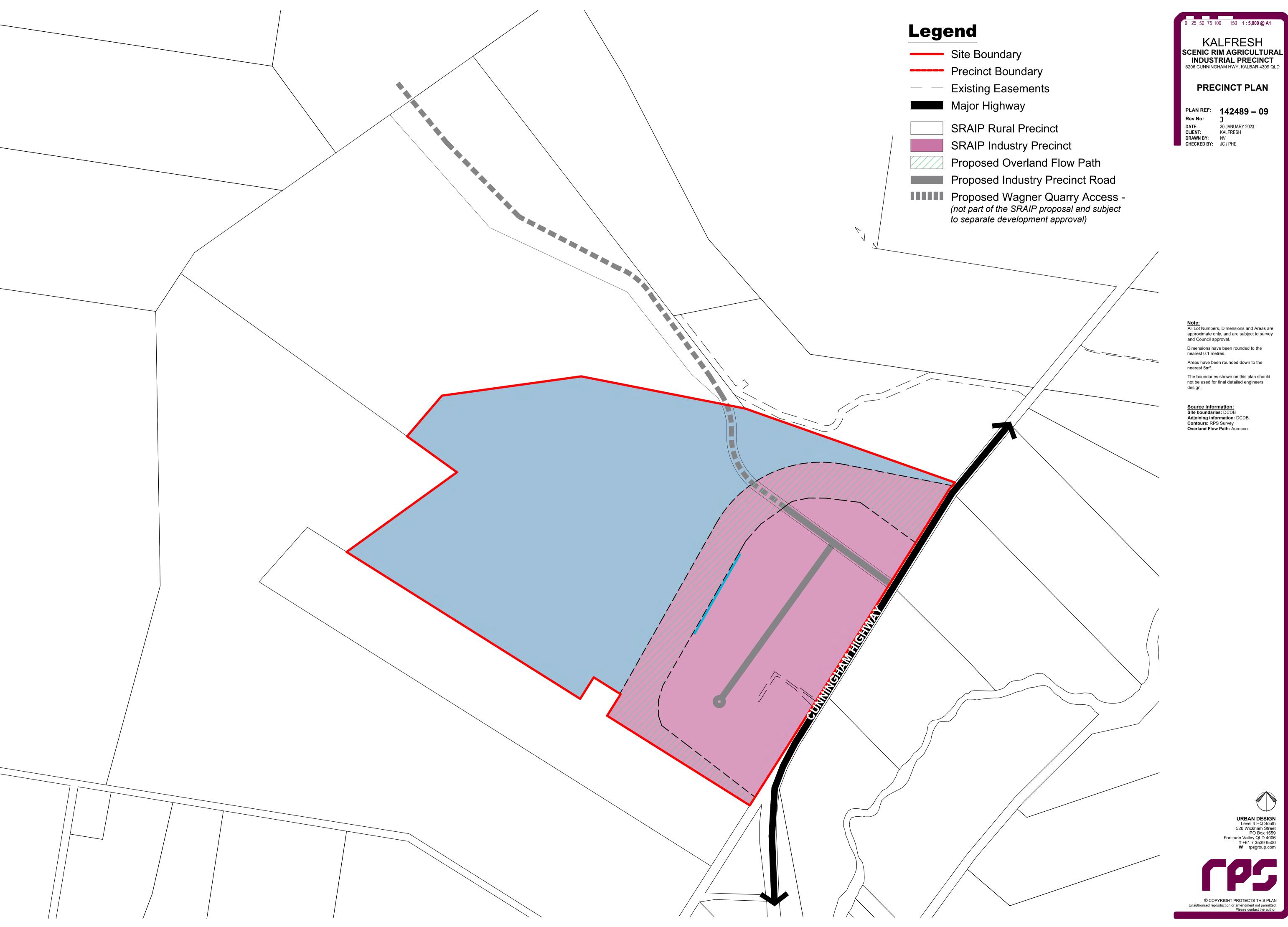


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1	Eucalyptus tereticornis	720	1 stem	15		No visible habitat features	Remove	8.64
2	Eucalyptus tereticornis	680	1 stem	16		No visible habitat features	Remove	8.16
3	Corymbia tessellaris	790	1 stem	17		No visible habitat features	ТВС	9.48
4	Eucalyptus melanophloia	600	1 stem	9	limb failure. branch hollow	No visible habitat features	Remove	7.2
5	Corymbia tessellaris	720	1 stem	17		No visible habitat features	ТВС	8.64
6	Corymbia tessellaris	810	1 stem	18		No visible habitat features	ТВС	9.72
7	Corymbia tessellaris	920	1 stem	18	small branch hollows	No visible habitat features	ТВС	11.04
8	Corymbia tessellaris	470	1 stem	16		No visible habitat features	ТВС	5.64
9	Eucalyptus tereticornis	730	1 stem	17		No visible habitat features	ТВС	8.76
10	Corymbia tessellaris	560	1 stem	17		No visible habitat features	ТВС	6.72
11	Eucalyptus tereticornis	450	1 stem	14		No visible habitat features	ТВС	5.4
12	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1740	1 stem	18		Medium Hollow	ТВС	20.88
13	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1330	1 stem	18		Medium Hollow	ТВС	15.96
14	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1415	1 stem	16	large deadvwood and burls	Medium Hollow	ТВС	16.98
15	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1110	1 stem	14	canopy failure multiple medium and large hollows	No visible habitat features	Remove	13.32
16	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1102	1 stem	16	epicormic growth	No visible habitat features	Remove	13.224
17	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1112	1 stem	16		No visible habitat features	Remove	13.344

					multiple medium			
18	Eucalyptus tereticornis	850	1 stem	16	hollows	No visible habitat features	Remove	10.2
19	Eucalyptus tereticornis	350	1 stem	14		No visible habitat features	ТВС	4.2
20	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1255	1 stem	18	multiple medium hollows	No visible habitat features	ТВС	15.06
21	Eucalyptus tereticornis	330	1 stem	12		No visible habitat features	ТВС	3.96
22	Eucalyptus tereticornis	1448	1 stem	18	multiple medium hollows	No visible habitat features	Remove	17.376
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24	Eucalyptus tereticornis	840	1 stem	16		No visible habitat features	Remove	10.08
25	Eucalyptus tereticornis	760	1 stem	16		No visible habitat features	Remove	9.12
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ATTACHMENT 1 – Master Plan



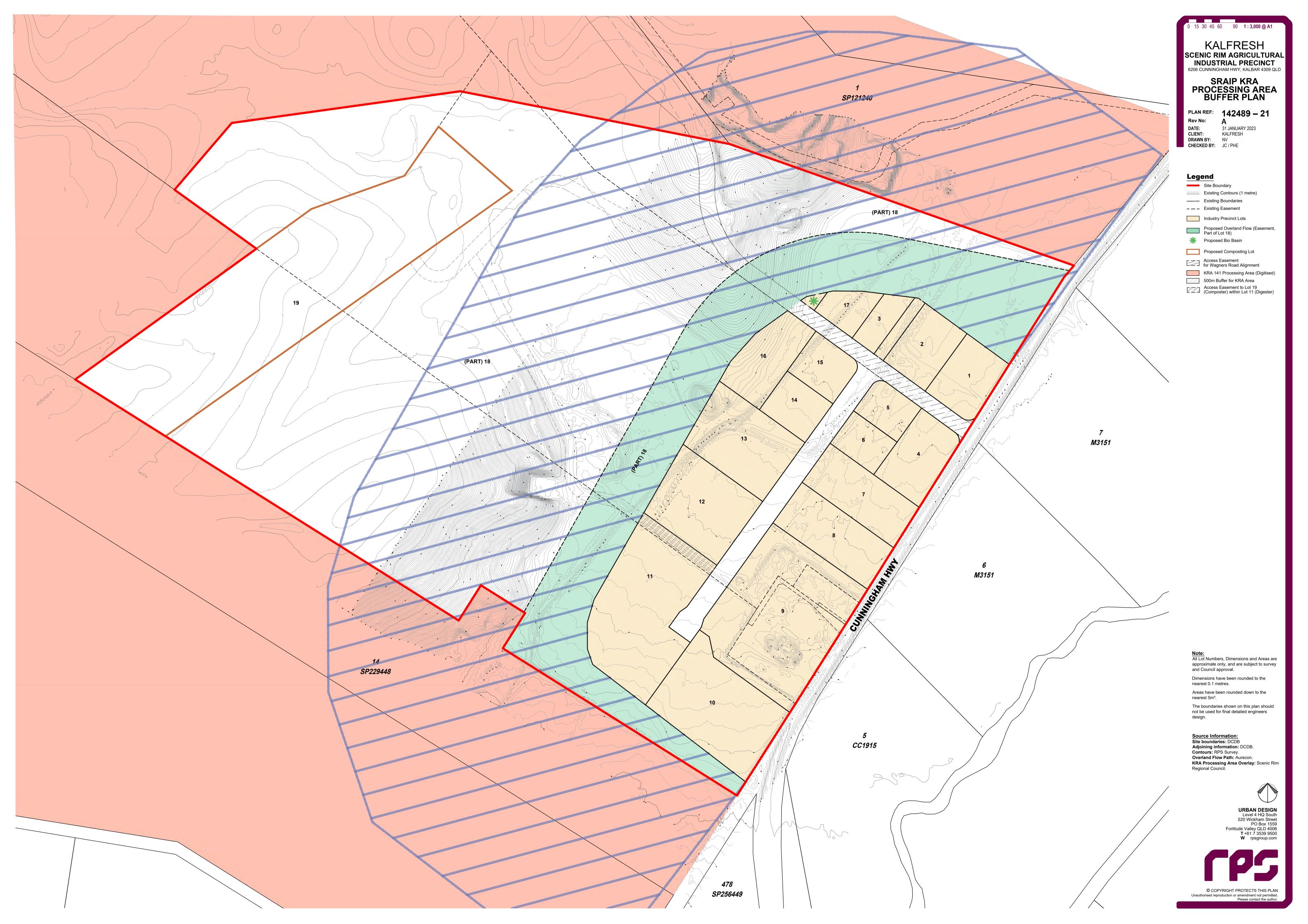
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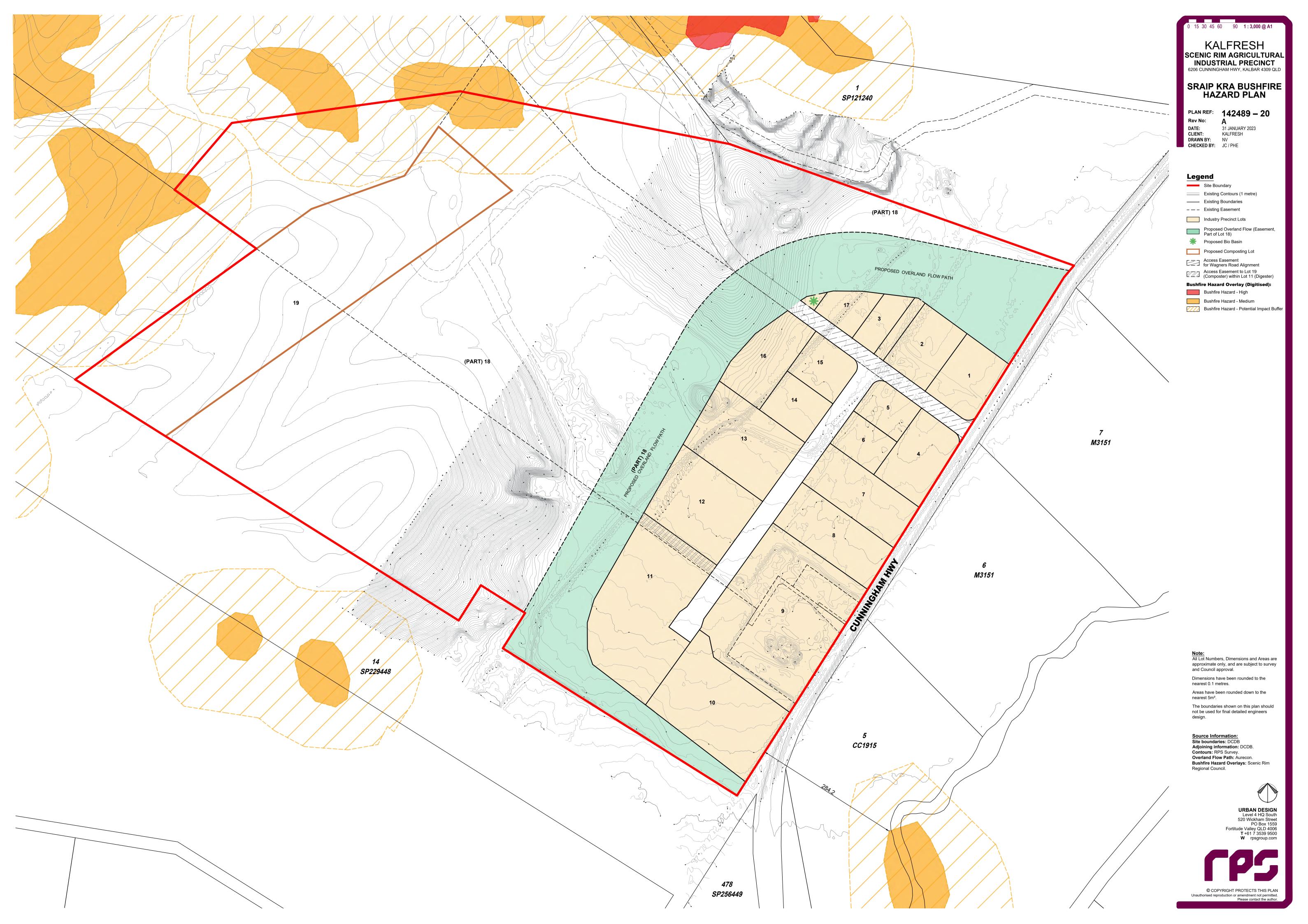
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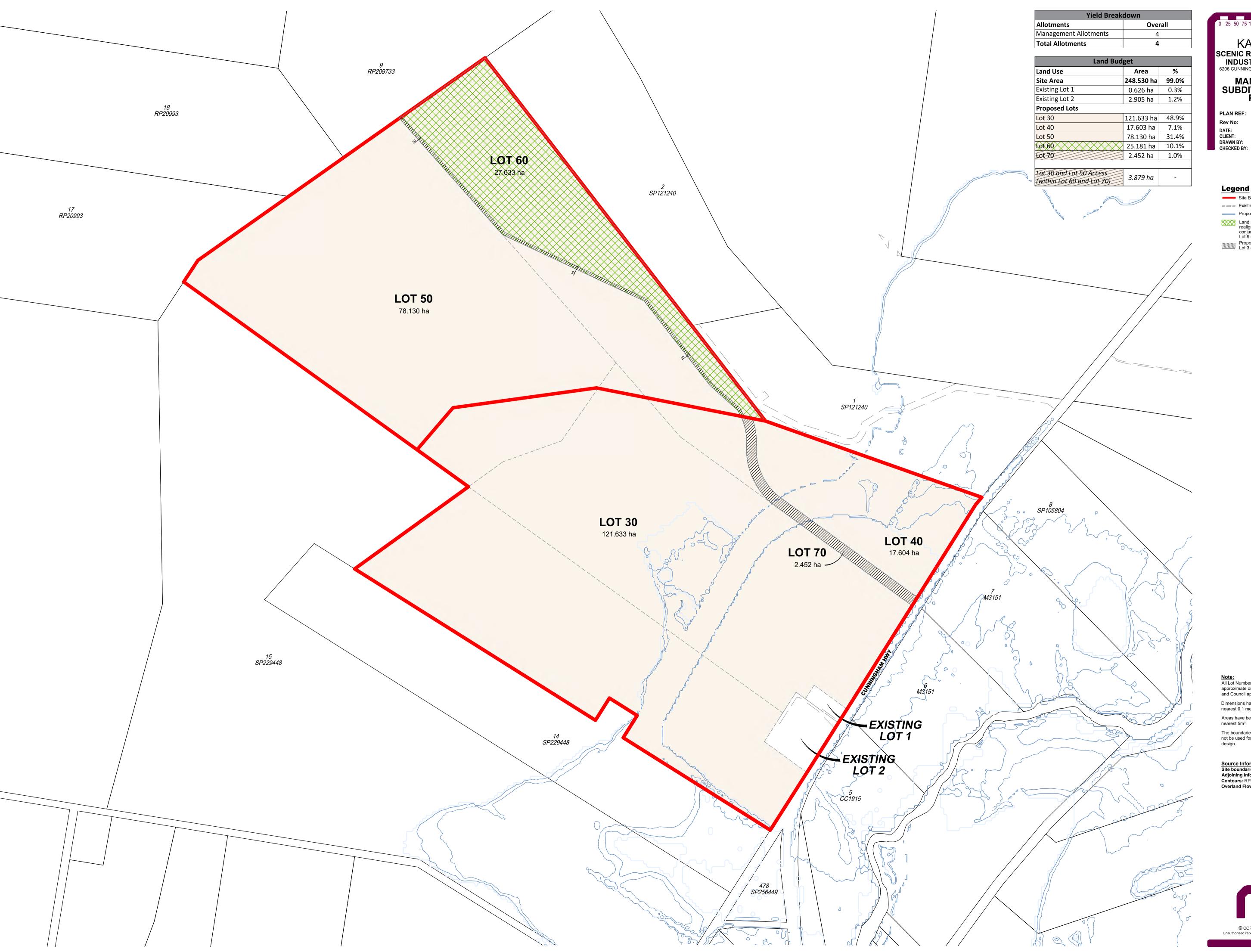












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Legend

Site Boundary

Existing Property Boundaries

Proposed Flow Path (Q100) Land subject to approved boundary realignment and access easement in conjunction with approved Quarry on Lot 9 on SP209733 (Lot 6)

Proposed access easement servicing Lot 3 and Lot 5

Note:
All Lot Numbers, Dimensions and Areas are approximate only, and are subject to survey and Council approval.

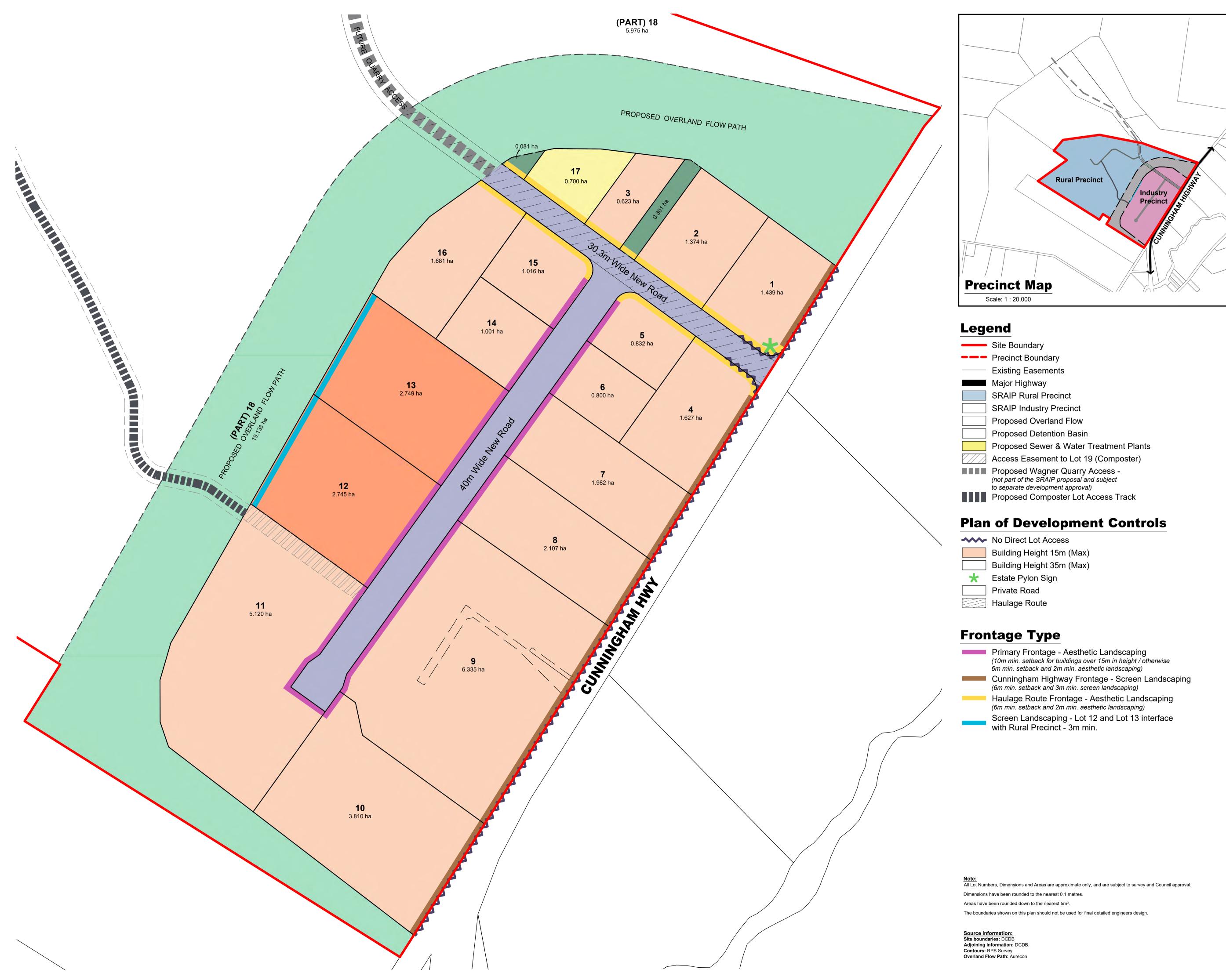
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Site boundaries: DCDB
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Contours: RPS Survey
Overland Flow Path: Aurecon







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ATTACHMENT 2 – Vegetation Management Plan & Fauna Management Plan

Background and Purpose of This Plan

28 South Environmental Pty Ltd (28 South) has been engaged by Kalfresh Pty Ltd (Applicant) to prepare a Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan (VFMP) association with the Environmental Assessment Report (EAR) for the Scenic Rim Agricultural Industrial Precinct (SRAIP) Project. The SRAIP Precinct is a proposed hub for fresh and frozen food production situated over the lands described as Lot 1 on RP216694, Lot 2 on SP192221, Lot 2 on RP20974, Lot 2 on RP44024, Lot 3 on SP192221 and Lot 4 on SP192221. Collectively, these properties are referred to as the 'Project Site'. This VFMP has been prepared to satisfy the requirements of the Draft Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessments for the Scenic Rim Regional Council.

The purpose of this VFMP is to outline the extent of the proposed works over the Project Site and the implications for vegetation, including the vegetation proposed for removal and retention as well as protection and management measures to be employed during and after the construction phase of the project. This VFMP will also provide detail on the fauna management protocols to be adopted during and after the construction phase of the project. The management measures included in this VFMP have been proposed in accordance with best practice standards and are to be employed in a proactive manner.

This VFMP is to be read in concert with all other Approved Operational Works plans prepared for the Project. This will ensure consistency and continuity across these operational works plans and their implementation. This VFMP has taken into account the proposed plans for the Site that have been prepared as part of the EAR and observations made during the in-field ecological assessments undertaken by EcoSM in 2018 and by 28 South Environmental in October 2019.

Vegetation Retention Plan

The proposed vegetation retention and removal is illustrated within VFMP-002-005. The plans illustrate the proposed conceptual layout for the SRAIP development footprint (Appendix A of the draft IAR package). Where the proposed lots, new roads and infrastructure are situated, vegetation has been identified for removal due to the necessary requirements for earthworks and construction activities within these areas. It is understood that vegetation retention can be achieved within the proposed overland flow path and irrigation, however these areas will be subject to heavier scrutiny and assessment during the detailed design phase of the project. Vegetation has been subject to detailed botanical assessment with the following data collected for each surveyed tree: Species; DBH; Height; Spread; Health; Structure and Habitat Features.

A Tree Protection Zone (**TPZ**) has been assigned to all trees in accord with the AS4970-2009. A TPZ is represented by a buffer of 12 times the DBH. All TPZs shown for each

tree within **VMP-002-005**. A review of this plan has been undertaken to establish which trees are fit for retention and which trees are impacted by the approved development layout.

Tree Protection Zones and Fencing

The Project Manager will be ultimately responsible for the establishment of, or engage a contractor to establish, the necessary Tree Protection Fencing. <u>Tree Protection Fencing must be erected under the direction of the Project Arborist in accordance with AS4970-2009 and remain erected prior to and during all phases of the clearing and construction.</u>

The establishment of TPZs and the erection of tree protection fencing between the development interface and the areas for retention must occur prior to the commencement of works (refer to fencing depicted on VMP-002-005).

This is to be inspected and approved by the project arborist or ecologist and SRRC prior to any clearing or civil works commencing. Tree Protection Fencing should be established by utilising temporary metal panel fencing or orange barrier fencing with star pickets and a top and bottom tension wire is required as a minimum. A Gap between the ground level and bottom of this fencing should be a minimum of 200mm to allow any fauna vacating clearing areas access underneath this fencing. Signage should be attached to the Fencing and should at a minimum, state: Tree Protection Zone — No Construction Access Permitted (Inset 1). Fencing should be established at the outer edge of the trees Tree Protection Zone or the trees drip line whichever is the greater, unless otherwise directed by the Project Arborist.

The fenced Tree Protection Zone must employ the following restrictions during construction phases

- No access or activities are to be carried out within the TPZ unless approved by the project arborist, SRRC or for rehabilitation purposes (e.g. weed removal and revegetation).
- All tree protection measures are to be monitored and recorded monthly. This
 is to be summarised in a Completion Report certifying that the tree protection
 was maintained for the duration of the project.
- No parking or movement of construction machinery and vehicles are permitted within the TPZ. Parking is to be limited to approved development areas.
- No vehicle access is permitted within individual TPZ's or proximate to them.
 Vehicle and pedestrian access are to be restricted to areas of existing compaction or earthworks. Exhausts of vehicles or plant that are left running such as cranes, trucks and generators are not to point into the canopy of any trees proposed for retention.

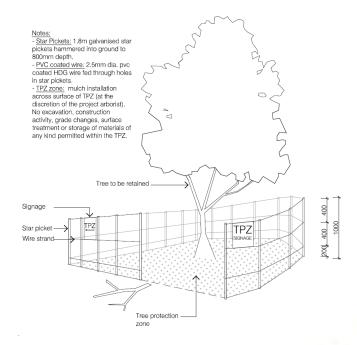
- No placement of site offices, storage sheds, portaloos, and other permanent or temporary structures within TPZ.
- No storage of topsoil, stockpiles, building materials, fuels and other chemicals is to occur within TPZs.
- No washing off vehicles and construction machinery, rinsing out fuel containers, and disposal of cleaning products is to occur within the TPZ.
- No pruning works of vegetation situated within the TPZ can be undertaken, any overhanging limbs must be assessed the project arborist and pruned in accordance with the Australian Standard (AS4373/96).

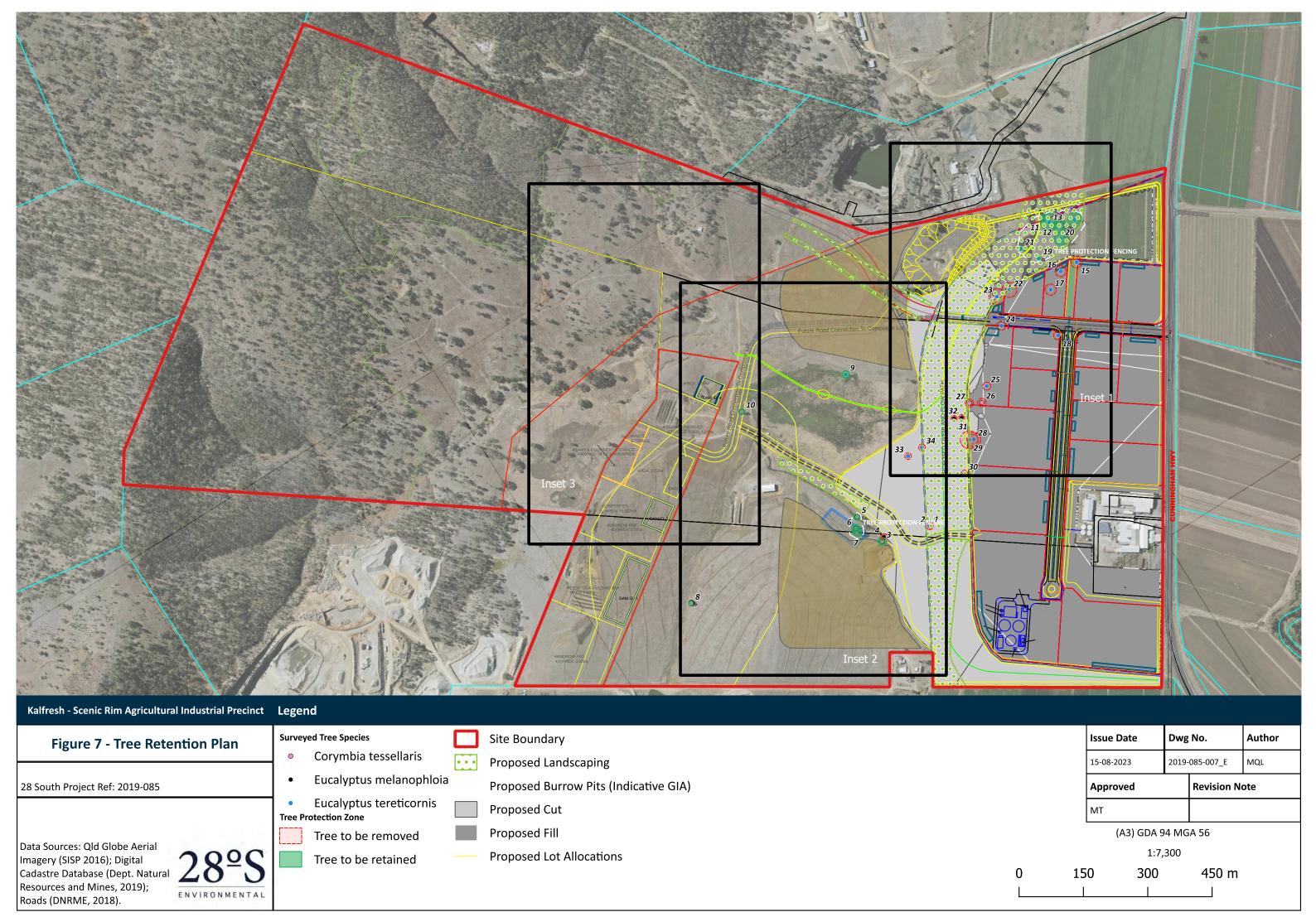


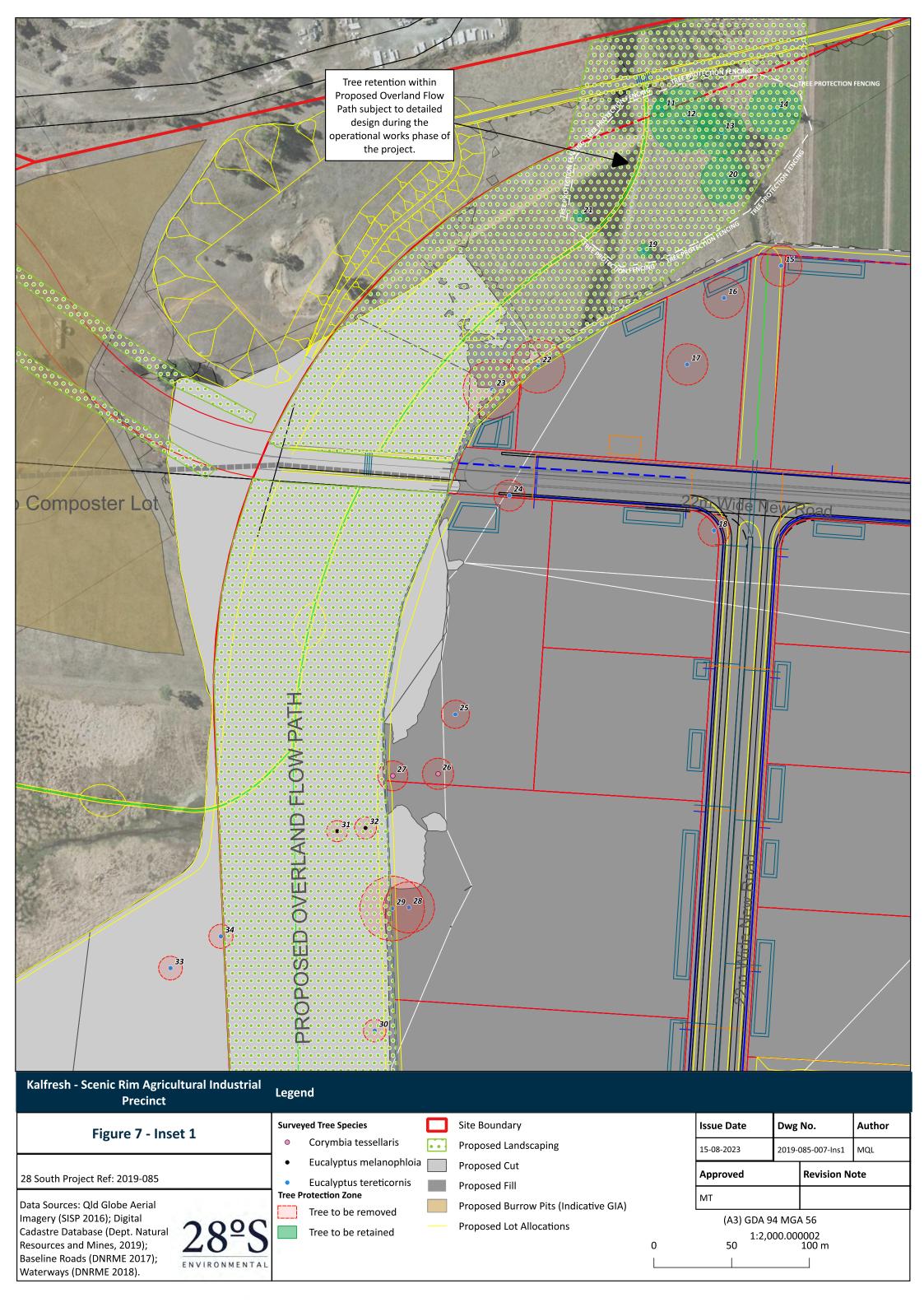
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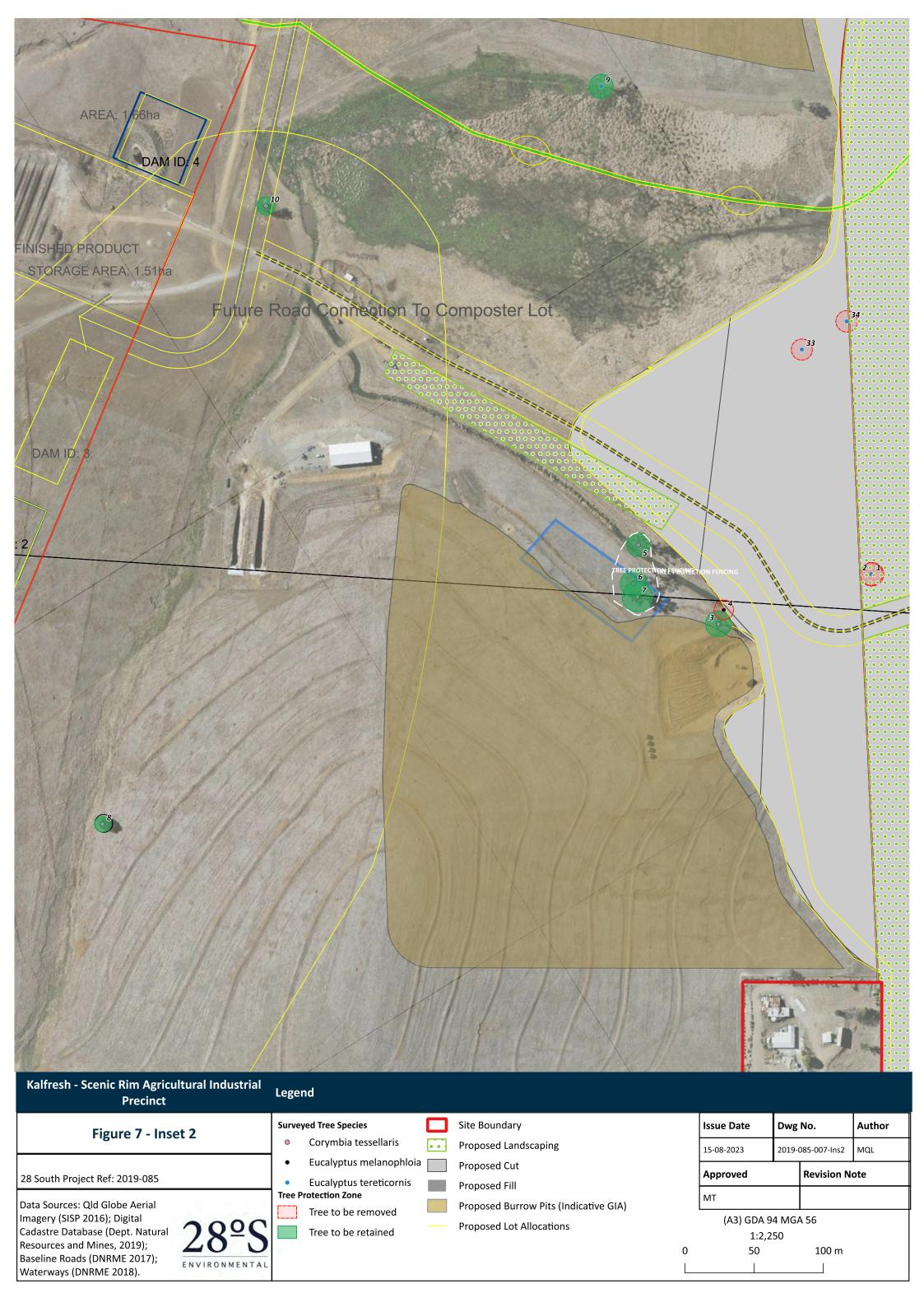
Pre-Start Meeting

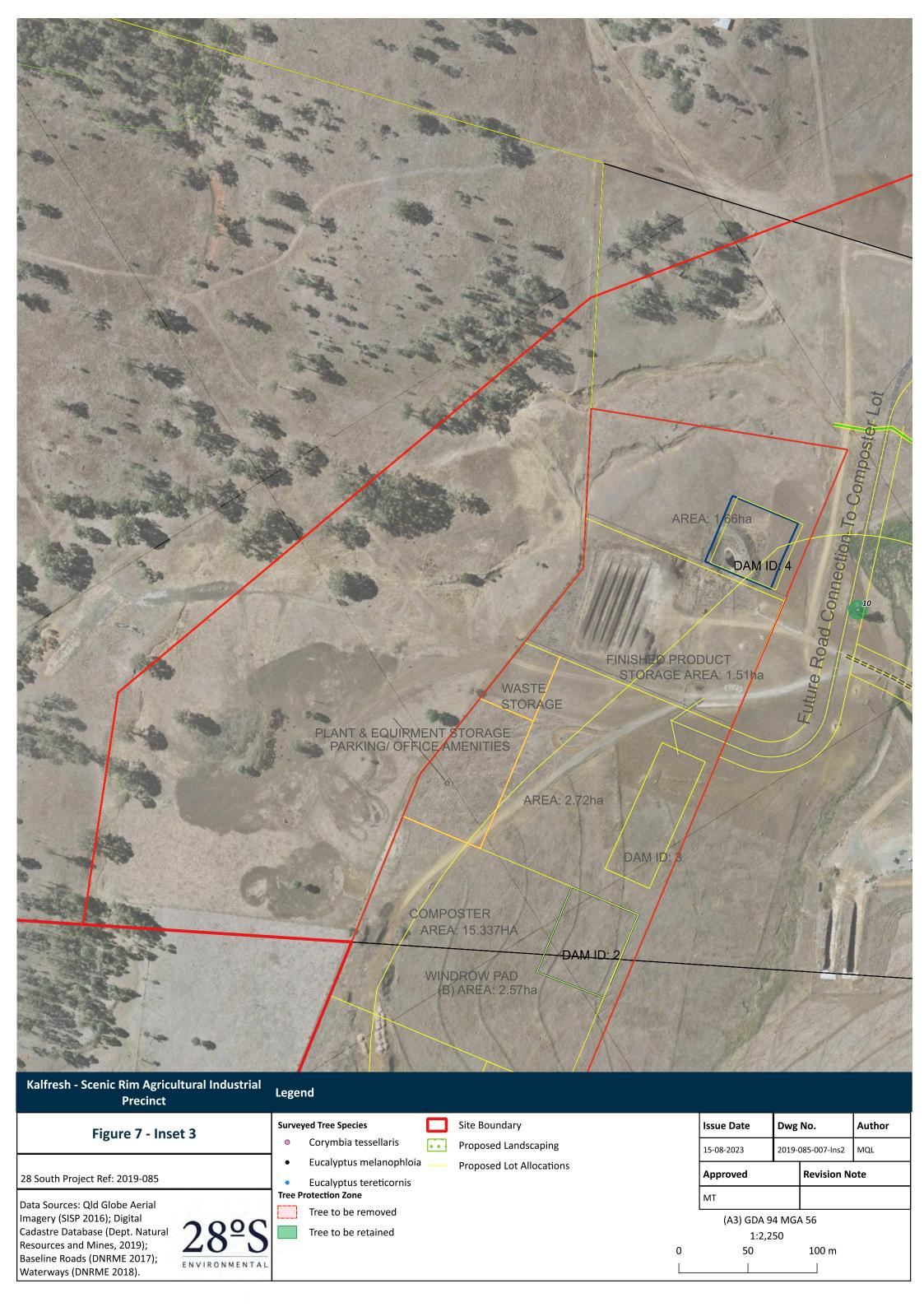
A pre-start meeting is to occur with the following people: Project Manager, Fauna Spotter Catcher and Project Arborist/Ecologist. It would be preferable but not necessary to have the civil and clearing contractors and rehabilitation contractors at this pre-start meeting; however, they may not be appointed at this point in time. It is mandatory that the Project Manager, Project Arborist/Ecologist and Fauna Spotter Catcher are present. Once the pre-start meeting has been completed, clearing and civil works may commence under the supervision of the Project Arborist/Ecologist and Fauna Spotter Catcher.











Fauna Management Plan

As a requirement for development within the SRRC Planning Scheme Policy 5 – Ecological Assessment, a licensed Fauna Spotter Catcher is to be engaged to manage the protection and relocation of any fauna prior to and during vegetation / ecological feature clearing. The below outlines the procedures for dealing with fauna observed immediately prior to and during vegetation clearing as well as treatment and removal of injured fauna from the Site.

Habitat assessments of the proposed impact areas have identified these areas contain low to medium ecological values. Where mature canopy trees existing within the development footprint, a minor level of foraging and refuge for common or more robust fauna species is present. As such clearing should consider the presence of more robust and common urban fauna species (e.g. possums and robust avifauna species). All clearing is to be supervised by a suitably qualified and permitted fauna spotter catcher and a pre-clear inspection undertaken prior to clearing works with certification report prepared and submitted to SRRC prior to the required pre-start meeting.

The Site is not located within a Koala Assessable Development Area, or a Koala Priority Area. Further the Proposed Development does not occur within any mapped Core Koala Habitat Area. Notwithstanding, all clearing works should be undertaken generally in accordance with Schedule 11, Part 3 of the Planning Regulation 2017 and general best practice for clearing. Fauna pre-clearance surveys should be undertaken in the days prior to clearing to flag all noted habitat features within the proposed clearing areas as well as undertake koala presence surveys. Should Koalas be present within clearing areas prior to or at the time of clearing, the tree in which the identified koala is residing must be flagged and retained. Further, all trees within an interlocking canopy must also be retained as well as a vegetated escape route to assist in guiding the koala offsite of its own volition. Koalas may not be interfered with by any means unless the koala is at risk of injury or death. Only once Koalas have vacated all trees and the immediate vicinity of works can clearing operations including the host tree and surrounding vegetation commence.

All microhabitats should be flagged during specific pre-clearance inspections, and areas where the presence of ground fauna is likely to be high, should be monitored during clearance procedures. During clearing activities, an escape corridor of remnant vegetation should be maintained to allow vacating fauna safe dispersal. This will be achieved through clearing direction.

As a minimum, clearing must be conducted in a slow sequential manner. Clearing should be commenced in an east to west direction. Directional clearing will allow any **VMP-006**

fauna vacating the Site of their own volition the opportunity to move to the trees retained to the east of the development footprint.

Felled trees containing hollows, nests and dreys should be monitored for animal presence. Trees should be 'tapped' by the excavator (or other machinery being used for felling) prior to felling to allow animals time to escape. Where limited habitat or resources remain on site (and adjacent) or if safe escape corridors cannot be maintained, animals vacating felled trees should be hand captured (if possible) for relocation. Where suitable escape corridors or contiguous offsite habitat is present, animals should be monitored as they disperse of their own volition to ensure adequate temporary refuge is found. Where possible, hollow bearing trees and trees containing nests or dreys should be felled as close to sunset as practical to afford the predominantly nocturnal fauna a minimal period of daylight hours spent out of shelter.

The hollows of felled trees should be inspected for fauna, and fauna recovered if a encountered, and trees be allowed to lie overnight, where felled, to allow any undetected fauna time to vacate. Felled vegetation should be inspected the following morning prior to works commencing to detect any fauna which may have sought refuge overnight.

Where possible, the fauna spotter catcher should have on them a range of nest boxes which recovered fauna can be relocated into areas where vegetation is being retained in the south EPZ areas of the Site.

Fauna Management Recommendations

In order to affect the clearing the following recommendations are made with respect to fauna management:

- 1. An appropriately qualified fauna manager / spotter-catcher(s) is commissioned and is present during the clearing of all trees which are not being retained which have any signs of fauna use. As a minimum, an inspection of all trees should be performed at the start of work on each day clearing. The determination of the fauna spotter catcher's presence is to be solely determined by the fauna spotter catcher given the approval conductions of their Rehabilitation Permit.
- An appropriate qualified clearing and earth-moving contractor with a relevant ARMP should be engaged to conduct clearing and earth moving activities. Note: all vegetation or soil moved off site must be conducted under an ARMP.
 It is the contractor's responsibility to conduct all activities in accord with their ARMP.
- 3. Clearing should be commenced in an east to west direction.

- 4. Owing to the potential presence of stick nests or dreys between initial surveys and clearing, it is recommended that the understorey or dense areas of weed within clearing fronts is under-scrubbed and removed before trees are felled. This will also allow for a safer work area for the plant operator, fauna spotter catcher and fauna alike.
- 5. All hollow bearing trees should be felled late in the afternoon and allowed to rest once felled until the following morning. This will afford for undetected fauna to potentially move of their own volition.
- Upon felling and prior to moving hollow bearing trees will be inspected by the Fauna Manager/Spotter-catcher for fauna.
- 7. Any habitat tree or tree which has a fauna issue should be dealt with as advised by the onsite Fauna Manager/Spotter-catcher to obtain the best outcome for the fauna possible.
- 8. All small (non-macropod) fauna which has to be relocated during this period will be taken (if healthy) to the adjoining vegetated properties proximate to their capture location with relevance to the species known home range. All hollow dependent fauna should be re-located with species specific denning boxes where practical.
- 9. SRRC shall be advised of relocation by the Fauna Manager.
- 10. Injured animals recovered from the site should be released into a suitably qualified carer or veterinary (unless another suitably qualified veterinarian or carer can be found in a more proximate location):
 - a) Kalbar Veterinary Services 1A Charles Street, Kalbar (07) 5463 7260; or
 - b) Walter Street Veterinary Clinic 9 Walter Street, Boonah (07) 5463 4646.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mitch Taylor of 28 South Environmental on 0488 204 523 or via e-mail mitch@28south.com.au



Tree Number	Species	Common Name	DBH (mm)	Height (m)	TPZ (m)	Health	Health Comment	Structure	Status	Habitat Features	Further Comments
1	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	720	15	8.64	Good	Typical	Typical	Remove		
2	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	680	16	8.16	Good	Typical	Typical	Remove		
3	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	790	17	9.48	Good	Typical	Typical	TBC		
4	Eucalyptus melanophloia	Silver-leaved ironbark	600	9	7.2	Declining	Epicormic Shoots	Poor Form	Remove	Limb failure, branch hollow.	
5	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	720	17	8.64	Good	Typical	Typical	TBC		
6	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	810	18	9.72	Good	Typical	Typical	TBC		
7	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	920	18	11.04	Good	Typical	Typical	TBC	Small branch hollows	
8	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	470	16	5.64	Good	Typical	Typical	TBC		
9	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	730	17	8.76	Poor	Crown Decline	Poor Form	TBC		
10	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	560	17	6.72	Good	Typical	Poor Form	TBC		
11	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	450	14	5.4	Good	Typical	Poor Form	TBC		
12	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1740	18	20.88	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	TBC	Medium Hollow	
13	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1330	18	15.96	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	TBC	Medium Hollow	
14	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1415	16	16.98	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	TBC	Multiple medium hollows	Dead wood in canopy and significant burls
15	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1110	14	13.32	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove	Multiple medium and large hollows	Canopy failure
16	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1102	16	13.224	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove		
17	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1112	16	13.344	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove		
18	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	850	16	10.2	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove	Multiple medium hollows	
19	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	350	14	4.2	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	TBC		
20	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1255	18	15.06	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	TBC	Multiple medium hollows	
21	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	330	12	3.96	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	TBC		
22	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1448	18	17.376	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove	Multiple medium hollows	
23	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1571	18	18.852	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove	Multiple medium hollows	
24	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	840	16	10.08	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove		
25	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	760	16	9.12	Fair	Crown Decline	Typical	Remove		
26	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	840	18	10.08	Good	Typical	Typical	Remove		
27	Corymbia tessellaris	Moreton Bay ash	810	17	9.72	Good	Typical	Typical	Remove		
28	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1380	18	16.56	Good	Typical	Typical	Remove		
29	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	1740	18	20.88	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	Remove		
30	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	610	16	7.32	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	Remove		
31	Eucalyptus melanophloia	Silver-leaved ironbark	570	14	6.84	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	Remove		
32	Eucalyptus melanophloia	Silver-leaved ironbark	590	14	7.08	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	Remove		
33	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	640	14	7.68	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	Remove		
34	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland blue gum	650	15	7.8	Fair	Epicormic Shoots	Typical	Remove		

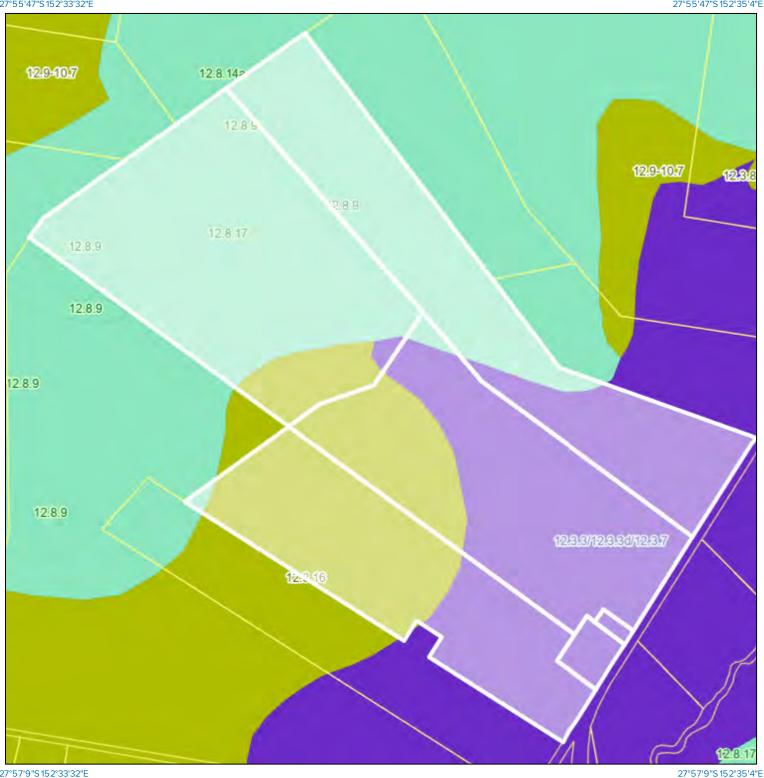


ATTACHMENT 3 – Pre-Clear Regional Ecosystems

Pre-clear Regional Ecosystems

SRAIP

27°55'47"S 152°33'32"E 27°55'47"S 152°35'4"E



27°57'9"S 152°33'32"E





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Pre-clear Regional Ecosystems



Legend

Biodiversity status - preclear

- Endangered Dominant vegetation
- **Endangered Sub-dominant**
- Of Concern Dominant
- Of Concern Sub-dominant
- No concern at present
- Estuary, ocean

Land parcel

Parcel

Land parcel - gt 1 ha

Parcel

Land parcel - gt 10 ha

Parcel

Land parcel - gt 1000 ha

Parcel

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Regional ecosystem details for 12.3.3

Regional ecosystem	12.3.3
Vegetation Management Act class	Endangered
Wetlands	Floodplain (other than floodplain wetlands).
Biodiversity status	Endangered
Subregion	10, 7, 8, 6, 2, (5), (11.31), (3), (1), (11.18), (4), (11.22), (11.14)
Estimated extent ¹	Pre-clearing 438000 ha; Remnant 2017 40000 ha
Extent in reserves	Low
Short description	Eucalyptus tereticornis woodland on Quaternary alluvium
Structure category	Sparse
Description	Eucalyptus tereticornis woodland. Eucalyptus crebra and E. moluccana are sometimes present and may be relatively abundant in places, especially on edges of plains and higher level alluvium. Other species that may be present as scattered individuals or clumps include Angophora subvelutina or A. floribunda, Corymbia clarksoniana, C. intermedia, C. tessellaris, Lophostemon suaveolens and E. melanophloia. Occurs on Quaternary alluvial plains, terraces and fans where rainfall is usually less than 1000mm/y. (BVG1M: 16c)

Vegetation communities in this regional ecosystem include:

12.3.3a: Eucalyptus crebra, C. tessellaris woodland to open forest. Other species that may be present as scattered individuals or clumps include Corymbia clarksoniana, Eucalyptus melanophloia, E. tereticornis and C. citriodora subsp. variegata. Occurs on high level alluvial plains often of Pleistocene age, terraces and fans where rainfall is usually less than 1000mm/y. Floodplain (other than floodplain wetlands). (BVG1M: 18b)

12.3.3b: [Not in RE version 11]²: This vegetation community is now mapped as 12.3.19. Open forest to woodland of Eucalyptus moluccana and/or Eucalyptus tereticornis and E. crebra, with a sparse to mid-dense understorey of Melaleuca irbyana. Occurs on margins of Quaternary alluvial plains. Floodplain (other than floodplain wetlands). (BVG1M: 13d)

12.3.3c: [Not in RE version 11]²: This vegetation community is now mapped as 12.3.18. Melaleuca irbyana low open forest or thicket. Emergent Eucalyptus moluccana, E. crebra, E. tereticornis or Corymbia citriodora subsp. variegata may be present. Occurs on Quaternary alluvial plains where drainage of soils is impeded. Palustrine wetland (e.g. vegetated swamp). (BVG1M: 21b)

12.3.3d: Eucalyptus moluccana woodland. Other frequently occurring species include Eucalyptus tereticornis, E. crebra, E. siderophloia, Corymbia citriodora subsp. variegata, Angophora leiocarpa and C. intermedia. Occurs on margins of Quaternary alluvial plains often adjacent sedimentary geologies. May also occur on stranded Pleistocene river terraces. Floodplain (other than floodplain wetlands). (BVG1M: 13d)

Supplementary description

Ryan, T.S. (ed.) (2012); Bean et al. (1998), E10.

Protected areas

Bulburin NP, Eurimbula NP, Littabella NP, Curtis Island NP, Beninbi NP, Good Night Scrub NP, Bunya Mountains NP, Curtis Island CP, Grongah NP, Warro NP, Mount Colosseum NP, Dawes NP, Nour Nour NP, Southend CP, Main Range NP, Bottle Creek CP, Mount Barney

Special values

Habitat for threatened plant species including Rhaponticum australe. 12.3.3a: Habitat for threatened plant species including occasional Rhaponticum australe. 12.3.3b: Habitat for threatened flora species including Melaleuca irbyana. 12.3.3c: Habitat for threatened flora species including Melaleuca irbyana and Marsdenia coronata. 12.3.3d: Habitat for threatened plant species including Rhaponticum australe.

Fire management guidelines

SEASON: Summer to late-autumn. INTENSITY: Low. INTERVAL: 3-6 years. STRATEGY: Aim to burn 40-60% of any given area. Spot ignition in cooler or moister periods encourages mosaics. ISSUES: Control of weeds is a major focus of planned burning in most areas. Maintain ground litter and fallen timber habitats by burning only with sufficient soil moisture. Burning should aim to produce fine scale mosaics of unburnt areas.

Comments

12.3.3: While Eucalyptus tereticornis remains common in the landscape, very few intact stands remain. Eucalyptus tereticornis grows into a very large hollow-forming tree and has a special significance for fauna species, especially in drier areas. The

type is variable, ranging from woodland in drier parts to tall open forest in higher rainfall areas and mono-specific to mixed with other canopy species. Eucalyptus tereticornis will regenerate readily but there is a lack of recruitment to replace old trees in stands that are logged, thinned or grazed and regularly burnt. The grasses and herbs associated with intact Eucalyptus tereticornis communities also persist in the landscape, so there is a potential for re-establishing the RE and increasing its remnant area. Eucalyptus tereticornis is replaced by E. grandis in highest-rainfall parts of the bioregion. Sub-coastal and inland parts of bioregion. Also occurs in coastal areas north of Bundaberg. 12.3.3a: Sub-coastal and inland parts of bioregion. Characteristic localities include Burnett River catchment and Ripley Valley. Too small to map at 1:100 000 scale. 12.3.3b: Restricted to the Ipswich and Jimboomba regions. Erected as new RE 12.3.19 in August 2016. 12.3.3c: Restricted to the Ipswich and Jimboomba regions. This floristic association on land zone 9-10 is mapped as 12.9-10.11.

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¹ Estimated extent is from version 11 pre-clearing and 2017 remnant regional ecosystem mapping. Figures are rounded for simplicity. For more precise estimates, including breakdowns by tenure and other themes see remnant vegetation in Queensland (https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/remnant-vegetation/).

 $^{^2}$ Superseded: Revision of the regional ecosystem classification removed this regional ecosystem code from use. It is included in the regional ecosystem description database because the RE code may appear in older versions of RE mapping and the Vegetation Management regulation.

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Regional ecosystem details for 12.3.7

Regional ecosystem	12.3.7
Vegetation Management Act class	Least concern
Wetlands	Riverine wetland or fringing riverine wetland.
Biodiversity status	Of concern
Subregion	7, 10, 8, 2, 5, (3), (6), (1), (11.31), (4), (9), (11.18)
Estimated extent ¹	Pre-clearing 118000 ha; Remnant 2017 60000 ha
Extent in reserves	Low
Short description	Eucalyptus tereticornis, Casuarina cunninghamiana subsp. cunninghamiana +/-Melaleuca spp. fringing woodland
Structure category	Sparse
Description	Narrow fringing woodland of Eucalyptus tereticornis, Casuarina cunninghamiana subsp. cunninghamiana +/- Melaleuca viminalis. Other species associated with this RE include Melaleuca bracteata, M. trichostachya, M. linariifolia. North of Brisbane Waterhousea floribunda commonly occurs and may at times dominate this RE . Melaleuca fluviatilis occurs in this RE in the north of the bioregion. Lomandra hystrix often present in stream beds. Occurs on fringing levees and banks of rivers and drainage lines of alluvial plains throughout the region. (BVG1M: 16a)

Vegetation communities in this regional ecosystem include:

12.3.7a: Melaleuca bracteata open forest +/- emergent Eucalypts tereticornis. Occurs in drainage depressions on Quaternary alluvial plains. Riverine wetland or fringing riverine wetland. (BVG1M: 22c)

12.3.7b: Naturally occurring instream waterholes and lagoons, both permanent and intermittent. Includes exposed stream bed and bars. Occurs in the bed of active (may be intermittent) river channels. Riverine wetland or fringing riverine wetland. (BVG1M: 16d)

12.3.7c: Billabongs and ox-bow lakes containing either permanent or periodic water bodies. Often fringed with Eucalyptus tereticornis Old river beds now cut off from regular flow. Palustrine wetland (e.g. vegetated swamp). (BVG1M: 34d) 12.3.7d: Aquatic vegetation usually fringed with Eucalyptus tereticornis. Closed depressions on alluvial plains. Palustrine wetland (e.g. vegetated swamp). (BVG1M: 34d)

Supplementary description

Ryan, T.S. (ed.) (2012); Bean et al. (1998), E11, E12

Protected areas

Lockyer NP, Wongi NP, Curtis Island NP, Bulburin NP, Main Range NP, Grongah NP, Cordalba NP, Crows Nest NP, Warro NP, Mount Walsh NP, Bania NP, Great Sandy NP, Woowoonga NP, Esk NP, Eurimbula NP, Wrattens NP, Burrum Coast NP, D'Aguilar NP, Curtis Island C

Special values

Habitat for an extensive range of aquatic flora and fauna.

Fire management guidelines

STRATEGY: Avoid intentionally burning this fringe vegetation. Burn surrounding ecosystems in conditions that would minimise fire incursion. ISSUES: Protection relies on broad-scale management of surrounding country. However, fire exclusion is not necessary. Casuarina cunninghamiana is sensitive to fire and germination after fire is typically low. Triggers unrelated to fire appear to maintain a healthy ecosystem. Issues with lantana and other weeds may result from fire and other disturbance.

Comments

12.3.7: Too small to map at 1:100 000 scale. Prone to invasions by weeds such as (Chinese elm) Celtis sinensis, (broad leaved pepper tree) Schinus terebinthifolius and (cat's claw creeper) Macfadyena unguis-cati. Canopy height and cover is highly variable due to flood damage. 12.3.7a: Prone to invasions by weeds such as Chinese elm Celtis sinensis, broad leaved pepper tree Schinus terebinthifolius and cat's claw creeper Macfadyena unguis-cati. Too small to map at 1:100 000 scale. 12.3.7b: Vegetation may occur on infrequently inundated areas. 12.3.7c: Vegetation occurs on infrequently inundated areas. 12.3.7d: Vegetation occurs on infrequently inundated areas. Generally too small to map at 1:100 000 scale. Important for water birds and freshwater invertebrates and vertebrates such as tortoises.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/remnant-vegetation/).

¹ Estimated extent is from version 11 pre-clearing and 2017 remnant regional ecosystem mapping. Figures are rounded for simplicity. For more precise estimates, including breakdowns by tenure and other themes see <u>remnant vegetation in Queensland</u> (

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Regional ecosystem details for 12.8.16

Regional ecosystem	12.8.16
Vegetation Management Act class	Of concern
Biodiversity status	Of concern
Subregion	1, 6, 11.31, 2, (8), (5), (3), (7), (11.22)
Estimated extent ¹	Pre-clearing 113000 ha; Remnant 2017 33000 ha
Extent in reserves	Medium
Short description	Eucalyptus crebra +/- E. melliodora, E. tereticornis woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks
Structure category	Sparse
Description	Eucalyptus crebra, generally with E. melliodora and E. tereticornis +/- E. albens grassy woodland. Occurs on dry hillslopes on Cainozoic igneous rocks, especially basalt. (BVG1M: 11a)
Supplementary description	Ryan, T.S. (ed.) (2012); Bean et al. (1998), G31, G31a
Protected areas	Bunya Mountains NP, Main Range NP, Lamington NP, Pidna NP, Mount Beau Brummell CP, Tamborine NP

0/25/2019		Regional ecosystem details for 12.8.16 Environment, land and water Queensland Government						
	Special values	Habitat for threatened plant species including Rhaponticum australe and near threatened species including Callitris baileyi.						
	Fire management guidelines	SEASON: Summer to late-autumn. INTENSITY: Low. INTERVAL: 3-6 years. STRATEGY: Aim to burn 40-60% of any given area. Spot ignition in cooler or moister periods encourages mosaics. ISSUES: A grassy system is especially important for species such as the eastern bristlebird and its habitat. Control of weeds is a major focus of planned burning in most areas. Maintain ground litter and fallen timber habitats by burning only with sufficient soil moisture. Burning should aim to produce fine scale mosaics of unburnt areas.						
_	Comments	Naturalised species associated with this regional ecosystem include *Dichanthium aristatum. Most extensive occurrences are in southern part of bioregion.						

¹ Estimated extent is from version 11 pre-clearing and 2017 remnant regional ecosystem mapping. Figures are rounded for simplicity. For more precise estimates, including breakdowns by tenure and other themes see remnant vegetation in Queensland (https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/remnant-vegetation/).

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Regional ecosystem details for 12.8.17

Regional ecosystem	12.8.17
Vegetation Management Act class	Least concern
Biodiversity status	No concern at present
Subregion	2, 1, 11.31, (6), (10), (5), (7)
Estimated extent ¹	Pre-clearing 77000 ha; Remnant 2017 28000 ha
Extent in reserves	Medium
Short description	Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks
Structure category	Sparse
Description	Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris, C. intermedia and/or C. clarksoniana, E. melliodora, Angophora subvelutina grassy woodland. Occurs on Cainozoic igneous rocks, especially basalt. (BVG1M: 11a)
Supplementary description	Ryan, T.S. (ed.) (2012); Bean et al. (1998), G32
Protected areas	Main Range NP, Bunya Mountains NP, Mount Barney NP, Dwyers Scrub CP, Mount Beau Brummell CP, Dawes NP, Cordalba NP, Mount Binga NP, White Rock CP, Lockyer NP, Pidna NP, Mount Chinghee NP, Flagstone Creek CP

0/25	/2019	Regional ecosystem details for 12.8.17 Environment, land and water Queensland Government
	Special values	Habitat for threatened plant species including Rhaponticum australe.
	Fire management guidelines	SEASON: Summer to late-autumn. INTENSITY: Low. INTERVAL: 3-6 years. STRATEGY: Aim to burn 40-60% of any given area. Spot ignition in cooler or moister periods encourages mosaics. ISSUES: Control of weeds is a major focus of planned burning in most areas. Maintain ground litter and fallen timber habitats by burning only with sufficient soil moisture. Burning should aim to produce fine scale mosaics of unburnt areas.
	Comments	Corymbia erythrophloia replaces other bloodwoods in northern part of bioregion. Cleared for pasture.

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Regional ecosystem details for 12.8.9

Regional ecosystem	12.8.9
Vegetation Management Act class	Least concern
Wetlands	Not a Wetland
Biodiversity status	No concern at present
Subregion	1, 2, (11.31), (7), (4), (3), (9)
Estimated extent ¹	Pre-clearing 13000 ha; Remnant 2019 11000 ha
Extent in reserves	High
Short description	Lophostemon confertus open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks
Structure category	Mid-dense
Description	Lophostemon confertus open forest often with vine forest understorey ('wet sclerophyll'). Occurs on Cainozoic igneous rocks. Tends to occur mostly in gullies and on exposed ridges on basalt. (BVG1M: 8a)
Supplementary description	Bean et al. (1998), G27

Protected areas

Main Range NP, Lamington NP, Mount Barney NP, Springbrook NP, Tamborine NP, Flinders Peak CP, Mount Cooroy CP, Mount Beau Brummell CP, Kondalilla NP, Tewantin NP, Moogerah Peaks NP

Special values

Potential habitat for NCA listed species: Eucalyptus dunnii, Mallotus megadontus. This ecosystem is known to provide suitable habitat for koalas (Phascolarctos cinereus).

Fire management guidelines

SEASON: Late summer to autumn. INTENSITY: Moderate to high. INTERVAL: Minimum 20 years, maximum unknown, requiring further research. STRATEGY: Needs disturbance to maintain RE structure (eucalypt overstorey, rainforest dominated but mixed species understorey). It is unlikely that mosaic burns will be achievable because fire would most likely be of higher intensity (i.e., likely to be a wildfire) and is only likely to occur at long intervals (at least 20+ years) during prolonged dry periods. In exceptional circumstances, different localities containing this ecosystem could be burnt to ensure a continuum of habitat availability across the broader landscape. Using this strategy maximises the probability of spatial mosaics in the landscape. ISSUES: Operationally there will be many areas of wet sclerophyll that cannot be safely burnt, and will only burn in wildfire. There is evidence that suggests that infrequent high intensity fires sustain the eucalypt overstorey. Wet sclerophyll has been shown to be a moving ecotone between vine forest and moist/dry sclerophyll.

Comments

Tends to occur on exposed ridges among vine forest on basalt and in gullies on lower fertility substrates such as rhyolite. Patches are often too small to map at 1:100 000.

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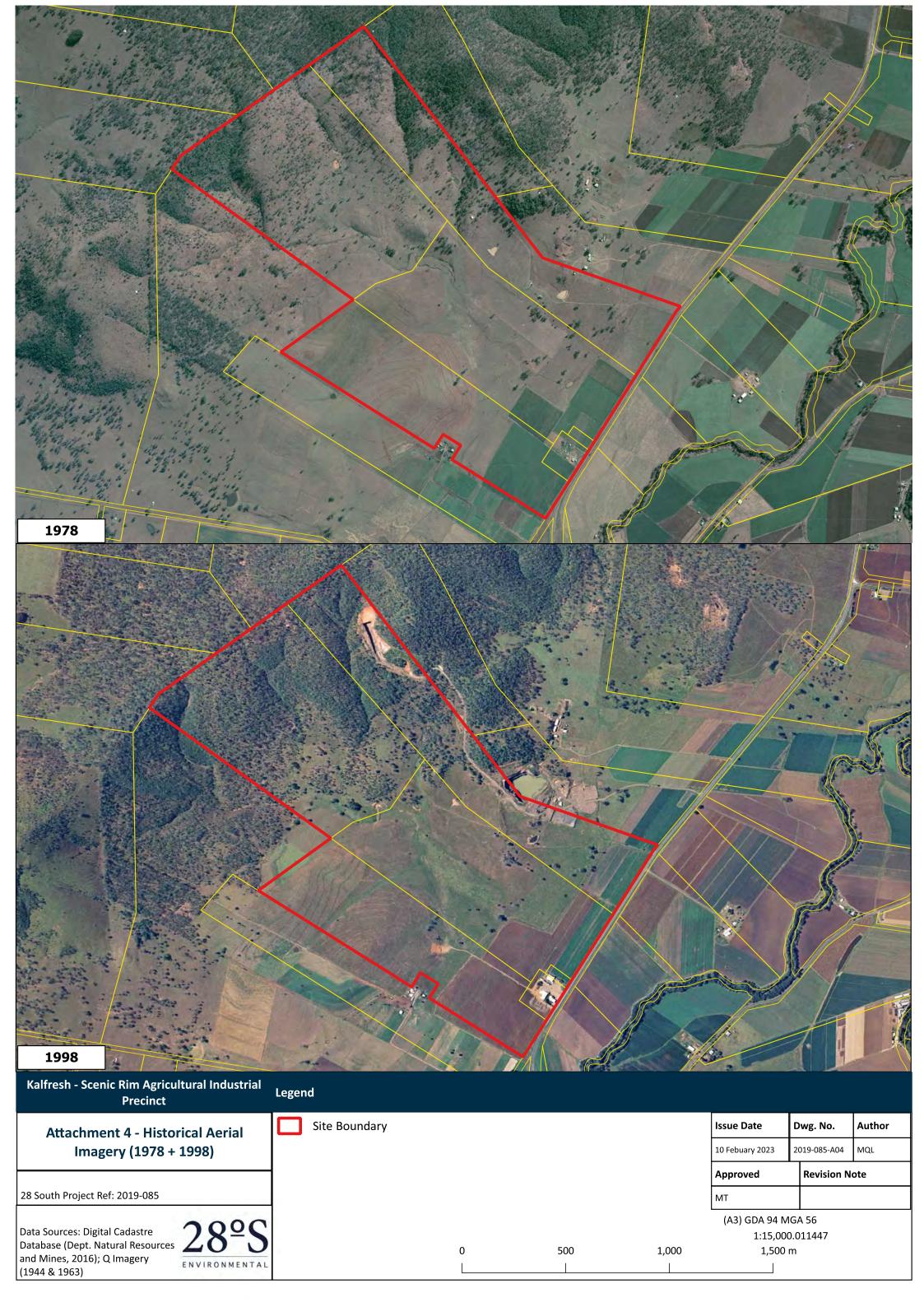
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ATTACHMENT 4 – Historic Aerial Imagery







ATTACHMENT 5 – EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Tool

EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected. Please see the caveat for interpretation of information provided here.

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Summary

Matters of National Environment Significance

This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the <u>Administrative Guidelines on Significance</u>.

World Heritage Properties:	None
National Heritage Places:	None
Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar	1
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park:	None
Commonwealth Marine Area:	None
Listed Threatened Ecological Communities:	6
Listed Threatened Species:	46
Listed Migratory Species:	15

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/heritage

A <u>permit</u> may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species.

Commonwealth Lands:	None
Commonwealth Heritage Places:	None
Listed Marine Species:	20
Whales and Other Cetaceans:	None
Critical Habitats:	None
Commonwealth Reserves Terrestrial:	None
Australian Marine Parks:	None
Habitat Critical to the Survival of Marine Turtles:	None

Extra Information

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have

State and Territory Reserves:	1
Regional Forest Agreements:	None
Nationally Important Wetlands:	None
EPBC Act Referrals:	4
Key Ecological Features (Marine):	None
Biologically Important Areas:	None
Bioregional Assessments:	1
Geological and Bioregional Assessments:	None

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Wetlands)	[Resource Information	
Ramsar Site Name	Proximity	Buffer Status
Moreton bay	50 - 100km upstrear from Ramsar site	n In feature area

Listed Threatened Ecological Communities

[Resource Information]

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are derived from recovery plans, State vegetation maps, remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Status of Vulnerable, Disallowed and Ineligible are not MNES under the EPBC Act.

Community Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Brigalow (Acacia harpophylla dominant and co-dominant)	Endangered	Community known to occur within area	In buffer area only
Grey box-grey gum wet forest of subtropical eastern Australia	Endangered	Community likely to occur within area	In feature area
Lowland Rainforest of Subtropical Australia	Critically Endangered	Community likely to occur within area	In feature area
Poplar Box Grassy Woodland on Alluvial Plains	Endangered	Community may occu within area	rIn feature area
Subtropical eucalypt floodplain forest and woodland of the New South Wales North Coast and South East Queensland bioregions	Endangered	Community likely to occur within area	In feature area
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland	Critically Endangered	Community likely to occur within area	In feature area

Listed Threatened Species

[Resource Information]

Status of Conservation Dependent and Extinct are not MNES under the EPBC Act. Number is the current name ID.

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
BIRD			
Anthochaera phrygia			
Regent Honeyeater [82338]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Botaurus poiciloptilus Australasian Bittern [1001]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Calyptorhynchus lathami lathami South-eastern Glossy Black-Cockatoo [67036]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni Coxen's Fig-Parrot [59714]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Erythrotriorchis radiatus Red Goshawk [942]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	
Falco hypoleucos Grey Falcon [929]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Geophaps scripta scripta Squatter Pigeon (southern) [64440]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Grantiella picta Painted Honeyeater [470]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail [682]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area
<u>Lathamus discolor</u> Swift Parrot [744]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Rostratula australis Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Turnix melanogaster Black-breasted Button-quail [923]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area
FROG			
Mixophyes fleayi Fleay's Frog [25960]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In buffer area only
MAMMAL			
Chalinolobus dwyeri Large-eared Pied Bat, Large Pied Bat [183]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Dasyurus maculatus maculatus (SE mair	nland population)		
Spot-tailed Quoll, Spotted-tail Quoll, Tiger Quoll (southeastern mainland population) [75184]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Macroderma gigas Ghost Bat [174]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Petauroides volans Greater Glider (southern and central) [254]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Petaurus australis australis Yellow-bellied Glider (south-eastern) [87600]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Petrogale penicillata Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby [225]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Phascolarctos cinereus (combined popul Koala (combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory) [85104]	ations of Qld, NSW and the Endangered	ne ACT) Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area
Potorous tridactylus tridactylus Long-nosed Potoroo (northern) [66645]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Pseudomys novaehollandiae New Holland Mouse, Pookila [96]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Pteropus poliocephalus Grey-headed Flying-fox [186]	Vulnerable	Foraging, feeding or related behaviour known to occur within area	
PLANT			
Arthraxon hispidus Hairy-joint Grass [9338]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Bosistoa transversa Three-leaved Bosistoa, Yellow Satinheart [16091]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Bulbophyllum globuliforme Miniature Moss-orchid, Hoop Pine Orchid [6649]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In buffer area only
Cupaniopsis shirleyana Wedge-leaf Tuckeroo [3205]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Cupaniopsis tomentella Boonah Tuckeroo [3322]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area
<u>Dichanthium setosum</u> bluegrass [14159]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Fontainea venosa [24040]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Lepidium peregrinum Wandering Pepper-cress [14035]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In buffer area only
Lychnothamnus barbatus a green alga [64479]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Macadamia integrifolia	5 ,		
Macadamia Nut, Queensland Nut Tree, Smooth-shelled Macadamia, Bush Nut, Nut Oak [7326]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Notelaea lloydii Lloyd's Olive [15002]	Vulnerable	Species or species	In buffer area only
		habitat likely to occur within area	
Picris evae			
Hawkweed [10839]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Planchonella eerwah			
Shiny-leaved Condoo, Black Plum, Wild Apple [17340]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In buffer area only
Rhodamnia rubescens			
Scrub Turpentine, Brown Malletwood [15763]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Rhodomyrtus psidioides			
Native Guava [19162]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Sarcochilus weinthalii			
Blotched Sarcochilus, Weinthals Sarcanth [12673]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In buffer area only
Sophora fraseri			
[8836]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In buffer area only
Thesium australe			
Austral Toadflax, Toadflax [15202]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
REPTILE			
<u>Delma torquata</u>			
Adorned Delma, Collared Delma [1656]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Furina dunmalli			
Dunmall's Snake [59254]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Hemiaspis damelii			
Grey Snake [1179]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Listed Migratory Species		[Res	source Information]
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Migratory Marine Birds	Throatonod Catogory	T TOOCHOO TOXE	Buildi Ctatao
Apus pacificus			
Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Migratory Terrestrial Species			
<u>Cuculus optatus</u>			
Oriental Cuckoo, Horsfield's Cuckoo [86651]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Hirundapus caudacutus			
White-throated Needletail [682]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area
Monarcha melanopsis			
Black-faced Monarch [609]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Motacilla flava			
Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Myiagra cyanoleuca			
Satin Flycatcher [612]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Rhipidura rufifrons			
Rufous Fantail [592]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area	In feature area
Symposiachrus trivirgatus as Monarcha t	rivirgatus		
Spectacled Monarch [83946]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Migratory Wetlands Species			
Actitis hypoleucos			
Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Calidris ferruginea			
Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
<u>Calidris melanotos</u>			
Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Gallinago hardwickii			
Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe [863]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Numenius madagascariensis			
Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Tringa nebularia			
Common Greenshank, Greenshank [832]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Listed Marine Species		[Resource Information			
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status		
Bird					
Actitis hypoleucos					
Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area		
Anseranas semipalmata					
Magpie Goose [978]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area		
Apus pacificus					
Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area		

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Bubulcus ibis as Ardea ibis Cattle Egret [66521]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Gallinago hardwickii Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe [863]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Haliaeetus leucogaster White-bellied Sea-Eagle [943]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	In feature area
Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail [682]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Lathamus discolor Swift Parrot [744]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Monarcha melanopsis Black-faced Monarch [609]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	Buffer Status
Motacilla flava			
Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Myiagra cyanoleuca			
Satin Flycatcher [612]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Numenius madagascariensis			
Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area	In feature area
Rhipidura rufifrons			
Rufous Fantail [592]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Rostratula australis as Rostratula bengha	alensis (sensu lato)		
Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Symposiachrus trivirgatus as Monarcha t	rivirgatus		
Spectacled Monarch [83946]	<u>irvirgatus</u>	Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area
Tringa nebularia			
Common Greenshank, Greenshank [832]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area	In feature area

Extra Information

State and Territory Reserves			[Resource Information]
Protected Area Name	Reserve Type	State	Buffer Status
Moogerah Peaks	National Park	QLD	In buffer area only

EPBC Act Referrals			[Resou	rce Information]
Title of referral	Reference	Referral Outcome	Assessment Status	Buffer Status
Controlled action				
Warrill View Hard Rock Quarry	2020/8684	Controlled Action	Assessment Approach	In buffer area only

Title of referral	Reference	Referral Outcome	Assessment Status	Buffer Status
Not controlled action				
Establishment of a hard rock quarry off Frazerview Road, Frazerview	2013/6800	Not Controlled Action	Completed	In feature area
Improving rabbit biocontrol: releasing another strain of RHDV, sthrn two thirds of Australia	2015/7522	Not Controlled Action	Completed	In feature area
Upgraded sewerage infrastructure in the Helensvale/Coombabah catchment	2004/1427	Not Controlled Action	Completed	In feature area

Bioregional Assessments			
SubRegion	BioRegion	Website	Buffer Status
Clarence-Moreton	Clarence-Moreton	BA website	In feature area

Caveat

1 PURPOSE

This report is designed to assist in identifying the location of matters of national environmental significance (MNES) and other matters protected by the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) which may be relevant in determining obligations and requirements under the EPBC Act.

The report contains the mapped locations of:

- World and National Heritage properties;
- · Wetlands of International and National Importance;
- Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves;
- distribution of listed threatened, migratory and marine species;
- · listed threatened ecological communities; and
- other information that may be useful as an indicator of potential habitat value.

2 DISCLAIMER

This report is not intended to be exhaustive and should only be relied upon as a general guide as mapped data is not available for all species or ecological communities listed under the EPBC Act (see below). Persons seeking to use the information contained in this report to inform the referral of a proposed action under the EPBC Act should consider the limitations noted below and whether additional information is required to determine the existence and location of MNES and other protected matters.

Where data are available to inform the mapping of protected species, the presence type (e.g. known, likely or may occur) that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. It is the responsibility of any person using or relying on the information in this report to ensure that it is suitable for the circumstances of any proposed use. The Commonwealth cannot accept responsibility for the consequences of any use of the report or any part thereof. To the maximum extent allowed under governing law, the Commonwealth will not be liable for any loss or damage that may be occasioned directly or indirectly through the use of, or reliance

3 DATA SOURCES

Threatened ecological communities

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are generated based on information contained in recovery plans, State vegetation maps and remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Threatened, migratory and marine species

Threatened, migratory and marine species distributions have been discerned through a variety of methods. Where distributions are well known and if time permits, distributions are inferred from either thematic spatial data (i.e. vegetation, soils, geology, elevation, aspect, terrain, etc.) together with point locations and described habitat; or modelled (MAXENT or BIOCLIM habitat modelling) using

Where little information is available for a species or large number of maps are required in a short time-frame, maps are derived either from 0.04 or 0.02 decimal degree cells; by an automated process using polygon capture techniques (static two kilometre grid cells, alpha-hull and convex hull); or captured manually or by using topographic features (national park boundaries, islands, etc.).

In the early stages of the distribution mapping process (1999-early 2000s) distributions were defined by degree blocks, 100K or 250K map sheets to rapidly create distribution maps. More detailed distribution mapping methods are used to update these distributions

4 LIMITATIONS

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in this report:

- threatened species listed as extinct or considered vagrants;
- some recently listed species and ecological communities;
- some listed migratory and listed marine species, which are not listed as threatened species; and
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in Australia in small numbers.

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:

- listed migratory and/or listed marine seabirds, which are not listed as threatened, have only been mapped for recorded
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent

The breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

Refer to the metadata for the feature group (using the Resource Information link) for the currency of the information.

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- -Department of Land and Resource Management, Northern Territory
- -Department of Environmental and Heritage Protection, Queensland
- -Department of Parks and Wildlife, Western Australia
- -Environment and Planning Directorate, ACT
- -Birdlife Australia
- -Australian Bird and Bat Banding Scheme
- -Australian National Wildlife Collection
- -Natural history museums of Australia
- -Museum Victoria
- -Australian Museum
- -South Australian Museum
- -Queensland Museum
- -Online Zoological Collections of Australian Museums
- -Queensland Herbarium
- -National Herbarium of NSW
- -Royal Botanic Gardens and National Herbarium of Victoria
- -Tasmanian Herbarium
- -State Herbarium of South Australia
- -Northern Territory Herbarium
- -Western Australian Herbarium
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- -CSIRO
- -Australian Tropical Herbarium, Cairns
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- -Australian Government National Environmental Science Program
- -Australian Institute of Marine Science
- -Reef Life Survey Australia
- -American Museum of Natural History
- -Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Inveresk, Tasmania
- -Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania
- -Other groups and individuals

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ATTACHMENT 6 – Wildnet Species List

WildNet species list

Search Criteria: Species List for a Specified Point

Species: All

Type: Native

Queensland status: All

Records: Confirmed

Date: Since 1980

Latitude: -27.9425

Longitude: 152.5746

Distance: 5

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Kingdom	Class	Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	l Q	Α	Records
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria caerulea	common green treefrog	С		2
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria fallax	eastern sedgefrog	С		3
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria gracilenta	graceful treefrog	С		3
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria latopalmata	broad palmed rocketfrog	С		2
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria rubella	ruddy treefrog	С		3
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria wilcoxii	eastern stony creek frog	CCC		1
animals	amphibians	Limnodynastidae	Limnodynastes peronii	striped marshfrog	С		1
animals	amphibians	Limnodynastidae	Limnodynastes tasmaniensis	spotted grassfrog	С		2
animals	amphibians	Limnodynastidae	Limnodynastes terraereginae	scarlet sided pobblebonk	С		2
animals	amphibians	Limnodynastidae	Platyplectrum ornatum	ornate burrowing frog	С		1
animals	amphibians	Myobatrachidae	Mixophyes fasciolatus	great barred frog	С		2
animals	amphibians	Myobatrachidae	Pseudophryne coriacea	red backed broodfrog	С		1
animals	amphibians	Myobatrachidae	Pseudophryne sp.	3	000000		1
animals	amphibians	Myobatrachidae	Uperoleia laevigata	eastern gungan	С		1
animals	amphibians	Myobatrachidae	Úperoleia sp.	0 0	С		1
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Acanthiza lineata	striated thornbill	Ċ		2
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Acanthiza pusilla	brown thornbill	C		6
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Acanthiza reguloides	buff-rumped thornbill	С		1
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Gerygone mouki	brown gerygone	000000		3
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Gerygone olivacea	white-throated gerygone	С		4
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Sericornis frontalis	white-browed scrubwren	С		6
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Sericornis magnirostra	large-billed scrubwren	C C		3
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Smicrornis brevirostris	weebill	С		3
animals	birds	Accipitridae	Aquila audax	wedge-tailed eagle	C C C		1
animals	birds	Accipitridae	Aviceda subcristata	Pacific baza	С		2
animals	birds	Accipitridae	Milvus migrans	black kite			3
animals	birds	Aegothelidae	Aegotheles cristatus	Australian owlet-nightjar	CCC		1
animals	birds	Alcedinidae	Dacelo novaeguineae	laughing kookaburra ´	С		4
animals	birds	Alcedinidae	Todiramphus sanctus	sacred kingfisher	C C		2/1
animals	birds	Anatidae	Anas superciliosa	Pacific black duck	С		1
animals	birds	Apodidae	Hirundapus caudacutus	white-throated needletail	V	V	1
animals	birds	Ardeidae	Bubulcus ibis	cattle egret	С		1
animals	birds	Ardeidae	Egretta novaehollandiae	white-faced heron	С		2
animals	birds	Artamidae	Artamus cyanopterus	dusky woodswallow	С		1
animals	birds	Artamidae	Cracticus nigrogularis	pied butcherbird	C		3
animals	birds	Artamidae	Cracticus torquatus	grey butcherbird	С		1
animals	birds	Artamidae	Gymnorhina tibicen	Australian magpie	С		2
animals	birds	Artamidae	Strepera graculina	pied currawong	С		6
animals	birds	Cacatuidae	Zanda funerea	yellow-tailed black-cockatoo	С		1
animals	birds	Campephagidae	Coracina lineata	barred cuckoo-shrike	С		2
animals	birds	Campephagidae	Coracina novaehollandiae	black-faced cuckoo-shrike	С		1
animals	birds	Campephagidae	Edolisoma tenuirostre	common cicadabird	С		6
animals	birds	Campephagidae	Lalage leucomela	varied triller	С		4
animals	birds	Climacteridae	Cormobates leucophaea	white-throated treecreeper	С		1
animals	birds	Climacteridae	Cormobates leucophaea metastasis	white-throated treecreeper (southern)	С		5
animals	birds	Columbidae	Chalcophaps longirostris	Pacific emerald dove	С		1

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animals	birds	Columbidae	Geopelia humeralis	bar-shouldered dove		С		1
animals	birds	Columbidae	Geopelia placida	peaceful dove		С		2
animals	birds	Columbidae	Leucosarcia melanoleuca	wonga pigeon		С		1
animals	birds	Columbidae	Macropygia phasianella	brown cuckoo-dove		С		1
animals	birds	Columbidae	Ptilinopus regina	rose-crowned fruit-dove		С		1
animals	birds	Coraciidae	Eurystomus orientalis	dollarbird		С		1
animals	birds	Corvidae	Corvus orru	Torresian crow		C		5
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Cacomantis flabelliformis	fan-tailed cuckoo		С		3
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Cacomantis variolosus	brush cuckoo		С		2
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Centropus phasianinus	pheasant coucal		C		3
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Chalcites lucidus	shining bronze-cuckoo		С		2
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Eudynamys orientalis	eastern koel		С		3/1
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Scythrops novaehollandiae	channel-billed cuckoo		С		3
animals	birds	Dicaeidae	Dicaeum hirundinaceum	mistletoebird		С		3
animals	birds	Dicruridae	Dicrurus bracteatus	spangled drongo		С		3
animals	birds	Estrildidae	Neochmia temporalis	red-browed finch		CCC		4
animals	birds	Estrildidae	Taeniopygia bichenovii	double-barred finch		С		1
animals	birds	Eurostopodidae	Eurostopodus mystacalis	white-throated nightjar		С		1
animals	birds	Falconidae	Falco cenchroides	nankeen kestrel		C		1
animals	birds	Falconidae	Falco subniger	black falcon		С		1
animals	birds	Falcunculidae	Falcunculus frontatus	crested shrike-tit		С		1
animals	birds	Hirundinidae	Hirundo neoxena	welcome swallow		C		1
animals	birds	Hirundinidae	Petrochelidon ariel	fairy martin		С		1
animals	birds	Maluridae	Malurus lamberti	variegated fairy-wren		С		4
animals	birds	Maluridae	Malurus melanocephalus	red-backed fairy-wren		С		3
animals	birds	Megapodiidae	Alectura lathami	Australian brush-turkey		С		1
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris	eastern spinebill		С		2
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Caligavis chrysops	yellow-faced honeyeater		С		5
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Manorina melanocephala	noisy miner		С		4
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Meliphaga lewinii	Lewin's honeyeater		С		7
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Melithreptus albogularis	white-throated honeyeater		С		5
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Melithreptus gularis	black-chinned honeyeater		С		2
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Melithreptus lunatus	white-naped honeyeater		С		1
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Myzomela sanguinolenta	scarlet honeyeater		С		4
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Philemon corniculatus	noisy friarbird		С		1
animals	birds	Meropidae	Merops ornatus	rainbow bee-eater		С		2
animals	birds	Monarchidae	Grallina cyanoleuca	magpie-lark		С		1
animals	birds	Monarchidae	Monarcha melanopsis	black-faced monarch		SL		4
animals	birds	Monarchidae	Myiagra rubecula	leaden flycatcher		С		4
animals	birds	Monarchidae	Symposiachrus trivirgatus	spectacled monarch		SL		3
animals	birds	Neosittidae	Daphoenositta chrysoptera	varied sittella		С		2
animals	birds	Oriolidae	Oriolus sagittatus	olive-backed oriole		С		3
animals	birds	Oriolidae	Sphecotheres vieilloti	Australasian figbird		С		1
animals	birds	Pachycephalidae	Colluricincla harmonica	grey shrike-thrush		С		6
animals	birds	Pachycephalidae	Colluricincla megarhyncha	little shrike-thrush		C		2
animals	birds	Pachycephalidae	Pachycephala pectoralis	golden whistler		С		2

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animals	birds	Pachycephalidae	Pachycephala rufiventris	rufous whistler		С		5
animals	birds	Pardalotidae	Pardalotus punctatus	spotted pardalote		С		7
animals	birds	Pardalotidae	Pardalotus striatus	striated pardalote		С		3
animals	birds	Petroicidae	Eopsaltria australis	eastern yellow robin		С		6
animals	birds	Petroicidae	Petroica rosea	rose robin		С		1
animals	birds	Phaethontidae	Phaethon rubricauda	red-tailed tropicbird		V		3/1
animals	birds	Phalacrocoracidae	Microcarbo melanoleucos	little pied cormorant		С		1
animals	birds	Pittidae	Pitta versicolor	noisy pitta		С		3
animals	birds	Podargidae	Podargus strigoides	tawny frogmouth		С		1
animals	birds	Psittaculidae	Alisterus scapularis	Australian king-parrot		С		1
animals	birds	Psittaculidae	Parvipsitta pusilla	little lorikeet		С		1
animals	birds	Psittaculidae	Platycercus adscitus	pale-headed rosella		С		1
animals	birds	Psittaculidae	Psitteuteles versicolor	varied lorikeet		С		1
animals	birds	Psittaculidae	Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus	scaly-breasted lorikeet		С		2
animals	birds	Psittaculidae	Trichoglossus moluccanus	rainbow lorikeet		С		1
animals	birds	Psophodidae	Psophodes olivaceus	eastern whipbird		С		3
animals	birds	Ptilonorhynchidae	Sericulus chrysocephalus	regent bowerbird		С		2
animals	birds	Rallidae	Gallinula tenebrosa	dusky moorhen		С		1
animals	birds	Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura albiscapa	grey fantail		С		4
animals	birds	Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura leucophrys	willie wagtail		С		2
animals	birds	Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura rufifrons	rufous fantail		SL		4
animals	birds	Strigidae	Ninox boobook	southern boobook		С		1
animals	birds	Turdidae	Zoothera lunulata	Bassian thrush		С		1
animals	birds	Tytonidae	Tyto javanica	eastern barn owl		С		1
animals	birds	Zosteropidae	Zosterops lateralis	silvereye		С		6
animals	mammals	Dasyuridae	Phascogale tapoatafa tapoatafa	brush-tailed phascogale		С		1
animals	mammals	Macropodidae	Petrogale penicillata	brush-tailed rock-wallaby		V	V	2
animals	mammals	Macropodidae	Wallabia bicolor	swamp wallaby		С		2
animals	mammals	Muridae	Rattus fuscipes	bush rat		С		1
animals	mammals	Peramelidae	Isoodon macrourus	northern brown bandicoot		Č		1
animals	mammals	Peramelidae	Perameles nasuta	long-nosed bandicoot		С		1
animals	mammals	Phalangeridae	Trichosurus caninus	short-eared possum		С		1
animals	mammals	Phalangeridae	Trichosurus vulpecula	common brushtail possum		С		1
animals	mammals	Phascolarctidae	Phascolarctos cinereus	koala		Ε	E	31
animals	mammals	Pteropodidae	Pteropus scapulatus	little red flying-fox		С		1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Ambassidae	Ambassis agassizii	Agassiz's glassfish		_		8
animals	ray-finned fishes	Anguillidae	Anguilla australis	southern shortfin eel				13
animals	ray-finned fishes	Anguillidae	Anguilla reinhardtii	longfin eel				14
animals	ray-finned fishes	Atherinidae	Craterocephalus marjoriae	silverstreak hardyhead				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Atherinidae	Craterocephalus stercusmuscarum	flyspecked hardyhead				8
animals	ray-finned fishes	Clupeidae	Nematalosa erebi	bony bream				2
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Gobiomorphus australis	striped gudgeon				2
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Gobiomorphus coxii	Cox gudgeon				- 1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Hypseleotris compressa	empire gudgeon				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Hypseleotris galii	firetail gudgeon				18
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Hypseleotris klunzingeri	western carp gudgeon				15

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animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Philypnodon grandiceps	flathead gudgeon				7
animals	ray-finned fishes	Melanotaeniidae	Melanotaenia duboulayi	crimsonspotted rainbowfish				13
animals	ray-finned fishes	Mugilidae	Mugil cephalus	sea mullet				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Percichthyidae	Macquaria novemaculeata	Australian bass				4
animals	ray-finned fishes	Plotosidae	Tandanus tandanus	freshwater catfish				12
animals	ray-finned fishes	Retropinnidae	Retropinna semoni	Australian smelt				11
animals	ray-finned fishes	Scorpaenidae	Notesthes robusta	bullrout				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Terapontidae	Leiopotherapon unicolor	spangled perch				14
animals	reptiles	Agamidae	Intellagama lesueurii	eastern water dragon		С		2
animals	reptiles	Agamidae	Pogona barbata	bearded dragon		С		1
animals	reptiles	Boidae	Morelia spilota	carpet python		С		1
animals	reptiles	Diplodactylidae	Nebulifera robusta	robust velvet gecko		С		1
animals	reptiles	Diplodactylidae	Oedura tryoni	southern spotted velvet gecko		С		1
animals	reptiles	Scincidae	Bellatorias frerei	major skink		С		1
animals	reptiles	Scincidae	Cryptoblepharus pulcher pulcher	elegant snake-eyed skink		С		1
animals	reptiles	Scincidae	Ctenotus spaldingi	straight-browed ctenotus		С		1
animals	reptiles	Scincidae	Lampropholis delicata	dark-flecked garden sunskink		С		1
animals	reptiles	Varanidae	Varanus varius	lace monitor		С		1
plants	land plants	Apocynaceae	Alstonia constricta	bitterbark		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Apocynaceae	Alyxia ruscifolia			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Apocynaceae	Carissa ovata	currantbush		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Apocynaceae	Parsonsia leichhardtii	black silkpod		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Apocynaceae	Secamone elliptica			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Araceae	Gymnostachys anceps	settler's flax		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Asteraceae	Senecio					1/1
plants	land plants	Boraginaceae	Ehretia membranifolia	weeping koda		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Cannabaceae	Aphananthe philippinensis	, -		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Celastraceae	Celastrus subspicata	large-leaved staffvine		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Celastraceae	Elaeodendron australe var. australe	_		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Celastraceae	Hippocratea barbata	knotvine		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Celastraceae	Siphonodon australis	ivorywood		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Cornaceae	Alangium polyosmoides subsp. tomentosum	•		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Corynocarpaceae	Corynocarpus rupestris subsp. arborescens	southern corynocarpus		V		4/4
plants	land plants	Cyperaceae	Cyperus curvistylis	• •		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Cyperaceae	Lepidosperma clipeicola			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Dryopteridaceae	Lastreopsis decomposita	trim shield fern		SL		1/1
plants	land plants	Ebenaceae	Diospyros pentamera	myrtle ebony		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Euphorbiaceae	Acalypha nemorum	hairy acalypha		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Euphorbiaceae	Baloghia inophylla	scrub bloodwood		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Euphorbiaceae	Croton acronychioides	thick-leaved croton		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Euphorbiaceae	Mallotus claoxyloides	green kamala		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Euphorbiaceae	Tragia novae-ĥollandiae	stinging-vine		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Lamiaceae	Coleus alloplectus			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Lauraceae	Cryptocarya					1/1
plants	land plants	Lauraceae	Cryptocarya bidwillii	yellow laurel		С		2/2
plants	land plants	Lauraceae	Cryptocarya sclerophylla	totempole		С		1

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plants	land plants	Laxmanniaceae	Cordyline congesta	Boonah palm lily		SL		1/1
plants	land plants	Laxmanniaceae	Cordyline rubra	red-fruited palm lily		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Acacia acrionastes	•		NT		2/2
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Acacia brunioides subsp. brunioides			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Bossiaea rupicola	pea flower		С		3/3
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Cassia sp. (Marburg J.J.Halford+ JJH836)			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Hovea impressinerva			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Hovea similis			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	Mezoneuron brachycarpum			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Meliaceae	Turraea pubescens	native honeysuckle		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Menispermaceae	Pleogyne australis	wiry grape		C		1/1
plants	land plants	Moraceae	Ficus virens var. virens			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Myrtaceae	Backhousia sciadophora	shatterwood		C C		2/1
plants	land plants	Petiveriaceae	Monococcus echinophorus	burr bush		С		2/2
plants	land plants	Phyllanthaceae	Bridelia exaltata			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Phyllanthaceae	Bridelia leichhardtii			С		3/3
plants	land plants	Phyllanthaceae	Cleistanthus cunninghamii	omega		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Piperaceae	Piper hederaceum var. hederaceum			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Pittosporaceae	Pittosporum viscidum	black-fruited thornbush		C C		1/1
plants	land plants	Poaceae	Ancistrachne uncinulata	hooky grass		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Poaceae	Austrostipa ramosissima	bamboo grass		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Poaceae	Oplismenus aemulus	creeping shade grass		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Poaceae	Oplismenus imbecillis			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Polypodiaceae	Dendroconche scandens			SL		1/1
plants	land plants	Proteaceae	Persoonia sericea	silky geebung		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Proteaceae	Stenocarpus salignus	scrub beefwood		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Pteridaceae	Doryopteris concolor			SL		1/1
plants	land plants	Rhamnaceae	Alphitonia excelsa	soap tree		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Rubiaceae	Cyclophyllum coprosmoides var. coprosmoides			C C		1/1
plants	land plants	Rubiaceae	Pomax umbellata			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Rutaceae	Acronychia laevis	glossy acronychia		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Rutaceae	Bosistoa pentacocca subsp. pentacocca			C C		6/6
plants	land plants	Rutaceae	Coatesia paniculata			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Rutaceae	Cyanothamnus occidentalis			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Rutaceae	Flindersia collina	broad-leaved leopard tree		C C		2/2
plants	land plants	Rutaceae	Sarcomelicope simplicifolia subsp. simplicifolia	yellow aspen		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Sapindaceae	Alectryon diversifolius	scrub boonaree		С		2/2
plants	land plants	Sapindaceae	Cupaniopsis parvifolia	small-leaved tuckeroo		С		1/1
plants	land plants	Sapindaceae	Cupaniopsis tomentella	Boonah tuckeroo		V	V	6/6
plants	land plants	Sapindaceae	Rhysotoechia bifoliolata subsp. bifoliolata			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Sapotaceae	Planchonella cotinifolia var. cotinifolia			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Simaroubaceae	Ailanthus triphysa	white siris		С		2/2
plants	land plants	Stackhousiaceae	Stackhousia muricata			С		1/1
plants	land plants	Stylidiaceae	Stylidium laricifolium	tree trigger plant		SL		1/1
plants	land plants	Thuidiaceae	Thuidium					1/1
plants	land plants	Vitaceae	Cayratia acris	hairy grape		С		1/1

CODES

- I Y indicates that the taxon is introduced to Queensland and has naturalised.
- Q Indicates the Queensland conservation status of each taxon under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

 The codes are Extinct (EX), Extinct in the Wild (PE), Critically Endangered (CR), Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V), Near Threatened (NT), Special Least Concern (SL) and Least Concern (C).
- A Indicates the Australian conservation status of each taxon under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

 The values of EPBC are Extinct (EX), Extinct in the Wild (XW), Critically Endangered (CE), Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V) and Conservation Dependent (CD).

Records - The first number indicates the total number of records of the taxon (wildlife records and species listings for selected areas).

This number is output as 99999 if it equals or exceeds this value. A second number located after a / indicates the number of specimen records for the taxon.

This number is output as 999 if it equals or exceeds this value.



ATTACHMENT 7 – Vegetation Management Property Reports



Vegetation management report

For Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221

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Recent changes

Updated mapping

Updated vegetation mapping was released on 8 September 2022 and includes the most recent Queensland Herbarium scientific updates to the Regulated Vegetation Management Map, regional ecosystems, wetland, high-value regrowth and essential habitat mapping.

The Department of Environment and Science have also updated their protected plant and koala protection mapping to align with the Queensland Herbarium scientific updates.

Overview

Based on the lot on plan details you have supplied, this report provides the following detailed information:

Property details - information about the specified Lot on Plan, lot size, local government area, bioregion(s), subregion(s) and catchment(s);

Vegetation management framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Resources who administer the framework;

Vegetation management framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the vegetation management categories on the property;
- the vegetation management regional ecosystems on the property;
- · vegetation management watercourses or drainage features on the property;
- · vegetation management wetlands on the property;
- · vegetation management essential habitat on the property;
- · whether any area management plans are associated with the property;
- · whether the property is coastal or non-coastal; and
- whether the property is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B;

Protected plant framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework, including:

• high risk areas on the protected plant flora survey trigger map for the property;

Koala protection framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework; and

Koala protection framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the koala district the property is located in;
- koala priority areas on the property;
- · core and locally refined koala habitat areas on the property;
- · whether the lot is located in an identified koala broad-hectare area; and
- koala habitat regional ecosystems on the property for core koala habitat areas.

This information will assist you to determine your options for managing vegetation under:

- the vegetation management framework, which may include:
 - · exempt clearing work;
 - accepted development vegetation clearing code;
 - · an area management plan;
 - · a development approval;
- the protected plant framework, which may include:
 - the need to undertake a flora survey;
 - · exempt clearing;
 - a protected plant clearing permit;
- the koala protection framework, which may include:
 - · exempted development;
 - a development approval;
 - the need to undertake clearing sequentially and in the presence of a koala spotter.

Other laws

The clearing of native vegetation is regulated by both Queensland and Australian legislation, and some local governments also regulate native vegetation clearing. You may need to obtain an approval or permit under another Act, such as the Commonwealth Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). Section 8 of this guide provides contact details of other agencies you should confirm requirements with, before commencing vegetation clearing.

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1. Property details

1.1 Tenure and title area

All of the lot, plan, tenure and title area information associated with property Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221, are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Lot, plan, tenure and title area information for the property

Lot	Plan	Tenure	Property title area (sq metres)
4	SP192221	Freehold	611,600

The tenure of the land may affect whether clearing is considered exempt clearing work or may be carried out under an accepted development vegetation clearing code.

Does this property have a freehold tenure and is in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area?

No, this property is not located in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

1.2 Property location

Table 2 provides a summary of the locations for property Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221, in relation to natural and administrative boundaries.

Table 2: Property location details

Local Government(s)	
Scenic Rim Regional	

Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)
Southeast Queensland	Moreton Basin

Catchment(s)	
Brisbane	

2. Vegetation management framework (administered by the Department of Resources)

The *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VMA), the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017, in conjunction with associated policies and codes, form the Vegetation Management Framework.

The VMA does not apply to all land tenures or vegetation types. State forests, national parks, forest reserves and some tenures under the *Forestry Act 1959* and *Nature Conservation Act 1992* are not regulated by the VMA. Managing or clearing vegetation on these tenures may require approvals under these laws.

The following native vegetation is not regulated under the VMA but may require permit(s) under other laws:

- · grass or non-woody herbage;
- a plant within a grassland regional ecosystem prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012; and
- a mangrove.

2.1 Exempt clearing work

Exempt clearing work is an activity for which you do not need to notify the Department of Resources or obtain an approval under the vegetation management framework. Exempt clearing work was previously known as exemptions.

In areas that are mapped as Category X (white in colour) on the regulated vegetation management map (see section 4.1), and where the land tenure is freehold, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes, the clearing of vegetation is considered exempt clearing work and does not require notification or development approval under the vegetation management framework. For all other land tenures, contact the Department of Resources before commencing clearing to ensure that the proposed activity is exempt clearing work.

A range of routine property management activities are considered exempt clearing work. A list of exempt clearing work is available at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/exemptions.

Exempt clearing work may be affected if the proposed clearing area is subject to development approval conditions, a covenant, an environmental offset, an exchange area, a restoration notice, or an area mapped as Category A. Exempt clearing work may require approval under other Commonwealth, State or Local Government laws, or local government planning schemes. Contact the Department of Resources prior to clearing in any of these areas.

2.2 Accepted development vegetation clearing codes

Some clearing activities can be undertaken under an accepted development vegetation clearing code. The codes can be downloaded at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/codes

If you intend to clear vegetation under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, you must notify the Department of Resources before commencing. The information in this report will assist you to complete the online notification form.

You can complete the online form at

https://apps.dnrm.qld.gov.au/vegetation/

2.3 Area management plans

Area Management Plans (AMP) provide an alternative approval system for vegetation clearing under the vegetation management framework. They list the purposes and clearing conditions that have been approved for the areas covered by the plan. It is not necessary to use an AMP, even when an AMP applies to your property.

On 8 March 2020, AMPs ended for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation and managing encroachment. New notifications cannot be made for these AMPs. You will need to consider options for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation or encroachment under a relevant accepted development vegetation clearing code or apply for a development approval.

New notifications can be made for all other AMPs. These will continue to apply until their nominated end date.

If an Area Management Plan applies to your property for which you can make a new notification, it will be listed in Section 3.6 of this report. Before clearing under one of these AMPs, you must first notify the Department of Resources and then follow the conditions and requirements listed in the AMP.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/area-management-plans

2.4 Development approvals

If under the vegetation management framework your proposed clearing is not exempt clearing work, or is not permitted under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, or an AMP, you may be able to apply for a development approval. Information on how to apply for a development approval is available at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/development

2.5. Contact information for the Department of Resources

For further information on the vegetation management framework:

Phone 135VEG (135 834)

Email vegetation@resources.gld.gov.au

Visit https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/?contact=vegetation to submit an online enquiry.

3. Vegetation management framework for Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221

3.1 Vegetation categories

The vegetation categories on your property are shown on the regulated vegetation management map in section 4.1 of this report. A summary of vegetation categories on the subject lot are listed in Table 3. Descriptions for these categories are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Vegetation categories for subject property. Total area: 61.27ha

Vegetation category	Area (ha)
Category X	61.3

Table 4: Description of vegetation categories

Category	Colour on Map	Description	Requirements / options under the vegetation management framework
A	red	Compliance areas, environmental offset areas and voluntary declaration areas	Special conditions apply to Category A areas. Before clearing, contact the Department of Resources to confirm any requirements in a Category A area.
В	dark blue	Remnant vegetation areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with accepted development vegetation clearing codes, area management plans or development approval.
С	light blue	High-value regrowth areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category C regrowth vegetation accepted development vegetation clearing code.
R	yellow	Regrowth within 50m of a watercourse or drainage feature in the Great Barrier Reef catchment areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category R regrowth accepted development vegetation clearing code or area management plans.
X	white	Clearing on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes is considered exempt clearing work under the vegetation management framework. Contact the Department of Resources to clarify whether a development approval is required for other State land tenures.	No permit or notification required on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing. A development approval may be required for some State land tenures.

Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV)

There is no Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV) present on this property.

3.2 Regional ecosystems

The endangered, of concern and least concern regional ecosystems on your property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2 and are listed in Table 5.

A description of regional ecosystems can be accessed online at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/descriptions/

Table 5: Regional ecosystems present on subject property

Regional Ecosystem	VMA Status	Category	Area (Ha)	Short Description	Structure Category
non-rem	None	Х	61.27	None	None

Please note:

- 1. All area and area derived figures included in this table have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.
- 2. If Table 5 contains a Category 'plant', please be aware that this refers to 'plantations' such as forestry, and these areas are considered non-remnant under the VMA.

The VMA status of the regional ecosystem (whether it is endangered, of concern or least concern) also determines if any of the following are applicable:

- · exempt clearing work;
- accepted development vegetation clearing codes;
- performance outcomes in State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

3.3 Watercourses

Vegetation management watercourses and drainage features for this property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2.

3.4 Wetlands

There are no vegetation management wetlands present on this property.

3.5 Essential habitat

Under the VMA, essential habitat for protected wildlife is native wildlife prescribed under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near-threatened wildlife.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife includes suitable habitat on the lot, or where a species has been known to occur up to 1.1 kilometres from a lot on which there is assessable vegetation. These important habitat areas are protected under the VMA.

Any essential habitat on this property will be shown as blue hatching on the vegetation supporting map in section 4.2.

If essential habitat is identified on the lot, information about the protected wildlife species is provided in Table 6 below. The numeric labels on the vegetation management supporting map can be cross referenced with Table 6 to outline the essential habitat factors for that particular species. There may be essential habitat for more than one species on each lot, and areas of Category A, Category B and Category C can be mapped as Essential Habitat.

Essential habitat is compiled from a combination of species habitat models and buffered species records. Regional ecosystem is a mandatory essential habitat factor, unless otherwise stated. Essential habitat, for protected wildlife, means an area of vegetation shown on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map -

- 1) that has at least 3 essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database. Essential habitat factors are comprised of regional ecosystem (mandatory for most species), vegetation community, altitude, soils, position in landscape; or
- 2) in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

If there is no essential habitat mapping shown on the vegetation management supporting map for this lot, and there is no table in the sections below, it confirms that there is no essential habitat on the lot.

Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Table 6: Essential habitat in Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

No records

3.6 Area Management Plan(s)

Nil

3.7 Coastal or non-coastal

For the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), this property is regarded as*

Coastal

*See also Map 4.3

3.8 Agricultural Land Class A or B

The following can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code:

Does this lot contain land that is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B in the State Planning Interactive Mapping System?

Class A (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 32.38ha

Class B (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 16.86ha

Note - This confirms Agricultural Land Classes as per the State Planning Interactive Mapping System only. This response does not include Agricultural Land Classes identified under local government planning schemes. For further information, check the Planning Scheme for your local government area.

See Map 4.4 to identify the location and extent of Class A and/or Class B Agricultural land on Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221.

4. Vegetation management framework maps

Vegetation management maps included in this report may also be requested individually at: https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/gld/environment/land/vegetation/vegetation-map-request-form

Regulated vegetation management map

The regulated vegetation management map shows vegetation categories needed to determine clearing requirements. These maps are updated monthly to show new <u>property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAV).</u>

Vegetation management supporting map

The vegetation management supporting map provides information on regional ecosystems, wetlands, watercourses and essential habitat.

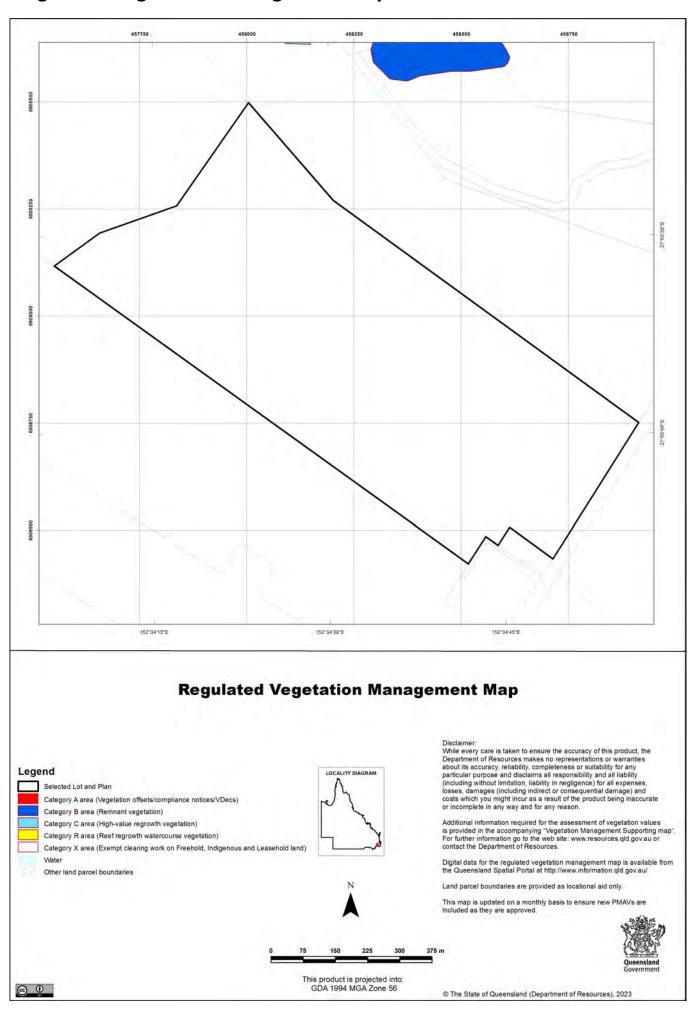
Coastal/non-coastal map

The coastal/non-coastal map confirms whether the lot, or which parts of the lot, are considered coastal or non-coastal for the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

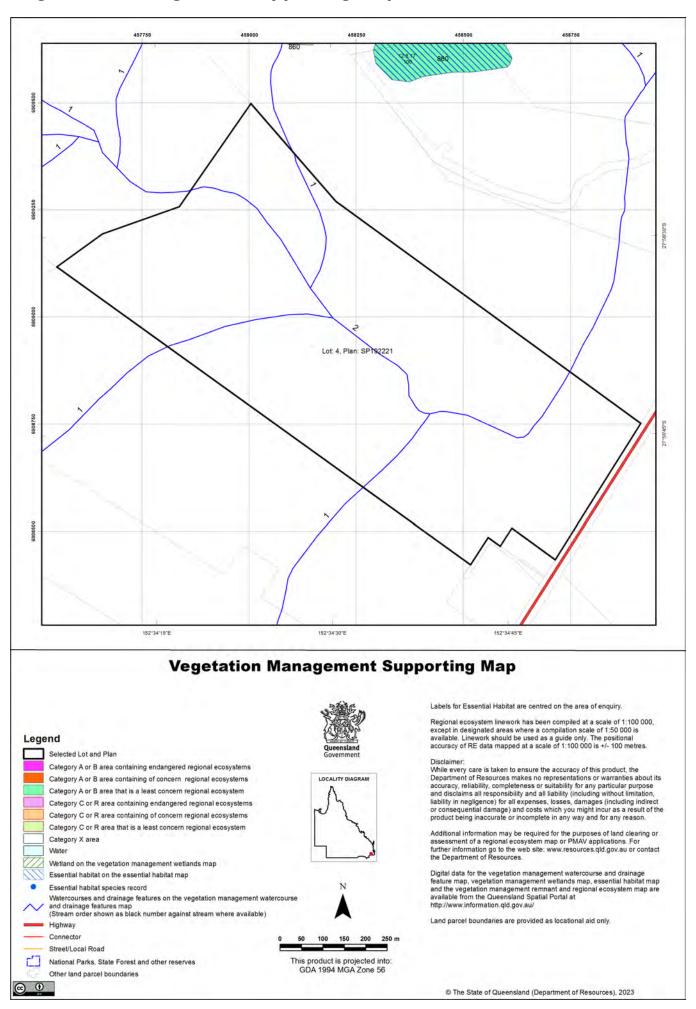
Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture

The Agricultural Land Class map confirms the location and extent of land mapped as Agricultural Land Classes A or B as identified on the State Planning Interactive Mapping System. Please note that this map does not include areas identified as Agricultural Land Class A or B in local government planning schemes. This map can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code.

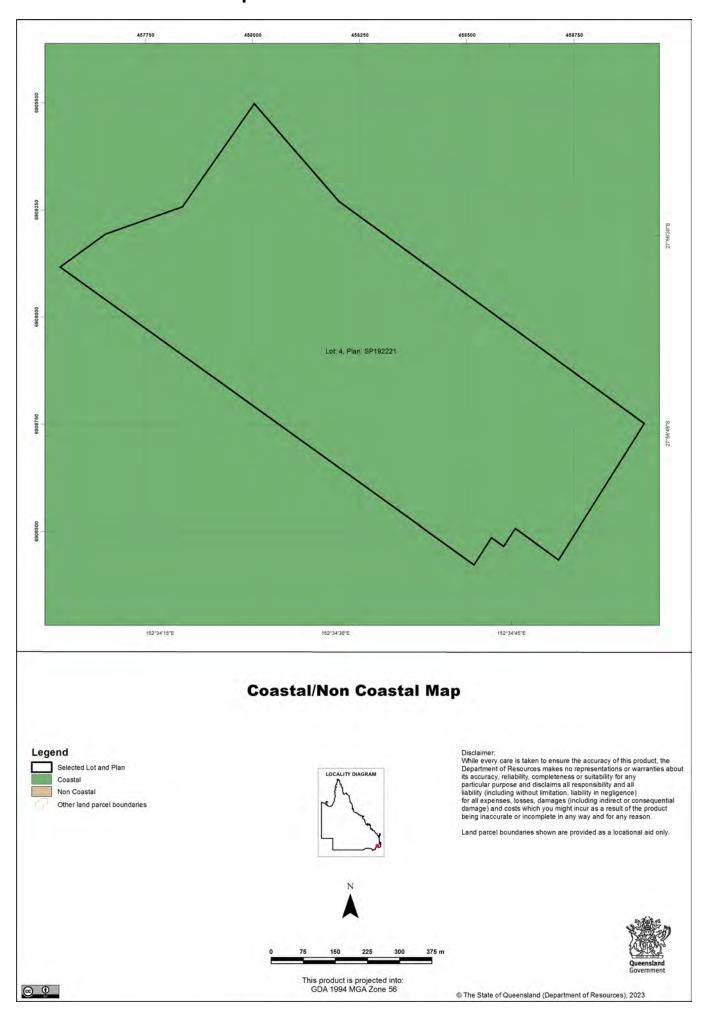
4.1 Regulated vegetation management map



4.2 Vegetation management supporting map

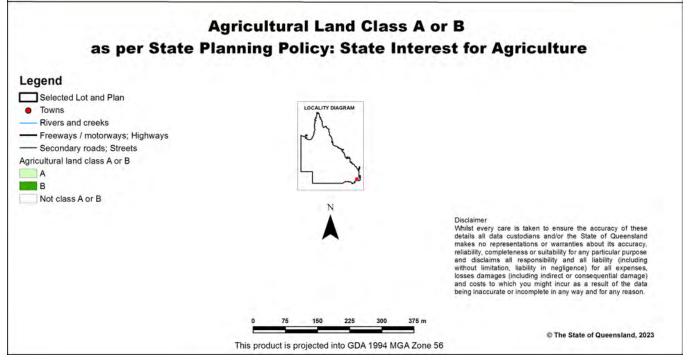


4.3 Coastal/non-coastal map



4.4 Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture





5. Protected plants framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u> (NCA). The NCA regulates the clearing of protected plants 'in the wild' (see <u>Operational policy: When a protected plant in Queensland is considered to be 'in the wild'</u>) that are listed as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near threatened under the Act.

Please note that the protected plant clearing framework applies irrespective of the classification of the vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and any approval or exemptions given under another Act, for example, the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* or *Planning Regulation 2017*.

5.1 Clearing in high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map identifies high-risk areas for threatened and near threatened plants. These are areas where threatened or near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist based on the habitat present. The flora survey trigger map for this property is provided in section 5.5.

If you are proposing to clear an area shown as high risk on the flora survey trigger map, a flora survey of the clearing impact area must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the <u>Flora survey guidelines</u>. The main objective of a flora survey is to locate any threatened or near threatened plants that may be present in the clearing impact area.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are not present within the clearing impact area or clearing within 100m of a threatened or near threatened plant can be avoided, the clearing activity is exempt from a permit. An <u>exempt clearing notification form</u> must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Science, with a copy of the flora survey report, at least one week prior to clearing.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared, a clearing permit is required before any clearing is undertaken. The flora survey report, as well as an impact management report, must be submitted with the <u>clearing permit application form</u>.

5.2 Clearing outside high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

In an area other than a high risk area, a clearing permit is only required where a person is, or becomes aware that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared. You must keep a copy of the flora survey trigger map for the area subject to clearing for five years from the day the clearing starts. If you do not clear within the 12 month period that the flora survey trigger map was printed, you need to print and check a new flora survey trigger map.

5.3 Exemptions

Many activities are 'exempt' under the protected plant clearing framework, which means that clearing of native plants that are in the wild can be undertaken for these activities with no need for a flora survey or a protected plant clearing permit. The Information sheet - General exemptions for the take of protected plants provides some of these exemptions.

Some exemptions under the NCA are the same as exempt clearing work (formerly known as exemptions) under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (i.e. listed in Schedule 21 of the Planning Regulations 2017) while some are different.

5.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the protected plants framework:

Phone 1300 130 372 (and select option four)

Email palm@des.qld.gov.au

Visit https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/protected-plants

5.5 Protected plants flora survey trigger map

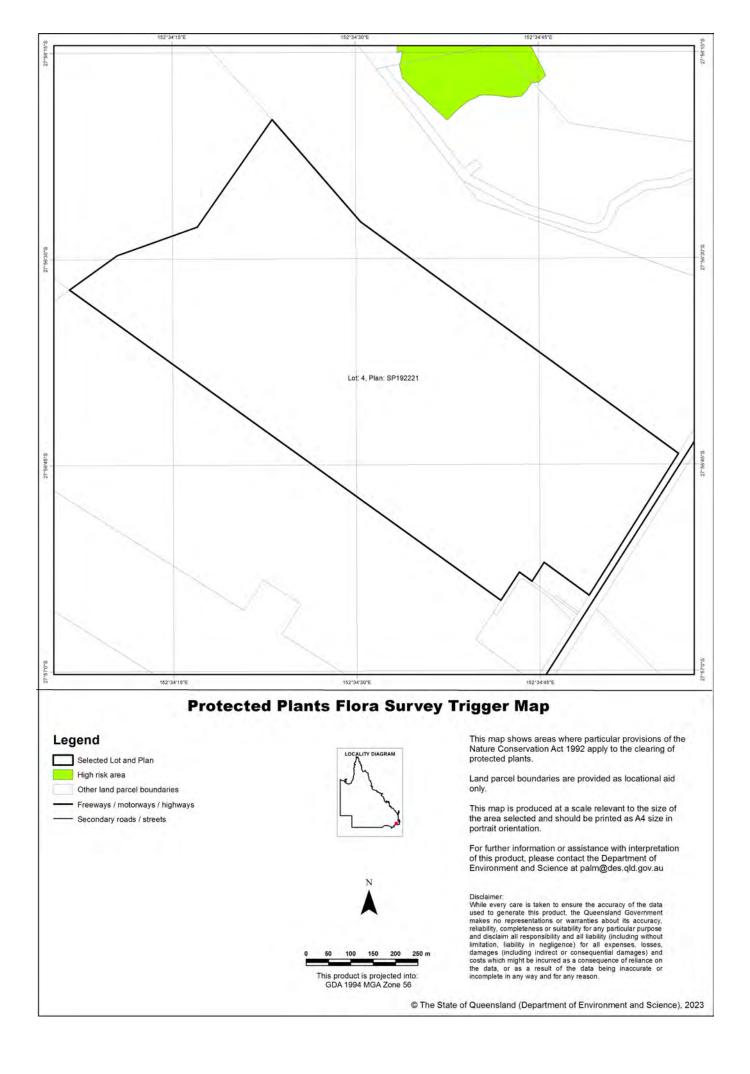
This map included may also be requested individually at: https://apps.des.gld.gov.au/map-request/flora-survey-trigger/.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the <u>Queensland Spatial Catalogue</u>, the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the <u>clearing of protected plants</u> for more information.



6. Koala protection framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

The koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is listed in Queensland as vulnerable by the Queensland Government under *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and by the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government's koala protection framework is comprised of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020, the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017.

6.1 Koala mapping

6.1.1 Koala districts

The parts of Queensland where koalas are known to occur has been divided into three koala districts - koala district A, koala district B and koala district C. Each koala district is made up of areas with comparable koala populations (e.g. density, extent and significance of threatening processes affecting the population) which require similar management regimes.

Section 7.1 identifies which koala district your property is located in.

6.1.2 Koala habitat areas

Koala habitat areas are areas of vegetation that have been determined to contain koala habitat that is essential for the conservation of a viable koala population in the wild based on the combination of habitat suitability and biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water). In order to protect this important koala habitat, clearing controls have been introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017 for development in koala habitat areas.

Please note that koala habitat areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

There are two different categories of koala habitat area (core koala habitat area and locally refined koala habitat), which have been determined using two different methodologies. These methodologies are described in the document Spatial modelling in South East Queensland.

Section 7.2 shows any koala habitat area that exists on your property.

Under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, an owner of land (or a person acting on the owner's behalf with written consent) can request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination if they believe, on reasonable grounds, that the existing determination for all or part of their property is incorrect.

More information on requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be found in the document Guideline - Requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination.

The koala habitat area map will be updated at least annually to include any koala habitat areas that have been made, amended or revoked.

Changes to the koala habitat area map which occur between annual updates because of a request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be viewed on the register of approved requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/koalamaps. The register includes the lot on plan for the change, the date the decision was made and the map issued to the landholder that shows areas determined to be koala habitat areas.

6.1.3 Koala priority areas

Koala priority areas are large, connected areas that have been determined to have the highest likelihood of achieving conservation outcomes for koalas based on the combination of habitat suitability, biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water) and a koala conservation cost benefit analysis.

Conservation efforts will be prioritised in these areas to ensure the conservation of viable koala populations in the wild including a focus on management (e.g. habitat protection, habitat restoration and threat mitigation) and monitoring. This includes a prohibition on clearing in koala habitat areas that are in koala priority areas under the Planning Regulation 2017 (subject to some exemptions).

Please note that koala priority areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley,

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in a koala priority area.

6.1.4 Identified koala broad-hectare areas

There are seven identified koala broad-hectare areas in SEQ. These are areas of koala habitat that are located in areas committed to meet development targets in the SEQ Regional Plan to accommodate SEQ's growing population including bring-forward Greenfield sites under the Queensland Housing Affordability Strategy and declared master planned areas under the repealed *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

Specific assessment benchmarks apply to development applications for development proposed in identified koala broad-hectare areas to ensure koala conservation measures are incorporated into the proposed development.

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in an identified koala broad-hectare area.

6.2 Koala habitat planning controls

On 7 February 2020, the Queensland Government introduced new planning controls to the Planning Regulation 2017 to strengthen the protection of koala habitat in South East Queensland (i.e. koala district A).

More information on these planning controls can be found here: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

As a high-level summary, the koala habitat planning controls make:

- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area, prohibited development (i.e. development for which a development application cannot be made);
- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is a koala habitat area but is not a koala priority area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required); and
- development that is for extractive industries where the development involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala habitat area and a key resource area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required).

Interfering with koala habitat means:

- 1) Removing, cutting down, ringbarking, pushing over, poisoning or destroying in anyway, including by burning, flooding or draining native vegetation in a koala habitat area; but
- 2) Does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock or lopping a tree.

However, these planning controls do not apply if the development is exempted development as defined in Schedule 24 of the <u>Planning Regulation 2017</u>. More information on exempted development can be found here: https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

There are also assessment benchmarks that apply to development applications for:

- building works, operational works, material change of use or reconfiguration of a lot where:
 - the local government planning scheme makes the development assessable;
 - the premises includes an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area; and
 - the development does not involve interfering with koala habitat (defined above); and
- development in identified koala broad-hectare areas.

The <u>Guideline - Assessment Benchmarks in relation to Koala Habitat in South East Queensland assessment benchmarks</u> outlines these assessment benchmarks, the intent of these assessment benchmarks and advice on how proposed development may meet these assessment benchmarks.

6.3 Koala Conservation Plan clearing requirements

Section 10 and 11 of the <u>Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017</u> prescribes requirements that must be met when clearing koala habitat in koala district A and koala district B.

These clearing requirements are independent to the koala habitat planning controls introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017, which means they must be complied with irrespective of any approvals or exemptions offered under other legislation.

Unlike the clearing controls prescribed in the Planning Regulation 2017 that are to protect koala habitat, the clearing requirements prescribed in the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017 are in place to prevent the injury or death of koalas when koala habitat is being cleared.

6.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the koala protection framework:

Phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Email koala.assessment@des.gld.gov.au

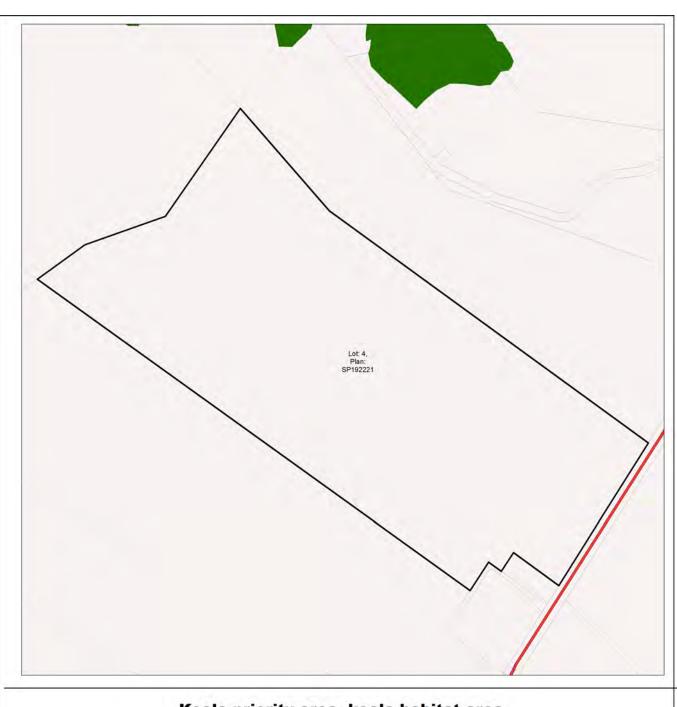
Visit https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping

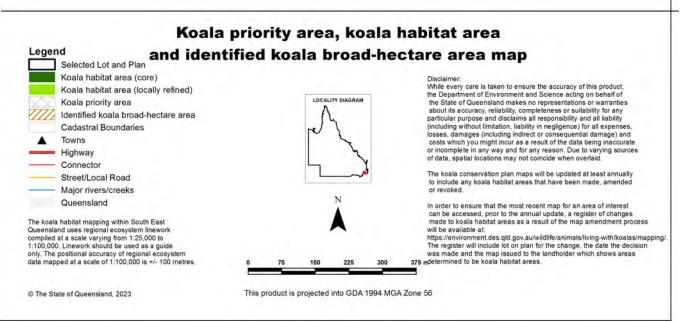
7. Koala protection framework details for Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221

7.1 Koala districts

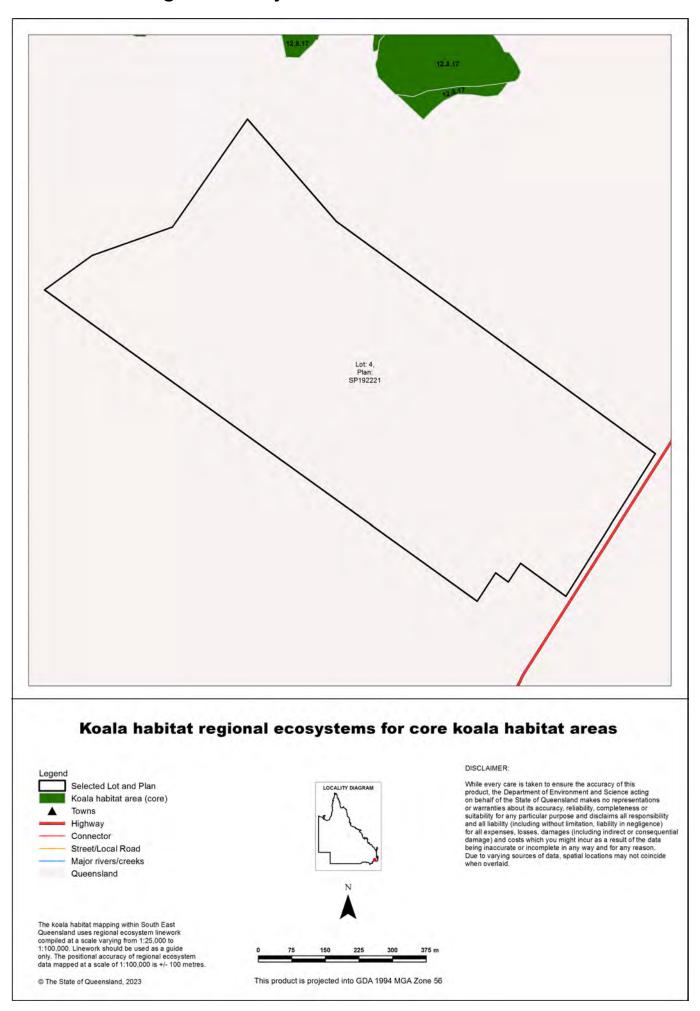
Koala District A

7.2 Koala priority area, koala habitat area and identified koala broad-hectare area map





7.3 Koala habitat regional ecosystems for core koala habitat areas



8. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance			Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.rdmw.qld.gov.au www.resources.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Protected plants and protected areas	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 1300 130 372 (option 4) palm@des.qld.gov.au www.des.qld.gov.au
Koala mapping and regulations	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Koala.assessment@des.qld.gov.au
 Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities on State land tenures 	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
Development and planning processes	Planning Act 2016 State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au
Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office
Harvesting timber in the Wet Tropics of Qld World Heritage area	Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993	Wet Tropics Management Authority	Ph: (07) 4241 0500 www.wettropics.gov.au



Vegetation management report

For Lot: 2 Plan: RP44024

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Recent changes

Updated mapping

Updated vegetation mapping was released on 8 September 2022 and includes the most recent Queensland Herbarium scientific updates to the Regulated Vegetation Management Map, regional ecosystems, wetland, high-value regrowth and essential habitat mapping.

The Department of Environment and Science have also updated their protected plant and koala protection mapping to align with the Queensland Herbarium scientific updates.

Overview

Based on the lot on plan details you have supplied, this report provides the following detailed information:

Property details - information about the specified Lot on Plan, lot size, local government area, bioregion(s), subregion(s) and catchment(s);

Vegetation management framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Resources who administer the framework;

Vegetation management framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the vegetation management categories on the property;
- the vegetation management regional ecosystems on the property;
- vegetation management watercourses or drainage features on the property;
- · vegetation management wetlands on the property;
- · vegetation management essential habitat on the property;
- · whether any area management plans are associated with the property;
- · whether the property is coastal or non-coastal; and
- whether the property is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B;

Protected plant framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework, including:

• high risk areas on the protected plant flora survey trigger map for the property;

Koala protection framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework; and

Koala protection framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the koala district the property is located in;
- koala priority areas on the property;
- · core and locally refined koala habitat areas on the property;
- · whether the lot is located in an identified koala broad-hectare area; and
- koala habitat regional ecosystems on the property for core koala habitat areas.

This information will assist you to determine your options for managing vegetation under:

- the vegetation management framework, which may include:
 - · exempt clearing work;
 - accepted development vegetation clearing code;
 - · an area management plan;
 - · a development approval;
- the protected plant framework, which may include:
 - the need to undertake a flora survey;
 - · exempt clearing;
 - a protected plant clearing permit;
- the koala protection framework, which may include:
 - · exempted development;
 - a development approval;
 - the need to undertake clearing sequentially and in the presence of a koala spotter.

Other laws

The clearing of native vegetation is regulated by both Queensland and Australian legislation, and some local governments also regulate native vegetation clearing. You may need to obtain an approval or permit under another Act, such as the Commonwealth Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). Section 8 of this guide provides contact details of other agencies you should confirm requirements with, before commencing vegetation clearing.

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1. Property details

1.1 Tenure and title area

All of the lot, plan, tenure and title area information associated with property Lot: 2 Plan: RP44024, are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Lot, plan, tenure and title area information for the property

Lot	Plan	Tenure	Property title area (sq metres)
2	RP44024	Freehold	752,770

The tenure of the land may affect whether clearing is considered exempt clearing work or may be carried out under an accepted development vegetation clearing code.

Does this property have a freehold tenure and is in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area?

No, this property is not located in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

1.2 Property location

Table 2 provides a summary of the locations for property Lot: 2 Plan: RP44024, in relation to natural and administrative boundaries.

Table 2: Property location details

Local Government(s)
Scenic Rim Regional

Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)
Southeast Queensland	Moreton Basin

Catchment(s)
Brisbane

2. Vegetation management framework (administered by the Department of Resources)

The *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VMA), the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017, in conjunction with associated policies and codes, form the Vegetation Management Framework.

The VMA does not apply to all land tenures or vegetation types. State forests, national parks, forest reserves and some tenures under the *Forestry Act 1959* and *Nature Conservation Act 1992* are not regulated by the VMA. Managing or clearing vegetation on these tenures may require approvals under these laws.

The following native vegetation is not regulated under the VMA but may require permit(s) under other laws:

- · grass or non-woody herbage;
- a plant within a grassland regional ecosystem prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012; and
- a mangrove.

2.1 Exempt clearing work

Exempt clearing work is an activity for which you do not need to notify the Department of Resources or obtain an approval under the vegetation management framework. Exempt clearing work was previously known as exemptions.

In areas that are mapped as Category X (white in colour) on the regulated vegetation management map (see section 4.1), and where the land tenure is freehold, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes, the clearing of vegetation is considered exempt clearing work and does not require notification or development approval under the vegetation management framework. For all other land tenures, contact the Department of Resources before commencing clearing to ensure that the proposed activity is exempt clearing work.

A range of routine property management activities are considered exempt clearing work. A list of exempt clearing work is available at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/exemptions.

Exempt clearing work may be affected if the proposed clearing area is subject to development approval conditions, a covenant, an environmental offset, an exchange area, a restoration notice, or an area mapped as Category A. Exempt clearing work may require approval under other Commonwealth, State or Local Government laws, or local government planning schemes. Contact the Department of Resources prior to clearing in any of these areas.

2.2 Accepted development vegetation clearing codes

Some clearing activities can be undertaken under an accepted development vegetation clearing code. The codes can be downloaded at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/codes

If you intend to clear vegetation under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, you must notify the Department of Resources before commencing. The information in this report will assist you to complete the online notification form.

You can complete the online form at

https://apps.dnrm.qld.gov.au/vegetation/

2.3 Area management plans

Area Management Plans (AMP) provide an alternative approval system for vegetation clearing under the vegetation management framework. They list the purposes and clearing conditions that have been approved for the areas covered by the plan. It is not necessary to use an AMP, even when an AMP applies to your property.

On 8 March 2020, AMPs ended for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation and managing encroachment. New notifications cannot be made for these AMPs. You will need to consider options for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation or encroachment under a relevant accepted development vegetation clearing code or apply for a development approval.

New notifications can be made for all other AMPs. These will continue to apply until their nominated end date.

If an Area Management Plan applies to your property for which you can make a new notification, it will be listed in Section 3.6 of this report. Before clearing under one of these AMPs, you must first notify the Department of Resources and then follow the conditions and requirements listed in the AMP.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/area-management-plans

2.4 Development approvals

If under the vegetation management framework your proposed clearing is not exempt clearing work, or is not permitted under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, or an AMP, you may be able to apply for a development approval. Information on how to apply for a development approval is available at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/development

2.5. Contact information for the Department of Resources

For further information on the vegetation management framework:

Phone 135VEG (135 834)

Email vegetation@resources.gld.gov.au

Visit https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/?contact=vegetation to submit an online enquiry.

3. Vegetation management framework for Lot: 2 Plan: RP44024

3.1 Vegetation categories

The vegetation categories on your property are shown on the regulated vegetation management map in section 4.1 of this report. A summary of vegetation categories on the subject lot are listed in Table 3. Descriptions for these categories are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Vegetation categories for subject property. Total area: 75.55ha

Vegetation category	Area (ha)
Category B	15.9
Category C	23.9
Category X	35.7

Table 4: Description of vegetation categories

Category	Colour on Map	Description	Requirements / options under the vegetation management framework
A	red	Compliance areas, environmental offset areas and voluntary declaration areas	Special conditions apply to Category A areas. Before clearing, contact the Department of Resources to confirm any requirements in a Category A area.
В	dark blue	Remnant vegetation areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with accepted development vegetation clearing codes, area management plans or development approval.
С	light blue	High-value regrowth areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category C regrowth vegetation accepted development vegetation clearing code.
R	yellow	Regrowth within 50m of a watercourse or drainage feature in the Great Barrier Reef catchment areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category R regrowth accepted development vegetation clearing code or area management plans.
X	white	Clearing on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes is considered exempt clearing work under the vegetation management framework. Contact the Department of Resources to clarify whether a development approval is required for other State land tenures.	No permit or notification required on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing. A development approval may be required for some State land tenures.

Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV)

The following Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAVs) may be present on this property:

Reference number

2019/002332

3.2 Regional ecosystems

The endangered, of concern and least concern regional ecosystems on your property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2 and are listed in Table 5.

A description of regional ecosystems can be accessed online at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/descriptions/

Table 5: Regional ecosystems present on subject property

Regional Ecosystem	VMA Status	Category	Area (Ha)	Short Description	Structure Category
12.8.14	Least concern	С	2.15	Eucalyptus eugenioides, E. biturbinata, E. melliodora +/- E. tereticornis, Corymbia intermedia open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Mid-dense
12.8.16	Of concern	С	0.05	Eucalyptus crebra +/- E. melliodora, E. tereticornis woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Sparse
12.8.17	Least concern	В	11.58	Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Sparse
12.8.17	Least concern	С	17.02	Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Sparse
12.8.9	Least concern	В	4.34	Lophostemon confertus open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Mid-dense
12.8.9	Least concern	С	4.68	Lophostemon confertus open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Mid-dense
non-rem	None	Х	35.72	None	None

Please note:

The VMA status of the regional ecosystem (whether it is endangered, of concern or least concern) also determines if any of the following are applicable:

- · exempt clearing work;
- · accepted development vegetation clearing codes;
- performance outcomes in State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

3.3 Watercourses

Vegetation management watercourses and drainage features for this property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2.

3.4 Wetlands

There are no vegetation management wetlands present on this property.

3.5 Essential habitat

Under the VMA, essential habitat for protected wildlife is native wildlife prescribed under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near-threatened wildlife.

^{1.} All area and area derived figures included in this table have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.

^{2.} If Table 5 contains a Category 'plant', please be aware that this refers to 'plantations' such as forestry, and these areas are considered non-remnant under the VMA.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife includes suitable habitat on the lot, or where a species has been known to occur up to 1.1 kilometres from a lot on which there is assessable vegetation. These important habitat areas are protected under the VMA.

Any essential habitat on this property will be shown as blue hatching on the vegetation supporting map in section 4.2.

If essential habitat is identified on the lot, information about the protected wildlife species is provided in Table 6 below. The numeric labels on the vegetation management supporting map can be cross referenced with Table 6 to outline the essential habitat factors for that particular species. There may be essential habitat for more than one species on each lot, and areas of Category A, Category B and Category C can be mapped as Essential Habitat.

Essential habitat is compiled from a combination of species habitat models and buffered species records. Regional ecosystem is a mandatory essential habitat factor, unless otherwise stated. Essential habitat, for protected wildlife, means an area of vegetation shown on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map -

- 1) that has at least 3 essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database. Essential habitat factors are comprised of regional ecosystem (mandatory for most species), vegetation community, altitude, soils, position in landscape; or
- 2) in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

If there is no essential habitat mapping shown on the vegetation management supporting map for this lot, and there is no table in the sections below, it confirms that there is no essential habitat on the lot.

Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Table 6: Essential habitat in Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Label	Scientific Name	Common Name	NCA Status	Vegetation Community	Altitude	Soils	Position in Landscape
860	Phascolarctos	koala	E	Open forests and woodlands containing Eucalyptus, Corymbia,	Sea level to	None	Riparian areas, plains
	cinereus			Lophostemon or Melaleuca trees having a trunk of a diameter of	1000m.		and hill/escarpment
				more than 10cm at 1.3m above the ground. Tree species used for			slopes.
				food and habitat varies across the state and can include:			
				Corymbia citriodora, Corymbia henryi, Corymbia intermedia,			
				Eucalyptus acmenoides, Eucalyptus bancroftii, Eucalyptus			
				biturbinata, Eucalyptus blakelyi, Eucalyptus brownii, Eucalyptus			
				camaldulensis, Eucalyptus carnea, Eucalyptus chloroclada,			
				Eucalyptus coolabah, Eucalyptus crebra, Eucalyptus dealbata,			
				Eucalyptus drepanophylla, Eucalyptus dunnii, Eucalyptus			
				eugenioides, Eucalyptus exserta, Eucalyptus fibrosa, Eucalyptus			
				grandis, Eucalyptus helidonica, Eucalyptus latisinensis,			
				Eucalyptus longirostrata, Eucalyptus major, Eucalyptus			
				melanophloia, Eucalyptus melliodora, Eucalyptus microcarpa,			
				Eucalyptus microcorys, Eucalyptus microtheca, Eucalyptus			
				moluccana, Eucalyptus montivaga, Eucalyptus orgadophila,			
				Eucalyptus papuana, Eucalyptus pilularis, Eucalyptus platyphylla,			
				Eucalyptus populnea, Eucalyptus portuensis, Eucalyptus			
				propinqua, Eucalyptus racemosa, Eucalyptus resinifera,			
				Eucalyptus robusta, Eucalyptus saligna, Eucalyptus seeana,			
				Eucalyptus siderophloia, Eucalyptus sideroxylon, Eucalyptus			
				tereticornis, Eucalyptus thozetiana, Eucalyptus tindaliae,			
				Eucalyptus umbra, Lophostemon confertus, Melaleuca			
				leucadendra, Melaleuca quinquenervia.			

Label	Regional Ecosystem (mandatory unless otherwise specified)
860	4.3.1, 4.3.2, 4.3.3, 4.3.4, 4.3.5, 4.3.6, 4.3.8, 4.3.10, 4.3.11, 4.5.3, 4.5.5, 4.5.6, 4.5.8, 4.5.9, 4.7.1, 4.7.7, 4.7.8, 4.9.6, 4.9.10, 4.9.12, 4.9.17, 6.3.1, 6.3.2, 6.3.3, 6.3.4, 6.3.5, 6.3.7, 6.3.8, 6.3.9, 6.3.11, 6.3.12, 6.3.17, 6.3.18, 6.3.22,
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	6.7.14, 6.7.17, 6.9.3, 7.2.3, 7.2.4, 7.2.7, 7.2.11, 7.3.7, 7.3.8, 7.3.9, 7.3.12, 7.3.13, 7.3.14, 7.3.16, 7.3.19, 7.3.20, 7.3.21, 7.3.25, 7.3.26, 7.3.39, 7.3.40, 7.3.42, 7.3.43, 7.3.44, 7.3.45, 7.3.47, 7.3.48, 7.3.50, 7.5.1, 7.5.2, 7.5.3,
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3.6 Area Management Plan(s)

Nil

3.7 Coastal or non-coastal

For the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), this property is regarded as*

Coastal

*See also Map 4.3

3.8 Agricultural Land Class A or B

The following can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code:

Does this lot contain land that is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B in the State Planning Interactive Mapping System?

Class A (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 4.5ha

Class B (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 34.89ha

Note - This confirms Agricultural Land Classes as per the State Planning Interactive Mapping System only. This response does not include Agricultural Land Classes identified under local government planning schemes. For further information, check the Planning Scheme for your local government area.

See Map 4.4 to identify the location and extent of Class A and/or Class B Agricultural land on Lot: 2 Plan: RP44024.

4. Vegetation management framework maps

Vegetation management maps included in this report may also be requested individually at: https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/gld/environment/land/vegetation/vegetation-map-request-form

Regulated vegetation management map

The regulated vegetation management map shows vegetation categories needed to determine clearing requirements. These maps are updated monthly to show new <u>property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAV).</u>

Vegetation management supporting map

The vegetation management supporting map provides information on regional ecosystems, wetlands, watercourses and essential habitat.

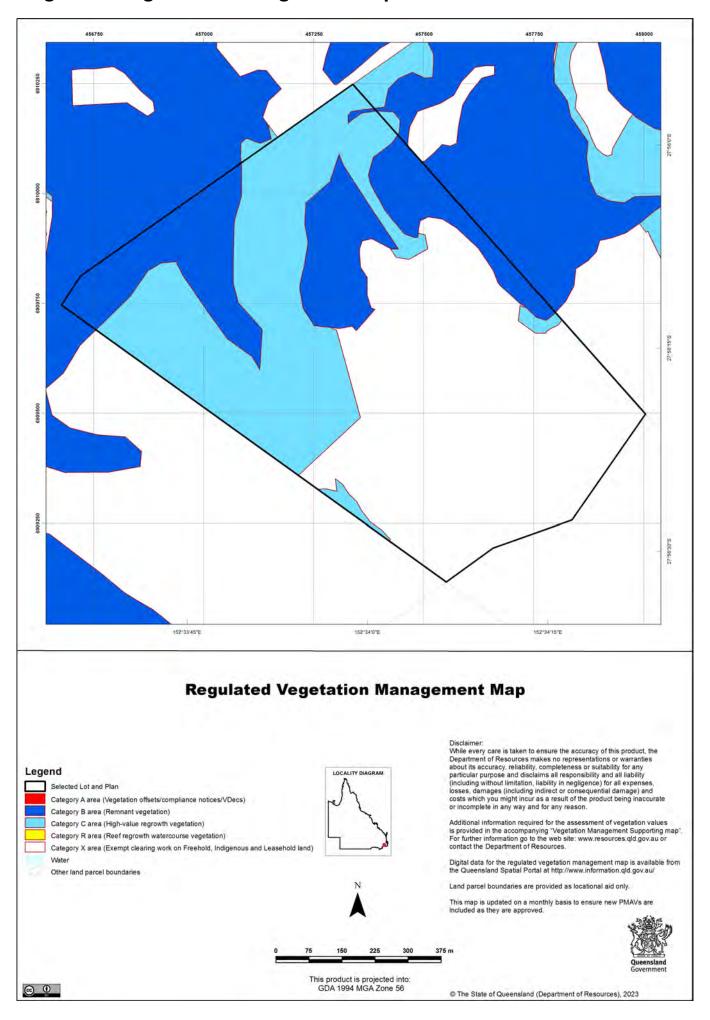
Coastal/non-coastal map

The coastal/non-coastal map confirms whether the lot, or which parts of the lot, are considered coastal or non-coastal for the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

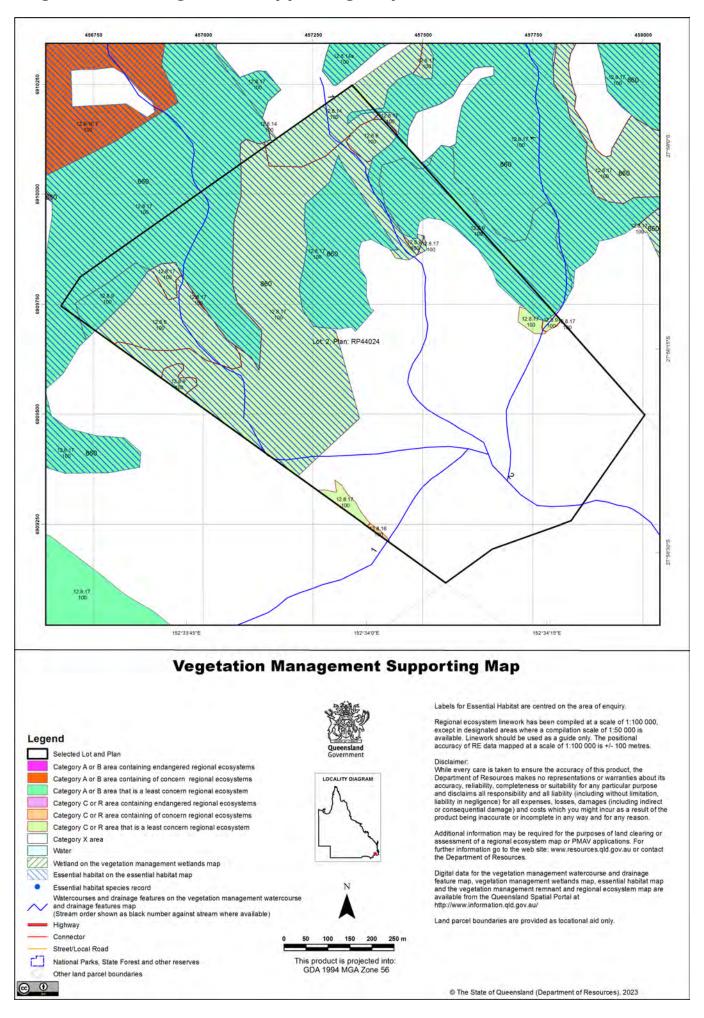
Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture

The Agricultural Land Class map confirms the location and extent of land mapped as Agricultural Land Classes A or B as identified on the State Planning Interactive Mapping System. Please note that this map does not include areas identified as Agricultural Land Class A or B in local government planning schemes. This map can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code.

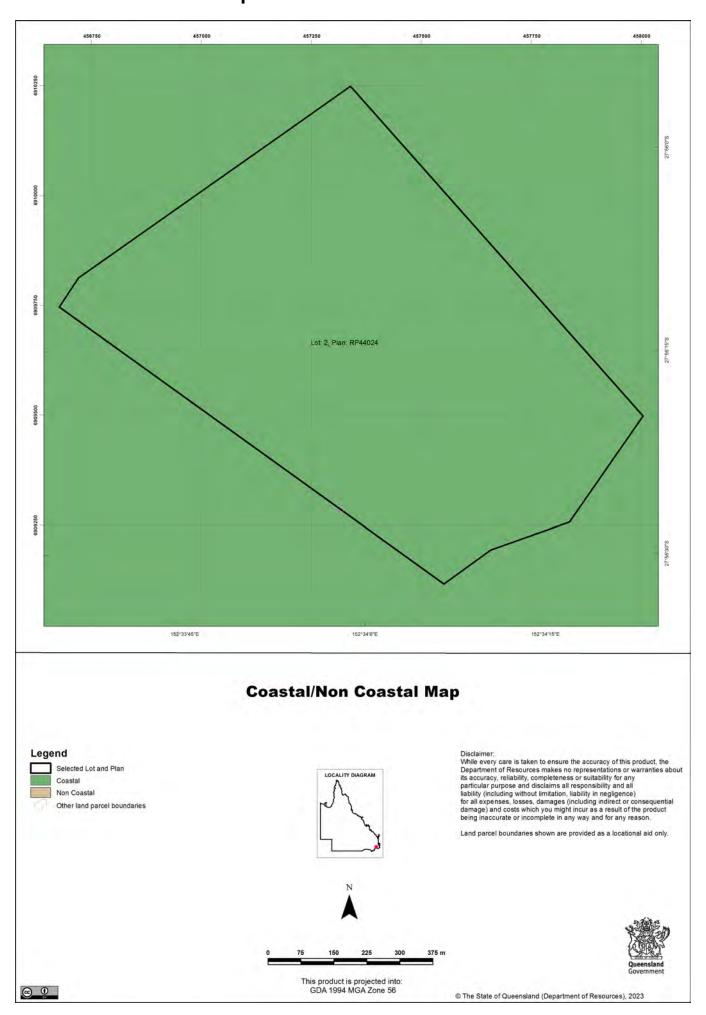
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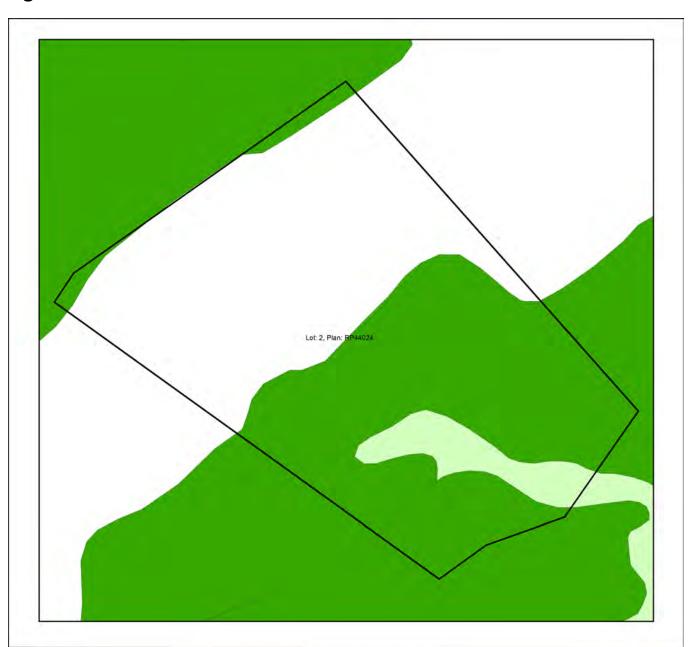
4.2 Vegetation management supporting map

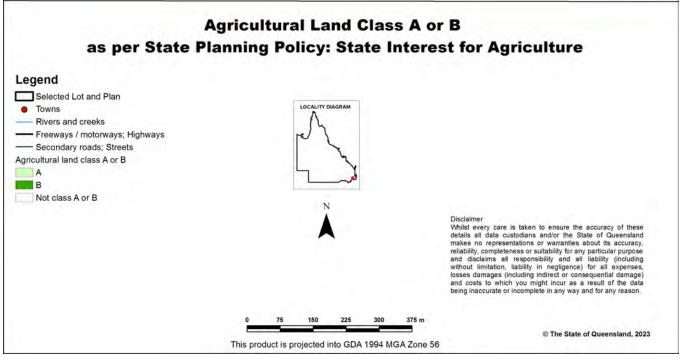


4.3 Coastal/non-coastal map



4.4 Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture





5. Protected plants framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u> (NCA). The NCA regulates the clearing of protected plants 'in the wild' (see <u>Operational policy: When a protected plant in Queensland is considered to be 'in the wild'</u>) that are listed as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near threatened under the Act.

Please note that the protected plant clearing framework applies irrespective of the classification of the vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and any approval or exemptions given under another Act, for example, the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* or *Planning Regulation 2017*.

5.1 Clearing in high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map identifies high-risk areas for threatened and near threatened plants. These are areas where threatened or near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist based on the habitat present. The flora survey trigger map for this property is provided in section 5.5.

If you are proposing to clear an area shown as high risk on the flora survey trigger map, a flora survey of the clearing impact area must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the <u>Flora survey guidelines</u>. The main objective of a flora survey is to locate any threatened or near threatened plants that may be present in the clearing impact area.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are not present within the clearing impact area or clearing within 100m of a threatened or near threatened plant can be avoided, the clearing activity is exempt from a permit. An <u>exempt clearing notification form</u> must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Science, with a copy of the flora survey report, at least one week prior to clearing.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared, a clearing permit is required before any clearing is undertaken. The flora survey report, as well as an impact management report, must be submitted with the <u>clearing permit application form</u>.

5.2 Clearing outside high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

In an area other than a high risk area, a clearing permit is only required where a person is, or becomes aware that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared. You must keep a copy of the flora survey trigger map for the area subject to clearing for five years from the day the clearing starts. If you do not clear within the 12 month period that the flora survey trigger map was printed, you need to print and check a new flora survey trigger map.

5.3 Exemptions

Many activities are 'exempt' under the protected plant clearing framework, which means that clearing of native plants that are in the wild can be undertaken for these activities with no need for a flora survey or a protected plant clearing permit. The Information sheet - General exemptions for the take of protected plants provides some of these exemptions.

Some exemptions under the NCA are the same as exempt clearing work (formerly known as exemptions) under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (i.e. listed in Schedule 21 of the Planning Regulations 2017) while some are different.

5.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the protected plants framework:

Phone 1300 130 372 (and select option four)

Email palm@des.qld.gov.au

Visit https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/protected-plants

5.5 Protected plants flora survey trigger map

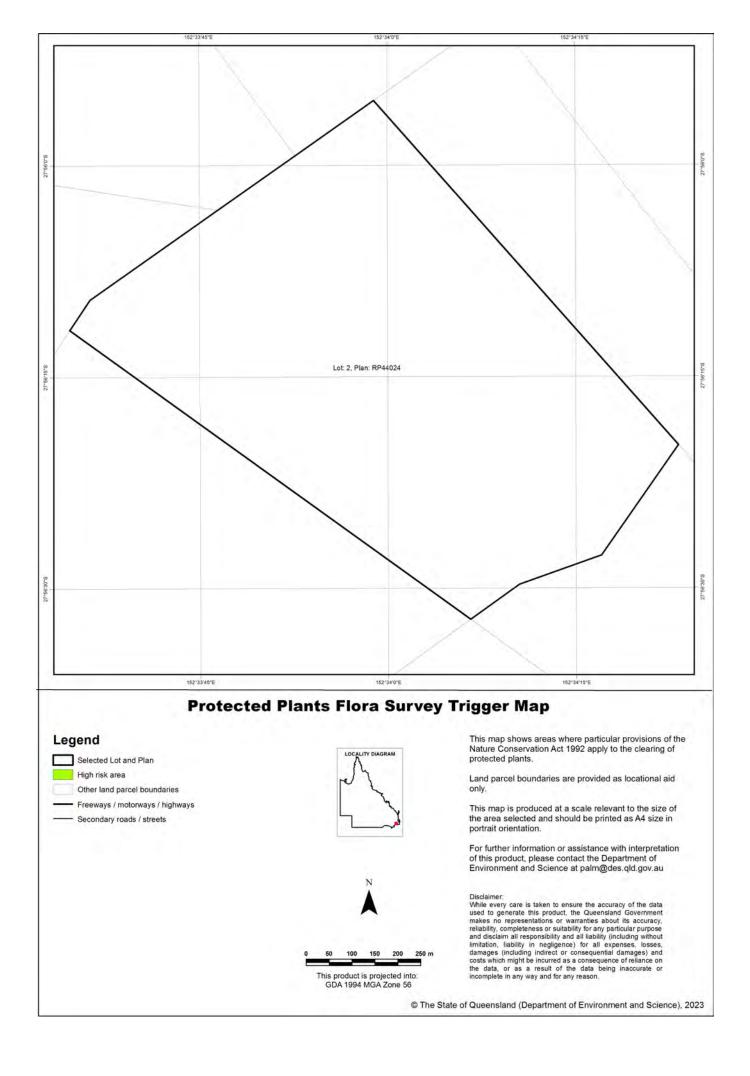
This map included may also be requested individually at: https://apps.des.gld.gov.au/map-request/flora-survey-trigger/.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the <u>Queensland Spatial Catalogue</u>, the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the <u>clearing of protected plants</u> for more information.



6. Koala protection framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

The koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is listed in Queensland as vulnerable by the Queensland Government under *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and by the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government's koala protection framework is comprised of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020, the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017.

6.1 Koala mapping

6.1.1 Koala districts

The parts of Queensland where koalas are known to occur has been divided into three koala districts - koala district A, koala district B and koala district C. Each koala district is made up of areas with comparable koala populations (e.g. density, extent and significance of threatening processes affecting the population) which require similar management regimes.

Section 7.1 identifies which koala district your property is located in.

6.1.2 Koala habitat areas

Koala habitat areas are areas of vegetation that have been determined to contain koala habitat that is essential for the conservation of a viable koala population in the wild based on the combination of habitat suitability and biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water). In order to protect this important koala habitat, clearing controls have been introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017 for development in koala habitat areas.

Please note that koala habitat areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

There are two different categories of koala habitat area (core koala habitat area and locally refined koala habitat), which have been determined using two different methodologies. These methodologies are described in the document Spatial modelling in South East Queensland.

Section 7.2 shows any koala habitat area that exists on your property.

Under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, an owner of land (or a person acting on the owner's behalf with written consent) can request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination if they believe, on reasonable grounds, that the existing determination for all or part of their property is incorrect.

More information on requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be found in the document Guideline - Requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination.

The koala habitat area map will be updated at least annually to include any koala habitat areas that have been made, amended or revoked.

Changes to the koala habitat area map which occur between annual updates because of a request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be viewed on the register of approved requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/koalamaps. The register includes the lot on plan for the change, the date the decision was made and the map issued to the landholder that shows areas determined to be koala habitat areas.

6.1.3 Koala priority areas

Koala priority areas are large, connected areas that have been determined to have the highest likelihood of achieving conservation outcomes for koalas based on the combination of habitat suitability, biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water) and a koala conservation cost benefit analysis.

Conservation efforts will be prioritised in these areas to ensure the conservation of viable koala populations in the wild including a focus on management (e.g. habitat protection, habitat restoration and threat mitigation) and monitoring. This includes a prohibition on clearing in koala habitat areas that are in koala priority areas under the Planning Regulation 2017 (subject to some exemptions).

Please note that koala priority areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley,

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in a koala priority area.

6.1.4 Identified koala broad-hectare areas

There are seven identified koala broad-hectare areas in SEQ. These are areas of koala habitat that are located in areas committed to meet development targets in the SEQ Regional Plan to accommodate SEQ's growing population including bring-forward Greenfield sites under the Queensland Housing Affordability Strategy and declared master planned areas under the repealed *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

Specific assessment benchmarks apply to development applications for development proposed in identified koala broad-hectare areas to ensure koala conservation measures are incorporated into the proposed development.

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in an identified koala broad-hectare area.

6.2 Koala habitat planning controls

On 7 February 2020, the Queensland Government introduced new planning controls to the Planning Regulation 2017 to strengthen the protection of koala habitat in South East Queensland (i.e. koala district A).

More information on these planning controls can be found here: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

As a high-level summary, the koala habitat planning controls make:

- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area, prohibited development (i.e. development for which a development application cannot be made);
- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is a koala habitat area but is not a koala priority area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required); and
- development that is for extractive industries where the development involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala habitat area and a key resource area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required).

Interfering with koala habitat means:

- 1) Removing, cutting down, ringbarking, pushing over, poisoning or destroying in anyway, including by burning, flooding or draining native vegetation in a koala habitat area; but
- 2) Does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock or lopping a tree.

However, these planning controls do not apply if the development is exempted development as defined in Schedule 24 of the <u>Planning Regulation 2017</u>. More information on exempted development can be found here: https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

There are also assessment benchmarks that apply to development applications for:

- building works, operational works, material change of use or reconfiguration of a lot where:
 - the local government planning scheme makes the development assessable;
 - the premises includes an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area; and
 - the development does not involve interfering with koala habitat (defined above); and
- development in identified koala broad-hectare areas.

The <u>Guideline - Assessment Benchmarks in relation to Koala Habitat in South East Queensland assessment benchmarks</u> outlines these assessment benchmarks, the intent of these assessment benchmarks and advice on how proposed development may meet these assessment benchmarks.

6.3 Koala Conservation Plan clearing requirements

Section 10 and 11 of the <u>Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017</u> prescribes requirements that must be met when clearing koala habitat in koala district A and koala district B.

These clearing requirements are independent to the koala habitat planning controls introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017, which means they must be complied with irrespective of any approvals or exemptions offered under other legislation.

Unlike the clearing controls prescribed in the Planning Regulation 2017 that are to protect koala habitat, the clearing requirements prescribed in the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017 are in place to prevent the injury or death of koalas when koala habitat is being cleared.

6.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the koala protection framework:

Phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Email koala.assessment@des.gld.gov.au

Visit https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping

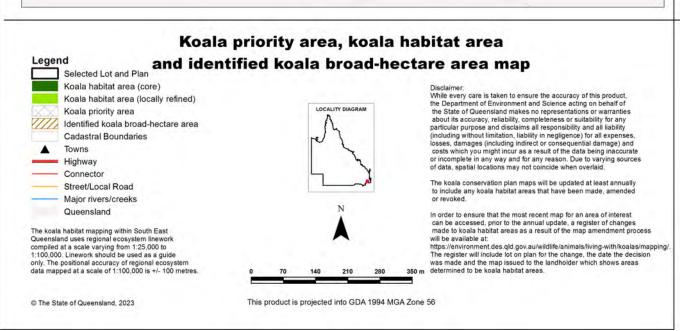
7. Koala protection framework details for Lot: 2 Plan: RP44024

7.1 Koala districts

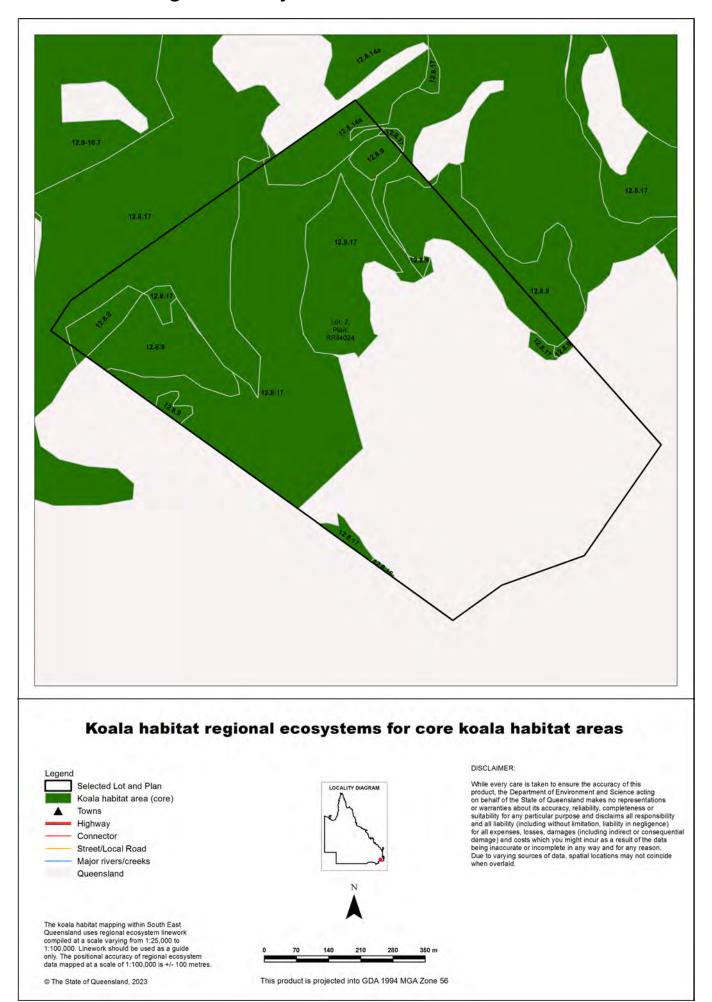
Koala District A

7.2 Koala priority area, koala habitat area and identified koala broad-hectare area map





7.3 Koala habitat regional ecosystems for core koala habitat areas



8. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance	Water Act 2000 Soil Conservation Act 1986	Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (Queensland Government) Department of Resources (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.rdmw.qld.gov.au www.resources.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Protected plants and protected areas	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 1300 130 372 (option 4) palm@des.qld.gov.au www.des.qld.gov.au
Koala mapping and regulations	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Koala.assessment@des.qld.gov.au
 Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities on State land tenures 	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
Development and planning processes	Planning Act 2016 State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au
Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office
Harvesting timber in the Wet Tropics of Qld World Heritage area	Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993	Wet Tropics Management Authority	Ph: (07) 4241 0500 www.wettropics.gov.au



Vegetation management report

For Lot: 2 Plan: SP192221

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Recent changes

Updated mapping

Updated vegetation mapping was released on 8 September 2022 and includes the most recent Queensland Herbarium scientific updates to the Regulated Vegetation Management Map, regional ecosystems, wetland, high-value regrowth and essential habitat mapping.

The Department of Environment and Science have also updated their protected plant and koala protection mapping to align with the Queensland Herbarium scientific updates.

Overview

Based on the lot on plan details you have supplied, this report provides the following detailed information:

Property details - information about the specified Lot on Plan, lot size, local government area, bioregion(s), subregion(s) and catchment(s);

Vegetation management framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Resources who administer the framework;

Vegetation management framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the vegetation management categories on the property;
- the vegetation management regional ecosystems on the property;
- vegetation management watercourses or drainage features on the property;
- · vegetation management wetlands on the property;
- · vegetation management essential habitat on the property;
- · whether any area management plans are associated with the property;
- · whether the property is coastal or non-coastal; and
- whether the property is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B;

Protected plant framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework, including:

• high risk areas on the protected plant flora survey trigger map for the property;

Koala protection framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework; and

Koala protection framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the koala district the property is located in;
- koala priority areas on the property;
- · core and locally refined koala habitat areas on the property;
- · whether the lot is located in an identified koala broad-hectare area; and
- koala habitat regional ecosystems on the property for core koala habitat areas.

This information will assist you to determine your options for managing vegetation under:

- the vegetation management framework, which may include:
 - · exempt clearing work;
 - accepted development vegetation clearing code;
 - · an area management plan;
 - · a development approval;
- the protected plant framework, which may include:
 - the need to undertake a flora survey;
 - · exempt clearing;
 - a protected plant clearing permit;
- the koala protection framework, which may include:
 - · exempted development;
 - · a development approval;
 - the need to undertake clearing sequentially and in the presence of a koala spotter.

Other laws

The clearing of native vegetation is regulated by both Queensland and Australian legislation, and some local governments also regulate native vegetation clearing. You may need to obtain an approval or permit under another Act, such as the Commonwealth Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). Section 8 of this guide provides contact details of other agencies you should confirm requirements with, before commencing vegetation clearing.

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1. Property details

1.1 Tenure and title area

All of the lot, plan, tenure and title area information associated with property Lot: 2 Plan: SP192221, are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Lot, plan, tenure and title area information for the property

Lot	Plan	Tenure	Property title area (sq metres)
2	SP192221	Freehold	28,760
В	SP192221	Easement	2,653

The tenure of the land may affect whether clearing is considered exempt clearing work or may be carried out under an accepted development vegetation clearing code.

Does this property have a freehold tenure and is in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area?

No, this property is not located in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

1.2 Property location

Table 2 provides a summary of the locations for property Lot: 2 Plan: SP192221, in relation to natural and administrative boundaries.

Table 2: Property location details

Local Government(s)
Scenic Rim Regional

Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)	
Southeast Queensland	Moreton Basin	

Catchment(s)
Brisbane

2. Vegetation management framework (administered by the Department of Resources)

The *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VMA), the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017, in conjunction with associated policies and codes, form the Vegetation Management Framework.

The VMA does not apply to all land tenures or vegetation types. State forests, national parks, forest reserves and some tenures under the *Forestry Act 1959* and *Nature Conservation Act 1992* are not regulated by the VMA. Managing or clearing vegetation on these tenures may require approvals under these laws.

The following native vegetation is not regulated under the VMA but may require permit(s) under other laws:

- · grass or non-woody herbage;
- a plant within a grassland regional ecosystem prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012; and
- a mangrove.

2.1 Exempt clearing work

Exempt clearing work is an activity for which you do not need to notify the Department of Resources or obtain an approval under the vegetation management framework. Exempt clearing work was previously known as exemptions.

In areas that are mapped as Category X (white in colour) on the regulated vegetation management map (see section 4.1), and where the land tenure is freehold, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes, the clearing of vegetation is considered exempt clearing work and does not require notification or development approval under the vegetation management framework. For all other land tenures, contact the Department of Resources before commencing clearing to ensure that the proposed activity is exempt clearing work.

A range of routine property management activities are considered exempt clearing work. A list of exempt clearing work is available at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/exemptions.

Exempt clearing work may be affected if the proposed clearing area is subject to development approval conditions, a covenant, an environmental offset, an exchange area, a restoration notice, or an area mapped as Category A. Exempt clearing work may require approval under other Commonwealth, State or Local Government laws, or local government planning schemes. Contact the Department of Resources prior to clearing in any of these areas.

2.2 Accepted development vegetation clearing codes

Some clearing activities can be undertaken under an accepted development vegetation clearing code. The codes can be downloaded at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/codes

If you intend to clear vegetation under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, you must notify the Department of Resources before commencing. The information in this report will assist you to complete the online notification form.

You can complete the online form at

https://apps.dnrm.qld.gov.au/vegetation/

2.3 Area management plans

Area Management Plans (AMP) provide an alternative approval system for vegetation clearing under the vegetation management framework. They list the purposes and clearing conditions that have been approved for the areas covered by the plan. It is not necessary to use an AMP, even when an AMP applies to your property.

On 8 March 2020, AMPs ended for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation and managing encroachment. New notifications cannot be made for these AMPs. You will need to consider options for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation or encroachment under a relevant accepted development vegetation clearing code or apply for a development approval.

New notifications can be made for all other AMPs. These will continue to apply until their nominated end date.

If an Area Management Plan applies to your property for which you can make a new notification, it will be listed in Section 3.6 of this report. Before clearing under one of these AMPs, you must first notify the Department of Resources and then follow the conditions and requirements listed in the AMP.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/area-management-plans

2.4 Development approvals

If under the vegetation management framework your proposed clearing is not exempt clearing work, or is not permitted under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, or an AMP, you may be able to apply for a development approval. Information on how to apply for a development approval is available at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/development

2.5. Contact information for the Department of Resources

For further information on the vegetation management framework:

Phone 135VEG (135 834)

Email vegetation@resources.gld.gov.au

Visit https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/?contact=vegetation to submit an online enquiry.

3. Vegetation management framework for Lot: 2 Plan: SP192221

3.1 Vegetation categories

The vegetation categories on your property are shown on the regulated vegetation management map in section 4.1 of this report. A summary of vegetation categories on the subject lot are listed in Table 3. Descriptions for these categories are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Vegetation categories for subject property. Total area: 2.91ha

Vegetation category	Area (ha)	
Category X	2.9	

Table 4: Description of vegetation categories

Category	Colour on Map	Description	Requirements / options under the vegetation management framework
A	red	Compliance areas, environmental offset areas and voluntary declaration areas	Special conditions apply to Category A areas. Before clearing, contact the Department of Resources to confirm any requirements in a Category A area.
В	dark blue	Remnant vegetation areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with accepted development vegetation clearing codes, area management plans or development approval.
С	light blue	High-value regrowth areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category C regrowth vegetation accepted development vegetation clearing code.
R	yellow	Regrowth within 50m of a watercourse or drainage feature in the Great Barrier Reef catchment areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category R regrowth accepted development vegetation clearing code or area management plans.
X	white	Clearing on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes is considered exempt clearing work under the vegetation management framework. Contact the Department of Resources to clarify whether a development approval is required for other State land tenures.	No permit or notification required on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing. A development approval may be required for some State land tenures.

Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV)

There is no Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV) present on this property.

3.2 Regional ecosystems

The endangered, of concern and least concern regional ecosystems on your property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2 and are listed in Table 5.

A description of regional ecosystems can be accessed online at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/descriptions/

Table 5: Regional ecosystems present on subject property

Regional Ecosystem	VMA Status	Category	Area (Ha)	Short Description	Structure Category
non-rem	None	Х	2.91	None	None

Please note:

- 1. All area and area derived figures included in this table have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.
- 2. If Table 5 contains a Category 'plant', please be aware that this refers to 'plantations' such as forestry, and these areas are considered non-remnant under the VMA.

The VMA status of the regional ecosystem (whether it is endangered, of concern or least concern) also determines if any of the following are applicable:

- · exempt clearing work;
- accepted development vegetation clearing codes;
- performance outcomes in State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

3.3 Watercourses

Vegetation management watercourses and drainage features for this property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2.

3.4 Wetlands

There are no vegetation management wetlands present on this property.

3.5 Essential habitat

Under the VMA, essential habitat for protected wildlife is native wildlife prescribed under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near-threatened wildlife.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife includes suitable habitat on the lot, or where a species has been known to occur up to 1.1 kilometres from a lot on which there is assessable vegetation. These important habitat areas are protected under the VMA.

Any essential habitat on this property will be shown as blue hatching on the vegetation supporting map in section 4.2.

If essential habitat is identified on the lot, information about the protected wildlife species is provided in Table 6 below. The numeric labels on the vegetation management supporting map can be cross referenced with Table 6 to outline the essential habitat factors for that particular species. There may be essential habitat for more than one species on each lot, and areas of Category A, Category B and Category C can be mapped as Essential Habitat.

Essential habitat is compiled from a combination of species habitat models and buffered species records. Regional ecosystem is a mandatory essential habitat factor, unless otherwise stated. Essential habitat, for protected wildlife, means an area of vegetation shown on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map -

- 1) that has at least 3 essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database. Essential habitat factors are comprised of regional ecosystem (mandatory for most species), vegetation community, altitude, soils, position in landscape; or
- 2) in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

If there is no essential habitat mapping shown on the vegetation management supporting map for this lot, and there is no table in the sections below, it confirms that there is no essential habitat on the lot.

Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Table 6: Essential habitat in Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

No records

3.6 Area Management Plan(s)

Nil

3.7 Coastal or non-coastal

For the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), this property is regarded as*

Coastal

*See also Map 4.3

3.8 Agricultural Land Class A or B

The following can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code:

Does this lot contain land that is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B in the State Planning Interactive Mapping System?

Class A (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 2.69ha

No Class B

Note - This confirms Agricultural Land Classes as per the State Planning Interactive Mapping System only. This response does not include Agricultural Land Classes identified under local government planning schemes. For further information, check the Planning Scheme for your local government area.

See Map 4.4 to identify the location and extent of Class A and/or Class B Agricultural land on Lot: 2 Plan: SP192221.

4. Vegetation management framework maps

Vegetation management maps included in this report may also be requested individually at: https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/gld/environment/land/vegetation/vegetation-map-request-form

Regulated vegetation management map

The regulated vegetation management map shows vegetation categories needed to determine clearing requirements. These maps are updated monthly to show new <u>property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAV).</u>

Vegetation management supporting map

The vegetation management supporting map provides information on regional ecosystems, wetlands, watercourses and essential habitat.

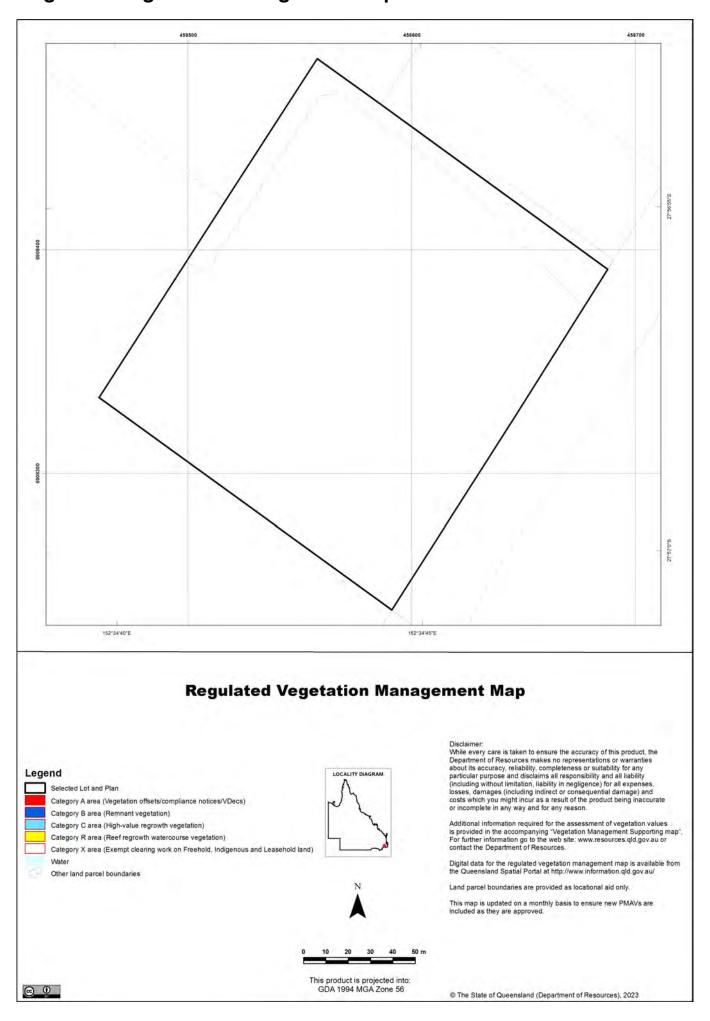
Coastal/non-coastal map

The coastal/non-coastal map confirms whether the lot, or which parts of the lot, are considered coastal or non-coastal for the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

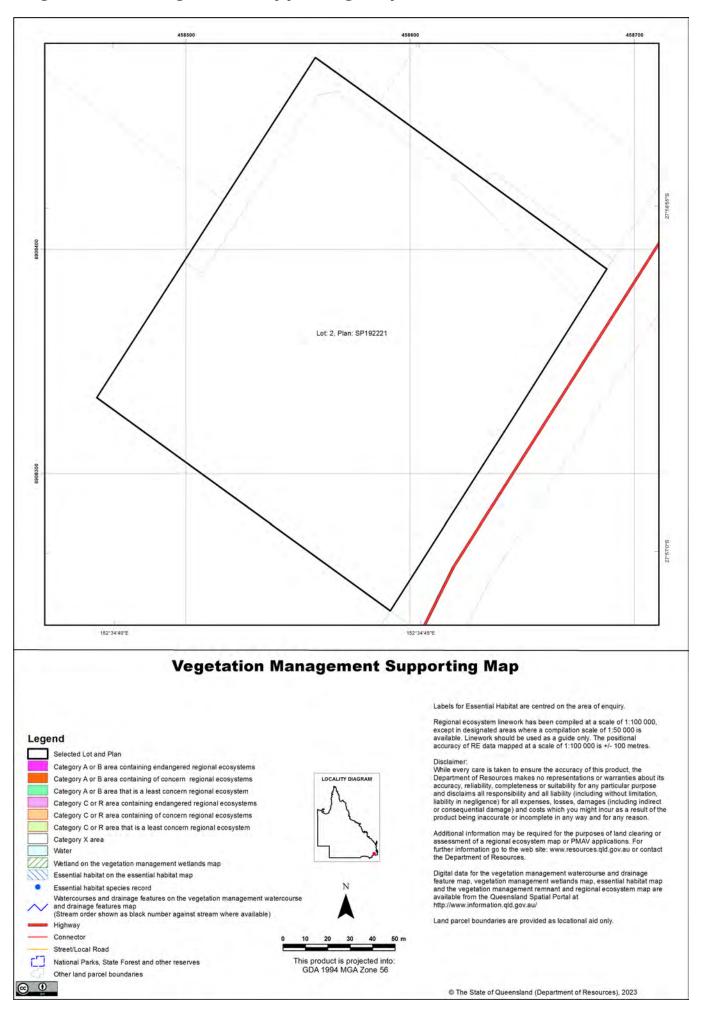
Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture

The Agricultural Land Class map confirms the location and extent of land mapped as Agricultural Land Classes A or B as identified on the State Planning Interactive Mapping System. Please note that this map does not include areas identified as Agricultural Land Class A or B in local government planning schemes. This map can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code.

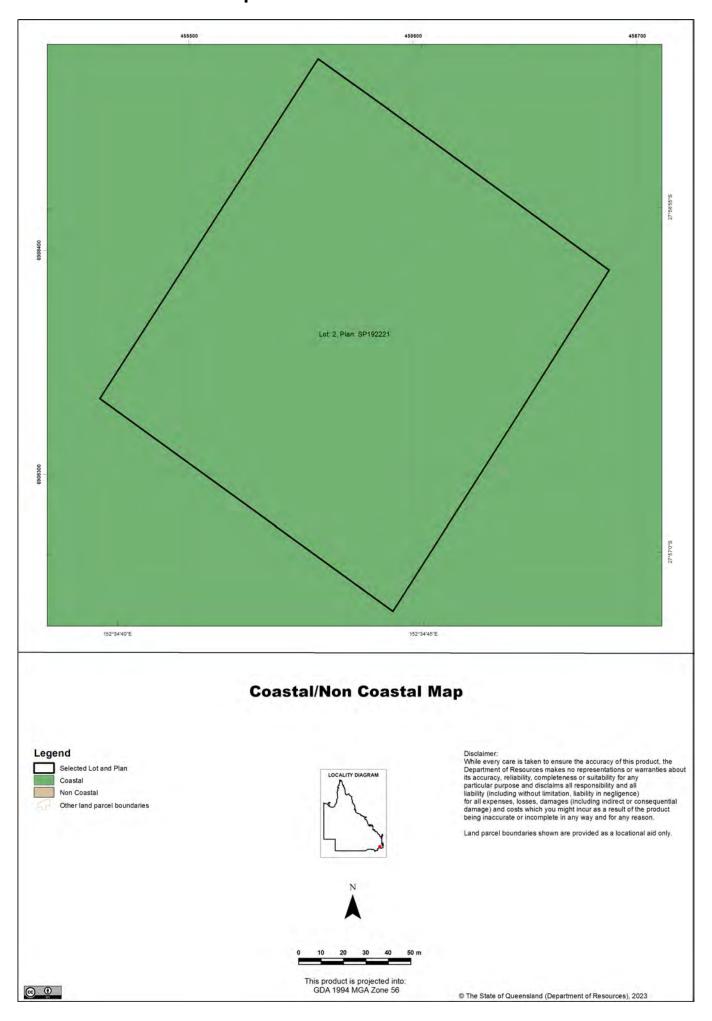
4.1 Regulated vegetation management map



4.2 Vegetation management supporting map

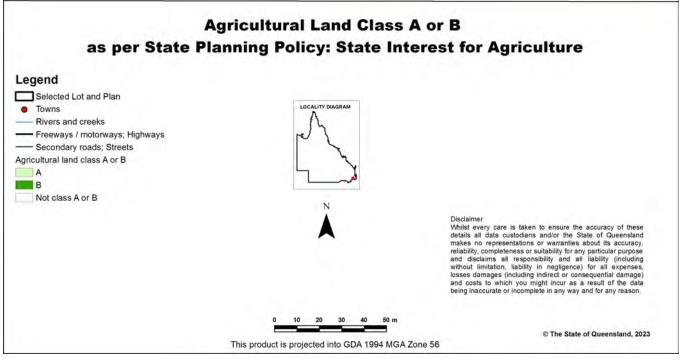


4.3 Coastal/non-coastal map



4.4 Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture





5. Protected plants framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u> (NCA). The NCA regulates the clearing of protected plants 'in the wild' (see <u>Operational policy: When a protected plant in Queensland is considered to be 'in the wild'</u>) that are listed as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near threatened under the Act.

Please note that the protected plant clearing framework applies irrespective of the classification of the vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and any approval or exemptions given under another Act, for example, the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* or *Planning Regulation 2017*.

5.1 Clearing in high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map identifies high-risk areas for threatened and near threatened plants. These are areas where threatened or near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist based on the habitat present. The flora survey trigger map for this property is provided in section 5.5.

If you are proposing to clear an area shown as high risk on the flora survey trigger map, a flora survey of the clearing impact area must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the <u>Flora survey guidelines</u>. The main objective of a flora survey is to locate any threatened or near threatened plants that may be present in the clearing impact area.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are not present within the clearing impact area or clearing within 100m of a threatened or near threatened plant can be avoided, the clearing activity is exempt from a permit. An <u>exempt clearing notification form</u> must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Science, with a copy of the flora survey report, at least one week prior to clearing.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared, a clearing permit is required before any clearing is undertaken. The flora survey report, as well as an impact management report, must be submitted with the <u>clearing permit application form</u>.

5.2 Clearing outside high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

In an area other than a high risk area, a clearing permit is only required where a person is, or becomes aware that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared. You must keep a copy of the flora survey trigger map for the area subject to clearing for five years from the day the clearing starts. If you do not clear within the 12 month period that the flora survey trigger map was printed, you need to print and check a new flora survey trigger map.

5.3 Exemptions

Many activities are 'exempt' under the protected plant clearing framework, which means that clearing of native plants that are in the wild can be undertaken for these activities with no need for a flora survey or a protected plant clearing permit. The Information sheet - General exemptions for the take of protected plants provides some of these exemptions.

Some exemptions under the NCA are the same as exempt clearing work (formerly known as exemptions) under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (i.e. listed in Schedule 21 of the Planning Regulations 2017) while some are different.

5.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the protected plants framework:

Phone 1300 130 372 (and select option four)

Email palm@des.qld.gov.au

Visit https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/protected-plants

5.5 Protected plants flora survey trigger map

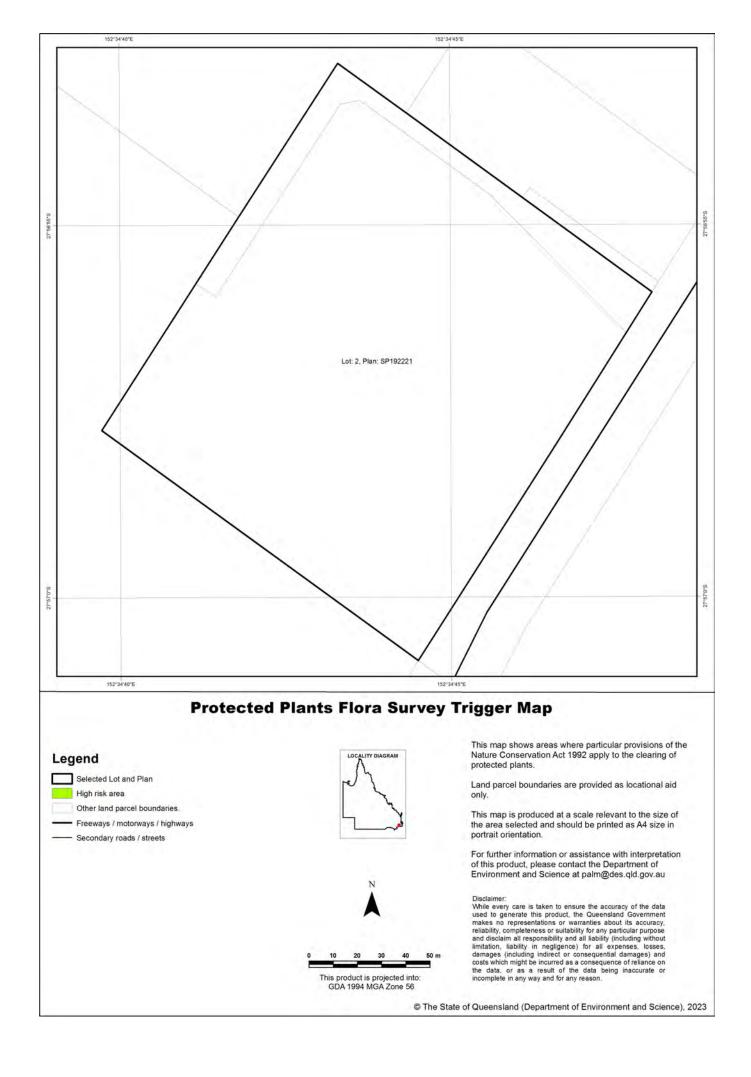
This map included may also be requested individually at: https://apps.des.gld.gov.au/map-request/flora-survey-trigger/.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the <u>Queensland Spatial Catalogue</u>, the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the <u>clearing of protected plants</u> for more information.



6. Koala protection framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

The koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is listed in Queensland as vulnerable by the Queensland Government under *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and by the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government's koala protection framework is comprised of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020, the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017.

6.1 Koala mapping

6.1.1 Koala districts

The parts of Queensland where koalas are known to occur has been divided into three koala districts - koala district A, koala district B and koala district C. Each koala district is made up of areas with comparable koala populations (e.g. density, extent and significance of threatening processes affecting the population) which require similar management regimes.

Section 7.1 identifies which koala district your property is located in.

6.1.2 Koala habitat areas

Koala habitat areas are areas of vegetation that have been determined to contain koala habitat that is essential for the conservation of a viable koala population in the wild based on the combination of habitat suitability and biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water). In order to protect this important koala habitat, clearing controls have been introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017 for development in koala habitat areas.

Please note that koala habitat areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

There are two different categories of koala habitat area (core koala habitat area and locally refined koala habitat), which have been determined using two different methodologies. These methodologies are described in the document Spatial modelling in South East Queensland.

Section 7.2 shows any koala habitat area that exists on your property.

Under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, an owner of land (or a person acting on the owner's behalf with written consent) can request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination if they believe, on reasonable grounds, that the existing determination for all or part of their property is incorrect.

More information on requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be found in the document Guideline - Requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination.

The koala habitat area map will be updated at least annually to include any koala habitat areas that have been made, amended or revoked.

Changes to the koala habitat area map which occur between annual updates because of a request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be viewed on the register of approved requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/koalamaps. The register includes the lot on plan for the change, the date the decision was made and the map issued to the landholder that shows areas determined to be koala habitat areas.

6.1.3 Koala priority areas

Koala priority areas are large, connected areas that have been determined to have the highest likelihood of achieving conservation outcomes for koalas based on the combination of habitat suitability, biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water) and a koala conservation cost benefit analysis.

Conservation efforts will be prioritised in these areas to ensure the conservation of viable koala populations in the wild including a focus on management (e.g. habitat protection, habitat restoration and threat mitigation) and monitoring. This includes a prohibition on clearing in koala habitat areas that are in koala priority areas under the Planning Regulation 2017 (subject to some exemptions).

Please note that koala priority areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley,

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in a koala priority area.

6.1.4 Identified koala broad-hectare areas

There are seven identified koala broad-hectare areas in SEQ. These are areas of koala habitat that are located in areas committed to meet development targets in the SEQ Regional Plan to accommodate SEQ's growing population including bring-forward Greenfield sites under the Queensland Housing Affordability Strategy and declared master planned areas under the repealed *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

Specific assessment benchmarks apply to development applications for development proposed in identified koala broad-hectare areas to ensure koala conservation measures are incorporated into the proposed development.

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in an identified koala broad-hectare area.

6.2 Koala habitat planning controls

On 7 February 2020, the Queensland Government introduced new planning controls to the Planning Regulation 2017 to strengthen the protection of koala habitat in South East Queensland (i.e. koala district A).

More information on these planning controls can be found here: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

As a high-level summary, the koala habitat planning controls make:

- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area, prohibited development (i.e. development for which a development application cannot be made);
- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is a koala habitat area but is not a koala priority area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required); and
- development that is for extractive industries where the development involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala habitat area and a key resource area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required).

Interfering with koala habitat means:

- 1) Removing, cutting down, ringbarking, pushing over, poisoning or destroying in anyway, including by burning, flooding or draining native vegetation in a koala habitat area; but
- 2) Does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock or lopping a tree.

However, these planning controls do not apply if the development is exempted development as defined in Schedule 24 of the <u>Planning Regulation 2017</u>. More information on exempted development can be found here: https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

There are also assessment benchmarks that apply to development applications for:

- building works, operational works, material change of use or reconfiguration of a lot where:
 - the local government planning scheme makes the development assessable;
 - the premises includes an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area; and
 - the development does not involve interfering with koala habitat (defined above); and
- development in identified koala broad-hectare areas.

The <u>Guideline - Assessment Benchmarks in relation to Koala Habitat in South East Queensland assessment benchmarks</u> outlines these assessment benchmarks, the intent of these assessment benchmarks and advice on how proposed development may meet these assessment benchmarks.

6.3 Koala Conservation Plan clearing requirements

Section 10 and 11 of the <u>Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017</u> prescribes requirements that must be met when clearing koala habitat in koala district A and koala district B.

These clearing requirements are independent to the koala habitat planning controls introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017, which means they must be complied with irrespective of any approvals or exemptions offered under other legislation.

Unlike the clearing controls prescribed in the Planning Regulation 2017 that are to protect koala habitat, the clearing requirements prescribed in the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017 are in place to prevent the injury or death of koalas when koala habitat is being cleared.

6.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the koala protection framework:

Phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Email koala.assessment@des.gld.gov.au

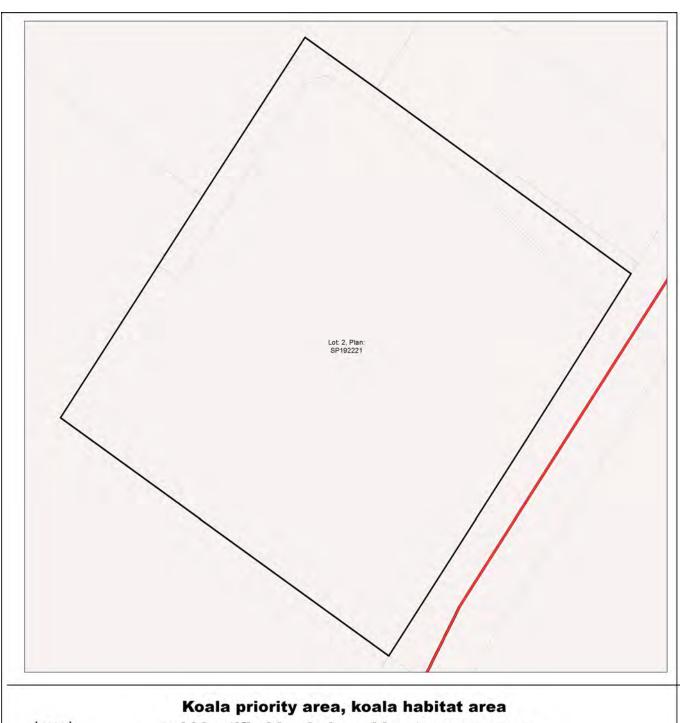
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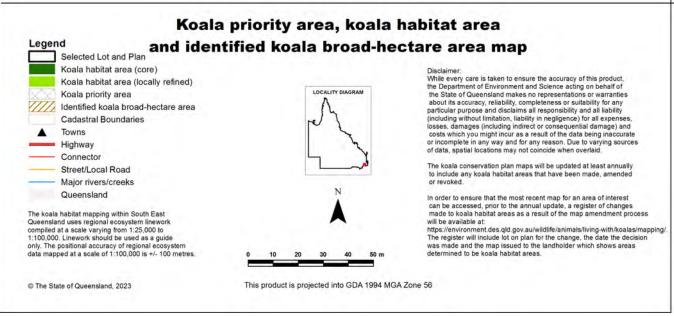
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7.1 Koala districts

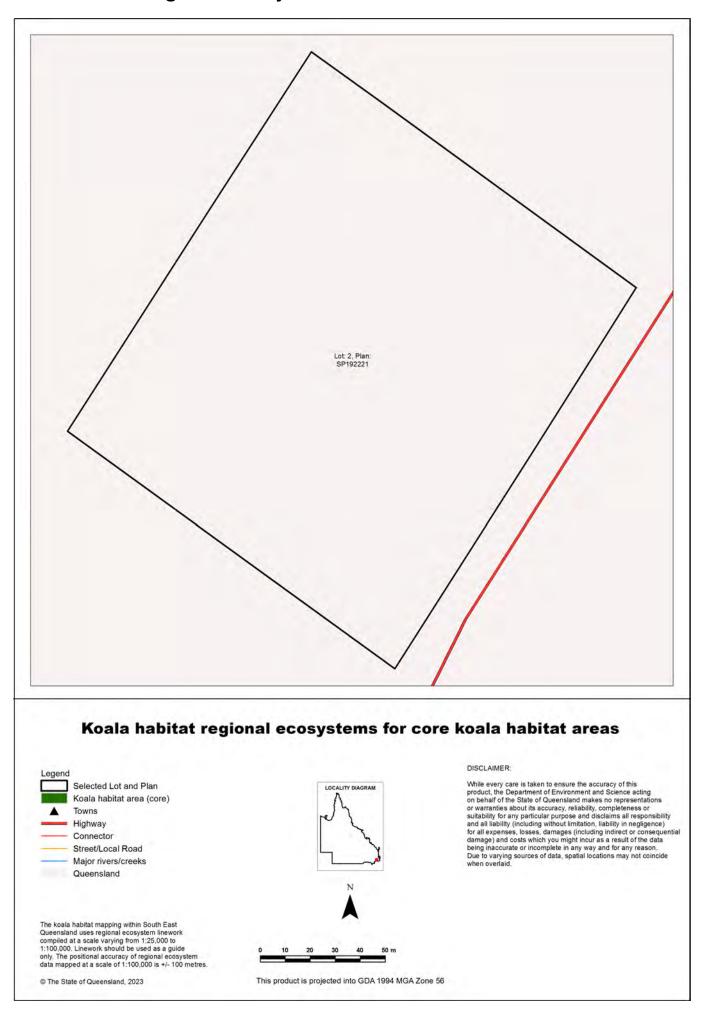
Koala District A

7.2 Koala priority area, koala habitat area and identified koala broad-hectare area map





7.3 Koala habitat regional ecosystems for core koala habitat areas



8. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance	Water Act 2000 Soil Conservation Act 1986	Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (Queensland Government) Department of Resources (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.rdmw.qld.gov.au www.resources.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Protected plants and protected areas	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 1300 130 372 (option 4) palm@des.qld.gov.au www.des.qld.gov.au
Koala mapping and regulations	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Koala.assessment@des.qld.gov.au
 Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities on State land tenures 	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
Development and planning processes	Planning Act 2016 State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au
Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office
Harvesting timber in the Wet Tropics of Qld World Heritage area	Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993	Wet Tropics Management Authority	Ph: (07) 4241 0500 www.wettropics.gov.au



Vegetation management report

For Lot: 1 Plan: RP216694

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Recent changes

Updated mapping

Updated vegetation mapping was released on 8 September 2022 and includes the most recent Queensland Herbarium scientific updates to the Regulated Vegetation Management Map, regional ecosystems, wetland, high-value regrowth and essential habitat mapping.

The Department of Environment and Science have also updated their protected plant and koala protection mapping to align with the Queensland Herbarium scientific updates.

Overview

Based on the lot on plan details you have supplied, this report provides the following detailed information:

Property details - information about the specified Lot on Plan, lot size, local government area, bioregion(s), subregion(s) and catchment(s);

Vegetation management framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Resources who administer the framework;

Vegetation management framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the vegetation management categories on the property;
- the vegetation management regional ecosystems on the property;
- vegetation management watercourses or drainage features on the property;
- · vegetation management wetlands on the property;
- · vegetation management essential habitat on the property;
- · whether any area management plans are associated with the property;
- · whether the property is coastal or non-coastal; and
- whether the property is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B;

Protected plant framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework, including:

• high risk areas on the protected plant flora survey trigger map for the property;

Koala protection framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework; and

Koala protection framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the koala district the property is located in;
- koala priority areas on the property;
- · core and locally refined koala habitat areas on the property;
- · whether the lot is located in an identified koala broad-hectare area; and
- koala habitat regional ecosystems on the property for core koala habitat areas.

This information will assist you to determine your options for managing vegetation under:

- the vegetation management framework, which may include:
 - · exempt clearing work;
 - accepted development vegetation clearing code;
 - · an area management plan;
 - · a development approval;
- the protected plant framework, which may include:
 - the need to undertake a flora survey;
 - · exempt clearing;
 - a protected plant clearing permit;
- the koala protection framework, which may include:
 - · exempted development;
 - · a development approval;
 - the need to undertake clearing sequentially and in the presence of a koala spotter.

Other laws

The clearing of native vegetation is regulated by both Queensland and Australian legislation, and some local governments also regulate native vegetation clearing. You may need to obtain an approval or permit under another Act, such as the Commonwealth Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). Section 8 of this guide provides contact details of other agencies you should confirm requirements with, before commencing vegetation clearing.

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1. Property details

1.1 Tenure and title area

All of the lot, plan, tenure and title area information associated with property Lot: 1 Plan: RP216694, are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Lot, plan, tenure and title area information for the property

Lot	Plan	Tenure	Property title area (sq metres)
1	RP216694	Freehold	6,240
А	RP216694	Easement	330

The tenure of the land may affect whether clearing is considered exempt clearing work or may be carried out under an accepted development vegetation clearing code.

Does this property have a freehold tenure and is in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area?

No, this property is not located in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

1.2 Property location

Table 2 provides a summary of the locations for property Lot: 1 Plan: RP216694, in relation to natural and administrative boundaries.

Table 2: Property location details

Local Government(s)	
Scenic Rim Regional	

Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)	
Southeast Queensland	Moreton Basin	

Catchment(s)
Brisbane

2. Vegetation management framework (administered by the Department of Resources)

The *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VMA), the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017, in conjunction with associated policies and codes, form the Vegetation Management Framework.

The VMA does not apply to all land tenures or vegetation types. State forests, national parks, forest reserves and some tenures under the *Forestry Act 1959* and *Nature Conservation Act 1992* are not regulated by the VMA. Managing or clearing vegetation on these tenures may require approvals under these laws.

The following native vegetation is not regulated under the VMA but may require permit(s) under other laws:

- · grass or non-woody herbage;
- a plant within a grassland regional ecosystem prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012; and
- a mangrove.

2.1 Exempt clearing work

Exempt clearing work is an activity for which you do not need to notify the Department of Resources or obtain an approval under the vegetation management framework. Exempt clearing work was previously known as exemptions.

In areas that are mapped as Category X (white in colour) on the regulated vegetation management map (see section 4.1), and where the land tenure is freehold, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes, the clearing of vegetation is considered exempt clearing work and does not require notification or development approval under the vegetation management framework. For all other land tenures, contact the Department of Resources before commencing clearing to ensure that the proposed activity is exempt clearing work.

A range of routine property management activities are considered exempt clearing work. A list of exempt clearing work is available at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/exemptions.

Exempt clearing work may be affected if the proposed clearing area is subject to development approval conditions, a covenant, an environmental offset, an exchange area, a restoration notice, or an area mapped as Category A. Exempt clearing work may require approval under other Commonwealth, State or Local Government laws, or local government planning schemes. Contact the Department of Resources prior to clearing in any of these areas.

2.2 Accepted development vegetation clearing codes

Some clearing activities can be undertaken under an accepted development vegetation clearing code. The codes can be downloaded at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/codes

If you intend to clear vegetation under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, you must notify the Department of Resources before commencing. The information in this report will assist you to complete the online notification form.

You can complete the online form at

https://apps.dnrm.qld.gov.au/vegetation/

2.3 Area management plans

Area Management Plans (AMP) provide an alternative approval system for vegetation clearing under the vegetation management framework. They list the purposes and clearing conditions that have been approved for the areas covered by the plan. It is not necessary to use an AMP, even when an AMP applies to your property.

On 8 March 2020, AMPs ended for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation and managing encroachment. New notifications cannot be made for these AMPs. You will need to consider options for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation or encroachment under a relevant accepted development vegetation clearing code or apply for a development approval.

New notifications can be made for all other AMPs. These will continue to apply until their nominated end date.

If an Area Management Plan applies to your property for which you can make a new notification, it will be listed in Section 3.6 of this report. Before clearing under one of these AMPs, you must first notify the Department of Resources and then follow the conditions and requirements listed in the AMP.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/area-management-plans

2.4 Development approvals

If under the vegetation management framework your proposed clearing is not exempt clearing work, or is not permitted under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, or an AMP, you may be able to apply for a development approval. Information on how to apply for a development approval is available at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/development

2.5. Contact information for the Department of Resources

For further information on the vegetation management framework:

Phone 135VEG (135 834)

Email vegetation@resources.gld.gov.au

Visit https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/?contact=vegetation to submit an online enquiry.

3. Vegetation management framework for Lot: 1 Plan: RP216694

3.1 Vegetation categories

The vegetation categories on your property are shown on the regulated vegetation management map in section 4.1 of this report. A summary of vegetation categories on the subject lot are listed in Table 3. Descriptions for these categories are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Vegetation categories for subject property. Total area: 0.63ha

Vegetation category	Area (ha)
Category X	0.6

Table 4: Description of vegetation categories

Category	Colour on Map	Description	Requirements / options under the vegetation management framework
A	red	Compliance areas, environmental offset areas and voluntary declaration areas	Special conditions apply to Category A areas. Before clearing, contact the Department of Resources to confirm any requirements in a Category A area.
В	dark blue	Remnant vegetation areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with accepted development vegetation clearing codes, area management plans or development approval.
С	light blue	High-value regrowth areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category C regrowth vegetation accepted development vegetation clearing code.
R	yellow	Regrowth within 50m of a watercourse or drainage feature in the Great Barrier Reef catchment areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category R regrowth accepted development vegetation clearing code or area management plans.
X	white	Clearing on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes is considered exempt clearing work under the vegetation management framework. Contact the Department of Resources to clarify whether a development approval is required for other State land tenures.	No permit or notification required on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing. A development approval may be required for some State land tenures.

Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV)

There is no Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV) present on this property.

3.2 Regional ecosystems

The endangered, of concern and least concern regional ecosystems on your property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2 and are listed in Table 5.

A description of regional ecosystems can be accessed online at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/descriptions/

Table 5: Regional ecosystems present on subject property

Regional Ecosystem	VMA Status	Category	Area (Ha)	Short Description	Structure Category
non-rem	None	Х	0.63	None	None

Please note:

- 1. All area and area derived figures included in this table have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.
- 2. If Table 5 contains a Category 'plant', please be aware that this refers to 'plantations' such as forestry, and these areas are considered non-remnant under the VMA.

The VMA status of the regional ecosystem (whether it is endangered, of concern or least concern) also determines if any of the following are applicable:

- · exempt clearing work;
- accepted development vegetation clearing codes;
- performance outcomes in State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

3.3 Watercourses

Vegetation management watercourses and drainage features for this property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2.

3.4 Wetlands

There are no vegetation management wetlands present on this property.

3.5 Essential habitat

Under the VMA, essential habitat for protected wildlife is native wildlife prescribed under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near-threatened wildlife.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife includes suitable habitat on the lot, or where a species has been known to occur up to 1.1 kilometres from a lot on which there is assessable vegetation. These important habitat areas are protected under the VMA.

Any essential habitat on this property will be shown as blue hatching on the vegetation supporting map in section 4.2.

If essential habitat is identified on the lot, information about the protected wildlife species is provided in Table 6 below. The numeric labels on the vegetation management supporting map can be cross referenced with Table 6 to outline the essential habitat factors for that particular species. There may be essential habitat for more than one species on each lot, and areas of Category A, Category B and Category C can be mapped as Essential Habitat.

Essential habitat is compiled from a combination of species habitat models and buffered species records. Regional ecosystem is a mandatory essential habitat factor, unless otherwise stated. Essential habitat, for protected wildlife, means an area of vegetation shown on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map -

- 1) that has at least 3 essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database. Essential habitat factors are comprised of regional ecosystem (mandatory for most species), vegetation community, altitude, soils, position in landscape; or
- 2) in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

If there is no essential habitat mapping shown on the vegetation management supporting map for this lot, and there is no table in the sections below, it confirms that there is no essential habitat on the lot.

Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Table 6: Essential habitat in Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

No records

3.6 Area Management Plan(s)

Nil

3.7 Coastal or non-coastal

For the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), this property is regarded as*

Coastal

*See also Map 4.3

3.8 Agricultural Land Class A or B

The following can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code:

Does this lot contain land that is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B in the State Planning Interactive Mapping System?

Class A (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 0.63ha

No Class B

Note - This confirms Agricultural Land Classes as per the State Planning Interactive Mapping System only. This response does not include Agricultural Land Classes identified under local government planning schemes. For further information, check the Planning Scheme for your local government area.

See Map 4.4 to identify the location and extent of Class A and/or Class B Agricultural land on Lot: 1 Plan: RP216694.

4. Vegetation management framework maps

Vegetation management maps included in this report may also be requested individually at: https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/gld/environment/land/vegetation/vegetation-map-request-form

Regulated vegetation management map

The regulated vegetation management map shows vegetation categories needed to determine clearing requirements. These maps are updated monthly to show new <u>property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAV).</u>

Vegetation management supporting map

The vegetation management supporting map provides information on regional ecosystems, wetlands, watercourses and essential habitat.

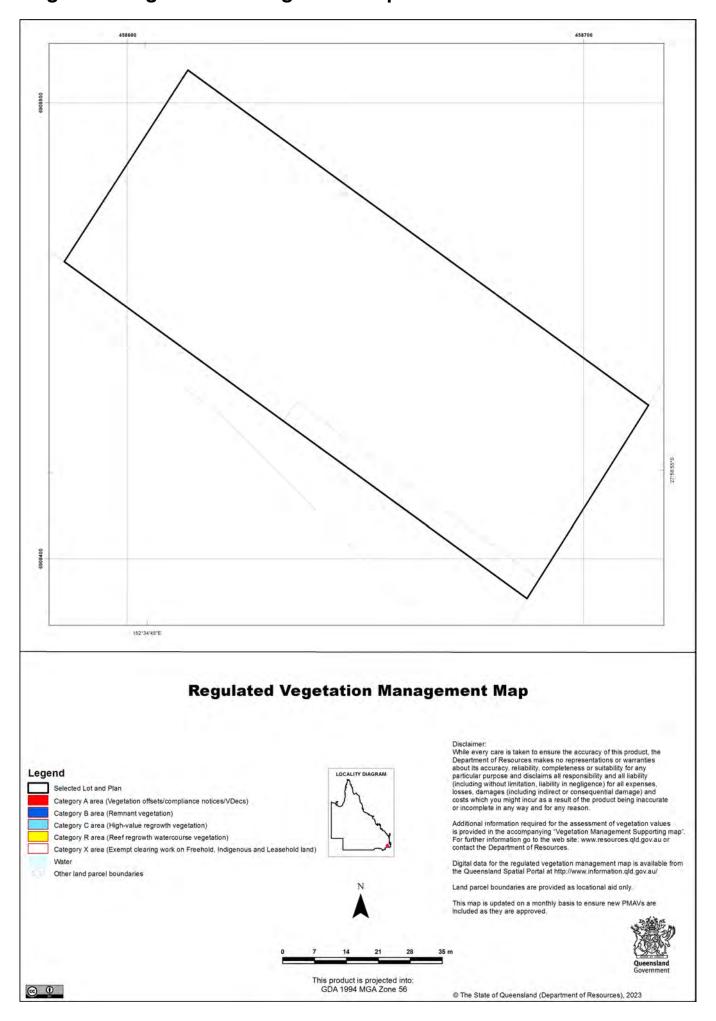
Coastal/non-coastal map

The coastal/non-coastal map confirms whether the lot, or which parts of the lot, are considered coastal or non-coastal for the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

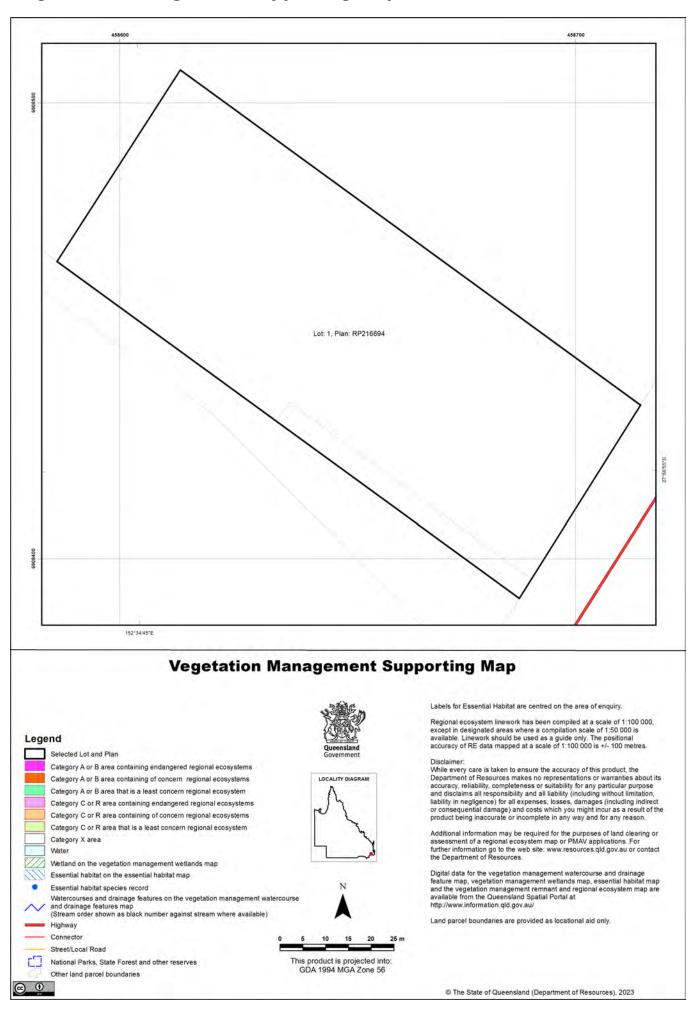
Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture

The Agricultural Land Class map confirms the location and extent of land mapped as Agricultural Land Classes A or B as identified on the State Planning Interactive Mapping System. Please note that this map does not include areas identified as Agricultural Land Class A or B in local government planning schemes. This map can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code.

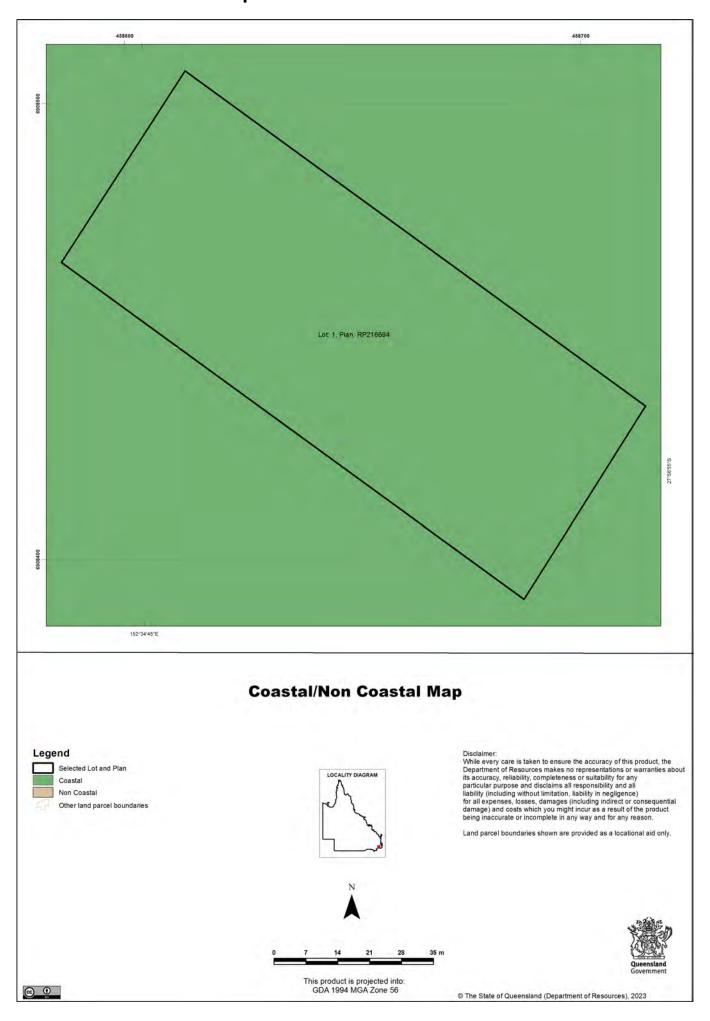
4.1 Regulated vegetation management map



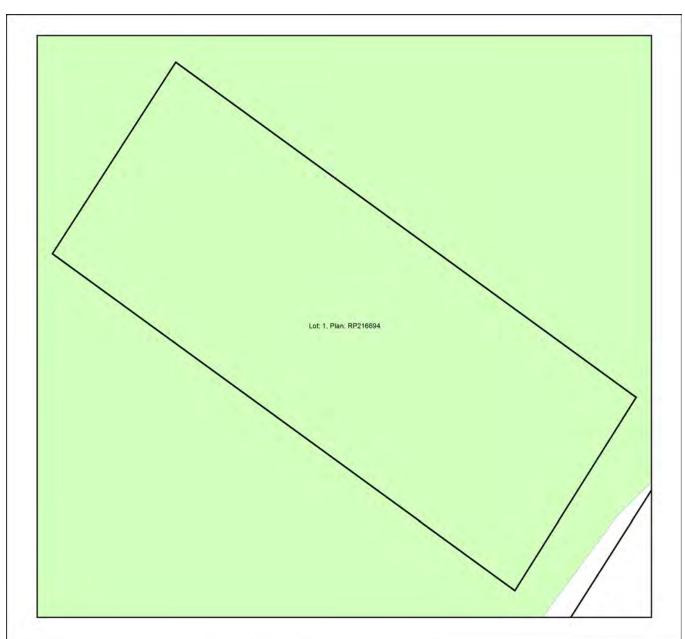
4.2 Vegetation management supporting map

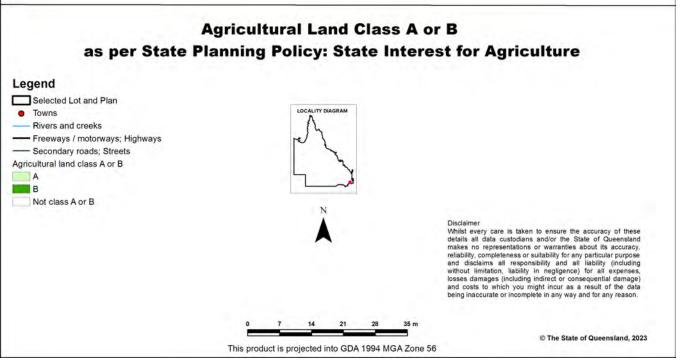


4.3 Coastal/non-coastal map



4.4 Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture





5. Protected plants framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u> (NCA). The NCA regulates the clearing of protected plants 'in the wild' (see <u>Operational policy: When a protected plant in Queensland is considered to be 'in the wild'</u>) that are listed as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near threatened under the Act.

Please note that the protected plant clearing framework applies irrespective of the classification of the vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and any approval or exemptions given under another Act, for example, the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* or *Planning Regulation 2017*.

5.1 Clearing in high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map identifies high-risk areas for threatened and near threatened plants. These are areas where threatened or near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist based on the habitat present. The flora survey trigger map for this property is provided in section 5.5.

If you are proposing to clear an area shown as high risk on the flora survey trigger map, a flora survey of the clearing impact area must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the <u>Flora survey guidelines</u>. The main objective of a flora survey is to locate any threatened or near threatened plants that may be present in the clearing impact area.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are not present within the clearing impact area or clearing within 100m of a threatened or near threatened plant can be avoided, the clearing activity is exempt from a permit. An <u>exempt clearing notification form</u> must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Science, with a copy of the flora survey report, at least one week prior to clearing.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared, a clearing permit is required before any clearing is undertaken. The flora survey report, as well as an impact management report, must be submitted with the <u>clearing permit application form</u>.

5.2 Clearing outside high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

In an area other than a high risk area, a clearing permit is only required where a person is, or becomes aware that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared. You must keep a copy of the flora survey trigger map for the area subject to clearing for five years from the day the clearing starts. If you do not clear within the 12 month period that the flora survey trigger map was printed, you need to print and check a new flora survey trigger map.

5.3 Exemptions

Many activities are 'exempt' under the protected plant clearing framework, which means that clearing of native plants that are in the wild can be undertaken for these activities with no need for a flora survey or a protected plant clearing permit. The Information sheet - General exemptions for the take of protected plants provides some of these exemptions.

Some exemptions under the NCA are the same as exempt clearing work (formerly known as exemptions) under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (i.e. listed in Schedule 21 of the Planning Regulations 2017) while some are different.

5.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the protected plants framework:

Phone 1300 130 372 (and select option four)

Email palm@des.qld.gov.au

Visit https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/protected-plants

5.5 Protected plants flora survey trigger map

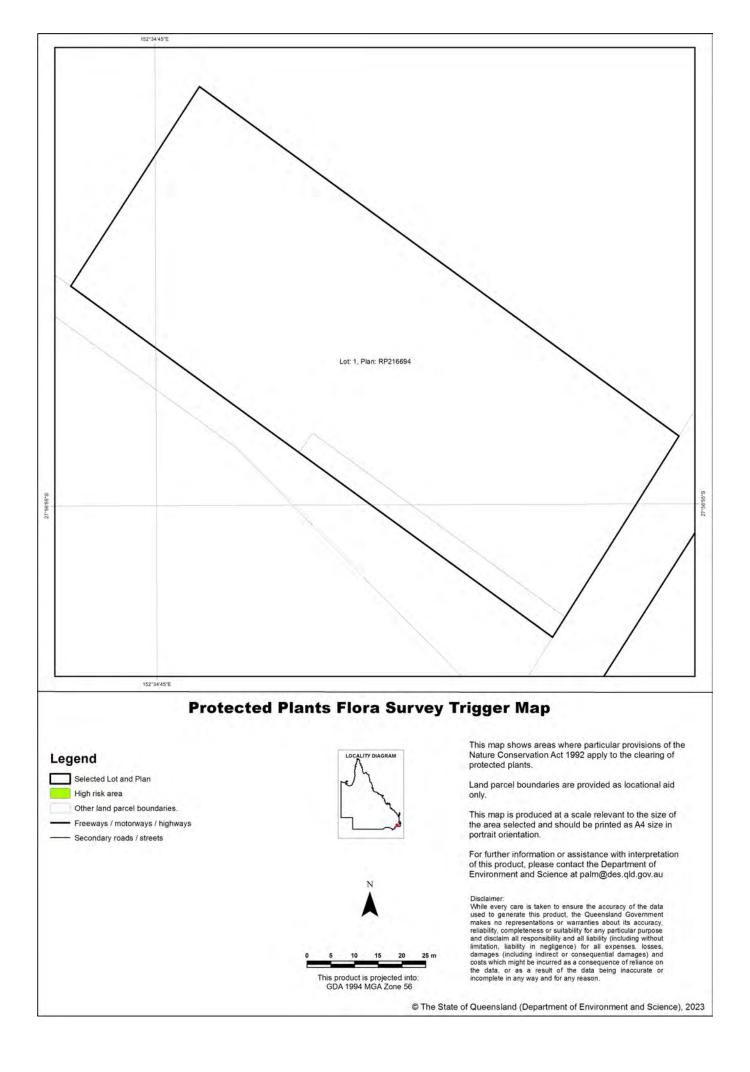
This map included may also be requested individually at: https://apps.des.qld.gov.au/map-request/flora-survey-trigger/.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the <u>Queensland Spatial Catalogue</u>, the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the <u>clearing of protected plants</u> for more information.



6. Koala protection framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

The koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is listed in Queensland as vulnerable by the Queensland Government under *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and by the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government's koala protection framework is comprised of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020, the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017.

6.1 Koala mapping

6.1.1 Koala districts

The parts of Queensland where koalas are known to occur has been divided into three koala districts - koala district A, koala district B and koala district C. Each koala district is made up of areas with comparable koala populations (e.g. density, extent and significance of threatening processes affecting the population) which require similar management regimes.

Section 7.1 identifies which koala district your property is located in.

6.1.2 Koala habitat areas

Koala habitat areas are areas of vegetation that have been determined to contain koala habitat that is essential for the conservation of a viable koala population in the wild based on the combination of habitat suitability and biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water). In order to protect this important koala habitat, clearing controls have been introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017 for development in koala habitat areas.

Please note that koala habitat areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

There are two different categories of koala habitat area (core koala habitat area and locally refined koala habitat), which have been determined using two different methodologies. These methodologies are described in the document Spatial modelling in South East Queensland.

Section 7.2 shows any koala habitat area that exists on your property.

Under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, an owner of land (or a person acting on the owner's behalf with written consent) can request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination if they believe, on reasonable grounds, that the existing determination for all or part of their property is incorrect.

More information on requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be found in the document Guideline - Requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination.

The koala habitat area map will be updated at least annually to include any koala habitat areas that have been made, amended or revoked.

Changes to the koala habitat area map which occur between annual updates because of a request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be viewed on the register of approved requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/koalamaps. The register includes the lot on plan for the change, the date the decision was made and the map issued to the landholder that shows areas determined to be koala habitat areas.

6.1.3 Koala priority areas

Koala priority areas are large, connected areas that have been determined to have the highest likelihood of achieving conservation outcomes for koalas based on the combination of habitat suitability, biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water) and a koala conservation cost benefit analysis.

Conservation efforts will be prioritised in these areas to ensure the conservation of viable koala populations in the wild including a focus on management (e.g. habitat protection, habitat restoration and threat mitigation) and monitoring. This includes a prohibition on clearing in koala habitat areas that are in koala priority areas under the Planning Regulation 2017 (subject to some exemptions).

Please note that koala priority areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley,

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in a koala priority area.

6.1.4 Identified koala broad-hectare areas

There are seven identified koala broad-hectare areas in SEQ. These are areas of koala habitat that are located in areas committed to meet development targets in the SEQ Regional Plan to accommodate SEQ's growing population including bring-forward Greenfield sites under the Queensland Housing Affordability Strategy and declared master planned areas under the repealed *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

Specific assessment benchmarks apply to development applications for development proposed in identified koala broad-hectare areas to ensure koala conservation measures are incorporated into the proposed development.

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in an identified koala broad-hectare area.

6.2 Koala habitat planning controls

On 7 February 2020, the Queensland Government introduced new planning controls to the Planning Regulation 2017 to strengthen the protection of koala habitat in South East Queensland (i.e. koala district A).

More information on these planning controls can be found here: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

As a high-level summary, the koala habitat planning controls make:

- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area, prohibited development (i.e. development for which a development application cannot be made);
- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is a koala habitat area but is not a koala priority area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required); and
- development that is for extractive industries where the development involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala habitat area and a key resource area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required).

Interfering with koala habitat means:

- 1) Removing, cutting down, ringbarking, pushing over, poisoning or destroying in anyway, including by burning, flooding or draining native vegetation in a koala habitat area; but
- 2) Does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock or lopping a tree.

However, these planning controls do not apply if the development is exempted development as defined in Schedule 24 of the <u>Planning Regulation 2017</u>. More information on exempted development can be found here: https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

There are also assessment benchmarks that apply to development applications for:

- building works, operational works, material change of use or reconfiguration of a lot where:
 - the local government planning scheme makes the development assessable;
 - the premises includes an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area; and
 - the development does not involve interfering with koala habitat (defined above); and
- development in identified koala broad-hectare areas.

The <u>Guideline - Assessment Benchmarks in relation to Koala Habitat in South East Queensland assessment benchmarks</u> outlines these assessment benchmarks, the intent of these assessment benchmarks and advice on how proposed development may meet these assessment benchmarks.

6.3 Koala Conservation Plan clearing requirements

Section 10 and 11 of the <u>Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017</u> prescribes requirements that must be met when clearing koala habitat in koala district A and koala district B.

These clearing requirements are independent to the koala habitat planning controls introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017, which means they must be complied with irrespective of any approvals or exemptions offered under other legislation.

Unlike the clearing controls prescribed in the Planning Regulation 2017 that are to protect koala habitat, the clearing requirements prescribed in the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017 are in place to prevent the injury or death of koalas when koala habitat is being cleared.

6.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the koala protection framework:

Phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Email koala.assessment@des.gld.gov.au

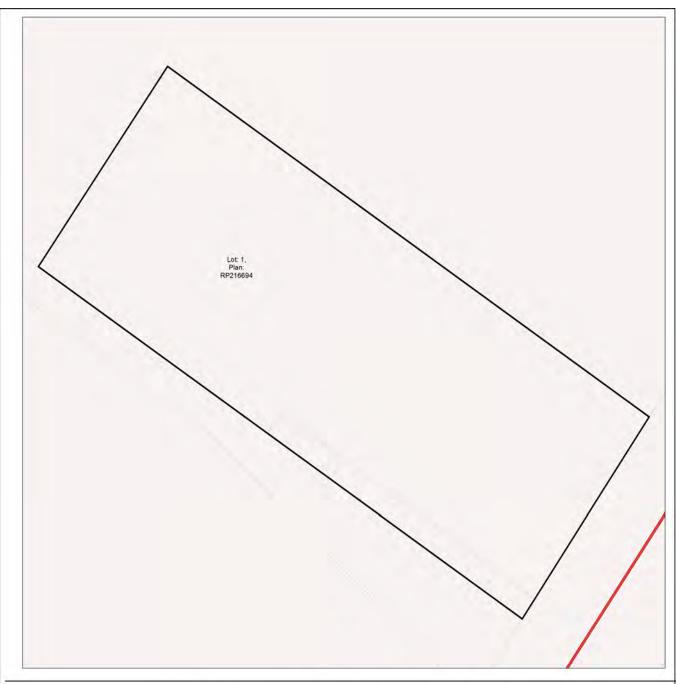
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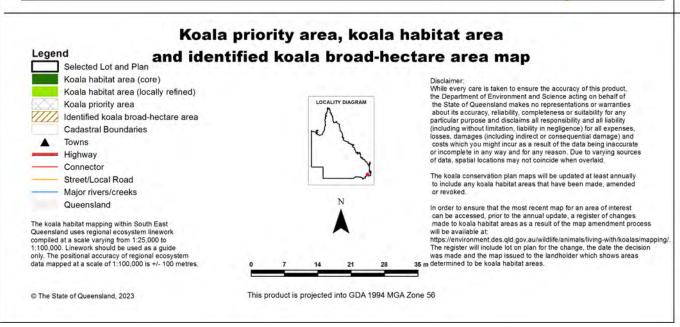
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7.1 Koala districts

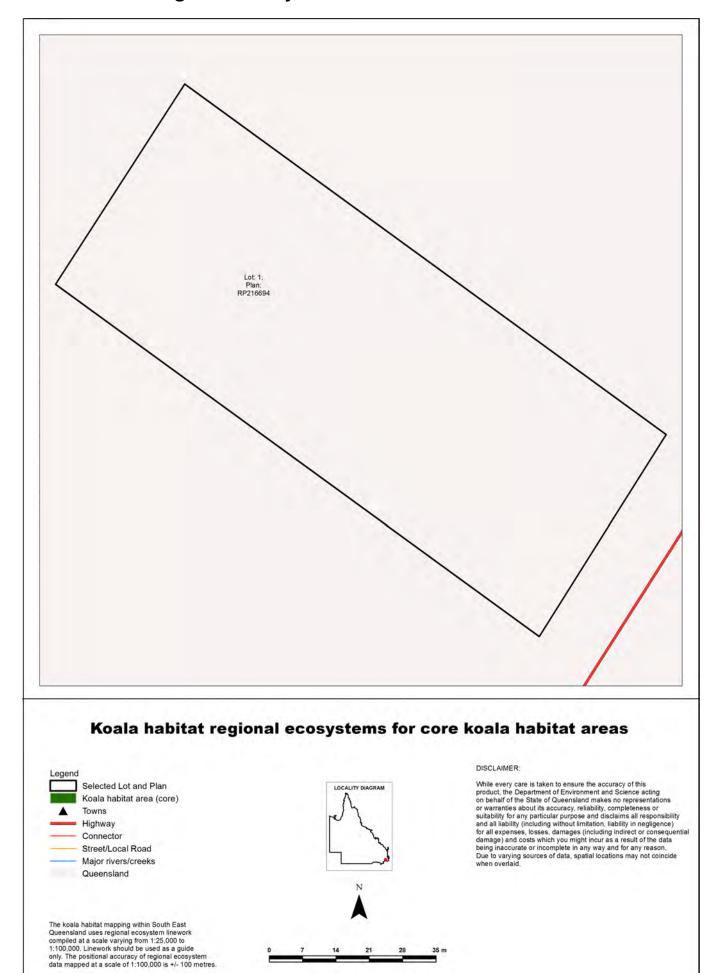
Koala District A

7.2 Koala priority area, koala habitat area and identified koala broad-hectare area map





7.3 Koala habitat regional ecosystems for core koala habitat areas



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8. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance	Water Act 2000 Soil Conservation Act 1986	Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (Queensland Government) Department of Resources (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.rdmw.qld.gov.au www.resources.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Protected plants and protected areas	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 1300 130 372 (option 4) palm@des.qld.gov.au www.des.qld.gov.au
Koala mapping and regulations	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Koala.assessment@des.qld.gov.au
 Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities on State land tenures 	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
Development and planning processes	Planning Act 2016 State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au
Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office
Harvesting timber in the Wet Tropics of Qld World Heritage area	Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993	Wet Tropics Management Authority	Ph: (07) 4241 0500 www.wettropics.gov.au



Vegetation management report

For Lot: 3 Plan: SP192221

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Recent changes

Updated mapping

Updated vegetation mapping was released on 8 September 2022 and includes the most recent Queensland Herbarium scientific updates to the Regulated Vegetation Management Map, regional ecosystems, wetland, high-value regrowth and essential habitat mapping.

The Department of Environment and Science have also updated their protected plant and koala protection mapping to align with the Queensland Herbarium scientific updates.

Overview

Based on the lot on plan details you have supplied, this report provides the following detailed information:

Property details - information about the specified Lot on Plan, lot size, local government area, bioregion(s), subregion(s) and catchment(s);

Vegetation management framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Resources who administer the framework;

Vegetation management framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the vegetation management categories on the property;
- the vegetation management regional ecosystems on the property;
- vegetation management watercourses or drainage features on the property;
- · vegetation management wetlands on the property;
- · vegetation management essential habitat on the property;
- · whether any area management plans are associated with the property;
- · whether the property is coastal or non-coastal; and
- whether the property is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B;

Protected plant framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework, including:

• high risk areas on the protected plant flora survey trigger map for the property;

Koala protection framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework; and

Koala protection framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the koala district the property is located in;
- koala priority areas on the property;
- · core and locally refined koala habitat areas on the property;
- · whether the lot is located in an identified koala broad-hectare area; and
- koala habitat regional ecosystems on the property for core koala habitat areas.

This information will assist you to determine your options for managing vegetation under:

- the vegetation management framework, which may include:
 - · exempt clearing work;
 - accepted development vegetation clearing code;
 - · an area management plan;
 - · a development approval;
- the protected plant framework, which may include:
 - the need to undertake a flora survey;
 - · exempt clearing;
 - a protected plant clearing permit;
- the koala protection framework, which may include:
 - · exempted development;
 - a development approval;
 - the need to undertake clearing sequentially and in the presence of a koala spotter.

Other laws

The clearing of native vegetation is regulated by both Queensland and Australian legislation, and some local governments also regulate native vegetation clearing. You may need to obtain an approval or permit under another Act, such as the Commonwealth Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). Section 8 of this guide provides contact details of other agencies you should confirm requirements with, before commencing vegetation clearing.

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1. Property details

1.1 Tenure and title area

All of the lot, plan, tenure and title area information associated with property Lot: 3 Plan: SP192221, are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Lot, plan, tenure and title area information for the property

Lot	Plan	Tenure	Property title area (sq metres)
3	SP192221	Freehold	489,300

The tenure of the land may affect whether clearing is considered exempt clearing work or may be carried out under an accepted development vegetation clearing code.

Does this property have a freehold tenure and is in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area?

No, this property is not located in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

1.2 Property location

Table 2 provides a summary of the locations for property Lot: 3 Plan: SP192221, in relation to natural and administrative boundaries.

Table 2: Property location details

Local Government(s)
Scenic Rim Regional

Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)	
Southeast Queensland	Moreton Basin	

Catchment(s)		
Brisbane		

2. Vegetation management framework (administered by the Department of Resources)

The *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VMA), the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017, in conjunction with associated policies and codes, form the Vegetation Management Framework.

The VMA does not apply to all land tenures or vegetation types. State forests, national parks, forest reserves and some tenures under the *Forestry Act 1959* and *Nature Conservation Act 1992* are not regulated by the VMA. Managing or clearing vegetation on these tenures may require approvals under these laws.

The following native vegetation is not regulated under the VMA but may require permit(s) under other laws:

- · grass or non-woody herbage;
- a plant within a grassland regional ecosystem prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012; and
- a mangrove.

2.1 Exempt clearing work

Exempt clearing work is an activity for which you do not need to notify the Department of Resources or obtain an approval under the vegetation management framework. Exempt clearing work was previously known as exemptions.

In areas that are mapped as Category X (white in colour) on the regulated vegetation management map (see section 4.1), and where the land tenure is freehold, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes, the clearing of vegetation is considered exempt clearing work and does not require notification or development approval under the vegetation management framework. For all other land tenures, contact the Department of Resources before commencing clearing to ensure that the proposed activity is exempt clearing work.

A range of routine property management activities are considered exempt clearing work. A list of exempt clearing work is available at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/exemptions.

Exempt clearing work may be affected if the proposed clearing area is subject to development approval conditions, a covenant, an environmental offset, an exchange area, a restoration notice, or an area mapped as Category A. Exempt clearing work may require approval under other Commonwealth, State or Local Government laws, or local government planning schemes. Contact the Department of Resources prior to clearing in any of these areas.

2.2 Accepted development vegetation clearing codes

Some clearing activities can be undertaken under an accepted development vegetation clearing code. The codes can be downloaded at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/codes

If you intend to clear vegetation under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, you must notify the Department of Resources before commencing. The information in this report will assist you to complete the online notification form.

You can complete the online form at

https://apps.dnrm.qld.gov.au/vegetation/

2.3 Area management plans

Area Management Plans (AMP) provide an alternative approval system for vegetation clearing under the vegetation management framework. They list the purposes and clearing conditions that have been approved for the areas covered by the plan. It is not necessary to use an AMP, even when an AMP applies to your property.

On 8 March 2020, AMPs ended for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation and managing encroachment. New notifications cannot be made for these AMPs. You will need to consider options for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation or encroachment under a relevant accepted development vegetation clearing code or apply for a development approval.

New notifications can be made for all other AMPs. These will continue to apply until their nominated end date.

If an Area Management Plan applies to your property for which you can make a new notification, it will be listed in Section 3.6 of this report. Before clearing under one of these AMPs, you must first notify the Department of Resources and then follow the conditions and requirements listed in the AMP.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/area-management-plans

2.4 Development approvals

If under the vegetation management framework your proposed clearing is not exempt clearing work, or is not permitted under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, or an AMP, you may be able to apply for a development approval. Information on how to apply for a development approval is available at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/development

2.5. Contact information for the Department of Resources

For further information on the vegetation management framework:

Phone 135VEG (135 834)

Email vegetation@resources.gld.gov.au

Visit https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/?contact=vegetation to submit an online enquiry.

3. Vegetation management framework for Lot: 3 Plan: SP192221

3.1 Vegetation categories

The vegetation categories on your property are shown on the regulated vegetation management map in section 4.1 of this report. A summary of vegetation categories on the subject lot are listed in Table 3. Descriptions for these categories are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Vegetation categories for subject property. Total area: 48.92ha

Vegetation category	Area (ha)
Category X	48.9

Table 4: Description of vegetation categories

Category	Colour on Map	Description	Requirements / options under the vegetation management framework	
A	red	Compliance areas, environmental offset areas and voluntary declaration areas	Special conditions apply to Category A areas. Before clearing, contact the Department of Resources to confirm any requirements in a Category A area.	
В	dark blue	Remnant vegetation areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with accepted development vegetation clearing codes, area management plans or development approval.	
С	light blue	High-value regrowth areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category C regrowth vegetation accepted development vegetation clearing code.	
R	yellow	Regrowth within 50m of a watercourse or drainage feature in the Great Barrier Reef catchment areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category R regrowth accepted development vegetation clearing code or area management plans.	
Х	white	Clearing on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes is considered exempt clearing work under the vegetation management framework. Contact the Department of Resources to clarify whether a development approval is required for other State land tenures.	No permit or notification required on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing. A development approval may be required for some State land tenures.	

Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV)

There is no Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV) present on this property.

3.2 Regional ecosystems

The endangered, of concern and least concern regional ecosystems on your property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2 and are listed in Table 5.

A description of regional ecosystems can be accessed online at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/descriptions/

Table 5: Regional ecosystems present on subject property

Regional Ecosystem	VMA Status	Category	Area (Ha)	Short Description	Structure Category
non-rem	None	Х	48.92	None	None

Please note:

- 1. All area and area derived figures included in this table have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.
- 2. If Table 5 contains a Category 'plant', please be aware that this refers to 'plantations' such as forestry, and these areas are considered non-remnant under the VMA.

The VMA status of the regional ecosystem (whether it is endangered, of concern or least concern) also determines if any of the following are applicable:

- · exempt clearing work;
- accepted development vegetation clearing codes;
- performance outcomes in State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

3.3 Watercourses

Vegetation management watercourses and drainage features for this property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2.

3.4 Wetlands

There are no vegetation management wetlands present on this property.

3.5 Essential habitat

Under the VMA, essential habitat for protected wildlife is native wildlife prescribed under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near-threatened wildlife.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife includes suitable habitat on the lot, or where a species has been known to occur up to 1.1 kilometres from a lot on which there is assessable vegetation. These important habitat areas are protected under the VMA.

Any essential habitat on this property will be shown as blue hatching on the vegetation supporting map in section 4.2.

If essential habitat is identified on the lot, information about the protected wildlife species is provided in Table 6 below. The numeric labels on the vegetation management supporting map can be cross referenced with Table 6 to outline the essential habitat factors for that particular species. There may be essential habitat for more than one species on each lot, and areas of Category A, Category B and Category C can be mapped as Essential Habitat.

Essential habitat is compiled from a combination of species habitat models and buffered species records. Regional ecosystem is a mandatory essential habitat factor, unless otherwise stated. Essential habitat, for protected wildlife, means an area of vegetation shown on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map -

- 1) that has at least 3 essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database. Essential habitat factors are comprised of regional ecosystem (mandatory for most species), vegetation community, altitude, soils, position in landscape; or
- 2) in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

If there is no essential habitat mapping shown on the vegetation management supporting map for this lot, and there is no table in the sections below, it confirms that there is no essential habitat on the lot.

Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Table 6: Essential habitat in Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

No records

3.6 Area Management Plan(s)

Nil

3.7 Coastal or non-coastal

For the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), this property is regarded as*

Coastal

*See also Map 4.3

3.8 Agricultural Land Class A or B

The following can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code:

Does this lot contain land that is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B in the State Planning Interactive Mapping System?

Class A (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 13.5ha

Class B (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 31.86ha

Note - This confirms Agricultural Land Classes as per the State Planning Interactive Mapping System only. This response does not include Agricultural Land Classes identified under local government planning schemes. For further information, check the Planning Scheme for your local government area.

See Map 4.4 to identify the location and extent of Class A and/or Class B Agricultural land on Lot: 3 Plan: SP192221.

4. Vegetation management framework maps

Vegetation management maps included in this report may also be requested individually at: https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/gld/environment/land/vegetation/vegetation-map-request-form

Regulated vegetation management map

The regulated vegetation management map shows vegetation categories needed to determine clearing requirements. These maps are updated monthly to show new <u>property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAV).</u>

Vegetation management supporting map

The vegetation management supporting map provides information on regional ecosystems, wetlands, watercourses and essential habitat.

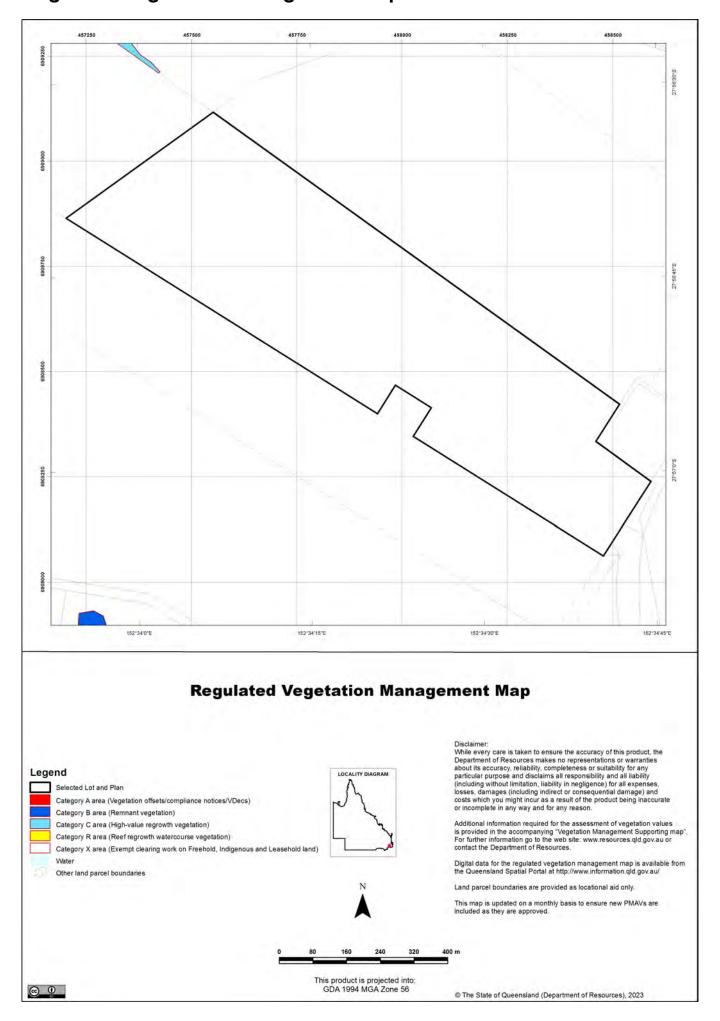
Coastal/non-coastal map

The coastal/non-coastal map confirms whether the lot, or which parts of the lot, are considered coastal or non-coastal for the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

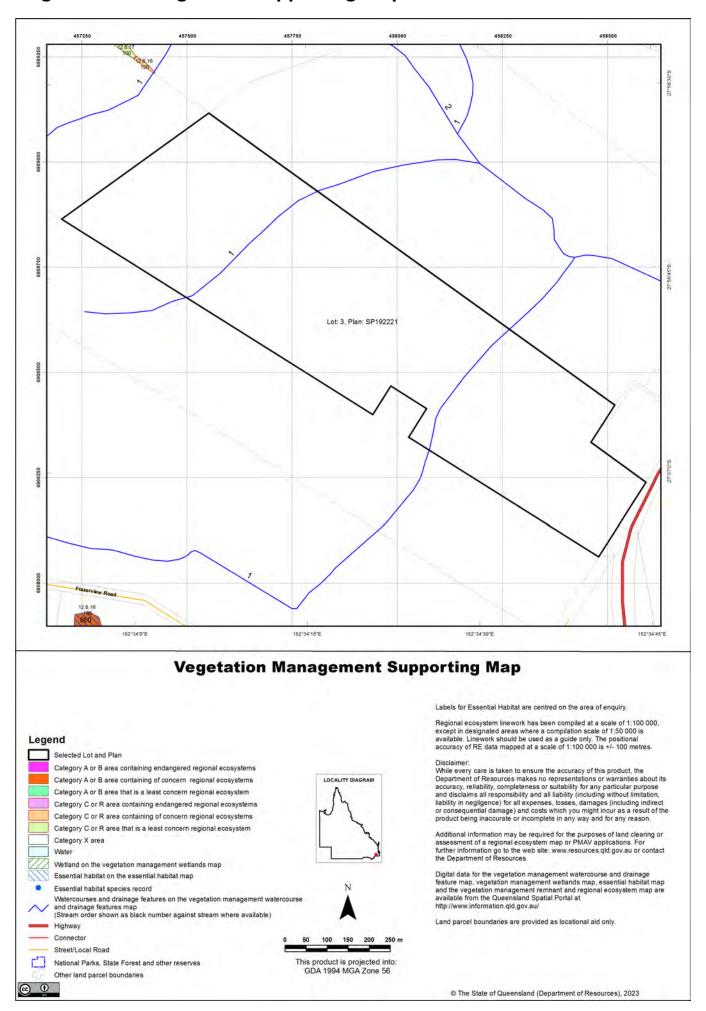
Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture

The Agricultural Land Class map confirms the location and extent of land mapped as Agricultural Land Classes A or B as identified on the State Planning Interactive Mapping System. Please note that this map does not include areas identified as Agricultural Land Class A or B in local government planning schemes. This map can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code.

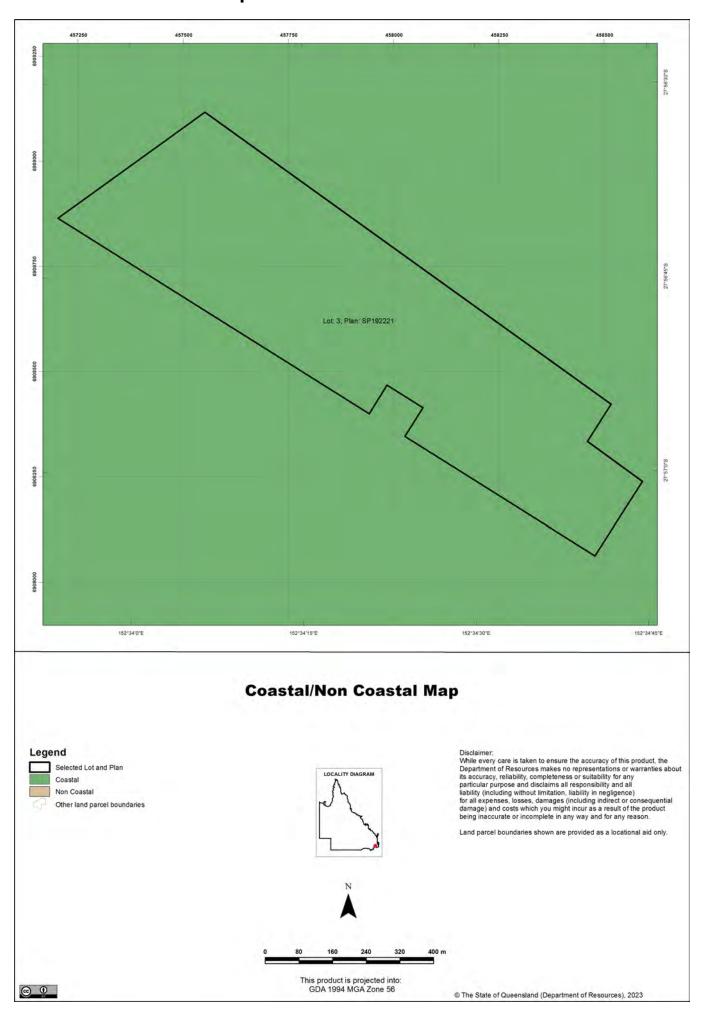
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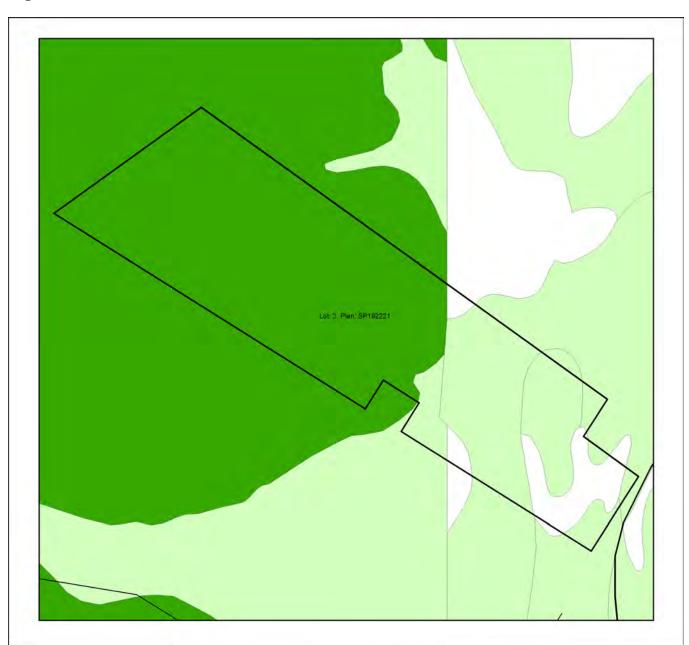
4.2 Vegetation management supporting map

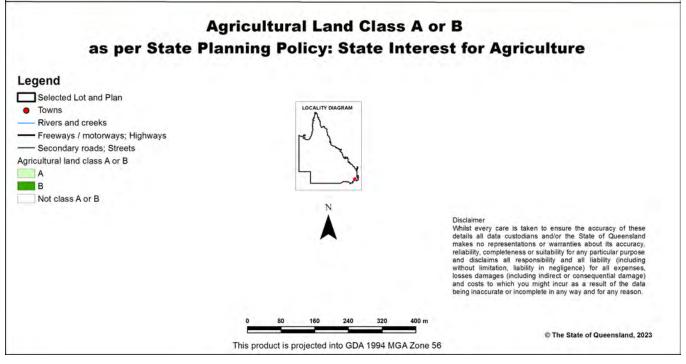


4.3 Coastal/non-coastal map



4.4 Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture





5. Protected plants framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u> (NCA). The NCA regulates the clearing of protected plants 'in the wild' (see <u>Operational policy: When a protected plant in Queensland is considered to be 'in the wild'</u>) that are listed as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near threatened under the Act.

Please note that the protected plant clearing framework applies irrespective of the classification of the vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and any approval or exemptions given under another Act, for example, the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* or *Planning Regulation 2017*.

5.1 Clearing in high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map identifies high-risk areas for threatened and near threatened plants. These are areas where threatened or near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist based on the habitat present. The flora survey trigger map for this property is provided in section 5.5.

If you are proposing to clear an area shown as high risk on the flora survey trigger map, a flora survey of the clearing impact area must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the <u>Flora survey guidelines</u>. The main objective of a flora survey is to locate any threatened or near threatened plants that may be present in the clearing impact area.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are not present within the clearing impact area or clearing within 100m of a threatened or near threatened plant can be avoided, the clearing activity is exempt from a permit. An <u>exempt clearing notification form</u> must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Science, with a copy of the flora survey report, at least one week prior to clearing.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared, a clearing permit is required before any clearing is undertaken. The flora survey report, as well as an impact management report, must be submitted with the <u>clearing permit application form</u>.

5.2 Clearing outside high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

In an area other than a high risk area, a clearing permit is only required where a person is, or becomes aware that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared. You must keep a copy of the flora survey trigger map for the area subject to clearing for five years from the day the clearing starts. If you do not clear within the 12 month period that the flora survey trigger map was printed, you need to print and check a new flora survey trigger map.

5.3 Exemptions

Many activities are 'exempt' under the protected plant clearing framework, which means that clearing of native plants that are in the wild can be undertaken for these activities with no need for a flora survey or a protected plant clearing permit. The Information sheet - General exemptions for the take of protected plants provides some of these exemptions.

Some exemptions under the NCA are the same as exempt clearing work (formerly known as exemptions) under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (i.e. listed in Schedule 21 of the Planning Regulations 2017) while some are different.

5.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the protected plants framework:

Phone 1300 130 372 (and select option four)

Email palm@des.qld.gov.au

Visit https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/protected-plants

5.5 Protected plants flora survey trigger map

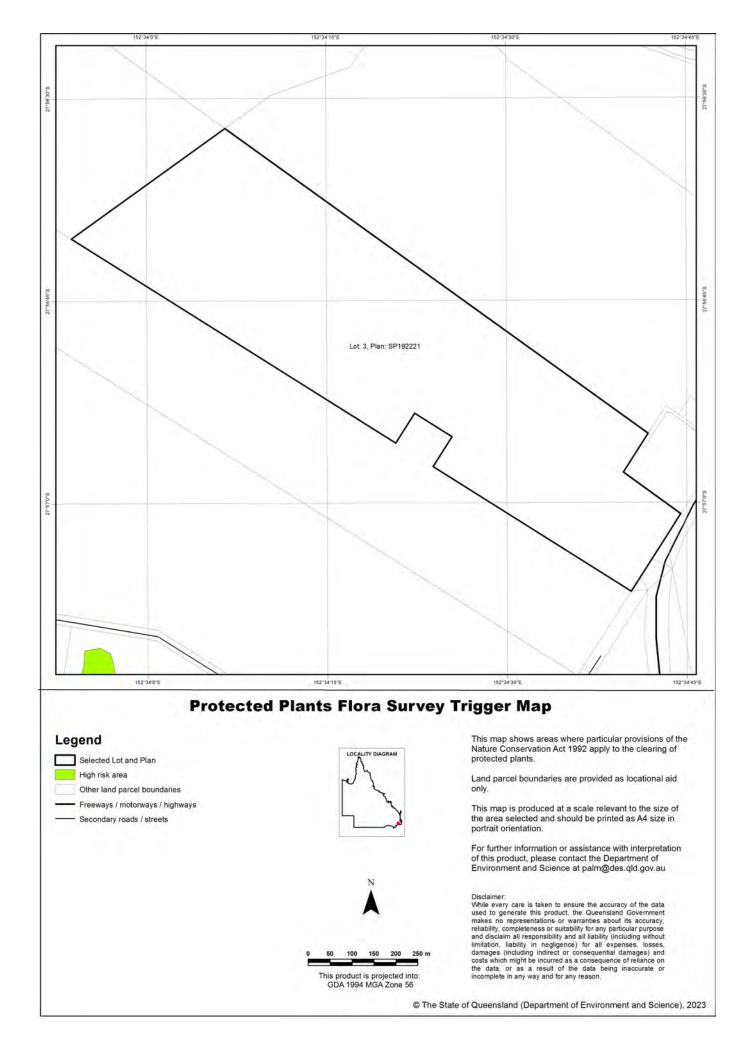
This map included may also be requested individually at: https://apps.des.gld.gov.au/map-request/flora-survey-trigger/.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the <u>Queensland Spatial Catalogue</u>, the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the <u>clearing of protected plants</u> for more information.



6. Koala protection framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

The koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is listed in Queensland as vulnerable by the Queensland Government under *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and by the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government's koala protection framework is comprised of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020, the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017.

6.1 Koala mapping

6.1.1 Koala districts

The parts of Queensland where koalas are known to occur has been divided into three koala districts - koala district A, koala district B and koala district C. Each koala district is made up of areas with comparable koala populations (e.g. density, extent and significance of threatening processes affecting the population) which require similar management regimes.

Section 7.1 identifies which koala district your property is located in.

6.1.2 Koala habitat areas

Koala habitat areas are areas of vegetation that have been determined to contain koala habitat that is essential for the conservation of a viable koala population in the wild based on the combination of habitat suitability and biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water). In order to protect this important koala habitat, clearing controls have been introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017 for development in koala habitat areas.

Please note that koala habitat areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

There are two different categories of koala habitat area (core koala habitat area and locally refined koala habitat), which have been determined using two different methodologies. These methodologies are described in the document Spatial modelling in South East Queensland.

Section 7.2 shows any koala habitat area that exists on your property.

Under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, an owner of land (or a person acting on the owner's behalf with written consent) can request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination if they believe, on reasonable grounds, that the existing determination for all or part of their property is incorrect.

More information on requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be found in the document Guideline - Requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination.

The koala habitat area map will be updated at least annually to include any koala habitat areas that have been made, amended or revoked.

Changes to the koala habitat area map which occur between annual updates because of a request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be viewed on the register of approved requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/koalamaps. The register includes the lot on plan for the change, the date the decision was made and the map issued to the landholder that shows areas determined to be koala habitat areas.

6.1.3 Koala priority areas

Koala priority areas are large, connected areas that have been determined to have the highest likelihood of achieving conservation outcomes for koalas based on the combination of habitat suitability, biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water) and a koala conservation cost benefit analysis.

Conservation efforts will be prioritised in these areas to ensure the conservation of viable koala populations in the wild including a focus on management (e.g. habitat protection, habitat restoration and threat mitigation) and monitoring. This includes a prohibition on clearing in koala habitat areas that are in koala priority areas under the Planning Regulation 2017 (subject to some exemptions).

Please note that koala priority areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley,

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in a koala priority area.

6.1.4 Identified koala broad-hectare areas

There are seven identified koala broad-hectare areas in SEQ. These are areas of koala habitat that are located in areas committed to meet development targets in the SEQ Regional Plan to accommodate SEQ's growing population including bring-forward Greenfield sites under the Queensland Housing Affordability Strategy and declared master planned areas under the repealed *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

Specific assessment benchmarks apply to development applications for development proposed in identified koala broad-hectare areas to ensure koala conservation measures are incorporated into the proposed development.

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in an identified koala broad-hectare area.

6.2 Koala habitat planning controls

On 7 February 2020, the Queensland Government introduced new planning controls to the Planning Regulation 2017 to strengthen the protection of koala habitat in South East Queensland (i.e. koala district A).

More information on these planning controls can be found here: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

As a high-level summary, the koala habitat planning controls make:

- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area, prohibited development (i.e. development for which a development application cannot be made);
- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is a koala habitat area but is not a koala priority area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required); and
- development that is for extractive industries where the development involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala habitat area and a key resource area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required).

Interfering with koala habitat means:

- 1) Removing, cutting down, ringbarking, pushing over, poisoning or destroying in anyway, including by burning, flooding or draining native vegetation in a koala habitat area; but
- 2) Does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock or lopping a tree.

However, these planning controls do not apply if the development is exempted development as defined in Schedule 24 of the <u>Planning Regulation 2017</u>. More information on exempted development can be found here: https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

There are also assessment benchmarks that apply to development applications for:

- building works, operational works, material change of use or reconfiguration of a lot where:
 - the local government planning scheme makes the development assessable;
 - the premises includes an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area; and
 - the development does not involve interfering with koala habitat (defined above); and
- development in identified koala broad-hectare areas.

The <u>Guideline - Assessment Benchmarks in relation to Koala Habitat in South East Queensland assessment benchmarks</u> outlines these assessment benchmarks, the intent of these assessment benchmarks and advice on how proposed development may meet these assessment benchmarks.

6.3 Koala Conservation Plan clearing requirements

Section 10 and 11 of the <u>Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017</u> prescribes requirements that must be met when clearing koala habitat in koala district A and koala district B.

These clearing requirements are independent to the koala habitat planning controls introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017, which means they must be complied with irrespective of any approvals or exemptions offered under other legislation.

Unlike the clearing controls prescribed in the Planning Regulation 2017 that are to protect koala habitat, the clearing requirements prescribed in the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017 are in place to prevent the injury or death of koalas when koala habitat is being cleared.

6.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the koala protection framework:

Phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Email koala.assessment@des.gld.gov.au

Visit https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping

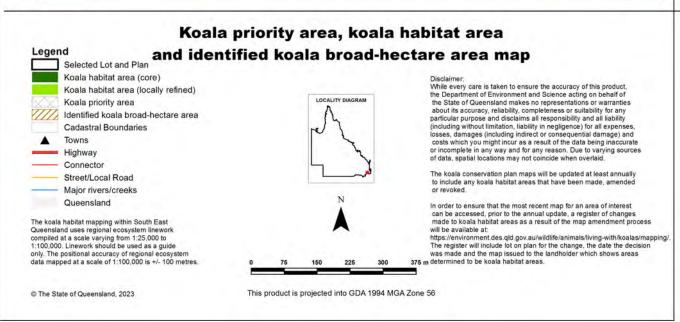
7. Koala protection framework details for Lot: 3 Plan: SP192221

7.1 Koala districts

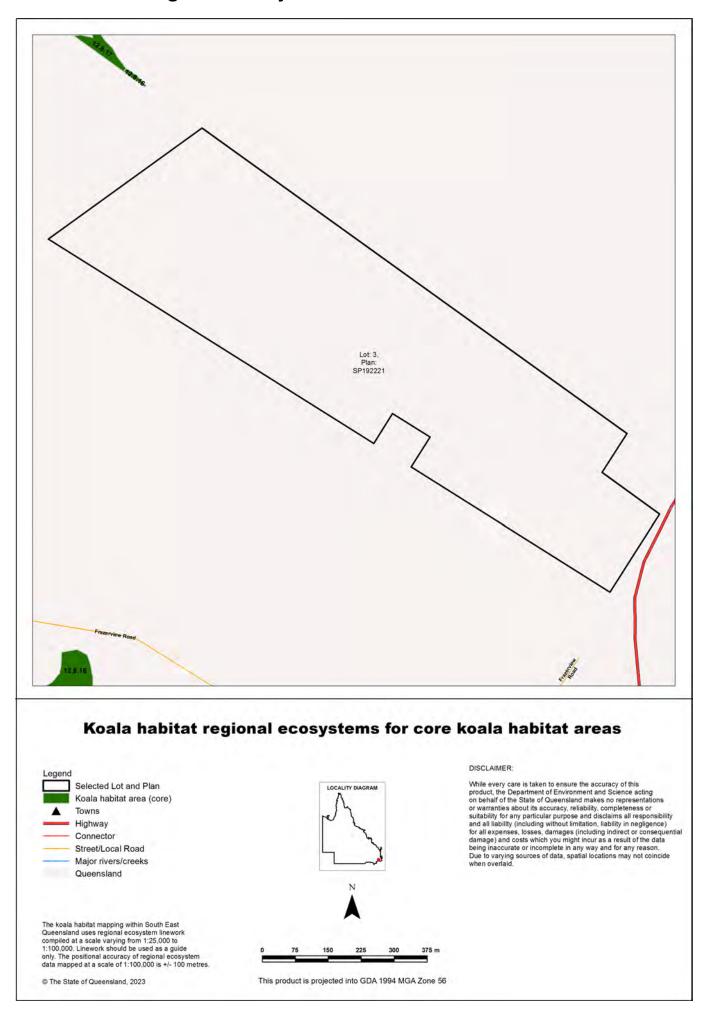
Koala District A

7.2 Koala priority area, koala habitat area and identified koala broad-hectare area map





7.3 Koala habitat regional ecosystems for core koala habitat areas



8. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance	Water Act 2000 Soil Conservation Act 1986	Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (Queensland Government) Department of Resources (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.rdmw.qld.gov.au www.resources.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Protected plants and protected areas	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 1300 130 372 (option 4) palm@des.qld.gov.au www.des.qld.gov.au
Koala mapping and regulations	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Koala.assessment@des.qld.gov.au
 Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities on State land tenures 	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
Development and planning processes	Planning Act 2016 State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au
Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office
Harvesting timber in the Wet Tropics of Qld World Heritage area	Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993	Wet Tropics Management Authority	Ph: (07) 4241 0500 www.wettropics.gov.au



Vegetation management report

For Lot: 2 Plan: RP20974

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Recent changes

Updated mapping

Updated vegetation mapping was released on 8 September 2022 and includes the most recent Queensland Herbarium scientific updates to the Regulated Vegetation Management Map, regional ecosystems, wetland, high-value regrowth and essential habitat mapping.

The Department of Environment and Science have also updated their protected plant and koala protection mapping to align with the Queensland Herbarium scientific updates.

Overview

Based on the lot on plan details you have supplied, this report provides the following detailed information:

Property details - information about the specified Lot on Plan, lot size, local government area, bioregion(s), subregion(s) and catchment(s);

Vegetation management framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Resources who administer the framework;

Vegetation management framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the vegetation management categories on the property;
- the vegetation management regional ecosystems on the property;
- vegetation management watercourses or drainage features on the property;
- · vegetation management wetlands on the property;
- · vegetation management essential habitat on the property;
- · whether any area management plans are associated with the property;
- · whether the property is coastal or non-coastal; and
- whether the property is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B;

Protected plant framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework, including:

• high risk areas on the protected plant flora survey trigger map for the property;

Koala protection framework - an explanation of the application of the framework and contact details for the Department of Environment and Science who administer the framework; and

Koala protection framework details for the specified Lot on Plan including:

- the koala district the property is located in;
- koala priority areas on the property;
- · core and locally refined koala habitat areas on the property;
- · whether the lot is located in an identified koala broad-hectare area; and
- koala habitat regional ecosystems on the property for core koala habitat areas.

This information will assist you to determine your options for managing vegetation under:

- the vegetation management framework, which may include:
 - · exempt clearing work;
 - accepted development vegetation clearing code;
 - · an area management plan;
 - · a development approval;
- the protected plant framework, which may include:
 - the need to undertake a flora survey;
 - · exempt clearing;
 - a protected plant clearing permit;
- the koala protection framework, which may include:
 - · exempted development;
 - a development approval;
 - the need to undertake clearing sequentially and in the presence of a koala spotter.

Other laws

The clearing of native vegetation is regulated by both Queensland and Australian legislation, and some local governments also regulate native vegetation clearing. You may need to obtain an approval or permit under another Act, such as the Commonwealth Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). Section 8 of this guide provides contact details of other agencies you should confirm requirements with, before commencing vegetation clearing.

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1. Property details

1.1 Tenure and title area

All of the lot, plan, tenure and title area information associated with property Lot: 2 Plan: RP20974, are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Lot, plan, tenure and title area information for the property

Lot	Plan	Tenure	Property title area (sq metres)
2	RP20974	Freehold	597,440

The tenure of the land may affect whether clearing is considered exempt clearing work or may be carried out under an accepted development vegetation clearing code.

Does this property have a freehold tenure and is in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area?

No, this property is not located in the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

1.2 Property location

Table 2 provides a summary of the locations for property Lot: 2 Plan: RP20974, in relation to natural and administrative boundaries.

Table 2: Property location details

Local Government(s)
Scenic Rim Regional

Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)	
Southeast Queensland	Moreton Basin	

Catchment(s)
Brisbane

2. Vegetation management framework (administered by the Department of Resources)

The *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VMA), the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017, in conjunction with associated policies and codes, form the Vegetation Management Framework.

The VMA does not apply to all land tenures or vegetation types. State forests, national parks, forest reserves and some tenures under the *Forestry Act 1959* and *Nature Conservation Act 1992* are not regulated by the VMA. Managing or clearing vegetation on these tenures may require approvals under these laws.

The following native vegetation is not regulated under the VMA but may require permit(s) under other laws:

- · grass or non-woody herbage;
- a plant within a grassland regional ecosystem prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012; and
- a mangrove.

2.1 Exempt clearing work

Exempt clearing work is an activity for which you do not need to notify the Department of Resources or obtain an approval under the vegetation management framework. Exempt clearing work was previously known as exemptions.

In areas that are mapped as Category X (white in colour) on the regulated vegetation management map (see section 4.1), and where the land tenure is freehold, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes, the clearing of vegetation is considered exempt clearing work and does not require notification or development approval under the vegetation management framework. For all other land tenures, contact the Department of Resources before commencing clearing to ensure that the proposed activity is exempt clearing work.

A range of routine property management activities are considered exempt clearing work. A list of exempt clearing work is available at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/exemptions.

Exempt clearing work may be affected if the proposed clearing area is subject to development approval conditions, a covenant, an environmental offset, an exchange area, a restoration notice, or an area mapped as Category A. Exempt clearing work may require approval under other Commonwealth, State or Local Government laws, or local government planning schemes. Contact the Department of Resources prior to clearing in any of these areas.

2.2 Accepted development vegetation clearing codes

Some clearing activities can be undertaken under an accepted development vegetation clearing code. The codes can be downloaded at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/codes

If you intend to clear vegetation under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, you must notify the Department of Resources before commencing. The information in this report will assist you to complete the online notification form.

You can complete the online form at

https://apps.dnrm.qld.gov.au/vegetation/

2.3 Area management plans

Area Management Plans (AMP) provide an alternative approval system for vegetation clearing under the vegetation management framework. They list the purposes and clearing conditions that have been approved for the areas covered by the plan. It is not necessary to use an AMP, even when an AMP applies to your property.

On 8 March 2020, AMPs ended for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation and managing encroachment. New notifications cannot be made for these AMPs. You will need to consider options for fodder harvesting, managing thickened vegetation or encroachment under a relevant accepted development vegetation clearing code or apply for a development approval.

New notifications can be made for all other AMPs. These will continue to apply until their nominated end date.

If an Area Management Plan applies to your property for which you can make a new notification, it will be listed in Section 3.6 of this report. Before clearing under one of these AMPs, you must first notify the Department of Resources and then follow the conditions and requirements listed in the AMP.

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/area-management-plans

2.4 Development approvals

If under the vegetation management framework your proposed clearing is not exempt clearing work, or is not permitted under an accepted development vegetation clearing code, or an AMP, you may be able to apply for a development approval. Information on how to apply for a development approval is available at

https://www.gld.gov.au/environment/land/management/vegetation/clearing-approvals/development

2.5. Contact information for the Department of Resources

For further information on the vegetation management framework:

Phone 135VEG (135 834)

Email vegetation@resources.gld.gov.au

Visit https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/?contact=vegetation to submit an online enquiry.

3. Vegetation management framework for Lot: 2 Plan: RP20974

3.1 Vegetation categories

The vegetation categories on your property are shown on the regulated vegetation management map in section 4.1 of this report. A summary of vegetation categories on the subject lot are listed in Table 3. Descriptions for these categories are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Vegetation categories for subject property. Total area: 59.45ha

Vegetation category	Area (ha)
Category B	16.3
Category C	2.6
Category X	40.5

Table 4: Description of vegetation categories

Category	Colour on Map	Description	Requirements / options under the vegetation management framework
A	red	Compliance areas, environmental offset areas and voluntary declaration areas	Special conditions apply to Category A areas. Before clearing, contact the Department of Resources to confirm any requirements in a Category A area.
В	dark blue	Remnant vegetation areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with accepted development vegetation clearing codes, area management plans or development approval.
С	light blue	High-value regrowth areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category C regrowth vegetation accepted development vegetation clearing code.
R	yellow	Regrowth within 50m of a watercourse or drainage feature in the Great Barrier Reef catchment areas	Exempt clearing work, or notification and compliance with managing Category R regrowth accepted development vegetation clearing code or area management plans.
X	white	Clearing on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing purposes is considered exempt clearing work under the vegetation management framework. Contact the Department of Resources to clarify whether a development approval is required for other State land tenures.	No permit or notification required on freehold land, indigenous land and leasehold land for agriculture and grazing. A development approval may be required for some State land tenures.

Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV)

The following Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAVs) may be present on this property:

Reference number

2019/002332

3.2 Regional ecosystems

The endangered, of concern and least concern regional ecosystems on your property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2 and are listed in Table 5.

A description of regional ecosystems can be accessed online at

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/descriptions/

Table 5: Regional ecosystems present on subject property

Regional Ecosystem	VMA Status	Category	Area (Ha)	Short Description	Structure Category
12.8.14	Least concern	С	1.02	Eucalyptus eugenioides, E. biturbinata, E. melliodora +/- E. tereticornis, Corymbia intermedia open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Mid-dense
12.8.17	Least concern	В	13.30	Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Sparse
12.8.17	Least concern	С	1.59	Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Sparse
12.8.9	Least concern	В	3.03	Lophostemon confertus open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Mid-dense
12.8.9	Least concern	С	0.02	Lophostemon confertus open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Mid-dense
non-rem	None	Х	40.50	None	None

Please note:

The VMA status of the regional ecosystem (whether it is endangered, of concern or least concern) also determines if any of the following are applicable:

- · exempt clearing work;
- accepted development vegetation clearing codes;
- performance outcomes in State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

3.3 Watercourses

Vegetation management watercourses and drainage features for this property are shown on the vegetation management supporting map in section 4.2.

3.4 Wetlands

There are no vegetation management wetlands present on this property.

3.5 Essential habitat

Under the VMA, essential habitat for protected wildlife is native wildlife prescribed under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near-threatened wildlife.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife includes suitable habitat on the lot, or where a species has been known to occur up to 1.1 kilometres from a lot on which there is assessable vegetation. These important habitat areas are protected under the

^{1.} All area and area derived figures included in this table have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.

^{2.} If Table 5 contains a Category 'plant', please be aware that this refers to 'plantations' such as forestry, and these areas are considered non-remnant under the VMA.

VMA.

Any essential habitat on this property will be shown as blue hatching on the vegetation supporting map in section 4.2.

If essential habitat is identified on the lot, information about the protected wildlife species is provided in Table 6 below. The numeric labels on the vegetation management supporting map can be cross referenced with Table 6 to outline the essential habitat factors for that particular species. There may be essential habitat for more than one species on each lot, and areas of Category A, Category B and Category C can be mapped as Essential Habitat.

Essential habitat is compiled from a combination of species habitat models and buffered species records. Regional ecosystem is a mandatory essential habitat factor, unless otherwise stated. Essential habitat, for protected wildlife, means an area of vegetation shown on the Regulated Vegetation Management Map -

- 1) that has at least 3 essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database. Essential habitat factors are comprised of regional ecosystem (mandatory for most species), vegetation community, altitude, soils, position in landscape; or
- 2) in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

If there is no essential habitat mapping shown on the vegetation management supporting map for this lot, and there is no table in the sections below, it confirms that there is no essential habitat on the lot.

Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Table 6: Essential habitat in Category A and/or Category B and/or Category C

Label	Scientific Name	Common Name	NCA Status	Vegetation Community	Altitude	Soils	Position in Landscape
860	Phascolarctos	koala	E	Open forests and woodlands containing Eucalyptus, Corymbia,	Sea level to	None	Riparian areas, plains
	cinereus			Lophostemon or Melaleuca trees having a trunk of a diameter of	1000m.		and hill/escarpment
				more than 10cm at 1.3m above the ground. Tree species used for			slopes.
				food and habitat varies across the state and can include:			
				Corymbia citriodora, Corymbia henryi, Corymbia intermedia,			
				Eucalyptus acmenoides, Eucalyptus bancroftii, Eucalyptus			
				biturbinata, Eucalyptus blakelyi, Eucalyptus brownii, Eucalyptus			
				camaldulensis, Eucalyptus carnea, Eucalyptus chloroclada,			
				Eucalyptus coolabah, Eucalyptus crebra, Eucalyptus dealbata,			
				Eucalyptus drepanophylla, Eucalyptus dunnii, Eucalyptus			
				eugenioides, Eucalyptus exserta, Eucalyptus fibrosa, Eucalyptus			
				grandis, Eucalyptus helidonica, Eucalyptus latisinensis,			
				Eucalyptus longirostrata, Eucalyptus major, Eucalyptus			
				melanophloia, Eucalyptus melliodora, Eucalyptus microcarpa,			
				Eucalyptus microcorys, Eucalyptus microtheca, Eucalyptus			
				moluccana, Eucalyptus montivaga, Eucalyptus orgadophila,			
				Eucalyptus papuana, Eucalyptus pilularis, Eucalyptus platyphylla,			
				Eucalyptus populnea, Eucalyptus portuensis, Eucalyptus			
				propinqua, Eucalyptus racemosa, Eucalyptus resinifera,			
				Eucalyptus robusta, Eucalyptus saligna, Eucalyptus seeana,			
ĺ				Eucalyptus siderophloia, Eucalyptus sideroxylon, Eucalyptus			
				tereticornis, Eucalyptus thozetiana, Eucalyptus tindaliae,			
				Eucalyptus umbra, Lophostemon confertus, Melaleuca			
				leucadendra, Melaleuca quinquenervia.			

Label	Regional Ecosystem (mandatory unless otherwise specified)
860	4.3.1, 4.3.2, 4.3.3, 4.3.4, 4.3.5, 4.3.6, 4.3.8, 4.3.10, 4.3.11, 4.5.3, 4.5.5, 4.5.6, 4.5.8, 4.5.9, 4.7.1, 4.7.7, 4.7.8, 4.9.6, 4.9.10, 4.9.12, 4.9.17, 6.3.1, 6.3.2, 6.3.3, 6.3.4, 6.3.5, 6.3.7, 6.3.8, 6.3.9, 6.3.11, 6.3.12, 6.3.17, 6.3.18, 6.3.22,
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3.6 Area Management Plan(s)

Nil

3.7 Coastal or non-coastal

For the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), this property is regarded as*

Coastal

*See also Map 4.3

3.8 Agricultural Land Class A or B

The following can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code:

Does this lot contain land that is mapped as Agricultural Land Class A or B in the State Planning Interactive Mapping System?

Class A (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 22.83ha

Class B (with urban areas masked as per SPP): 10.9ha

Note - This confirms Agricultural Land Classes as per the State Planning Interactive Mapping System only. This response does not include Agricultural Land Classes identified under local government planning schemes. For further information, check the Planning Scheme for your local government area.

See Map 4.4 to identify the location and extent of Class A and/or Class B Agricultural land on Lot: 2 Plan: RP20974.

4. Vegetation management framework maps

Vegetation management maps included in this report may also be requested individually at: https://www.resources.gld.gov.au/gld/environment/land/vegetation/vegetation-map-request-form

Regulated vegetation management map

The regulated vegetation management map shows vegetation categories needed to determine clearing requirements. These maps are updated monthly to show new <u>property maps of assessable vegetation (PMAV).</u>

Vegetation management supporting map

The vegetation management supporting map provides information on regional ecosystems, wetlands, watercourses and essential habitat.

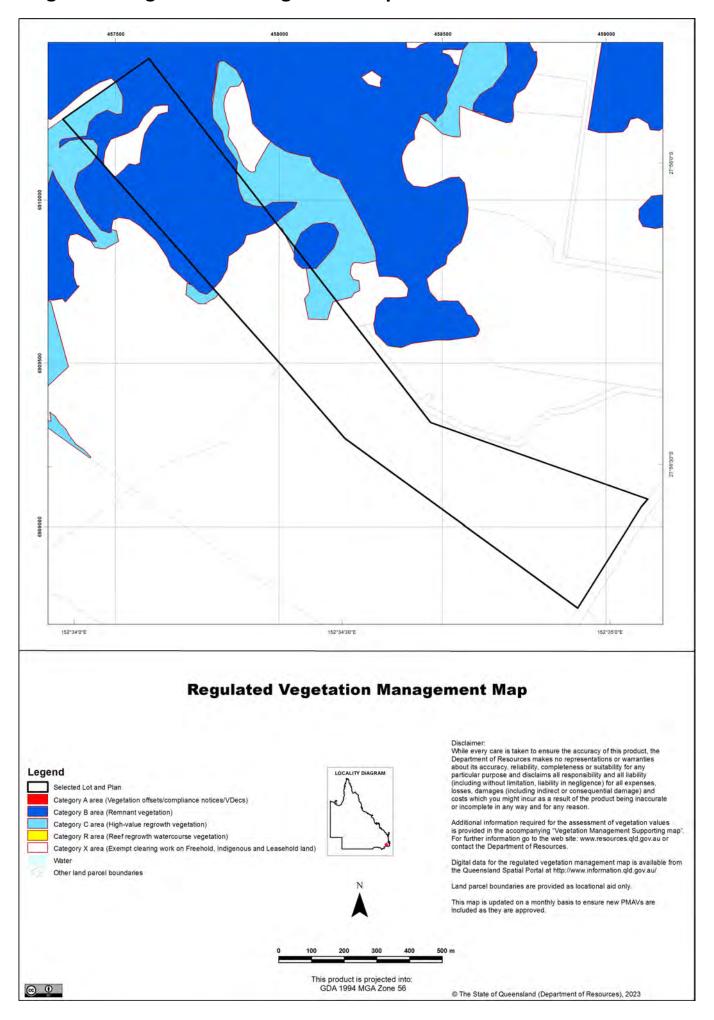
Coastal/non-coastal map

The coastal/non-coastal map confirms whether the lot, or which parts of the lot, are considered coastal or non-coastal for the purposes of the accepted development vegetation clearing codes and State Code 16 of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

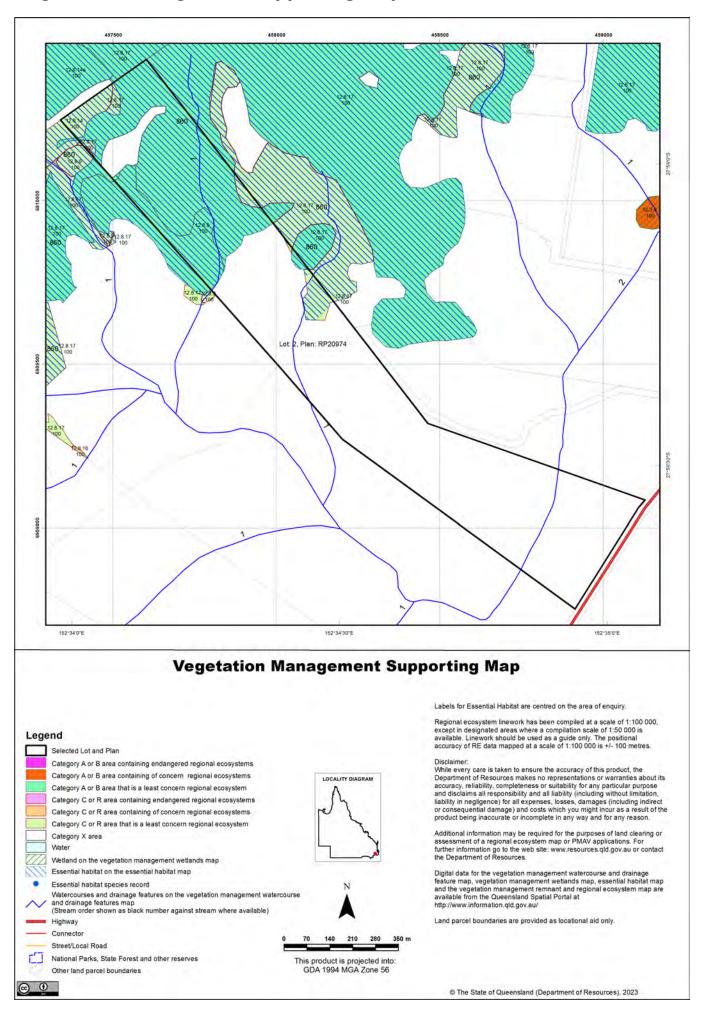
Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture

The Agricultural Land Class map confirms the location and extent of land mapped as Agricultural Land Classes A or B as identified on the State Planning Interactive Mapping System. Please note that this map does not include areas identified as Agricultural Land Class A or B in local government planning schemes. This map can be used to identify Agricultural Land Class A or B areas under the "Managing regulated regrowth vegetation" accepted development vegetation clearing code.

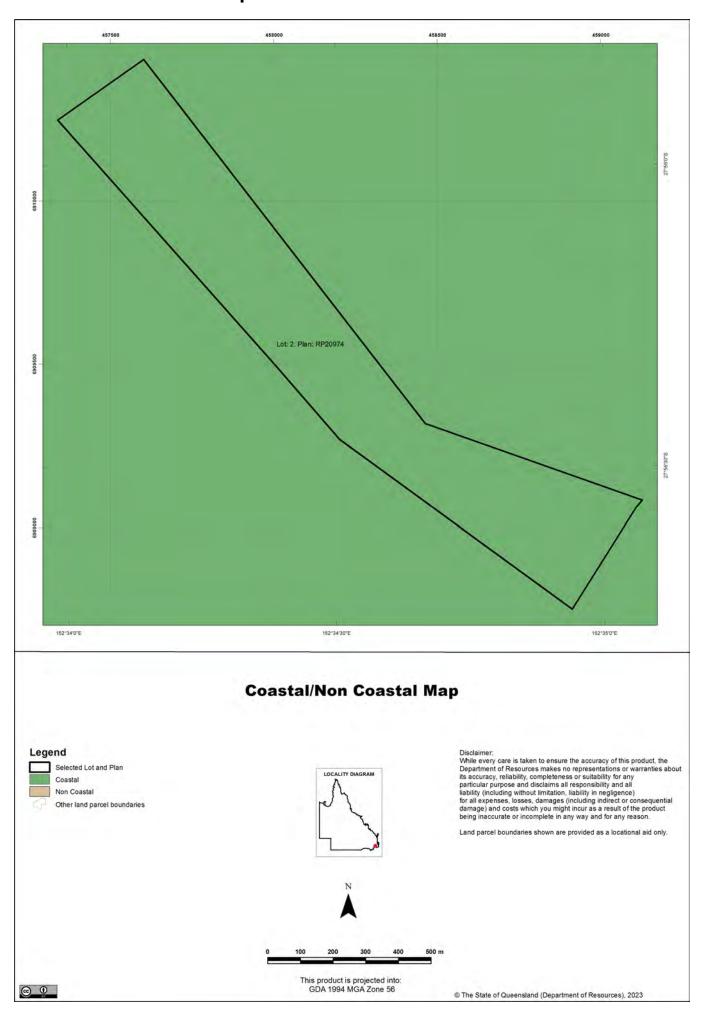
4.1 Regulated vegetation management map



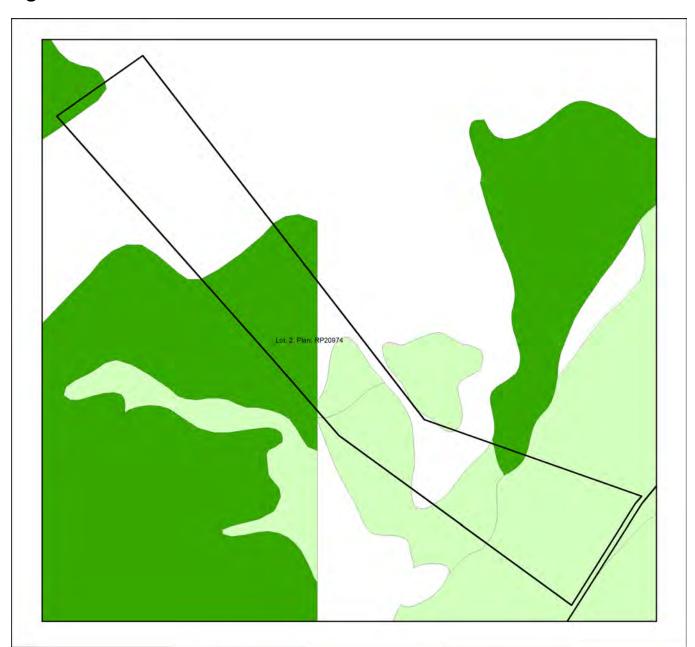
4.2 Vegetation management supporting map

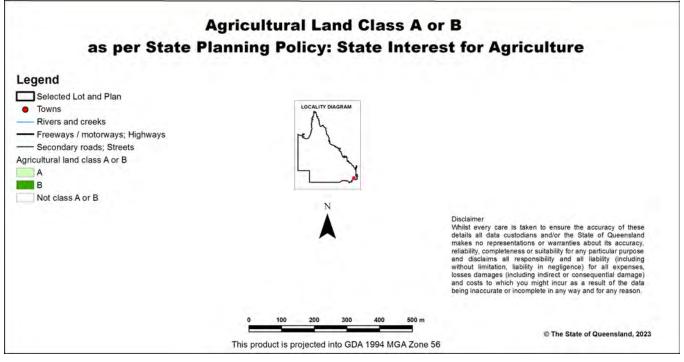


4.3 Coastal/non-coastal map



4.4 Agricultural Land Class A or B as per State Planning Policy: State Interest for Agriculture





5. Protected plants framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u> (NCA). The NCA regulates the clearing of protected plants 'in the wild' (see <u>Operational policy: When a protected plant in Queensland is considered to be 'in the wild'</u>) that are listed as critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable or near threatened under the Act.

Please note that the protected plant clearing framework applies irrespective of the classification of the vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and any approval or exemptions given under another Act, for example, the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* or *Planning Regulation 2017*.

5.1 Clearing in high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map identifies high-risk areas for threatened and near threatened plants. These are areas where threatened or near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist based on the habitat present. The flora survey trigger map for this property is provided in section 5.5.

If you are proposing to clear an area shown as high risk on the flora survey trigger map, a flora survey of the clearing impact area must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the <u>Flora survey guidelines</u>. The main objective of a flora survey is to locate any threatened or near threatened plants that may be present in the clearing impact area.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are not present within the clearing impact area or clearing within 100m of a threatened or near threatened plant can be avoided, the clearing activity is exempt from a permit. An <u>exempt clearing notification form</u> must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Science, with a copy of the flora survey report, at least one week prior to clearing.

If the flora survey identifies that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared, a clearing permit is required before any clearing is undertaken. The flora survey report, as well as an impact management report, must be submitted with the <u>clearing permit application form</u>.

5.2 Clearing outside high risk areas on the flora survey trigger map

In an area other than a high risk area, a clearing permit is only required where a person is, or becomes aware that threatened or near threatened plants are present in, or within 100m of, the area to be cleared. You must keep a copy of the flora survey trigger map for the area subject to clearing for five years from the day the clearing starts. If you do not clear within the 12 month period that the flora survey trigger map was printed, you need to print and check a new flora survey trigger map.

5.3 Exemptions

Many activities are 'exempt' under the protected plant clearing framework, which means that clearing of native plants that are in the wild can be undertaken for these activities with no need for a flora survey or a protected plant clearing permit. The Information sheet - General exemptions for the take of protected plants provides some of these exemptions.

Some exemptions under the NCA are the same as exempt clearing work (formerly known as exemptions) under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (i.e. listed in Schedule 21 of the Planning Regulations 2017) while some are different.

5.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the protected plants framework:

Phone 1300 130 372 (and select option four)

Email palm@des.qld.gov.au

Visit https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/protected-plants

5.5 Protected plants flora survey trigger map

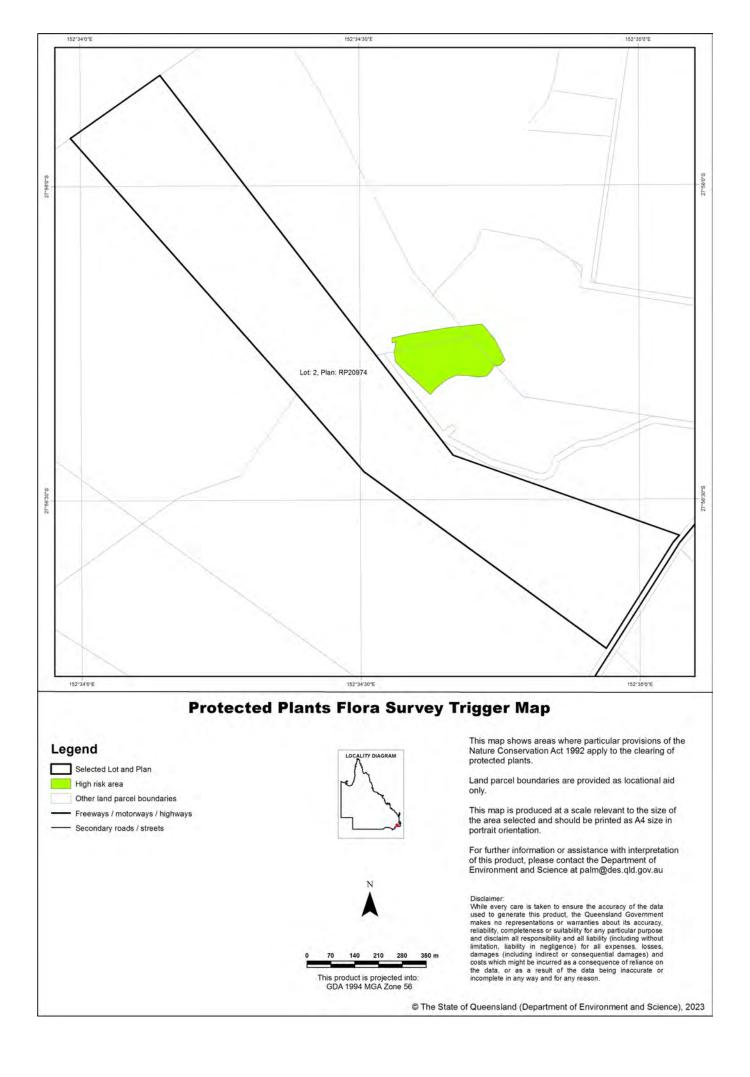
This map included may also be requested individually at: https://apps.des.gld.gov.au/map-request/flora-survey-trigger/.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the <u>Queensland Spatial Catalogue</u>, the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the <u>clearing of protected plants</u> for more information.



6. Koala protection framework (administered by the Department of Environment and Science (DES))

The koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is listed in Queensland as vulnerable by the Queensland Government under *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and by the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government's koala protection framework is comprised of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020, the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, the *Planning Act 2016* and the Planning Regulation 2017.

6.1 Koala mapping

6.1.1 Koala districts

The parts of Queensland where koalas are known to occur has been divided into three koala districts - koala district A, koala district B and koala district C. Each koala district is made up of areas with comparable koala populations (e.g. density, extent and significance of threatening processes affecting the population) which require similar management regimes.

Section 7.1 identifies which koala district your property is located in.

6.1.2 Koala habitat areas

Koala habitat areas are areas of vegetation that have been determined to contain koala habitat that is essential for the conservation of a viable koala population in the wild based on the combination of habitat suitability and biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water). In order to protect this important koala habitat, clearing controls have been introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017 for development in koala habitat areas.

Please note that koala habitat areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

There are two different categories of koala habitat area (core koala habitat area and locally refined koala habitat), which have been determined using two different methodologies. These methodologies are described in the document Spatial modelling in South East Queensland.

Section 7.2 shows any koala habitat area that exists on your property.

Under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017, an owner of land (or a person acting on the owner's behalf with written consent) can request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination if they believe, on reasonable grounds, that the existing determination for all or part of their property is incorrect.

More information on requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be found in the document Guideline - Requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination.

The koala habitat area map will be updated at least annually to include any koala habitat areas that have been made, amended or revoked.

Changes to the koala habitat area map which occur between annual updates because of a request to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area determination can be viewed on the register of approved requests to make, amend or revoke a koala habitat area available at: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/koalamaps. The register includes the lot on plan for the change, the date the decision was made and the map issued to the landholder that shows areas determined to be koala habitat areas.

6.1.3 Koala priority areas

Koala priority areas are large, connected areas that have been determined to have the highest likelihood of achieving conservation outcomes for koalas based on the combination of habitat suitability, biophysical variables with known relationships to koala habitat (e.g. landcover, soil, terrain, climate and ground water) and a koala conservation cost benefit analysis.

Conservation efforts will be prioritised in these areas to ensure the conservation of viable koala populations in the wild including a focus on management (e.g. habitat protection, habitat restoration and threat mitigation) and monitoring. This includes a prohibition on clearing in koala habitat areas that are in koala priority areas under the Planning Regulation 2017 (subject to some exemptions).

Please note that koala priority areas only exist in koala district A which is the South East Queensland "Shaping SEQ" Regional Plan area. These areas include the local government areas of Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Lockyer Valley,

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redland, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba (urban extent).

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in a koala priority area.

6.1.4 Identified koala broad-hectare areas

There are seven identified koala broad-hectare areas in SEQ. These are areas of koala habitat that are located in areas committed to meet development targets in the SEQ Regional Plan to accommodate SEQ's growing population including bring-forward Greenfield sites under the Queensland Housing Affordability Strategy and declared master planned areas under the repealed *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

Specific assessment benchmarks apply to development applications for development proposed in identified koala broad-hectare areas to ensure koala conservation measures are incorporated into the proposed development.

Section 7.2 identifies if your property is in an identified koala broad-hectare area.

6.2 Koala habitat planning controls

On 7 February 2020, the Queensland Government introduced new planning controls to the Planning Regulation 2017 to strengthen the protection of koala habitat in South East Queensland (i.e. koala district A).

More information on these planning controls can be found here: https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

As a high-level summary, the koala habitat planning controls make:

- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area, prohibited development (i.e. development for which a development application cannot be made);
- development that involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is a koala habitat area but is not a koala priority area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required); and
- development that is for extractive industries where the development involves interfering with koala habitat (defined below) in an area that is both a koala habitat area and a key resource area, assessable development (i.e. development for which development approval is required).

Interfering with koala habitat means:

- 1) Removing, cutting down, ringbarking, pushing over, poisoning or destroying in anyway, including by burning, flooding or draining native vegetation in a koala habitat area; but
- 2) Does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock or lopping a tree.

However, these planning controls do not apply if the development is exempted development as defined in Schedule 24 of the <u>Planning Regulation 2017</u>. More information on exempted development can be found here: https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping/legislation-policy.

There are also assessment benchmarks that apply to development applications for:

- building works, operational works, material change of use or reconfiguration of a lot where:
 - the local government planning scheme makes the development assessable;
 - the premises includes an area that is both a koala priority area and a koala habitat area; and
 - the development does not involve interfering with koala habitat (defined above); and
- development in identified koala broad-hectare areas.

The <u>Guideline - Assessment Benchmarks in relation to Koala Habitat in South East Queensland assessment benchmarks</u> outlines these assessment benchmarks, the intent of these assessment benchmarks and advice on how proposed development may meet these assessment benchmarks.

6.3 Koala Conservation Plan clearing requirements

Section 10 and 11 of the <u>Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017</u> prescribes requirements that must be met when clearing koala habitat in koala district A and koala district B.

These clearing requirements are independent to the koala habitat planning controls introduced into the Planning Regulation 2017, which means they must be complied with irrespective of any approvals or exemptions offered under other legislation.

Unlike the clearing controls prescribed in the Planning Regulation 2017 that are to protect koala habitat, the clearing requirements prescribed in the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017 are in place to prevent the injury or death of koalas when koala habitat is being cleared.

6.4 Contact information for DES

For further information on the koala protection framework:

Phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Email koala.assessment@des.gld.gov.au

Visit https://environment.des.gld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping

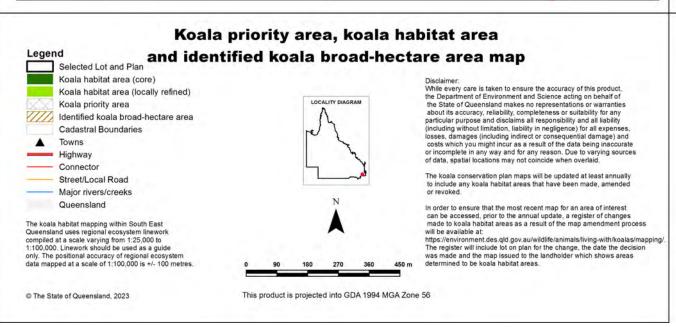
7. Koala protection framework details for Lot: 2 Plan: RP20974

7.1 Koala districts

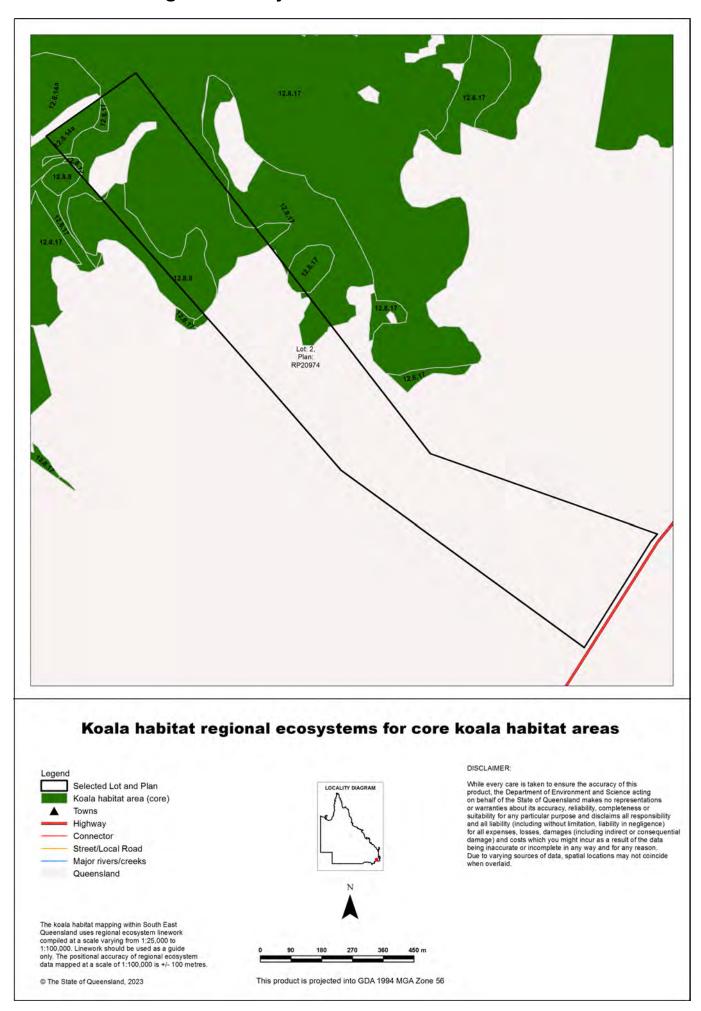
Koala District A

7.2 Koala priority area, koala habitat area and identified koala broad-hectare area map





7.3 Koala habitat regional ecosystems for core koala habitat areas



8. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance	Water Act 2000 Soil Conservation Act 1986	Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (Queensland Government) Department of Resources (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.rdmw.qld.gov.au www.resources.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Protected plants and protected areas	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 1300 130 372 (option 4) palm@des.qld.gov.au www.des.qld.gov.au
Koala mapping and regulations	Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Koala.assessment@des.qld.gov.au
 Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities on State land tenures 	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
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Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office
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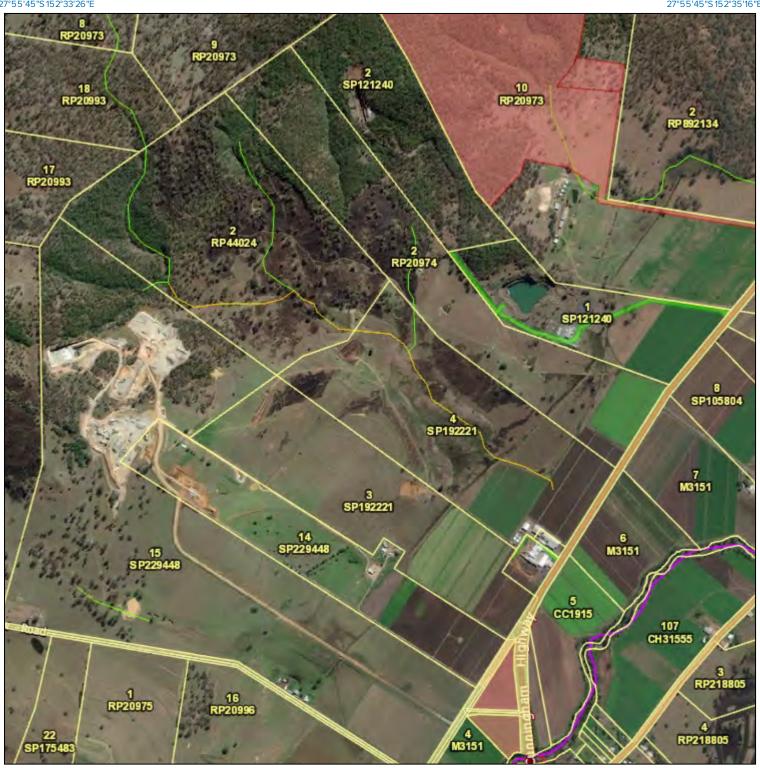


ATTACHMENT 8 – Waterways for Waterway Barrier Works

Waterways for Waterway Barrier Works

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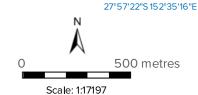


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Waterways for Waterway Barrier Works

Road

Highway

Main

— Local

— Private

Cities and Towns



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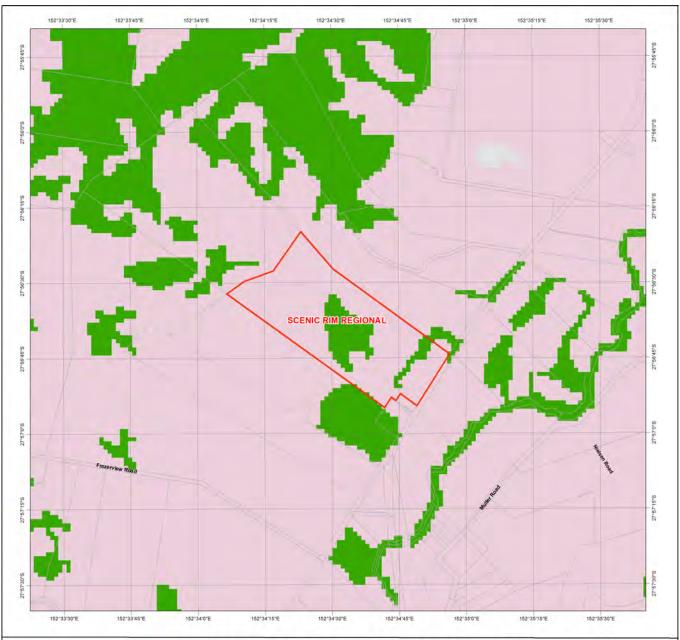
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ATTACHMENT 9 – Koala Habitat (SPP)

Lot: 4 Plan: SP192221



Koala Habitat in South East Queensland Lot and Plan Koala SPP - Habitat Values While every care is taken to ensure the accuracy of this data, the State of Queensland makes no representations or warranties about its accuracy, reliability, completeness or suitability for any particular purpose and disclaims all responsibility and all liability (including without limitation, liability in negligence) for all expenses, losses, damages (including indirect or consequential damage) and costs which you might incur as a result of the data being inaccurate or incomplete in any way and for any reason. Due to varying sources of data, spatial locations may not coincide when overlaid. **Bushland Habitat High Value Bushland** Medium Value Bushland Low Value Bushland Suitable for Rehabilitation High Value Rehabilitation Medium Value Rehabilitation In consideration of the State permitting use of this data you acknowledge and agree that the State gives no warranty in relation to the data (including accuracy, reliability, completeness, currency or suitability) and accepts no liability (including without limitation, liability in negligence) for any loss, damage or costs (including consequential damage) relating to any use of the data. Data must not be used for direct marketing or be used in breach of the privacy law. Low Value Rehabilitation Other Areas of Value **High Value Other Medium Value Other** Low Value Other Generally not suitable breach of the privacy laws. Water Based on or contains data provided by the State of Queensland 2010. South East Queensland Koala Habitat Values western SEQ Note - These maps are not regulatory. Regulatory maps and requirements can be downloaded from the DES website. Further information in relation to regulatory requirements for development and planning activities should be sought from the relevant Local Government Authority or the Department of Environment and Science. **Bushland Habitat** Suitable for rehabilitation Other areas of value Generally not suitable 1.000 m Water **Cadastral Boundaries Local Government Boundaries** This product is projected into GDA 1994 MGA Zone 56 @ The State of Queensland, 2019

Koala Habitat Mapping

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27°55'47"S 152°33'32"E 27°55'47"S 152°35'4"E



27°57'9"S 152°33'32"E





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Koala Habitat Mapping **SRAIP**



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Koala priority area



Core koala habitat area



Places: Search Results

2SP192221

3SP192221

2RP20974

4SP192221

1RP216694

2RP44024



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ATTACHMENT 10 - SARA Advice



Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning

Our reference: SPL-06 Your reference: 16-130 SPL-0617-040212

20 July 2017

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Attn: Mr Richard Jenkins

Dear Mr Jenkins

Pre-lodgement supplementary advice

6200-6206 Cunningham Highway, Kalbar

This supplementary advice provides further advice prepared following the two pre-lodgement meetings held on 29 and 30 June 2017 and the corresponding pre-lodgement meeting record dated 12 July 2017. This record provides further advice regarding matters discussed during a site visit by Department of Natural Resources and Mines officers on 13 July 2017, and should be read in conjunction with the original pre-lodgement meeting record dated 12 July 2017. While this pre-lodgement advice is provided in good faith, if the proposal is changed from that which was discussed with the department during the pre-lodgement meetings, this advice is not binding.

Reference information

Departmental role: Concurrence agency

Jurisdiction: Schedule 10, Part 5, Division 4, Table 2 – Environmentally

relevant activities (Material Change of Use)

Schedule 10, Part 6, Division 4, Subdivision 3, Table 1 –

Waterway barrier works (Operational Work)

Schedule 10, Part 9, Division 4, Subdivision 1, Table 1 – State-transport infrastructure (Material Change of Use and

Reconfiguring a Lot)

Schedule 10, Part 9, Division 4, Subdivision 2, Table 1 -

State-transport corridors (Reconfiguring a Lot)

Reference information

Schedule 10, Part 9, Division 4, Subdivision 2, Table 4 – State-transport corridors (Material Change of Use)

Schedule 10, Part 16, Division 6, Subdivision 3, Table 1 – SEQ Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area (Material Change of Use and Reconfiguring a Lot)

Schedule 10, Part 19, Division 1, Subdivision 2, Subdivision 3, Table 1 – Taking or interfering with water (Operational Work)

Site details

Street address: 6200-6206 Cunningham Highway, Kalbar

Real property description: Lots 2-4 on SP192221, Lot 2 on RP44024, Lot 2 on

RP20974 and Lot 1 on RP216694

Site area: 248.611 hectares

Local government area: Scenic Rim Regional Council

Local government zone: Rural

Existing use: Primary industry processing and packaging, cropping

and cattle breeding

Proposed development details

Development type: Material Change of Use, Reconfiguring a Lot and

Operational Work

Development description: Development of a regional fresh food processing hub

precinct in two stages. Stage 1 will comprise a

Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot for six lots into six lots and a Preliminary Approval for a Material Change of Use. Stage 2 will comprise a Preliminary Approval for a Material Change of Use for a variation of the planning scheme and a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot for six lots into 19 lots and two

easement lots.

The following information is provided as further advice prepared subsequent to the meeting.

Further advice

Item	Further advice	
Surface water management		
1.	The Water Act 2000 and subordinate legislation manages the take and/or interference of watercourse water, ground water and overland flow water within Queensland. All take of water is managed through legislation, statutory instruments or through an authorisation issued under the Water Act 2000.	

Item	Further advice
	The subject site is located within the <i>Water Plan (Moreton) 2007</i> , which manages the take of surface water (watercourse water). All surface water within the Moreton plan area has been fully allocated and licences issued authorising take.
	A Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) data base search has indicated that there are no licences for the take of surface water associated with the properties of interest. However, the property is within the Warrill Valley Water Supply Scheme and the applicant may purchase water allocations from the Warrill Creek system.
	A Watercourse Determination was undertaken on 13 July 2017 by a DNRM water management officer. It was determined that all of the features on the properties are drainage features as defined by the <i>Water Act 2000</i> , with the exception of a wetland at the rear of the development. This wetland is defined as a 'lake' by the <i>Water Act 2000</i> and must be protected from the development, with no interference to inflows and outflows from the feature. It is recommended that the wetland be fenced and maintained as protected green space within the development.
2.	As part of any development application the applicant should address the relevant provisions contained in the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP), State code 10: Taking or interfering with water. In doing so, the applicant should provide more detailed information on how the Material Change of Use, Reconfiguring a Lot and Operational Work will not cause interference with inflows and outflows from the wetland (lake) and how the lake will be protected.

If you require any further information, please contact Kieran Hanna, Principal Planning Officer, on (07) 3432 2404 or via email at IpswichSARA@dilgp.qld.gov.au who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

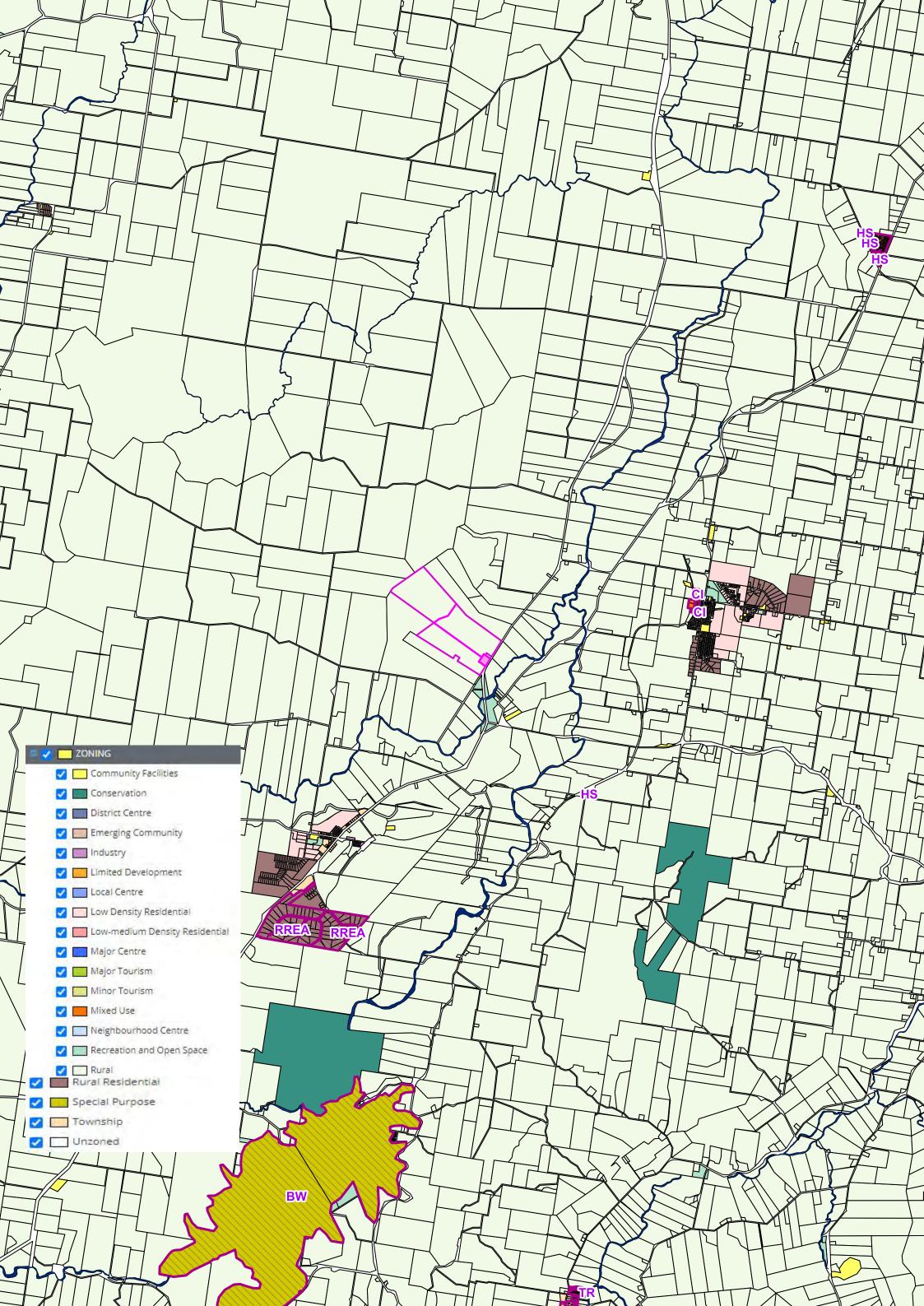
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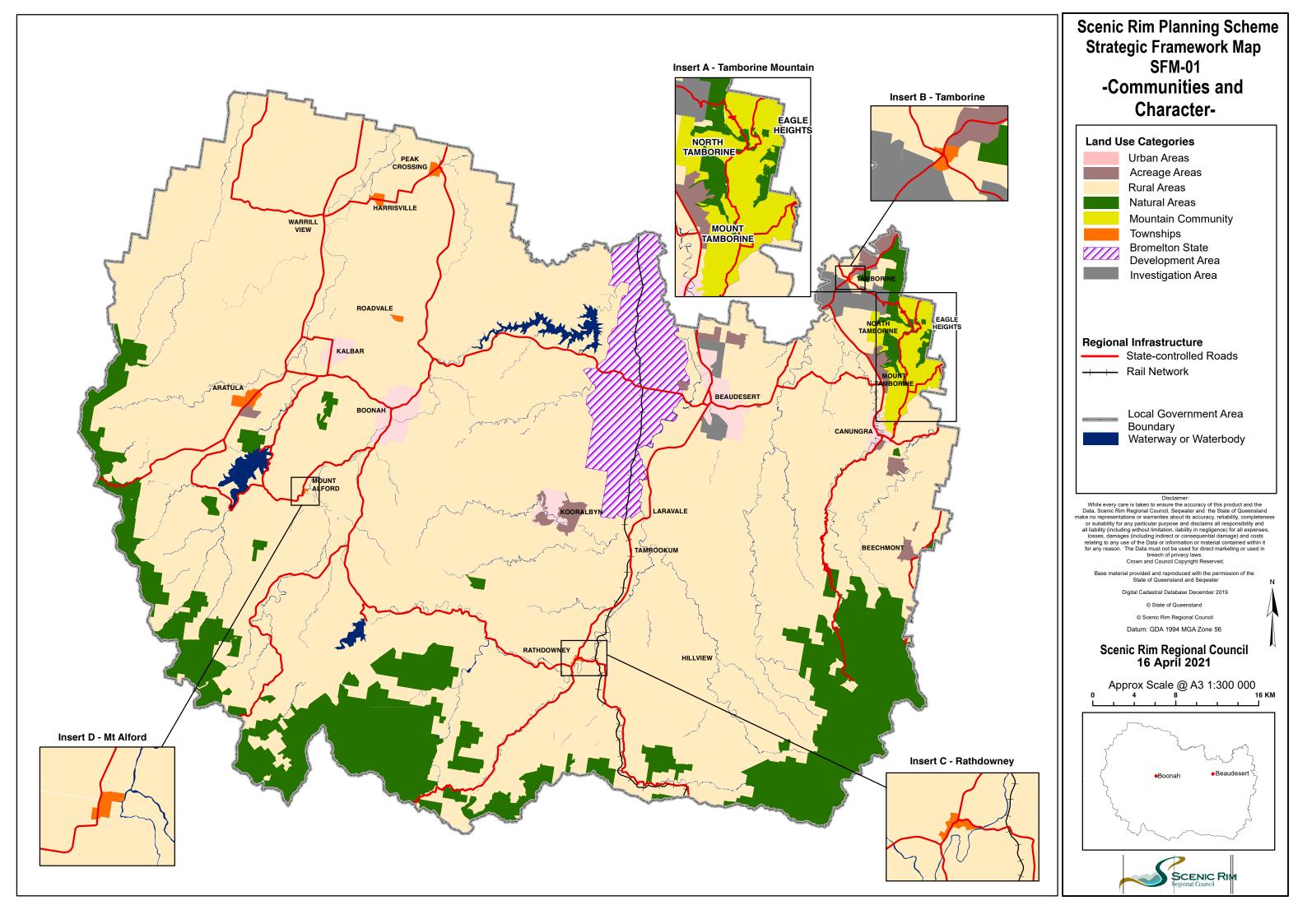


ATTACHMENT 11 – Planning Scheme Zoning Map





ATTACHMENT 12 – Strategic Framework Map



ATTACHMENT 13 – Key Resource Area 141

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December 2021

KANGAROO MOUNTAIN KEY RESOURCE AREA - KRA 141

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Scenic Rim Regional Council

LOCATION:

The resource is located approximately 4 kilometres north of Aratula, west of the Cunningham Highway and 46 kilometres southwest of Ipswich in Southeast Queensland (see map KRA 141).

EXTRACTIVE RESOURCE: Quarry Rock (and minor sand and gravel)

EXTRACTIVE RESOURCE DESCRIPTION:

The resource consists of a massive trachyandesite intrusion. It forms a broad northeasterly trending ridge between two peaks, Kangaroo Mountain on the southern end and the northern unnamed peak. The broad saddle between the peaks is approximately a kilometre long with trachyandesite outcropping throughout. The intrusion is known to greater than 100 metres thick with minimal overburden. A sand and gravel alluvial deposit has been identified to the western and southern foot of Kangaroo Mountain and is included in the resource area.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The resource is well placed to supply the expansion of urban development in the South East Queensland Regional Plan Area. It is estimated to be sufficient for 50 years at the current level of demand for the Ipswich and Scenic Rim regions.

The resource is suitable for most types of construction aggregate and may be capable of producing rip rap with application of appropriate extraction techniques.

SEPARATION AREA:

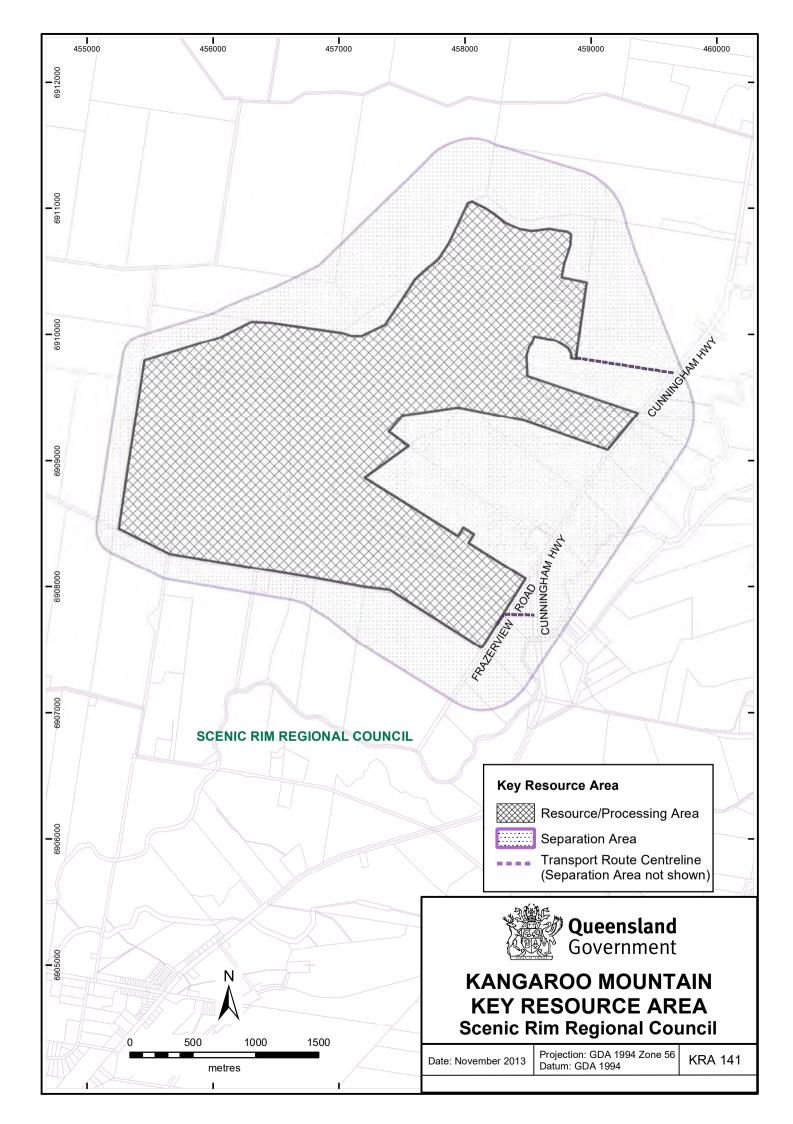
The resource/processing area is defined by the area which is screened from adjacent properties and topographic highs as well as a current extractive industry approval over the western portion of the KRA. As most of this area is surrounded by ridge crests which are higher than the surrounding land, a separation distance of 500 metres from the resource/processing area has been applied. A 200 metre separation area is applied around the sand resource at the western portion of the KRA.

TRANSPORT ROUTE:

An existing route exits the centre of the resource using existing road reserves and extends eastwards to the Cunningham Highway. Upgrades of existing roads and intersections with the highway are likely to be required. The long narrow blocks extend from the resource to the highway to allow development of haul roads over privately owned land.

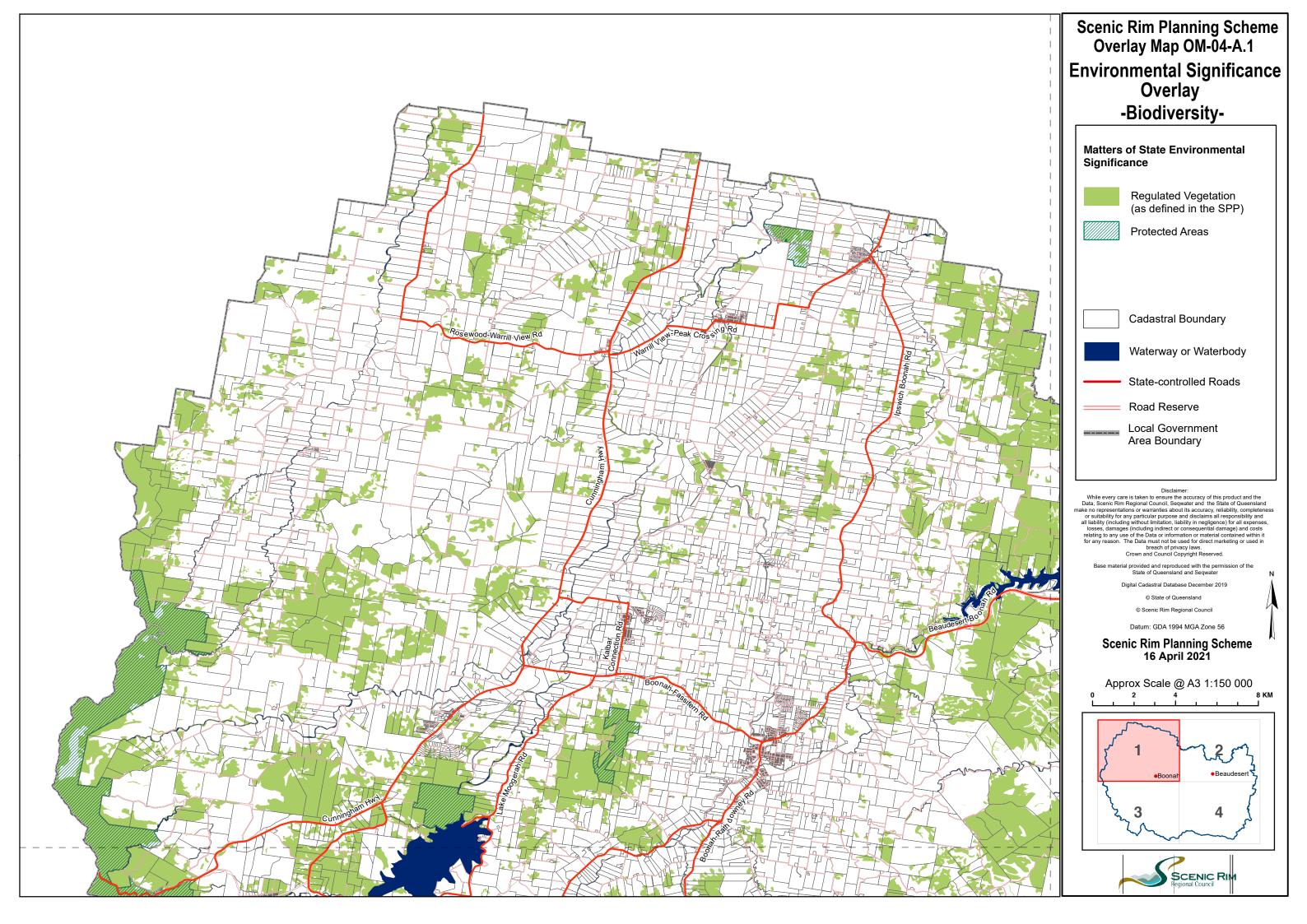
SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Some parts of the KRA is covered by Strategic Cropping Land (SCL) Trigger Mapping under the *Strategic Cropping Land Act 2011* administered by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. This indicates the location of potential SCL and further on-ground assessment against the SCL criteria is required to confirm whether the area is SCL or non-SCL.





ATTACHMENT 14 – Environmental Significance Overlay Maps





ATTACHMENT 15 – Ecological Survey & Management Report (2018)



FRAZERVIEW QUARRY ECOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT REPORT

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Symbols and Abbreviations

-	
*	(Preceding a plant species name) plant species not native to Australia
±	With or without, more or less
Biosecurity Act	(Queensland) Biosecurity Act 2014
ВоМ	Bureau of Meteorology
DES	(Queensland) Department of Environment and Science
DNRME	(Queensland) Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy
DoEE	(Commonwealth) Department of the Environment and Energy
EDL	Ecologically Dominant Layer
EHP	(Queensland) Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
EO Act	(Queensland) Environmental Offsets Act 2014
EPBC Act	(Commonwealth) Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999
GBO	General biosecurity obligation under the Queensland <i>Biosecurity Act</i> 2014
GPS	Global positioning system
ha	Hectares
km	Kilometres
MLES	Matters of local environmental significance (EO Act)
MNES	Matters of national environmental significance (EPBC Act)
MSES	Matters of state environmental significance (EO Act)
NC Act	(Queensland) Nature Conservation Act 1992
NRM	(Queensland) Department of Natural Resources and Mines
RE	Regional Ecosystem as defined under the Queensland Vegetation Management Regulation 2000
REDD	Regional Ecosystem Description Database
SPRAT	Species Profile and Threats Database
TEC	Threatened Ecological Community
TSSC	Threatened Species Scientific Committee
VM Act	(Queensland) Vegetation Management Act 1999
WoNS	Weeds of National Significance

Glossary

Term	Definition
Bioregion	A geographically distinct biological region, which is a reporting unit for assessing the status of native ecosystems and their level of protection. Australia is divided into 89 bioregions. Bioregions form part of the regional ecosystem classification code system. The study area is located largely in the Moreton Basin sub-region of the South East Queensland Bioregion.
Endangered	Prescribed to a threatened ecological community, regional ecosystem or species under the Queensland <i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i> , <i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> or Commonwealth <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> .
EPBC Act conservation	The Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 lists species and communities:
status	Extinct in the wild:
	 It is known only to survive in cultivation, in captivity or as a naturalised population well outside its past range; or
	 It has not been recorded in its known and/or expected habitat, at appropriate seasons, anywhere in its past range, despite exhaustive surveys over a timeframe appropriate to its life cycle and form.
	Critically Endangered:
	 It is facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild in the immediate future, as determined in accordance with the prescribed criteria.
	Endangered:
	 It is not critically endangered; and it is facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild in the near future, as determined in accordance with the prescribed criteria.
	Vulnerable:
	 It is not critically endangered or endangered; and
	 It is facing a high risk of extinction in the wild in the medium term future, as determined in accordance with the prescribed criteria.
	Migratory:
	 Migratory species which are native to Australia and are included in the appendices to the Bonn Convention (Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals Appendices I and II);
	 Migratory species included in annexes established under the Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (JAMBA) and the Chine-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (CAMBA);
	 Native, migratory species identified in a list established under, or an instrument made under, an international agreement approved by the Minister, such as the Republic of Korea- Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (ROKAMBA).
Least Concern	Prescribed to regional ecosystems listed under the Queensland Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Term	Definition
MNES	A matter protected under the EPBC Act, including: World heritage properties National heritage places Wetlands of international importance Listed threatened species and ecological communities Migratory species Commonwealth marine areas The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Nuclear actions A water resource, in relation to coal seam gas development and large coal mining development.
MSES	A matter of State environmental significance listed in Schedule 2 of the Queensland Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014 including: Regulated vegetation Connectivity areas Wetlands and watercourses High preservation areas of wild river areas Protected wildlife habitat Protected areas Highly protected zones of State marine parks Fish habitat areas Waterways providing for fish passage Marine plants Legally secured offset areas.
MLES	A matter described in Section 5(3) of the Queensland Environmental Offset Regulation 2014 as a matter of local environmental significance for which an environmental offset is required under a local planning instrument.
NC Act conservation status	Under the Nature Conservation Act 1992, native wildlife may be prescribed as: Extinct in the wild: There have been thorough searches conducted for the wildlife; and The wildlife has not been seen in the wild over a period that is appropriate for the life cycle or form of the wildlife. Endangered: There have not been thorough searches conducted for the wildlife and the wildlife has not been seen in the wild over a period that is appropriate for the life cycle or form of the wildlife; or The habitat or distribution of the wildlife has been reduced to an extent that the wildlife may be in danger of extinction; or The population size of the wildlife has declined, or is likely to decline, to an extent that the wildlife may be in danger of extinction; or

Term	Definition
	 The survival of the wildlife in the wild is unlikely if a threatening process continues. Vulnerable:
	 The population size or distribution of the wildlife has declined, or is likely to decline, to an extent that the wildlife may become endangered because of a threatened process; or
	 The population size of the wildlife has been seriously depleted and the protection of the wildlife is not secured; or
	 The population of the wildlife is low or localised and dependent on habitat that has been, or is likely to be, adversely affected, in terms of quantity or quality, by a threatening process.
	Near Threatened:
	 The population size or distribution of the wildlife is small and may become smaller; or
	 The population size of the wildlife has declined, or is likely to decline, at a rate higher than the usual rate for population changes for the wildlife; or
	 The survival of the wildlife in the wild is affected to an extent that the wildlife is in danger of becoming vulnerable.
	Least Concern:
	 The Wildlife is common or abundant and is likely to survive in the wild.
Near Threatened	Prescribed to species listed under the Queensland <i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> .
Of Concern	Prescribed to regional ecosystems listed under the Queensland Vegetation Management Act 1999.
Regional ecosystem	A vegetation community within a bioregion that is consistently associated with a particular combination of geology, landform and soils.
Regulated vegetation	Vegetation regulated through the Planning Act 2017
Remnant vegetation	Defined under the Queensland <i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i> as, woody vegetation that has not been cleared or vegetation that has been cleared but where the dominant canopy has >70% of the height and >50% of the cover relative to the undisturbed height and cover of that stratum and is dominated by species characteristic of the vegetation's undisturbed canopy.
Restricted pests	Plants and animals listed under the Queensland Biosecurity Act 2014.
Significant species and vegetation	Refers to: Species listed as Endangered, Vulnerable or Near Threatened under the Queensland Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006 or Critically Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable under the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Threatened ecological community listed as Critically
	Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable under the

Term	Definition
	Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999
	 Regional ecosystems with an Endangered or Of Concern biodiversity status or Vegetation Management Act 1999 status.
Special least concern	Defined under the Queensland Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006 as: a) the echidna (<i>Tachyglossus aculeatus</i>) b) the platypus (<i>Ornithorhynchus anatinus</i>) c) a least concern bird to which any of the following apply –
	 i. Agreement Between the Government of Australia and the Government of Japan for the Protection of Migratory Birds and Birds in Danger of Extinction and their Environment (JAMBA)
	 ii. Agreement Between the Government of Australia and the Government of the People's Republic of China for the Protection of Migratory Birds and their Environment (CAMBA)
	iii. Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention).
Study area	An area defined for the purposes of this ecological assessment report and shown on Figure 1 and which comprises portions Lot 9 on RP20973 and Lot 2 on RP20974.
Threatened ecological community	A community listed under the provisions of the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.
Vegetation Management Act status	This is a statutory classification under the Queensland <i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i> . A regional ecosystem is listed as 'endangered' if:
	 Remnant vegetation for the regional ecosystem is less than 10% of its pre-clearing extent across the bioregion; or 10-30% of its pre-clearing extent remains and the remnant vegetation for the regional ecosystem is less than 10,000 ha.
	A regional ecosystem is listed as 'of concern' if:
	 Remnant vegetation for the regional ecosystem is 10-30% of its pre-clearing extent across the bioregion; or more than 30% of its pre-clearing extent remains and the remnant vegetation extent for the regional ecosystem is less than 10,000 ha.
	A regional ecosystem is listed 'least concern' if:
	 Remnant vegetation for the regional ecosystem is over 30% of its pre-clearing extent across the bioregion, and the remnant vegetation area for the regional ecosystem is greater than 10,000 ha.
Vulnerable	Prescribed to a threatened ecological community or species under the Queensland Nature Conservation Act 1992 or Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

Summary

Ecological Survey & Management has been engaged by Ausrocks Pty Ltd on behalf of Wagners Investments Pty Ltd to assess the ecological values of a proposed quarry site at Frazerview in South East Queensland (the project). It is intended to establish a hard-rock quarry within Lot 9 on RP20973 located on Horan Road at Frazerview (quarry site) and a haul road within Lot 2 on RP20974 that will connect the quarry to the Cunningham Highway at Kalbar. For the purposes of the ecological assessment the study area comprises both Lot 9 and Lot 2. Trachyandesite is the target resource and is primarily associated with an undulated low hill in the central portion of the study area. Once extracted and processed the resource will be used for road base, aggregates and rail ballast. The study area is partially located within the Kangaroo Mountain Key Resource Area (KRA No. 141).

Ecological values

A flora and fauna assessment of the study area was undertaken over two days between 4 and 5 October 2018, inclusive. The key findings of the survey can be summarised as follows.

- Historic and recent land management practices (i.e. clearing, cattle grazing and timber getting) have influenced the structure and composition of vegetation across the study area. In general, lower-lying portions of the study area have been cleared historically, with more intact eucalypt woodlands being associated with undulated low hills and associated slopes within the study area.
- Five remnant regional ecosystems (RE) types were identified in the study area during the field surveys. Four of these communities have a least concern status under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (VM Act) and one (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7) has an of concern status under the VM Act. The field-validated vegetation mapping identified discrepancies between the on-ground vegetation communities and the Queensland Government's Regulated Vegetation Mapping for the study area. The key differences being an additional 6.5 ha of remnant (Category B) vegetation and an increase in the area (i.e. from 18.7 ha to 26.3 ha) of remnant of concern vegetation being mapped within the study area, as a result of the field surveys.
- Field-validated vegetation mapping identified remnant least concern vegetation (i.e. RE 12.8.9, RE 12.8.14a and RE 12.8.17) across the low hill in the central portion of the study area that is underlain by the target resource (i.e. Trachyandesite).
- A total of 151 flora species were recorded during the field surveys representing 60 families and 129 genera. Of these 33 (or 22%) were exotic species, six of which are listed as restricted matters under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*. However, weeds occurred in relatively low densities across the study area.
- None of the vegetation communities recorded within the study area support the structural or floristic characteristics of any threatened ecological communities (TECs) listed under the Commonwealth's Environment Protection

and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act). No threatened or near threatened flora species or their habitat, were recorded during the survey.

- A range of common fauna species were recorded within the site, with birds being the most diverse and numerous of the faunal groups observed. However, two Koalas were observed within areas of RE 12.9-10.7 in the north-western portion of the study area. Koala scats and scratch marks were also recorded throughout this RE types, as well as within RE 12.8.17 on the lower slopes of the undulated low hill in the south-western portion of Lot 9. The Koala is currently listed as vulnerable under the EPBC Act and Queensland's Nature Conservation Act 1992 (NC Act). Approximately 146.8 ha of Koala habitat has been identified in the study area.
- No other threatened fauna were recorded or expected occur within the study area during the field surveys. However, three migratory bird species were recorded during the field survey, namely Fork-tailed Swift, Black-faced Monarch and Rufous Fantail.

Impacts to Ecological Values

Construction of the proposed quarry will have a direct impact on approximately 75 ha of vegetation consisting of:

- 14.6 ha of non-remnant (i.e. Category X) vegetation
- 0.2 ha of least concern high-value regrowth vegetation
- 60.2 ha of remnant least concern (i.e. Category B) vegetation.

The quarry layout has specifically been designed to avoid direct impacts to remnant of concern vegetation (RE 12.9-10.7) within the study area, which is preferentially being used by the local Koala population. Clearing of remnant least concern vegetation is unavoidable given:

- the 43.8 ha of remnant least concern vegetation that falls within the extraction area coincides with the location of the highest quality resource within the study area
- a logical and practical approach to the design of the quarry has resulted in some of the processing/stockpile/infrastructure areas encroaching into remnant least concern vegetation
- the proposed haul road to Cunningham Highway is constrained by topography, land ownership/access issues and traffic modelling.

Indirect impacts (i.e. noise, erosion, dust) will be minimised and managed through standard industry practices specified in the Site Based Management Plan.

Government legislation and policy

An assessment of the project against key biodiversity legislation and policy is provided and summarised below.

Legislation/ policy	Ecological values present in study area	Permit/approval required	Notes		
Matters of Natio	Matters of National Environmental Significance				
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act)	Koalas and Koala habitat identified within the study area	Referral to Commonwealth Government recommended	Approximately 69.7 ha of Koala habitat will be directly impacted by the proposed quarry. Koala habitat in the study area is considered critical to the survival of the Koala (i.e. a score of 8 was achieved using the Commonwealth's scoring tool). The Commonwealth considers that projects involving >20 ha of habitat critical to the Koala with a habitat score of 8 or greater are likely to have a significant impact and a Referral is required. Notwithstanding the above, the project is considered unlikely to have a significant impact on the Koala given (refer Section 7.1.1): 26.3 ha of higher quality Koala habitat (RE 12.9-10.7) will be retained and protected by a 30 m buffer the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas given: it is associated with elevations (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less commonly associated it is associated with slopes (i.e. 10 - 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill. Koalas have a tendency to use the same set of trees within their home range opportunities for Koala movement will remain. Nonetheless the project should be Referred to the Commonwealth for a determination as to whether assessment against the EPBC Act is required.		

Ecological values present in study area	Permit/approval required	Notes		
3 , 1		Three Migratory species were recorded within the study area during the field survey. However, the project is unlikely to have a significant impact on Migratory species given that:		
		 the study area does not provide any area of important habitat for these species. 		
		 the study area is unlikely to support an ecologically significant proportion of the population for these species. 		
		 the project is unlikely to result in the introduction of an invasive species that is known to be harmful to these Migratory species. 		
Environmental Significance				
Category B Vegetation containing of concern and least concern REs.	A permit to clear Of Concern vegetation.	A permit to clear remnant least concern vegetation will need to be obtained, a Property Vegetation Management Plan has been prepared as part of the Development Application.		
Essential Habitat for the Koala (i.e. Category B vegetation).		It is noted that the proposed quarry layout has avoided impacts to field-validated remnant of concern vegetation. In addition, connectivity of field-validated remnant vegetation has been maintained through the inclusion of 100 m wide corridors along the base of the extraction area.		
Lot 2 is partially within a high- risk area (HRA) on the Protected Plant Flora Survey Trigger Map. No threatened flora recorded within the study area.	A Clearing Permit (Protected Plants) or exempt clearing notification required.	It is recommended that prior to any vegetation clearing taking place, a formal flora survey that complies with the Flora Survey Guidelines is carried out along the proposed haul route, plus a 100 m buffer. Following the flora survey, a formal Flora Survey Report (FSR) will need to be submitted to Department of Environment and Science in:		
Least Concern plant species recorded within the study area.		 order to demonstrate that no threatened flora species were identified within the clearing impact area (including the 100 m buffer) – the FSR must be submitted at least one week prior to any vegetation clearing; or support of an application for a Clearing Permit, when 		
	Environmental Significance Category B Vegetation containing of concern and least concern REs. Essential Habitat for the Koala (i.e. Category B vegetation). Lot 2 is partially within a highrisk area (HRA) on the Protected Plant Flora Survey Trigger Map. No threatened flora recorded within the study area. Least Concern plant species	Migratory species Referral not recommended Referral not recommended Category B Vegetation containing of concern and least concern REs. Essential Habitat for the Koala (i.e. Category B vegetation). Lot 2 is partially within a highrisk area (HRA) on the Protected Plant Flora Survey Trigger Map. No threatened flora recorded within the study area. Least Concern plant species		

Legislation/ policy	Ecological values present in study area	Permit/approval required	Notes
			threatened flora have been identified within the clearing impact area and 100 m buffer. Note that the FSR must be lodged with DES within 12 months of the flora surveys being undertaken.
	Koalas and Koala habitat identified within the study area	If the project is Referred to the Commonwealth and deemed a controlled action no further assessment required under State legislation.	Under the current Queensland legislative framework, the EO Act does not apply to impacts on EPBC Act listed MNES, including those that are also MSES, and the assessment and approval process for offsets required for significant residual impacts to MNES is the responsibility of the Commonwealth government. For the same reasons presented above in relation to MNES, it is also considered unlikely that the proposed quarry will result in a significant residual impact on the Koala in accordance with Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs' (DLGRMA) Significant Residual Impact Guideline (SRI Guideline) (SDIP 2014).
	Fauna breeding places recorded.	Disturbance to fauna breeding places (i.e. waterbodies, hollow-bearing trees, bird nests) can only lawfully be undertaken if there is an approved Species Management Program in place.	Given a threatened species (i.e. Koala) has been recorded within the study area, a High-risk Species Management Program (SMP) is required to minimise the risk of tampering with animal breeding places and where necessary, to do so in a sensitive manner during the course of the construction and operation of the quarry.

Legislation/ policy	Ecological values present in study area	Permit/approval required	Notes	
Matters of Local	Matters of Local Environmental Significance			
Boonah Shire Planning Scheme 2006	State and Regional values on the Overlay Map 2A: Natural Areas Overlay – Natural Values	•	watercourses) have been avoided and minimised as far as practicable.	

1 Introduction

Ecological Survey & Management has been engaged to assess the ecological values of a proposed quarry site at Frazerview in South East Queensland (the project). Specifically, the project involves the construction and operation of a:

- hard-rock quarry within Lot 9 on RP20973 located on Horan Road at Frazerview (quarry site)
- haul road within Lot 2 on RP20974 that will connect the quarry to the Cunningham Highway at Kalbar

For the purposes of this ecological assessment the study area encompassed both Lot 9 and Lot 2. The study area locality is provided as Figure 1 and aerial photography is provided as Figure 2.

1.1 Project background

The project involves the establishment and operation of a hard rock quarry with an estimated extraction rate of 1.2 million tonnes per annum. Trachyandesite is the target resource located within the north-western portion of Lot 9 and is suitable for road base, aggregates and rail ballast.

The proposed Environmentally Relevant Activities (ERAs) for the site are as follows:

- ERA 16 2(c) Extracting rock or other material >1,000,00 tonnes per annum)
- ERA 16(3)(c) Screening >1,000,00 tonnes per annum
- ERA 6 Asphalt Manufacturing (>1,000 t/a).

The boundaries of Lot 9 and Lot 2 will be realigned such that Lot 9 can be directly accessed from the Cunningham Highway.

The study area is partially located within the Kangaroo Mountain Key Resource Area (KRA No. 141). Approximately half of Lot 2 falls within the "Resource/Processing Area" of the KRA, with balance of Lot 2 being located within the "Separation Area". A small portion of Lot 9 is also located in the "Resource/Processing Area" of KRA 141 and the central portion occurs within the "Separation Area" (Appendix A).

1.2 Scope of works

The following activities were required as part of this ecological assessment:

- validate and map remnant vegetation in accordance with the criteria of the Vegetation Management Act 1999 (VM Act), within and adjacent to the quarry site and haul road
- identify, map and describe any threatened ecological communities (TECs) present that are listed under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act)
- assess the likelihood of occurrence and where possible identify significant species of flora and fauna and/or their habitats protected under the

Commonwealth EPBC Act and Queensland *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NC Act)

- prepare an ecological assessment report to accompany an application for the proposed quarry that:
 - describes and maps ecological values of the study area
 - assesses the potential for threatened species and communities to occur
 - o assesses the potential impacts associated with the proposed quarry against the provisions of Commonwealth, State and Local Government legislation with a biodiversity conservation focus.

1.3 Study area description

The study area encompasses two large rural properties (Lot 9 and Lot 2) approximately 7 km north-north-east of Aratula within the Scenic Rim Regional Council Local Government Area (LGA). The study area encompasses approximately 187.8 ha and includes an undulated low hill (approximate elevation of 220 m) in the central portion that extends into the adjoining property to the east (Figure 2).

A number of small first order drainage lines originate from steeper terrain in the central portions of Lot 9 and connect with a more defined 2nd order drainage line that extends through the north-western portion of Lot 9. This 2nd order drainage line connects with a network of drainage lines to the north of Lot 9 that drain in an easterly direction, eventually discharging into Warrill Creek approximately 2.5 km to the east of the study area. A dam has been constructed within the flow path of the stream order 2 drainage line in the north-western portion of Lot 9 (Figure 2).

A number of 1st order drainage lines and one 2nd order drainage line also originate from steeper terrain in Lot 2 and extend in a southerly direction, connecting with a drainage system that has been modified and channelised through cultivated cropping land adjacent to the Cunningham Highway (Figure 2).

Lower-lying portions of the study area have been subject to vegetation clearing in the past to facilitate agricultural land uses such as cattle grazing and crop cultivation. More intact vegetation communities have been retained on steeper terrain associated with the undulated low hill. Intact vegetation within the study area have been mapped by the Queensland Government as supporting remnant vegetation (i.e. Category B vegetation) containing of concern Regional Ecosystem (RE) 12.9-10.7 or the least concern RE 12.8.17 (Figure 3; Section 3.1).

1.4 Regulatory framework

Quarry applications are subject to the provisions of the *Planning Act 2016* and are typically treated as a material change of use – extractive industry application assessable against the local government planning scheme. In this case, the proposed quarry will be assessed against the Boonah Shire Planning Scheme 2006 (the Planning Scheme). The Scenic Rim Regional Council was formed by an amalgamation of three LGAs, including the Boonah LGA however, a new planning

scheme has yet to be developed. Therefore, until a new planning scheme is implemented, the Planning Scheme of the former Boonah Shire will be used to assess planning applications in the Frazerview area.

Both Lot 9 and Lot 2 are freehold parcels of land and have a "rural" designation under the Planning Scheme. A key objective of the Planning Scheme is to ensure the rural zone retains its viability as an area of primary production and natural resource use. The Planning Scheme considers extractive industry to be an appropriate land use in the rural zone, providing quarries are located and operated in a manner that does not have an unacceptable detrimental impact on surrounding uses or on the environment.

In addition to the requirements of the Planning Scheme, following key pieces of legislation with a biodiversity conservation focus are of relevance to the proposed quarry, the:

- Commonwealth EPBC Act, which regulates impacts to matters of national environmental significance (MNES)
- Queensland NC Act, which regulates impacts to threatened and near threatened flora and fauna
- Queensland VM Act, which regulates the clearing of native vegetation communities across Queensland
- Queensland Environmental Offsets Act 2014 (EO Act), which is used to condition offsets for significant residual impacts to matters of state environmental significance (MSES).

2 Methods

A desktop and field based assessment was undertaken to assess the likely ecological values of the study area.

2.1 Desktop assessment

The following desktop searches were used to provide an initial assessment of the potential ecological values of the study area:

- Commonwealth EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Tool (DoEE 2018a) (Appendix B)
- Wildlife Online database (DES 2018a) (Appendix B)
- Regulated Vegetation Management Map and Vegetation Management Supporting Map v10.1 (DNRME 2018a) and Essential Habitat Map v7.19 (DNRME 2018b)(Appendix C)
- Protected Plants Flora Survey Trigger Map (DES 2018b)(Appendix C)
- Atlas of Living Australia database¹ (CSIRO 2018).

A 5 km radial search area around a central coordinate was used for the database searches (the search area).

The results of the desktop review were used to refine the field assessment described in the following sections.

2.2 Field methods

A flora and fauna assessment was undertaken over two days between 4 and 5 October 2018, inclusive, to validate the Queensland Government RE mapping for the study area, search for threatened flora and fauna species and assess potential habitat for threatened species.

The following sections outline the methodologies used during this field assessment.

2.2.1 Flora methods

The field assessment was conducted in compliance with the *Methodology for Survey and Mapping of Regional Ecosystems and Vegetation Communities in Queensland, Version 4.0* (Neldner et al. 2017). Queensland Government mapped REs were validated in the field using the survey data collected as part of vegetation assessment sites and referencing the latest geology mapping (NRM 2011).

Assessment sites were performed throughout the study area so as to thoroughly assess Queensland Government mapped remnant vegetation. A total of 31 vegetation assessment sites were completed across the study area, comprising of 2 detailed secondary sites, 13 tertiary sites and 16 modified quaternary sites. An

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¹ The Atlas of Living Australia is a publically available database that is populated by a wide range of contributors including 'citizen-based' contributors. The database does not allow for every individual observation to be validated, therefore, this database has been used as secondary supporting information.

additional 15 quaternary photo monitoring points were also taken (Figure 4). The less detailed sampling (quaternary sites) was conducted to provide additional information relating to the vegetative structure and composition and to assist in mapping the extent and distribution of the REs within the study area and to assess habitat for threatened species.

Data recorded at each secondary site included (Figure 4):

- date and precise location (with reference to handheld GPS)
- soils, slope, aspect and landform observations
- ground-layer, mid-stratum and canopy species composition and abundance
- structural characteristics
- condition and disturbance of existing vegetation communities (including distribution of weed species)
- quantitative and qualitative species composition within a 1,000 m² quadrat, and documentation of ancillary species identified within the immediate area or during foot traverse
- basal area of vegetation (Bitterlich Stick methodology)
- photographs of the community (north, east, south, west, groundcover and soils).

Data recorded at each tertiary site included (Figure 4):

- date and precise location (with reference to handheld GPS)
- soils, slope, aspect and landform observations
- ground-layer, mid-stratum and canopy species composition and abundance
- structural characteristics
- basal area of vegetation (Bitterlich Stick methodology)
- condition and disturbance of existing vegetation communities (including distribution of weed species)
- photographs of the community.

Data recorded at each quaternary site included (Figure 4):

- precise location (with reference to handheld GPS)
- ground-cover, mid-stratum and canopy species composition and abundance
- structural characteristics of the ecologically dominant layer (EDL)
- condition
- limited photographs of the community.

A detailed flora species inventory was collected throughout the study area, including at the secondary sites and by traversing the study area to account for additional species.

2.2.2 Fauna methods

The fauna assessment was not intended to be a full detailed survey, but rather a habitat assessment that allowed a prediction of the potential for threatened fauna to occur in the study area. Techniques employed during the two day site visit included, active searching for signs, tracks and scats and opportunistic observations. Notable fauna features were also recorded where observed.

The EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Report and Wildlife Online search for the study area and surrounding areas, indicates that the Koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) and/or its habitat is known from the search area. In line with the EPBC Act referral guidelines for the vulnerable Koala (combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory (DotE 2014), line transects were stratified across the study area to establish an estimate of population density, distribution and habitat preferences (Figure 4). Based on the field-validated vegetation mapping described in Section 2.2.1, only vegetation communities that contained Koala food trees were sampled.

The methodology employed for the line transects generally involved walking the transect length of 200 m approximately 25 m from one side of the transect centreline and then returning along the other side of the 200 m centreline also remaining a distance of 25 m from the centreline, while inspecting each tree along this transect. This approach results in a search area of 1 ha (200 m x 50 m search area) for each transect. A total of nine line transects were conducted resulting in 9 ha of potential habitat actively searched.

At the one end of eight of the Koala transects, Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) surveys were completed. SAT surveys involved searching the base of 30 trees for characteristic Koala scats (Phillips and Callaghan 2011). The species and diameter at breast height of each of the 30 trees was also recorded.

Assessment of the habitat values of the vegetation within the study area for fauna was undertaken during the field survey. The potential for threatened species to use the study area can then be assessed through knowledge of the species ecology, information on the occurrence of threatened species in the area and consideration of the habitat present in the study area.

Significant habitat features such as potential Koala refuge habitats, stands of trees containing hollows, water points and wetland habitats (including the wetland to the south-east of the study area) were assessed and mapped in line with the Department of the Environment and Energy (DoEE) and DES threatened species profiles (e.g. SPRAT Profiles).

The quality of fauna habitat in the study area was assessed on the basis of following criteria:

Low: Many fauna habitat elements in low quality areas have been removed or altered such as mature, hollow-bearing trees, fallen timber and deep leaf litter. Remnants are often small in size, support substantial weed infestations of high or moderate threat weeds (e.g. Lantana [*Lantana camara]), and are poorly connected to other areas of remnant vegetation.

- Moderate: Some habitat components are present but others are lacking. For example a remnant may have a reasonably intact understorey but lack mature canopy species and fallen timber. Some weed infestations are present but are relatively small in size or comprise species of low to moderate threat. Linkages with other remnant habitats in the landscape may be lacking or somewhat tenuous.
- **High:** Most habitat components are present (e.g. old-growth trees, fallen timber, lack of weeds and deep leaf litter), the remnant is large enough to support species that are typically associated with large intact areas of habitat (e.g. Powerful Owl [Ninox strenua] and Greater Glider [Petauroides volans]) and it is well connected or contiguous with other areas of native vegetation.

These criteria were adapted for treeless habitat types such as wetlands as appropriate.

2.3 Likelihood of occurrence assessment

2.3.1 Ecological community assessment

The flora assessment was conducted across the study area at a scale and intensity to sufficiently identify if any Commonwealth TECs were present or likely to have been present in the study area. TECs not recorded during the field surveys were therefore considered to have a low likelihood to occur within the study area.

2.3.2 Significant species assessment

Database searches identified significant species that may potentially occur within the study area and surrounds. The likelihood of such species occurring was then assessed based on the results of the field assessment.

The likelihood of species occurring within the study area was classified using the criteria presented in Table 1. The assessment was based on the species' known ranges and habitat preferences, which were evaluated based on characteristics of the study are observed during the field assessment.

Table 1: Criteria to assess potential for significant species to occur in the study area

Likelihood to occur	Definition
Present	The species was recorded within the study area during the field assessment.
High	The species was not recorded within the study area during the field assessment, but is known to occur within the surrounding area/region, and habitat of suitable quality exists, within the study area
Moderate	The species was not recorded within the study area during the field assessment, although it is known to occur in the wider region. Habitat was identified for the species in the study area during the field assessment, however, it is marginal, fragmented and/or small in size, or degraded.

Likelihood to occur	Definition
Low	The species was not recorded within the study area during the field assessment. The species is either:
	 a) unlikely to occur in the wider region and due to the lack of, or due to poor quality habitat in the study area, the species is not expected to occur within the study area
	b) in the case of fauna, may forage periodically in the wider region and may overfly the study area, but the habitat in the study area is generally not suitable.

2.4 Limitations

The purpose of the field assessment was to identify the on-ground ecological features of the study area. Ecological surveys often fail to record all species of flora and fauna present on a site for a variety of reasons such as seasonal absence or reduced activity during certain seasons. In addition, the ecology and nature of rare and/or cryptic species means that such species are often not recorded during short field visits. However, an assessment of habitat suitability is made for significant species that may occur in an area, thereby applying a precautionary approach.

Leading up to the field survey, the Frazerview region had experienced relatively low levels of rainfall, with only a total of 1.6 mm recorded during the two weeks preceding the survey (Kalbar TM, BOM Station No. 040867)(BoM 2018). Approximately 1.8 mm of rainfall was received in the region during the field survey on the 5 October 2018. Conditions during the field survey were warm to hot during the day (i.e. 25 – 30°C) and cold to mild in the evening (i.e. 8 – 16°C) (Amberley AMO, BOM Station No. 040004)(BOM 2018).

The dry conditions leading up to and during the field survey, may have influenced the detectability and identification of some orchids, annual herbaceous and grass species. The majority of key threatened flora species most likely to be present within the study area were likely to be identifiable at the time of the survey.

3 Ecological values of the study area

3.1 Desktop results

A total of 2 threatened ecological communities (TECs), 10 threatened flora, 25 threatened fauna, 18 migratory birds (also listed as special least concern under the NC Act) was returned from the desktop review as either having been recorded or having the potential to occur in the search area. Database search results are provided in Appendix B.

With reference to Figure 3, the majority of the study area has been mapped by the Queensland Government as supporting Category B - remnant vegetation. The majority of mapped remnant vegetation in the study area has been identified as supporting RE 12.8.17, with some areas of RE 12.9-10-7 in the western and northeastern portions of Lot 9 (Figure 3). These REs are described below.

- RE 12.9-10.7 Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark (Eucalyptus crebra) +/-Queensland Blue Gum (E. tereticornis subsp. tereticornis), Carbeen (Corymbia tessellaris), Angophora spp., Silver-leaved Ironbark (E. melanophloia) woodland on sedimentary rocks. This RE falls within the sparse structural category and has an of concern status under the VM Act.
- RE 12.8.17 Silver-leaved Ironbark +/- Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark, Queensland Blue Gum, Carbeen woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks. This RE falls within the sparse structural category and has a least concern status under the VM Act.

Areas of Category B vegetation (i.e. RE 12.8.17 and RE 12.9-10.7) mapped within the study area have been identified as essential habitat for the Koala, which is listed as vulnerable under the NC Act and the Commonwealth EPBC Act.

In addition to mapped remnant vegetation, the Queensland Government has mapped areas of high-value regrowth (i.e. Category C) vegetation within Lot 2. These polygons of high-value regrowth have been identified as supporting RE 12.8.17.

The study area is not mapped as support any vegetation management wetlands. However, drainage lines within the study area (Section 1.3) have been identified as vegetation management watercourses and drainage features with a stream order 1 or 2.

Approximately half of Lot 2 occurs within a mapped high risk area (HRA) on the Protected Plant Flora Survey Trigger Map (Figure 3; Appendix C). The ALA and Wildlife search results indicate that the mapped HRA is associated with records for Boonah Tuckeroo (*Cupaniopsis tomentella*), listed as vulnerable under the NC Act and EPBC Act.

The Planning Scheme's Overlay Map 2A: Natural Features - Natural Values does not currently identify any Local Values within the study area. However, there are areas of 'state' and 'regional' values that appear to align with mapped remnant vegetation within the study area (Figure 5).

3.2 Field survey results

3.2.1 Flora

Vegetation communities within the study area

A number of historic and recent land management practices have influenced the structure and composition of vegetation across the study area. There has been broad-scale clearing of native vegetation within the north-western, north-eastern and southern portion of the study area to facilitate cattle grazing (Lots 2 and 9) and occasionally the cultivation of crops (Lot 2). More intact eucalypt woodland communities are associated with the undulated low hill and associated slopes within the study area. However, there was evidence (i.e. stumps and felled timber) of historic and more recent timber harvesting throughout most of these communities. Five vegetation types were recorded within and extended beyond the study area:

- Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark and Queensland Blue Gum woodland on sedimentary rocks (RE 12.9-10.7)
- Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark woodland to open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks (RE 12.8.17)
- Gum-topped Box (Eucalyptus moluccana) open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks (RE 12.8.14a)
- Brush Box (Lophostemon confertus) open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks (RE 12.8.9)
- non-remnant vegetation.

These communities are described below and the field-validated extent illustrated in Figure 6. It is noted that RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 are very similar in structure and species composition. Delineation between the two communities within the study area was primarily driven by the underlying geology (i.e. land zone 9-10, sedimentary rocks versus land zone 8, Cainzoic igneous rocks).

Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark and Queensland Blue Gum woodland on sedimentary rocks (RE 12.9-10.7) (Plate 1)

This community was associated with undulated low rises within the western and north-western portion of Lot 9. The canopy layer was dominated by Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark, but Queensland Blue Gum was also prevalent on lower slopes and gullies. Other canopy species recorded include Pink Bloodwood (*Corymbia intermedia*), Carbeen, Silver-leaved Ironbark and Gum-topped Box. Across the vegetation assessment sites, the height of canopy trees ranged from 18 to 30 m, with a median height of 22 m and a projective foliage cover of 25 to 45%.

A very sparse (2 to 20% cover) sub-canopy layer was present and consisted of regenerating canopy species with a median height of 14 m (range: 11 to 16 m). The shrub layer was characterised by scattered (<2% cover) juvenile canopy species, Maiden's Wattle (*Acacia maidenii*), Wallaby Apple (*Pittosporum spinescens*) and Shiny-leaved Canthium (*Psydrax odorata*). Common Lantana (*Lantana camara) was also present in low densities throughout the shrub layer

of this community. The groundcover was dominated by native grasses such as Barbed-wire Grass (*Cymbopogon refractus*), Black Speargrass (*Heteropogon contortus*), Pitted Bluegrass (*Bothriochloa decipiens* var. *decipiens*) and various Wiregrasses (*Aristida* spp.).

The structure and composition of this community is consistent with RE 12.9.10.7, which is described by the Queensland Herbarium as:

'Eucalyptus crebra +/- E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris, Angophora spp., E. melanophloia woodland on sedimentary rocks.' This RE has an of concern status under the VM Act.

The community was found to satisfy the 70% height and 50% cover rule for the community to be mapped as remnant vegetation. This community does not align with any of the EPBC Act listed TECs that were returned from database searches.



Plate 1. Remnant RE 12.9-10.7 within the study area

Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark woodland to open forest on Cainzoic igneous rocks - RE 12.8.17 (Plate 2)

This woodland to open forest community was associated with the trachyandesite, undulated low hill in the central portion of the study area. The canopy layer was primarily dominated by Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark. Other canopy species recorded include Smooth-barked Apple (*Angophora leiocarpa*), Pink Bloodwood, Carbeen and Silver-leaved Ironbark. In the western portion of Lot 9, Queensland Blue Gum became prevalent on the lower slopes of the undulated low rise. Across the vegetation assessment sites, the height of canopy trees ranged from 17 to 23 m, with a median height of 22 m and a projective foliage cover of 25 to 40%.

On the upper slopes and crests the mid-strata (i.e. sub-canopy and shrub layer) were very sparse (2 to 20% cover) but tending to mid-dense (50 to 80%) cover in gullies. The sub-canopy layer supports regenerating canopy species, Red Ash (*Alphitonia excelsa*) and Brush Box with a median height of 9 to 12 m (range: 6 to 16 m). The shrub layer was characterised by juvenile canopy species, Maiden's Wattle and Shiny-leaved Canthium. However, vine thicket generalist species such as Scrub Ironbark (*Bridelia exaltata*), Scrub Boonaree (*Alectryon diversifolius*), Red Kamala (*Mallotus philipensis*), Quinine Bush (*Petalostigma pubescens*) and Stiff-leaved Canthium (*P. odorata* forma *buxifolia*) were prevalent in gullies and some upper slope areas. Common Lantana was also recorded in low densities throughout the shrub layer of this community. The groundcover was dominated by native grasses such as Wiregrasses, Barbed-wire Grass, Black Speargrass and Hooky Grass (*Ancistrachne uncinulata*).

The structure and composition of this community is consistent with RE 12.8.17, and is described by the Queensland Herbarium as:

'Eucalyptus melanophloia +/- E. crebra, E. tereticornis, Corymbia tessellaris woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks.' This RE has a least concern status under the VM Act.

The community was found to satisfy the 70% height and 50% cover rule for the community to be mapped as remnant vegetation. This community does not align with any of the EPBC Act listed TECs that were returned from database searches.



Plate 2. Remnant RE 12.8.17 within the study area

<u>Gum-topped Box open forest on Cainzoic igneous rocks - 12.8.14a (Plate 3)</u>

This community was recorded on the lower slopes of the trachyandesite undulated low hill in the south-western portion of Lot 9. The canopy was dominated by Gumtopped Box with scattered Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark, with a median height of 25 m (range: 21 to 32 m) and cover of 45 to 60%.

A very sparse (<5% cover) sub-canopy layer was present and consisted of mid-mature canopy species and Silver-leaved Ironbark with a median height of 9 m (range: 8 to 12 m). The shrubs layer was also very sparse (<2% cover) and was characterised by juvenile Gum-topped Box, Shiny-leaved Canthium, Bitterbark (*Alstonia constricta*) and low densities of Common Lantana. The groundcover layer was mid-dense and dominated by native grasses such as Barbed-wire Grass, Slender Chloris (*Chloris divaricata* var. *divaricata*) and Two-coloured Panic (*Panicum simile*).

The structure and composition of this community is consistent with RE 12.8.14a, which is described by the Queensland Herbarium as:

'Eucalyptus moluccana open forest +/- E. tereticornis, Eucalyptus siderophloia or E. crebra. Understorey generally sparse but can become shrubby in absence of fire. Occurs on Cainozoic igneous rocks.' This RE has a least concern status under the VM Act.

The community was found to satisfy the 70% height and 50% cover rule for the community to be mapped as remnant vegetation. This community does not align with any of the EPBC Act listed TECs that were returned from database searches.



Plate 3. Remnant RE 12.8.14a within the study area

<u>Brush Box low open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks RE 12.8.9 – (Plate 4)</u>

One polygon of this community was recorded on the mid to lower slopes of the trachyandesite undulated low hill in the north-western portion of Lot 2. It is possible this community historically supported Narrow-leaved Ironbark woodland with a Brushbox dominated mid-stratum. A very sparse (<5% cover) canopy layer was present and supported Narrow-leaved Ironbark and Pink Bloodwood with a median height of 14 m (range: 12 to 16 m). However, the presence of cut stumps throughout the community indicate historic thinning of the canopy layer. At present, the Brushbox dominated sub-canopy was the ecologically dominant layer (EDL) with a median height of 9 m (range: 7 to 11 m) and a cover of 60 to 70%. Although it is noted that Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark and Pink Bloodwood were also present in low densities through the sub-canopy.

The shrub layer was more complex than other communities (i.e. two distinct layers were present) in the study area and was characterised by juvenile Brush Box, Shiny-leaved Canthium, Scrub Ironbark, Red Ash, Wombat Berry (*Eustrephus latifolius*) and low densities of Common Lantana. The groundcover layer was sparse and dominated by native grasses such as *Aristida gracilipes* and Black Speargrass.

The structure and composition of this community is consistent with RE 12.8.9, which is described by the Queensland Herbarium as:

'Lophostemon confertus open forest often with vine forest understorey ('wet sclerophyll'). Occurs on Cainozoic igneous rocks. Tends to occur mostly in gullies and on exposed ridges on basalt.' This RE has a least concern status under the VM Act.

The community was found to satisfy the 70% height and 50% cover rule for the community to be mapped as remnant vegetation. This community does not align with any of the EPBC Act listed TECs that were returned from database searches.



Plate 4. Remnant RE 12.8.9 within the study area

Non-remnant vegetation

Non-remnant vegetation in the study area consists of:

- historically cleared and maintained grazing paddocks with scattered mature trees and regrowth
- two constructed dams that have some aquatic value but are impacted by cattle
- augmented land surfaces, drainage and cultivated cropping land in the eastern portion of Lot 2.

Three areas of non-remnant vegetation within the study area were found to support sufficient coverage of mid-mature to mature native woody vegetation to be classified as high-value regrowth vegetation. Two polygons of high-value regrowth representative of RE 12.8.17 were identified on the lower slopes of an undulated and folded low hill in Lot 2. An additional polygon of high-value regrowth supporting vegetation representative of RE 12.8.14a/RE 12.8.17 in a 70:30 combination has been mapped on the boundary between Lot 2 and Lot 9 (Figure 6).

Species diversity

A total of 151 flora species were recorded during the field surveys representing 60 families and 129 genera. The dominant family group was Poaceae (19 species) with Asteraceae (16 species), Myrtaceae (7 species) and Sapindaceae (6 species) also prominent. The dominant family groups exemplify the overall composition and condition of the vegetation communities surveyed, with the ground layer

being the most diverse. A list of the flora species recorded during the field surveys is presented in Appendix D.

Exotic flora

Exotic flora occurred in relatively low densities across the study area. The species inventory (Appendix D) included 33 (22%) exotic species, of which the following six species are listed as restricted matters under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*:

- Asparagus Fern (*Asparagus africanus)
- Cat's Claw Creeper (*Dolichandra unguis-cati)
- Common Lantana (*Lantana camara var. camara)
- Creeping Lantana (*Lantana montevidensis)
- Common Pest Pear (*Opuntia stricta)
- Fireweed (*Senecio madagascariensis).

Restricted invasive plants must not be given away, sold, or released into the environment without a permit. Under the Act, landholders have a general biosecurity obligation (GBO) in relation to restricted invasive plants, meaning all reasonable and practical steps to minimise the risks associated with invasive animals under their control.

With the exception of Creeping Lantana, the above species are also recognised as Weeds of National Significance (WoNS). The ranking criteria for WoNS is based on assessments of the weed's invasiveness, economic, social and environmental impacts, the potential for spread and socio-economic (such as impacts on health, fire risk, and recreational values of land) and environmental values. There is no legislated requirement for the control of WoNS – this task is primarily a state and local government responsibility.

3.2.2 Fauna

Areas of remnant vegetation within the study area have moderate fauna habitat values given the diversity of mature and mid-mature trees present and felled timber on the ground in some areas. More complex communities associated with folds and gullies of the undulated low hill, offer a more diverse range of habitats than communities that have a sparse understorey.

Given the land use history both within and adjacent to the study area, highly mobile fauna such as birds and macropods that are adapted to modified rural landscapes are more likely to use the habitats present. This was evidenced by the variety of common bird species recorded during the field survey including Torresion Crow (*Corvus orru*), Australian Magpie (*Cracticus tibicen*), Laughing Kookaburra (*Dacelo novaeguineae*), Noisy Miner (*Manorina melanocephala*), Willie Wagtail (*Rhipidura leucophrys*), and Rainbow Lorikeet (*Trichoglossus haematodus*). In addition, three of the six mammal species recorded were macropods, namely Eastern Grey Kangaroo (*Macropus giganteus*), Pretty-faced Wallaby (*Macropus parryi*) and Red-necked Wallaby (*Macropus rufogriseus*).

However, more complex remnant vegetation communities (i.e. with denser and more diverse mid and lower strata) were found to support smaller woodland and forest birds such as Yellow-rumped Thornbill (*Acanthiza chrysorrhoa*), White-throated Gerygone (*Gerygone albogularis*, Leaden Flycatcher (*Myiagra rubecula*) and Silvereye (*Zosterops lateralis*). Similarly, more cryptic mammal species such as Brush-tailed Phascogale (*Phascogale tapoatafa tapoatafa*) are likely to occur in more complex remnant vegetation communities within the study area.

Two common reptile species were recorded in the study area during the study area, namely Yellow-faced Whip Snake (*Demansia psammophis*) and Eastern Bearded Dragon (*Pogona barbata*). Rocky habitats associated with the undulated low hill, fallen timber and communities with a dense groundcover provide habitat for a range of reptile species.

Non-remnant areas generally had low to very low fauna habitat value given the history of vegetation clearing, cattle crazing and modification of the landscape. The two constructed dams in the study have moderate aquatic value, although the dam in Lot 2 has been degraded by cattle activity. In contrast the dam in Lot 9 is located within non-remnant woodland vegetation with a sparse coverage of mature trees many of which were hollow-bearing. A number of common wetland bird species were recorded using the dams including Pacific Black Duck (Anas superciliosa), Australasian Darter (Anhinga novaehollandiae) and Plumed Whistling Duck (Dendrocygna eytoni). White-faced Heron novaehollandiae), Royal Spoonbill (Platalea regia) and Purple Swamphen (Porphyrio porphyrio) were recorded in the degraded drainage corridor in the southern portion of Lot 2.

A total of 56 fauna species were recorded within the study area during the field surveys. The majority of species recorded were birds (47 species) with 6 mammals, two reptiles and one amphibian also observed. One threatened fauna species was recorded, namely Koala, which is listed as vulnerable under the both the EPBC Act and NC act. Three of the bird species recorded are listed as migratory under the EPBC Act and special least concern under the NC Act. These threatened and migratory species are discussed further in Sections 4.1.3 and 4.1.4.

A full list of fauna species recorded during the fauna surveys is provided as Appendix E.

Exotic fauna

Two exotic fauna species were recorded during the field surveys, namely Common Myna (*Sturnis tristis) and European Red Fox (*Vulpes vulpes). Given the rural landscape the study area occurs in, it is likely that species such as Wild Dog (*Canis familiaris), Feral Cat (*Felis catus), Black Rat (*Rattus rattus) and European Brown Hare (*Lepus europaeus) are also likely to occur. European Red Fox, Feral Cat and Wild Dog are all are listed as restricted invasive animals under the Biosecurity Act 2014. Restricted invasive animals must not be moved, fed, given away, sold, or released into the environment without a permit. Under the Act, landholders have a GBO in relation to restricted invasive animals.

4 Matters of national environmental significance

4.1.1 Threatened ecological communities

Two critically endangered TECs were identified in the EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Report as potentially occurring within the 5 km radial search area (Appendix B), namely:

- Lowland Rainforest of Subtropical Australia
- White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland.

Vegetation communities within or adjacent to the study area do not support the structural of floristic characteristics of either of these TECs. Further, the vegetation communities present are not representative of any TECs currently described for the South East Queensland Bioregion.

4.1.2 Threatened flora

Database searches (Appendix B) identified the following 10 threatened flora species listed under the EPBC Act as potentially occurring in the search area.

- Wandering Pepper-cress (Lepidium peregrinum) endangered (EPBC Act)
- Hairy-joint Grass (Arthraxon hispidus) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Bertya ernestiana (no common name) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Three-leaved Bosistoa (Bosistoa transversa) vulnerable (EPBC Act)
- Miniature Moss-orchid (Bulbophyllum globuliforme) vulnerable (EPBC Act), near threatened (NC Act)
- Boonah Tuckeroo (Cupaniopsis tomentella) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Bluegrass (Dichanthium setosum) vulnerable (EPBC Act)
- Macadamia Nut (Macadamia integrifolia) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Lloyd's Olive (Notelaea lloydii) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Austral Toadflax (Thesium australe) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act).

No EPBC Act listed flora were recorded or are considered likely to occur in the study area as habitat is generally unsuitable. An assessment of the likelihood for listed species returned from database searches to occur in the study area has been undertaken and is presented in Appendix F.

4.1.3 Threatened fauna

Database searches (Appendix B) identified 25 threatened fauna species listed under the EPBC Act as potentially occurring in the search area, as follows.

Amphibians:

Fleay's Frog (Mixophyes fleayi) – endangered (EPBC Act & NC Act).

Birds:

- Regent Honeyeater (Anthochaera phrygia) critically endangered (EPBC Act), endangered (NC Act)
- Swift Parrot (Lathamus discolour) critically endangered (EPBC Act), endangered (NC Act)
- Eastern Curlew (Numenius madagascariensis) critically endangered (EPBC Act), endangered (NC Act)
- Curlew Sandpiper (Calidris ferruginea) critically endangered (EPBC Act)
- Australasian Bittern (Botaurus poiciloptilus) endangered (EPBC Act)
- Coxen's Fig-Parrot (Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni) endangered (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Eastern Bristlebird (*Dasyornis brachypterus*) endangered (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Australian Painted Snipe (Rostratula australis) endangered (EPBC Act),
 Vulnerable (NC Act)
- Southern Black-throated Finch (Poephila cincta cincta) endangered (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Red Goshawk (Erythrotriorchis radiatus) vulnerable (EPBC Act), Endangered (NC Act)
- Squatter Pigeon (Geophaps scripta scripta) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Painted Honeyeater (Grantiella picta) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Black-breasted Button-quail (*Turnix melanogaster*) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)

Mammals:

- Spot-tailed Quoll (Dasyurus maculatus maculatus) (SE mainland population) – endangered (EPBC Act), vulnerable (NC Act)
- Large-eared Pied Bat (Chalinolobus dwyeri) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Greater Glider (Petauroides volans) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby (Petrogale penicillata) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Koala (Phascolarctos cinereus) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Long-nosed Potoroo (SE mainland) (Potorous tridactylus tridactylus) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- New Holland Mouse (Pseudomys novaehollandiae) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Grey-headed Flying-fox (Pteropus poliocephalus) vulnerable (EPBC Act)

Reptiles:

Collared Delma (Delma torquata) - vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)

- Dunmall's Snake (Furina dunmalli) vulnerable (EPBC Act & NC Act)
- Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink (Saiphos reticulatus) vulnerable (EPBC Act).

The Koala was the only threatened fauna species recorded in the study area during the field surveys. This species and its habitat within the study area is discussed further below. The study area is considered unlikely to provide suitable habitat for the remaining threatened species listed above. Further, for most of these species there are no nearby records. An assessment of the likelihood for listed species returned from database searches to occur in the study area has been undertaken and is presented in Appendix F.

Koala

Species overview

The Koala population in South East Queensland are listed as vulnerable under the EPBC Act and NC Act. The Commonwealth Government defines Koala habitat as any forest or woodland (including remnant, regrowth and modified vegetation communities) containing species that are Koala food trees, or any shrubland with emergent Koala food trees (DoEE 2017b DotE 2015a). Koala food trees include species of the genera *Eucalyptus*, *Lophostemon*, *Angophora*, *Corymbia*, *Leptospermum* and *Melaleuca*.

Presence and habitat in the study area

Targeted surveys for this species (refer Section 2.2.2) were successful in identifying this species in the study area. Two Koalas were directly observed in remnant RE 12.9-10.7 (Figure 6; Koala transect 8 and SAT site 7 on Figure 4) in the north-western corner of Lot 9. Evidence of this species in the form of scats and scratch marks were also recorded in remnant RE 12.9-10.7 (Figure 6; SAT site 3 on Figure 4) and in remnant RE 12.8.17 on the lower slopes of the undulated low hill in the western portion of Lot 9 (Figure 6; SAT site 2 on Figure 4). No Koalas or their scats were recorded within transects or SAT survey sites conducted in areas of RE 12.8.9, 12.8.14a or RE 12.8.17 associated with the upper slopes and crest of the undulated low hill in the central portion of the study area. Based on the results of the Koala transects and SAT surveys, Koalas are favouring communities in the study area that support Queensland Blue Gum (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7 and lower slopes of RE 12.8.17), which is recognised as a preferred feed tree in coastal South East Queensland (EHP 2011). It is noted that both Koalas were recorded within Queensland Blue Gum and this is the only tree species within the SAT survey sites found to have Koala scats at the base (Appendix G).



Plate 1. Koala recorded in a Queensland Blue Gum in remnant RE 12.9-10.7 in Lot 9

Notwithstanding the above, all of the remnant REs in the study area provide habitat for the Koala due to the presence of the following 10 Koala habitat trees:

- RE 12.8.9 Pink Bloodwood, Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark and Brush Box
- RE 12.8.14a Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark, Gum-topped Box, Silver-leaved Ironbark and Brush Box
- RE 12.8.17 Smooth-barked Apple, Broad-leaved Apple (Angophora subvelutina), Pink Bloodwood, Carbeen, Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark, Silver-leaved Ironbark, Yellow Box (E. melliodora), Queensland Blue Gum and Brush Box
- RE 12.9-10.7 Broad-leaved Apple, Carbeen, Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark, Silver-leaved Ironbark, Gum-topped Box and Queensland Blue Gum.

Approximately 146.8 ha of habitat is present in the study area in the form of (Figure 6):

- 26.3 ha of remnant of concern vegetation (RE 12.9-10.7)
- 102.6 ha of remnant least concern vegetation (RE 12.8.9, RE 12.8.14a and RE 12.8.17)
- 3.0 ha of least high-value regrowth vegetation
- 14.9 ha of non-remnant vegetation in Lot 9 that has sufficient cover of nonjuvenile Koala habitat trees.

In accordance with the Koala Habitat Assessment Tool in the EPBC Act referral guidelines for the vulnerable Koala (DotE 2014), the study area is considered to support habitat critical to the survival of the Koala (a score of 8 was achieved), as

outlined in Appendix H. The main factors contributing to habitat within the study area being assessed as critical are:

- direct evidence of the presence of this species (in the form of individuals, scats and scratch marks) was recorded in the study area
- habitat in the study area support 10 potential feed tree species for the Koala
- habitat in the study area is contiguous with more than 500 ha of habitat in the surrounding area.

4.1.4 Migratory species

The following 18 migratory birds were returned from database searches as potentially occurring in the 5 km radial search area:

- Common Sandpiper (Actitis hypoleucos)
- Fork-tailed Swift (Apus pacificus)
- Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (Calidris acuminata)
- Curlew Sandpiper (also listed as threatened under the EPBC Act, see Section 3.3.3)
- Pectoral Sandpiper (Calidris melanotos)
- Latham's Snipe (Gallinago hardwickii)
- Oriental Cuckoo (Cuculus optatus)
- Pectoral Sandpiper (Calidris melanotos)
- Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (Calidris acuminata)
- White-throated Needletail (Hirundapus caudacutus)
- Black-faced Monarch (Monarcha melanopsis)
- Spectacled Monarch (Monarcha trivirgatus)
- Yellow Wagtail (Motacilla flava)
- Satin Flycatcher (Myiagra cyanoleuca)
- Eastern Curlew (also listed as threatened under the EPBC Act, see Section 3.3.3)
- Osprey (Pandion haliaetus)
- Rufous Fantail (Rhipidura rufifrons)
- Common Greenshank (Tringa nebularia).

Three migratory bird species were recorded during the field survey, namely Forktailed Swift, Black-faced Monarch and Rufous Fantail. The Black-faced Monarch and Rufous Fantail were observed in a steeply inclined drainage gully within Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark woodland to open forest in the central portion of the study area. The gully and associated slopes supported a mid-dense cover within the mid and lower strata comprising Brush Box and various vine forest generalists such as Red Kamala. The Fork-tailed Swift was observed overflying the study area and neighbouring properties. This species was commonly observed soaring 50 to 100 m above the various woodland communities within the study area.

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There is a moderate likelihood that White-throated Needletail would also overfly the study area (Appendix F). Habitats within the study area are considered generally unsuitable for the remaining migratory bird species listed above, due to the lack of well-developed wetland and aquatic habitats, closed and wet sclerophyll forests and riparian communities (Appendix F).

5 Matters of state environmental significance

5.1.1 Regulated vegetation

Ground-truthing surveys were undertaken across the study area to accurately assess the RE type, condition and ecological value of the vegetation proposed to be significantly disturbed by the proposed quarry. The surveys were conducted by an appropriately qualified and experienced ecologist from Ecological Survey & Management. The surveys were designed to ensure that the survey methodology was consistent with relevant State and Commonwealth guidelines, and vegetation communities were identified according to the Queensland Government's Regional Ecosystem Description Database (REDD).

With reference to Figure 6, the extent of field-validated remnant (i.e. Category B) vegetation within the study area is more or less consistent with that mapped by the Queensland Government. However, there was some discrepancies within the RE types that have been identified on the Vegetation Management Supporting Map (Figure 3; Appendix C). Key differences between the Government mapping and field-validated mapping are as follows.

- The polygon of remnant RE 12.8.17 in the north-western portion of Lot 9 was found to be located on sedimentary siltstone which is not consistent with the classification of landzone 8 (i.e. Cainzoic igneous rocks). Therefore this vegetation community is analogous to RE 12.9-10.7.
- The polygon of RE 12.9-10.7 in the south-western portion of Lot 9 was found to be less extensive than the Queensland Government mapping. The contraction of the mapped extent of this RE in this location is also driven by the underlying geology, which was found to be trachyandesite and consistent with landzone 8 (Cainzoic igneous rocks), not landzone 9-10 (sedimentary rocks).
- Gum-topped Box was found to dominate the ecologically dominant layer (EDL) of a polygon of remnant vegetation in the southern extent of Lot 9. Given the scarcity of Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark in this area and the absence of Gum-topped Box from the REDD description for RE 12.8.17, this polygon is better described as RE 12.8.14a. This RE is briefly described as Gum-topped Box open forest +/- Queensland Blue Gum, Narrow-leaved Ironbark (Eucalyptus siderophloia) or Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark and has a least concern status under the VM Act.
- A polygon of high-value regrowth identified by the Queensland Government as supporting RE 12.8.17 along the boundary of Lot 9 and Lot 2, was found to support a combination of probable RE types, RE 12.8.14a/12.8.17 (70:30).
- A portion of RE 12.8.17 mapped by the Queensland Government in the central portion of Lot 2 was found to support RE 12.8.9. Brushbox was the dominant species in the EDL of this vegetation community and therefore the appropriate RE type is 12.8.9, which is briefly described as 'Brushbox open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks' and has a least concern status under the VM Act.

• Two areas of high-value regrowth supporting RE 12.8.17 were identified along the north-eastern boundary of Lot 2.

A comparison of the Queensland Government and field-validated vegetation is provided in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Comparison of Queensland Government mapped and field-validated REs in the study area

		VM Act status	Area (ha)			
RE Type	Brief description		Regulated Vegetation Map	Field- validated mapping		
Category B (ren	nnant) vegetation					
12.8.9	Brushbox open forest on Cainozoic igneous rocks	Least concern	-	1.2		
12.8.14a	Gum-topped Box open forest +/- Queensland Blue Gum, Narrow-leaved Ironbark or Northern Grey Ironbark. Understorey generally sparse but can become shrubby in absence of fire. Occurs on Cainozoic igneous rocks.	Least concern	-	4.2		
12.8.17	Silver-leaved Ironbark +/- Northern Grey Ironbark, Queensland Blue Gum, Carbeen woodland on Cainozoic igneous rocks.	Least concern	103.7	97.2		
12.9-10.7	Northern Grey Ironbark +/- Queensland Blue Gum, Carbeen, Angophora spp., Silver-leaved Ironbark woodland on sedimentary rocks.	Of concern	18.7	26.3		
TOTAL		122.4	128.9			
Category C (hig	Category C (high-value regrowth) vegetation					
12.8.9		Least concern	0.06	-		
12.8.14a/12.8.7	See above	Least concern		1.5		
12.8.17		Least concern	3.7	1.5		
TOTAL	4.1	3.0				

5.1.2 Essential habitat

The Queensland Government has identified mapped areas of Category B vegetation as supporting essential habitat for the Koala (Figure 3; Appendix C). It is noted that Koalas were directly recorded within the polygon of RE 12.9-10.7 in the north-western portion of Lot 9 (Section 4.1.3).

5.1.3 Threatened and near threatened flora

No NC Act listed flora species that are not also listed under the EPBC Act (and discussed in Section 4.1.3) were returned from database searches. No NC Act

listed flora species were identified during the flora surveys. Further, no NC Act listed flora species are considered likely to occur in the study area. The likelihood of occurrence assessment is provided in Appendix F.

5.1.4 Threatened and special least concern fauna

Only one fauna species listed solely under the NC Act was returned from database searches, namely the vulnerable Red-tailed Tropic Bird (*Phaethon rubricauda*). Fauna species that are also listed under the EPBC Act are discussed in Section 3.3.3.

The Red-tailed Tropicbird is a pelagic, marine bird that is rarely recorded inland. The study area is approximately 83 km inland from the coast and does not support suitable coastal habitats for foraging, sheltering or breeding. The ALA data quality tests indicate there may be an issue with the records given this is a marine species being reported in a terrestrial area. The mismatch could be an identification or name match error instead of geospatial issue. In any event the study area does not support habitat suitable for this species and it is considered unlikely to occur.

It is noted that the migratory bird species discussed in Section 3.3.4 are also listed as special least concern species under the NC Act. No other migratory birds were returned from database searches.

6 Impact Assessment

6.1 Direct impacts

The proposed quarry layout has been overlaid on the field-validated remnant vegetation mapping as Figure 7. Construction of the proposed quarry will have a direct impact on approximately:

- 14.6 ha of non-remnant (i.e. Category X) vegetation
- 0.2 ha of least concern high-value regrowth vegetation
- 60.2 ha of remnant least concern (i.e. Category B) vegetation consisting of:
 - 43.8 ha within the extraction area
 - 14.6 ha that fall within the processing/stockpile/infrastructure areas
 - 1.8 ha that occur within the access road corridors

The majority of access roads within the quarry layout will have a maximum width of 15 m. However, the haul road to be constructed through Lot 2 will have varying widths (15-120 m) due to the cut and fill profile associated with constructing a road through steep terrain.

The quarry layout has specifically been designed to avoid direct impacts to remnant of concern vegetation (RE 12.9-10.7) within the study area. Clearing of remnant least concern vegetation is unavoidable given the:

- 43.8 ha of remnant least concern vegetation that falls within the extraction area coincides with the location of the highest quality resource within the study area (Appendix I)
- a logical and practical approach to the design of the quarry has resulted in some of the processing/stockpile/infrastructure areas encroaching into remnant least concern vegetation
- proposed haul road to Cunningham Highway is constrained by topography, land access issues and traffic modelling.

6.2 Indirect impacts

Indirect impacts associated with construction and operation of the proposed quarry include noise and vibration, vehicle strike, dust, erosion and the introduction or spread of invasive species.

6.3 Impact mitigation

6.3.1 Measures to avoid impacts

The proposed quarry layout is largely dependent on the geology of the area, and is constrained by the availability of the target resource (i.e. trachyandesite). Nonetheless, the following measures have been taken to avoid direct impacts associated with the quarry.

 Completion of this ecological assessment to confirm the remnant vegetation mapping across the study area and identify areas of important habitat features.

- The quarry layout has been designed to avoid clearing in areas of the field-validated of remnant of concern vegetation (RE 12.9-10.7). A minimum 30 m buffer to retained remnant of concern vegetation has also been included to minimise the risk of indirect impacts to these areas.
- Maintaining connectivity of retained remnant vegetation has also been a key consideration in the design of the quarry layout. Specifically, corridors of remnant vegetation at least in 100 m in width have been retained along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill adjoining the extraction area. It is recognised that access roads will traverse some areas of retained remnant vegetation. In most cases these road will be 15 m in width and will not present a significant interruption to the connectivity of vegetation.
- Areas of non-remnant (Category X) vegetation have been utilised for the locations of the processing and stockpile area, and asphalt and concrete plant.
- The potential also exists to retain trees within the site office and stockpile area where practical.

6.3.2 Measures to mitigate impacts

A number of controls on the clearing method are proposed in order to minimise impacts on vegetation communities and fauna habitat.

- Prior to the commencement of clearing activities, an inspection of the area should be undertaken by an appropriately qualified and licensed ecologist/fauna spotter-catcher to identify the presence of any potential important fauna habitat features. Where habitat trees are identified, a spotter-catcher should be present during clearing activities. Prior to the commencement of clearing activities in areas which contain habitat trees, the spotter catcher will undertake pre-clearing translocation inspections of the areas proposed to be cleared.
- 2. Clearing will be undertaken sequentially. This process includes delineation of the approved clearing area with survey pegs or flagging tape. This will ensure that any areas of remnant vegetation to be cleared are restricted to the minimum area necessary for construction of the proposed quarry to prevent unnecessary encroachment of disturbance into adjoining remnant vegetation.
- 3. Where there is flexibility in the locating of certain infrastructure (e.g. site office, stockpile area), the proponent will prioritise avoiding clearing of trees, where possible.
- 4. Appropriate weed control and management measures should be incorporated into the Site Based Management Plan for the proposed quarry.
- 5. Traffic volumes will be staged, with a maximum of 250 to 300 truck movements. Speed along the internal access roads will be limited to between 40-50 km/hr. A limit of 60 km/hr will apply to the haul road that connects to Cunningham Highway.
- 6. Stormwater will be managed and treated internally prior to discharge from the quarry as specified by the Stormwater Management Plan (Ausrocks 2018a) and Site Based Management Plan (SBMP) (Ausrocks 2018b).

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7. Other environmental impacts such as dust, noise and vibration shall be managed in accordance with the SBMP (Ausrocks 2018b).

7 Legislative requirements

Sections 7.1 and 7.2 outline the MNES and MSES (i.e. threatened fauna, migratory birds and regulated vegetation,) that are considered relevant to the study area that have the potential to be impacted by the proposed quarry. Section 7.3 provides an assessment of the merits of the proposed quarry against the Boonah Shire Planning Scheme and the regulation of MLES.

Environmental offsets are required to compensate for significant residual impacts on MNES and MSES.

Offsets are required under the EPBC Act if an action is likely to give rise to a significant residual impact on MNES. The EPBC Act Environmental Offsets Policy (SEWPaC 2012) details requirements under the EPBC Act in relation to biodiversity offsets. The Significant Impact Guidelines 1.1: Matters of National Environmental Significance (DotE 2013)provides guidance to assist with determining whether an impact is considered significant.

In Queensland, offsets are required under the EO Act for activities likely to cause a significant residual impact on MSES. For projects being assessed under the *Planning Act 2016*, the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs' (DLGRMA) Significant Residual Impact Guideline (SRI Guideline) (SDIP 2014) is used to assess the potential for a proposal to have a significant residual impacts on MSES.

In the case of matters that are prescribed as being both MNES and MSES, offsets are not required under the Queensland EO Act if the same, or substantially the same, impact to the prescribed matter has been assessed under the EPBC Act.

7.1 Matters of national environmental significance

The field surveys confirmed the presence of the Koala and three migratory bird species listed under the EPBC Act within the study area. No other MNES are considered likely to occur within the study area or be impacted by the proposed quarry development (Section 4.0). Assessment of the significance impacts on MNES recorded within the study area is provided below.

7.1.1 Koala

This species was directly and indirectly (i.e. scats and scratch marks) recorded during the field survey within woodland communities supporting Queensland Blue Gum (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes). In line with DoEE's habitat definition, approximately 146.8 ha of Koala habitat has been identified in the study area consisting of:

- 26.3 ha of remnant of concern vegetation (RE 12.9-10.7)
- 102.6 ha of remnant least concern vegetation (RE 12.8.9, RE 12.8.14a and RE 12.8.17)
- 3.0 ha of least high-value regrowth vegetation
- 14.9 ha of non-remnant vegetation in Lot 9 that has sufficient cover of nonjuvenile Koala habitat trees.

Approximately 69.7 ha of Koala habitat occurs within the quarry footprint, this represents around 48% of habitat within the study area. Koala habitat within the quarry footprint consists of:

- 9.3 ha of non-remnant (i.e. Category X) vegetation within processing/stockpiling/infrastructure areas and an internal access road in Lot 9
- 0.2 ha of least concern high-value regrowth vegetation
- 60.2 ha of remnant least concern (i.e. Category B) vegetation consisting of:
 - 43.8 ha within the extraction area
 - 14.6 ha that fall within the processing/stockpile/infrastructure areas
 - 1.8 ha that occur within the access road corridors.

Koala habitat in the study area has been assessed, using the Koala habitat assessment tool (DotE 2014), as being habitat critical to the survival of the Koala (i.e. a score of 8 was achieved). The draft Koala referral guidelines (DotE 2014) state that the likelihood of a proposal to have a significant impact on the Koala will come down two key considerations:

- adversely affecting habitat critical to the survival of the Koala; and/or
- interfering substantially with the recovery of the Koala through the introduction or exacerbation of key threats in areas of habitat critical to the survival of the Koala.

Section 5 of the guidelines indicates that projects involving >20 ha of habitat critical to the Koala with a habitat score of 8 or greater are likely to have a significant impact and a Referral, including an assessment of the significance of impacts, is required. An assessment against the EPBC Act significant impact guidelines for vulnerable species is provided in Table 3 below. This assessment of significance has taken into consideration the following factors concerning habitat quality and importance of the population.

Habitat quality

The SPRAT profile for the Koala states that Koala habitat can be broadly defined as any forest or woodland containing species that are known koala food trees, or shrubland with emergent food trees (DoEE 2018b). However, it is generally acknowledged that higher quality Koala habitat is associated with flatter, fertile land where preferred feed and shelter trees are naturally abundant (DoEE 2018). The influence of elevation, temperature and soil fertility and moisture on leaf chemistry may be important in influencing the feeding patterns of and hence occupancy of Koalas (Crowther et al. 2009; DoEE 2018b). By example, Crowther et al. (2009) found that low altitude areas associated with some depositional flood plains and coastal lowlands that have higher fertility soils tend to support higher Koala densities.

With regard to Koala habitat and occupancy in the study area, it is considered that field-validated areas of vegetation associated with landzone 8 on upper slopes and crests of the undulated, low hill (i.e. RE 12.8.9, RE 12.8.14a and RE 12.8.17) are not as favourable for the Koala and are less likely to be used than areas of RE 12.9-10.7, RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes and adjoining non-remnant woodlands that support a sufficient cover of non-juvenile Koala habitat trees. This assessment is based on the following.

- The results of the targeted field surveys demonstrate that Koalas are favouring vegetation communities in the lower-lying portions of Lot 9, particularly where Queensland Blue Gum is naturally abundant. This is evidenced by:
 - Koalas and signs of their presence (i.e. scats and scratch marks) only be recorded in remnant RE 12.9-10.7 in the north-western portion of Lot 9 and the lower slopes of RE 12.8.17 in the western portion of Lot 9
 - no Koalas or signs of their presence were recorded in remnant least concern vegetation on the upper slopes and crests of undulated low hill (refer Section 4.1.3).
- 2. In the 'South East Queensland Koala Habitat Assessment and Mapping Project' (GHD 2009), which included the Scenic Rim LGA, a key underlying contributor to classifying Koala habitat was the determination of landscape features that have a relationship with the location of existing Koala records. Koala records (the primary database being the Queensland Government's WildNet database which provided 7,389 koala records dating from 1870) were therefore analysed with respect to a number of landscape features that had the potential to influence the spatial distribution of Koalas. In summary, GHD (2009) report the following relationships between landform attributes and Koala sightings.
 - A negative relationship between slope and the percentage of Koala records, with approximately 93% of the records analysed in their study coming from landscapes with 0 to 5° slope. It is noted that within the study area, vegetation communities where Koalas were sighted during the field surveys (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes) were associated with 0-6° slopes. GHD (2009) also found that only around 4% of Koala records came from landforms with slopes between 5 to 10° and 2% of sightings came from slopes between 10 to 15°. The central undulated, low hill is a prominent feature of the study area's physiography and is characterised by slopes ranging between 3 to 7° on the lower slopes and 8 to 14° on the upper slopes. The majority of Koala habitat within the study area is associated with this hill and located on slopes where Koalas are less likely to occur.
 - A negative relationship between elevation and Koala records, with approximately 91% of the records analysed in their study coming from landscapes with 0 to 100 m elevation. GHD (2009), reported that approximately 5% of the records they analysed came from landforms with 100 to 200 m elevation, 2% coming from landforms with 200 to 300 m elevation. Within the study area, vegetation communities (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes) where Koalas, or signs

of their presence were recorded during the field surveys were associated with elevations between approximately 100 to 150 m. In contrast, no Koalas or signs of their presence were found in habitat between 150 and 220 m AHD.

 Approximately 6% of the records analysed came from areas supporting land zone 8 (i.e. the predominant landzone type within the quarry footprint). In contrast, 39% of the records analysed came from landzone 9-10.

The SPRAT profile also acknowledges that land clearing has been and continues to be focussed disproportionately on flatter, more fertile areas, which constitute high-quality habitat for Koalas (DoEE 2018b). This inevitably results in poorer quality habitat on steep terrain and/or poorer soils remaining in the landscape. In the context of the study area, the majority of Koala habitat that will be impacted by the proposed quarry is located on steeper terrain with higher elevations than the habitat within which Koalas were sighted and appear to be preferentially using. To assist with illustrating Koala habitat within the study area in relation to elevation and slope the following figures have been prepared.

- Figure 8, which provides field-validated vegetation types in relation to contour information for the study area and surrounds. With reference to this figure, the majority of the quarry footprint encompasses land with elevations greater than 150 mAHD. Further, approximately 46.3 ha of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint (i.e. consisting RE 12.8.14a and RE 12.8.17) is located on elevations greater than 150 mAHD. This translates to approximately 66% of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint being located on elevations with which Koalas are less commonly associated.
- Figure 9 which provides field-validated vegetation in relation to slopes across the study area. With reference to this figure, more than half of the quarry footprint is located on slopes of 10-50°. Further, approximately 37.6 ha of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint (i.e. consisting RE 12.8.9, RE 12.8.14a and RE 12.8.17) is located on is located on slopes of 10-50°. This translates to approximately 54% of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint being located on slopes with which Koalas are less commonly associated.

In addition, Koalas tend to use the same set of trees in their home range, but generally not at the same time (DoEE 2018b). This would indicate that the local Koala population is more likely to consistently use the habitat they were recorded within on lower elevations (<150~m) and gentler slopes ($<10^{\circ}$) with a natural abundance of Queensland Blue Gum, than moving into vegetation associated with less favourable landscape features such as steep slopes and higher elevations (refer thresholds above).

Importance of the population

Another key component of the significant impact assessment for vulnerable species is whether the population that will be impacted by a proposal is an important population. The concept of 'important populations' has not been expanded on in the Koala referral guidelines as sufficient information was not available to adequately identify and separate the nature of any important

populations throughout the range of the listed species. At present there is no recovery plan for the Koala that identifies important populations of the species. Therefore, with reference to the significant impact guidelines, the population of Koalas that uses the study area is considered unlikely to be an important population for the following reasons.

- Suitable woodland habitat is widespread throughout the study area and the broader landscape. Therefore, dispersal and breeding is likely to occur throughout the region and the study area is part of this broader regional habitat area.
- The individual Koalas that occur within the study area are considered likely to belong to a larger meta-population of Koalas that would occur within areas of suitable habitat throughout the broader region.
- The population of Koalas using the study area is considered unlikely to be unique, large, isolated or genetically disjunct from any other Koalas occurring in the region. Therefore, the population using the study area would not be considered necessary for maintaining genetic diversity.
- The survey area is not at or near the limit of this species' range. The Koala occurs throughout coastal and inlands areas of eastern Australia and the survey area is located more or less centrally within the known distribution of this species (DotE 2014).

Table 3: Assessment against significant impact criteria for the vulnerable Koala

Significant impact criteria		
An action is likely to have a significant impact on a vulnerable species if there is a real chance of possibility that it will:	Assessment	
	The population of Koalas within the study area is not consider to be an important population. Nonetheless, the propos quarry is unlikely to lead to a long-term decrease in the size the local population given that	
 Lead to a long-term decrease in the size of an important population of a species 	 the quarry has been designed to avoid impacts to 26.3 ha of higher quality Koala habitat in the form remnant RE 12.9-10.7 that is preferentially being used by the local Koala population 	
	 to reduce indirect impacts to higher quality Koala habitat within the study area, a 30 m buffer has been provided to areas remnant RE 12.9-10.7 that will be retained 	
	 as discussed above, the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas given: 	
	- the slope (i.e. 10–50°) and elevation (i.e. above 150 m AHD) of these areas is not consistent with:	
	 habitat within the study area currently being used by the local Koala population 	
	 the landscape features preferred by Koalas in South East Queensland (i.e. slopes 0-5° and elevations between 0-100 m AHD (GHD 2009)) 	

	 the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011) no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded
	in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crests of the undulated low hill.
 Reduce the area of occupancy of an important population 	The population of Koalas using the study area is not considered to be an important population. The proposed quarry is not likely to significantly impact the area of occupancy of the local Koala population given: 23.6 ha of higher quality habitat within the study area (i.e. remnant RE 12.9-10.7) that is being used by Koalas is being retained direct impacts associated with the proposed quarry will largely be confined to less favourable Koala habitat within the study area (i.e. on upper slopes and crest of the low hill) connectivity between preferred habitat within the study
	area and similar habitat (remnant and high-value regrowth RE 12.9-10.7) on adjoining properties to the west, north and north-east will not be substantially impacted by the proposal. As noted previously, Koalas are known to use the same set of trees within their home ranges (DoEE 2018b). This would indicate that the local Koala population is likely to consistently use vegetation within the study area they were (directly and indirectly) recorded in during the field surveys. This habitat will be retained as part of the proposed quarry layout.
 Fragment an existing important population into two or more populations 	The population of Koalas using the study area is not considered to be an important population. Nonetheless, connectivity of habitat will not be substantially compromised as a result of the quarry and the local Koala population will not be fragmented given that: 26.3 ha of higher quality and preferred habitat (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7) is being retained movement opportunities for the Koala will remain: along the western boundary of Lot 9 through the central portion of the study area along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill through the south-western corner of Lot 9 into Lot 2. It is noted that internal quarry access road intersect the movement corridors through the central portion of the study area and the south-western corner of Lot 9 into Lot 2. However, the majority of the internal roads will only be 15 m in width and speed limited to between 40 and 60 km/hr. It is not anticipated that these access road will act as a barrier to Koala movement.
 Adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of a species 	The Draft Referral Guidelines for the Koala (DotE 2014) indicate that for proposals that involve clearing greater than 20 ha of habitat that containing Koala food trees and with a critical habitat score of 8 (or greater), are likely to adversely affect habitat critical for the Koala. Approximately 69.7 ha of habitat critical for the Koala occurs within the quarry footprint, this represents around 48% of habitat within the study area. Koala habitat within the quarry footprint consists of:

- 9.3 ha of non-remnant (i.e. Category X) vegetation within processing/ stockpiling/infrastructure areas and an internal access road in Lot 9
- 0.2 ha of least concern high-value regrowth vegetation
- 60.2 ha of remnant least concern (i.e. Category B) vegetation consisting of:
 - 43.8 ha within the extraction area
 - 14.6 ha that fall within the processing/stockpile/infrastructure areas
 - 1.8 ha that occur within the access road corridors.

However, as noted above, the majority of Koala habitat that will impacted by the proposed quarry is considered to be less likely to be used by the local Koala population. More specifically:

- approximately 46.3 ha (or 66%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with elevations (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD 2009)
- approximately 37.6 ha (or 54%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with slopes (i.e. 10 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD 2009)
- the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011)
- no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill.

Moreover, 26.3 ha of RE 12.9-10.7 that are being preferentially used by the local Koala population will be retained as part of the proposed development. To reduce indirect impacts on these retained areas, a 30 m buffer has been allowed for in the design of the quarry layout.

 Disrupt the breeding cycle of an important population The population of Koalas using the study area is not considered to be an important population. Nonetheless, impacts to approximately 69.7 ha of habitat is unlikely to disrupt the breeding cycle of the local population. This is because higher quality habitat that the local Koala population is currently using (i.e. remnant RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes) will be retained. In addition, to minimise the indirect impacts to these retained areas of habitat a minimum 30 m wide buffer has been included in the guarry layout.

Further, the majority of habitat that will be directly impacted by the proposed quarry is less likely to be used by than habitat being retained Koalas given:

- approximately 46.3 ha (or 66%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with elevations (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))
- approximately 37.6 ha (or 54%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with slopes (i.e. 10 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated

both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011) no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill. Standard industry recognised measures will also be employed during the vegetation clearing stages of the project to minimise harm and disruption to animals and breeding places in accordance with the requirements of the Queensland NC Act. The proposed clearing of 69.7 ha of Koala habitat will not remove habitats, isolate habitats or degrade remaining habitats to the extent that the species is likely to decline. This assessment is based on: 26.3 ha of higher quality habitat that the local Koala population is currently using (i.e. remnant RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes) being retained the inclusion of a 30 m buffer being provided to areas of retained remnant RE 12.9-10.7 to reduce indirect impacts to these areas the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas approximately 46.3 ha (or 66%) of Koala habitat within Modify, destroy, remove or the quarry footprint is located on land with elevations isolate or decrease the (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less availability or quality of commonly associated both within the study area and habitat to the extent that broader South East Queensland Region (refer the species is likely to thresholds reported by GHD (2009)) decline approximately 37.6 ha (or 54%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with slopes (i.e. 10 - 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009)) the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011) no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low There are no invasive plant species that are specifically recognised as a threat to the Koala. Nonetheless, the management of existing infestations of invasive plants and Result in invasive species control of the introduction/spread of invasive plants will be that are harmful to a managed through the SBMP. vulnerable species The European Red Fox was recorded within the study area becoming established in during the field survey. Other species such as Wild Dogs are the vulnerable species' also likely to occur in the broader landscape. These predatory habitat species already pose a risk to the Koala in the habitat areas present and the proposed quarry is unlikely to increase this threat.

 Introduce disease that may cause the species to decline, or

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Three viruses are known to affect Koalas in the wild, Chlamydia and Koala Retrovirus (KoRV-A and KoRV-B). It is known that Chlamydia is a sexually transmitted disease in Koalas, however, how the Retrovirus is spread contagiously is unknown. Studies have shown that 100% of Koalas in the wild have the Retrovirus, and the majority of Queensland and New South Wales populations are infected with Chlamydia (Hanger and Loader 2009).

Stress has been suggested to exacerbate the effects of disease on Koala populations in more populated areas. However, the proposed quarry is unlikely to result in the introduction or increase the prevalence of these diseases in the local Koala population particularly given areas of preferred habitat will be retained and protected by a minimum 30 m buffer.

The project will result in the clearing of 69.7 ha of Koala habitat. While this habitat is considered by DoEE to be critical habitat, the extent of clearing is considered unlikely to interfere substantially with the recovery of the Koala given:

- 26.3 ha of higher quality habitat that the local Koala population is currently using (i.e. remnant RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on lower slopes) will be retained
- the inclusion of a 30 m buffer being provided to areas of retained remnant RE 12.9-10.7 to reduce indirect impacts to these areas
- the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas given:
 - approximately 46.3 ha (or 66%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with elevations (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))
 - approximately 37.6 ha (or 54%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with slopes (i.e. 10 - 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))
 - the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011)
 - no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill
- Opportunities for Koala movement will remain:
 - along the western boundary of Lot 9
 - through the northern portion of Lot 9
 - through the central portion of the study area along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill
 - and through the south-western corner of Lot 9 into Lot 2.

Conclusion: The proposed quarry is considered unlikely to cause a significant impact to the Koala given the following.

- 26.3 ha of higher quality habitat that the local Koala population is currently using (i.e. remnant RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 located on lower elevations and with a natural abundance of Queensland Blue Gum) will be retained
- the inclusion of a 30 m buffer being provided to areas of retained remnant RE 12.9-10.7 to reduce indirect impacts to these areas
- the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas given:
 - approximately 46.3 ha (or 66%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with elevations (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))
 - approximately 37.6 ha (or 54%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with slopes (i.e. 10 - 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))
 - the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011)
 - no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill.
- Koalas tend to use the same set of trees within their home range (DoEE 2018). It therefore follows that the local Koala population is more likely to consistently use higher quality habitat in the study area within which individuals were recorded (directly and indirectly) and that will be retained as part of the proposed quarry layout, rather than move into lower quality habitat associated with less favourable landscape features (i.e. slopes above 10° and elevations above 150 m) that will be directly impacted by the proposed quarry.
- Opportunities for Koala movement will remain:
 - along the western boundary of Lot 9
 - through the northern portion of Lot 9
 - through the central portion of the study area along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill
 - through the south-western corner of Lot 9 into Lot 2.

Notwithstanding the above, given the proposal will result in the removal of approximately 69.7 ha of Koala habitat with a critical habitat score of 8, DoEE consider the proposal is likely to adversely impact habitat critical for the Koala. It is therefore recommended that the proposed hard-rock quarry is Referred to DoEE for their determination as to whether the proposal requires assessment against the EPBC Act.

7.1.2 Migratory bird species

Habitat occurs throughout the study area for the three migratory birds identified or considered to potentially occur, namely Fork-tailed Swift, Black-faced Monarch, Rufous Fantail and White-throated Needletail. The study area provides foraging habitat but is unlikely to provide breeding habitat for any migratory species. In the case of the Fork-tail Swift and White-throated Needletail these species are more likely to overfly and forage above the survey area rather than use on-ground habitats.

All remnant vegetation in the study area potentially provides habitat, to some extent, for Black-faced Monarch, Fork-tailed Swift, Rufous Fantail and White-throated Needletail. These habitats are preferred over cleared or heavily disturbed areas due to the structural diversity of habitats in remnant areas. Remnant

habitats comprise 128.9 ha within the study area. The project would result in the removal of 60.5 ha of remnant vegetation mapped in the project site.

Two key concepts are important in assessing the significance of impacts against the EPBC Act Significant Impact Guidelines. They are defined below.

Important habitat

Determining if an area of 'important habitat' for a migratory species listed under the EPBC Act occurs within the project site is necessary in addressing the significant impact criteria for migratory species. Important habitat for a migratory species is:

- habitat utilised by a migratory species occasionally or periodically within a region that supports an ecological significant proportion of the population of the species, and/or
- habitat that is of critical importance to the species at particular life-cycle stages, and/or
- habitat utilised by a migratory species which is at the limit of the species range, and/or
- habitat within an area where the species is declining (DotE 2013).

It is considered unlikely that the study area provides important habitat for any migratory species as the habitat is homogenous in the surrounding landscape and would be unlikely to form important breeding habitat for any migratory species. Furthermore, the study area is not at the limit of the range of any of the four migratory species, nor within an area where the species is declining.

Ecologically significant proportion

An ecologically significant proportion of a migratory species will differ between species, however, the species' population status, genetic distinctiveness and species specific behavioral patterns (for example, site fidelity and dispersal rates) should be considered in evaluating this (DotE 2013).

The study area is unlikely to provide important habitat for any migratory species. It is also unlikely to support an ecologically significant proportion of the population of a migratory species, as this would have been evident during the field survey. There was no evidence of important habitat areas, roost sites or other features that could be used by large numbers of birds.

Table 4 provides an assessment of the significance of impacts to migratory birds against the Commonwealth Significant Impact Guidelines.

 Table 4:
 Assessment of significance of impacts for migratory birds

Significance criteria	Assessment of significance	
An action is likely to have a significant impact on a migratory species if there is a rea chance or possibility that it will:		
Substantially modify (including by fragmenting, altering fire regimes, altering nutrient cycles or altering hydrological cycles), destroy or isolate an	The study area is unlikely to provide important habitat for a migratory species, therefore, important habitat will not be substantially modified, destroyed or isolated by the proposed quarry.	

Significance criteria	Assessment of significance
area of important habitat for a migratory species;	
Result in an invasive species that is harmful to the migratory species becoming established in an area of important habitat for the migratory species, or	The study area is unlikely to provide important habitat for a migratory species. The Draft referral guidelines for 14 birds listed migratory under the EPBC Act (DotE 2015) does not include any known invasive species that may be harmful to White-throated Needletail or Fork-tailed Swift. However, Black Rat and Rubber Vine (*Cryptostegia grandiflora) are recognised as harmful invasive species for Black-faced Monarch and Rufous Fantail (DotE 2015b). Rubbervine was not recorded within the study area during the field surveys and was not returned from database searches. It is likely that Black Rat occurs within the study area and surrounds. This project is unlikely to result in invasive species becoming established in suitable habitat. The SBMP will provide measures for the management of weed and feral animal control, and these will be applied to the project.
Seriously disrupt the lifecycle (breeding, feeding, migration or resting behaviour) of an ecologically significant proportion of the population of the migratory species.	An ecologically significant proportion of the population of a migratory species is considered unlikely to occur in the study area. Therefore, the project is unlikely to seriously disrupt the lifecycle of an ecologically significant proportion of the population of a migratory species.
Conclusion	The proposed quarry will not cause a significant residual impact to migratory species listed under the EPBC Act.

7.2 Matters of state environmental significance

Assessments of the potential for significant residual impacts to MSES that have either been recorded in the study area or have a likelihood of occurrence against the SRI Guideline are provided below. It is noted that at present there are no regulatory requirements for the assessment of impacts to special least concern fauna that are migratory species. Therefore impacts to migratory birds recorded or considered likely to occur within the study area have been considered in this section.

7.2.1 Regulated vegetation

The field-validated vegetation mapping found that the study area (Figure 6) supports approximately:

- 102.6 ha of remnant least concern vegetation (i.e. RE 12.8.9, 12.8.14a and 12.8.17)
- 26.3 ha of remnant of concern vegetation (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7).

With reference to Figure 7, the proposed quarry layout provides for the retention and protection of all areas of remnant of concern vegetation (RE 12.9-10.7). However, approximately 60.2 ha of remnant least concern vegetation will be

impacted for the purposes of establishing the extraction footprint, processing and stockpile areas, access roads and infrastructure (i.e. site office, carpark, staff amenities etc.) associated with the proposed quarry. It is noted that some areas of remnant least concern vegetation intersect with stream order 1 and 2 drainage lines within the study area.

Under the *Planning Act 2016*, there are no exemptions for clearing remnant least concern vegetation on freehold land in a non-urban area to establish an extractive industry operation. Therefore, the proposed quarry, including the internal access track and haul road, must be assessed against the relevant components of 'State Code 16: Native vegetation clearing and a permit to clear native vegetation under the VM Act' must be obtained.

In accordance with the VM Act, an application to clear native vegetation will be included with the MCU – extractive industry application for the Queensland Government's State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) assessment and approval. This application will include assessment against the relevant performance outcomes (PO) of State Code 16, including POs relating to of concerns REs, essential habitat, connectivity and regulated vegetation intersecting a watercourse.

7.2.2 Threatened flora

No threatened flora were recorded, or are considered likely to occur in the study area during the field survey.

Notwithstanding the above, a considerable portion of Lot 2 is identified as occurring within mapped HRA on the DES Protected Plants - Flora Survey Trigger Map (Figure 3; Appendix C). Under the NC Act, a formal flora survey that satisfies DES' 'Flora Survey Guidelines – Protected Plants' (EHP 2016) is required. Targeted searches for threatened flora in suitable habitat and at vegetation assessment sites were carried our during the current field survey. However these surveys do not comply with the DES's Flora Survey Guidelines. More specifically, the Flora Survey Guidelines require timed random meanders or transect surveys to be carried out in the 'clearing impact area' plus a 100 m buffer.

It is recommended that prior to any vegetation clearing taking place, a formal flora survey that complies with the Flora Survey Guidelines is carried out along the proposed haul route, plus a 100 m buffer. Following the flora survey, a formal Flora Survey Report (FSR) will need to be submitted to DES in:

- order to demonstrate that no threatened flora species were identified within the clearing impact area (including the 100 m buffer) – the FSR must be submitted at least one week prior to any vegetation clearing; or
- support of an application for a Clearing Permit, when threatened flora have been identified within the clearing impact area and 100 m buffer.

Note that the FSR must be lodged with DES within 12 months of the flora surveys being undertaken.

As part of this process, should any threatened or near threatened flora be recorded, an assessment of the impacts against the DLGRMA's Significant Residual

Impact Guidelines (SDIP 2014) would be undertaken and the requirements for an environment offset under Queensland's EO Act determined.

7.2.3 Threatened fauna

The Koala is the only NC Act listed threatened species that was recorded within or is considered likely to occur within the study area. The level of impact to Koala habitat under the provisions of the EPBC Act has been addressed in Section 7.2.1. However, the proposed quarry will also be assessed against 'State Code 22: Environmentally Relevant Activities', which requires activities to avoid or minimise impacts to MSES, including protected wildlife habitat. It is also considered unlikely that the proposed quarry will result in a significant residual impact on the Koala in accordance with the SRI Guideline. Specifically, it is unlikely that habitat clearance associated with the proposed quarry will:

- lead to a long-term decrease in the size of a local population of the Koala, or
- reduce the extent of occurrence of the Koala, or
- fragment an existing population of the Koala, or
- result in genetically distinct populations of the Koala, or
- result in invasive species that are harmful to the Koala, or
- introduce disease that may cause populations of the Koala to decline, or
- interfere with the recovery of Koala or
- cause disruption to ecologically significant locations (breeding, feeding, nesting, migration or resting sites) for the Koala.

This assessment is based on the same reasoning present in Section 7.1.1 in that:

- 26.3 ha of higher quality habitat within which Koalas were recorded (i.e. remnant RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 located on lower slopes with a natural abundance of Queensland Blue Gum) will be retained
- to reduce indirect impacts to retained field-validated RE 12.9-10.7, a minimum 30 m wide buffer to these areas has been included in the quarry layout
- the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas given:
 - approximately 46.3 ha (or 66%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with elevations (i.e. greater 150 mAHD) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))
 - approximately 37.6 ha (or 54%) of Koala habitat within the quarry footprint is located on land with slopes (i.e. 10 - 50°) with which Koalas are less commonly associated both within the study area and broader South East Queensland Region (refer thresholds reported by GHD (2009))

- the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011)
- no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill
- Koalas tend to use the same set of trees in their home range (DoEE 2018). It therefore follows that the local Koala population is more likely to consistently use higher quality habitat in the study area within which individuals were recorded (directly and indirectly) and that will be retained as part of the proposed quarry layout, rather than move into lower quality habitat associated with less favourable landscape features (i.e. slopes above 10° and elevations above 150 mAHD) that will be directly impacted by the proposed quarry.
- Opportunities for Koala movement will remain:
 - along the western boundary of Lot 9
 - through the northern portion of Lot 9
 - through the central portion of the study area along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill
 - through the south-western corner of Lot 9 into Lot 2.

An additional requirement of the NC Act, under Section 332 (1) of the Nature Conservation (Wildlife Management) Regulation 2006 (NC Reg.), is that; 'a person must not, without a reasonable excuse, tamper with an animal breeding place that is being used by a protected animal to incubate or rear the animal's offspring', unless 'an approved species management program for animals of the same species' is in place. Given a threatened species has been recorded on site, a Highrisk Species Management Program (SMP) is required to minimise the risk of tampering with animal breeding places and where necessary, to do so in a sensitive manner during the course of the construction and operation of the quarry. The SMP would also include provisions (such as pre-clearing surveys, vegetation clearing protocols and presence of a spotter-catcher during clearing) to minimise harm to least concern fauna species that are likely to occur and potentially breed within the quarry footprint such as nesting birds, arboreal mammals (i.e. possums and Brush-tailed Phascogales) and reptiles. An application for a High-risk SMP would be prepared and submitted to DES once all necessary planning approvals have been secured for the project. Vegetation clearing required to construct the proposed quarry would not take place until the SMP has been approved.

7.3 Matters of local environmental significance

The study area has been identified as supporting State and Regional values on the Boonah Shire Planning Scheme's Overlay Map 2A: Natural Areas Overlay – Natural Values. An assessment of the proposed quarry against the relevant specific outcomes (SO) of the Natural Areas Overlay Code (i.e. those relating to natural values) is provided in Table 5 below.

Table 5: Assessment against Natural Areas Overlay Code – Natural Values

Performance criteria	Acceptable solution	Assessment
Performance criteria SO1 Biodiversity and habitat values are protected.	PS1.1 Buildings and associated infrastructure are located: (i) 40 metres from any watercourse or wetland; (ii) on land that has been previously cleared; (iii) in an area not demonstrated as being an important ecological corridor. OR PS1.2 A vegetated buffer of at least 50 metres width is provided between any waterway or wetland and any incompatible development activity.	There are a number of ephemeral 1 st order drainage lines and two 2 nd order drainages line within the study area. The proposed quarry layout has been designed to avoid impacts as far practical, whilst facilitating extraction of the target resource, i.e. trachyandesite. In this regard, the majority of drainage lines within the study area are not directly impacted by the proposed quarry. However, there will be unavoidable impacts to the majority of the 1 st order drainage line that originates from within the undulated low hill that will form part of the main extraction area. There will also be some impacts to six 1 st order drainage lines where proposed access roads intersect these drainage lines. The majority of these roads will be a maximum width of 15 m and flow within the drainage lines will be maintained through reinforced concrete pipes or box culverts where wider crossings are required (i.e. Lot 2). It is noted that the quarry layout is primarily driven by the underlying geology and the location of the target resource. In this regard, the layout has been designed to avoid impacts to remnant of concern vegetation that is also habitat for the Koala. The majority of direct impacts associated with the quarry have been restricted to areas of non-remnant and remnant least concern vegetation. The study area is identified as forming part of a regional terrestrial corridor by the Queensland Government. However, the corridor values of the study area itself have been reduced by the extent of vegetation clearing in the broader region, the fragmented nature of remnant vegetation communities in the landscape and the presence of barriers to fauna
		corridor values of the study area itself have been reduced by the extent of vegetation clearing in the broader region, the fragmented nature of remnant vegetation communities in the landscape
		along the western boundary of Lot 9in the northern portion of Lot 9

Performance criteria	Acceptable solution	Assessment
		 through the central portion of the study area (i.e. along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill) through the south-western portion of Lot 9 in and into Lot 2.
Viable networks of wildlife habitat are maintained or enhanced.	PS3.1 The maintenance of remnant native vegetation and other areas of habitat significance and wildlife corridors are achieved through site layout and the identification of "nogo" areas within the site boundaries where the development must not occur.	It is not possible to retain all areas of remnant vegetation identified within the study area and extract the target resource (i.e. trachyandesite). As a result, approximately 60.2 ha of remnant least concern vegetation will be removed as part of the proposal. However, the proposed layout has been specifically designed to avoid impacts to remnant of concern vegetation in the study area. In addition, a 30 m buffer has been provided to reduce indirect impacts to retained remnant of concern vegetation. In addition, movement opportunities for fauna will remain in the study area through the retention of vegetation: along the western boundary of Lot 9 in the northern portion of Lot 9 through the central portion of the study area along the lower slopes of the undulated low hill through the south-western portion of Lot 9 in and into Lot 2. While some of these corridors will be intersected by internal access roads, these are no anticipated to affect fauna movement given: the majority of the roads will be a maximum width of 15 m a 40 to 60 km/hr speed limit will be applied to all internal roads the quarry will not be operational at night, except through periods of peak demand.
The ecological values of an area identified in Overlay Map 2A are protected and/or enhanced.	PS4 Vegetation in areas identified as having 'state' or 'regional' value on Overlay Map 2A is retained.	As noted above it is not possible to retain all areas of vegetation in the study area identified as having state and regional values on Overlay Map 2A. However, the quarry layout has been designed to avoid impacts to areas of higher ecological value (i.e. remnant of concern vegetation that is also Koala habitat) and impacts to remnant least concern vegetation has been minimised as far as practicable.

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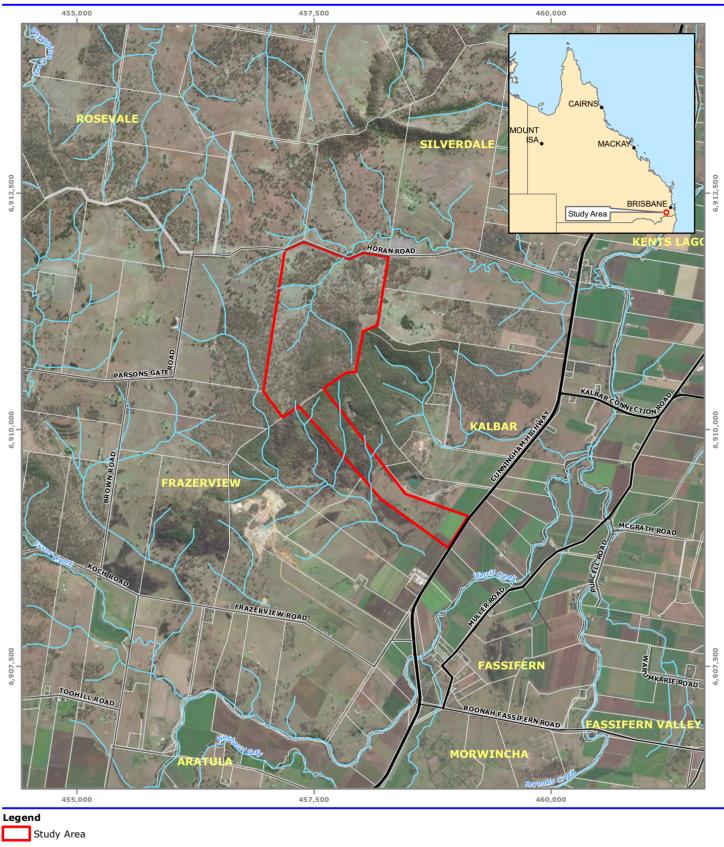
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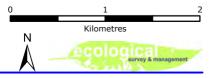
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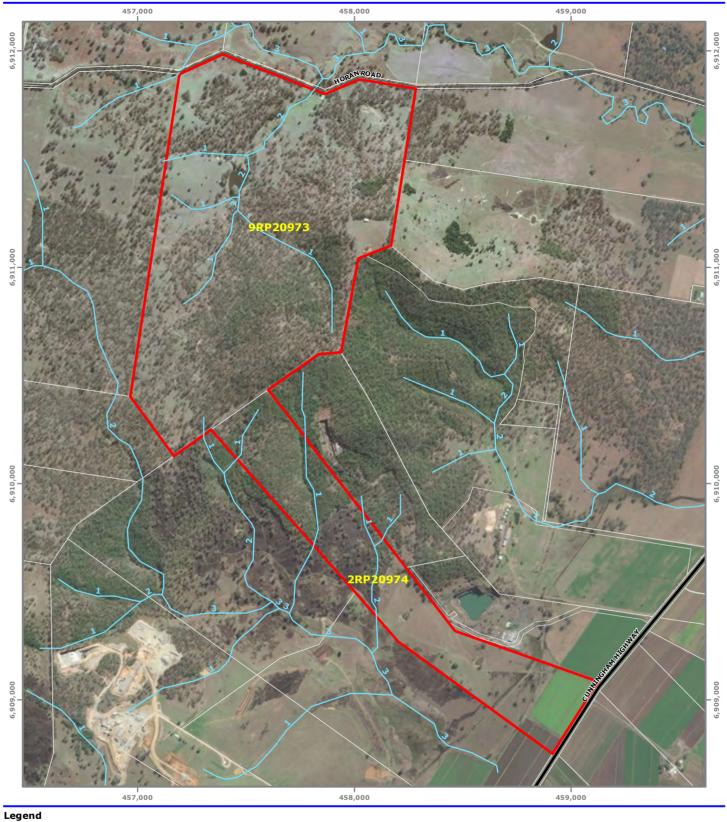
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Figure 1 : Study area locality

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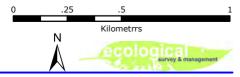


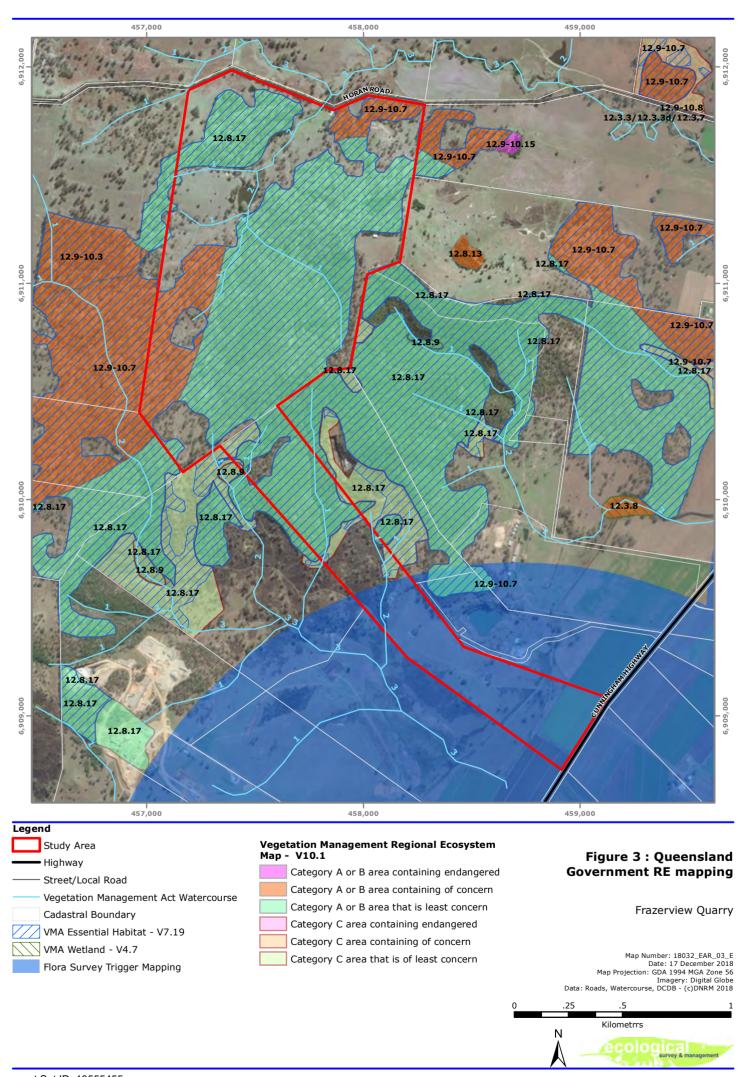
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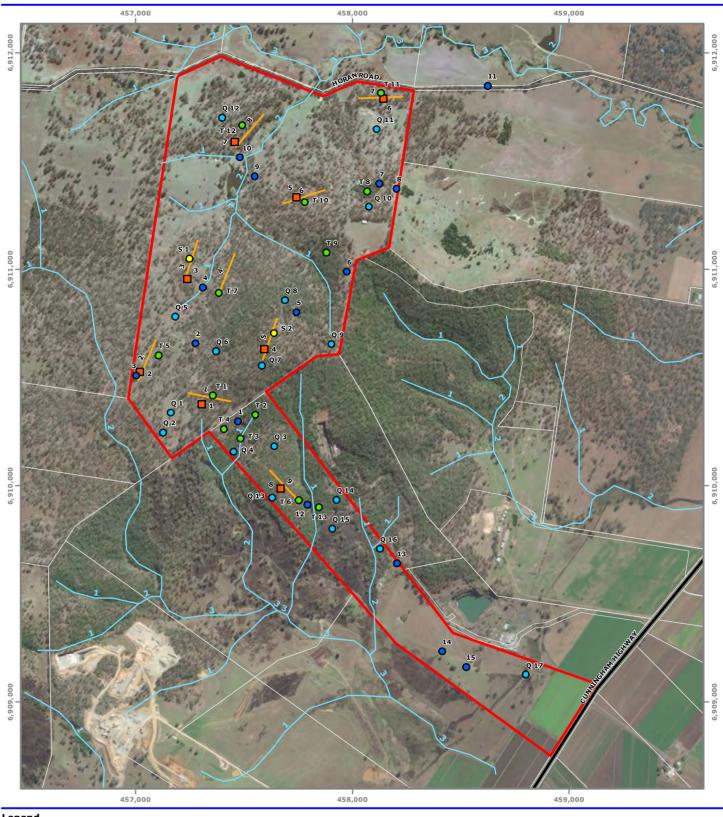
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Study Area

• Highway

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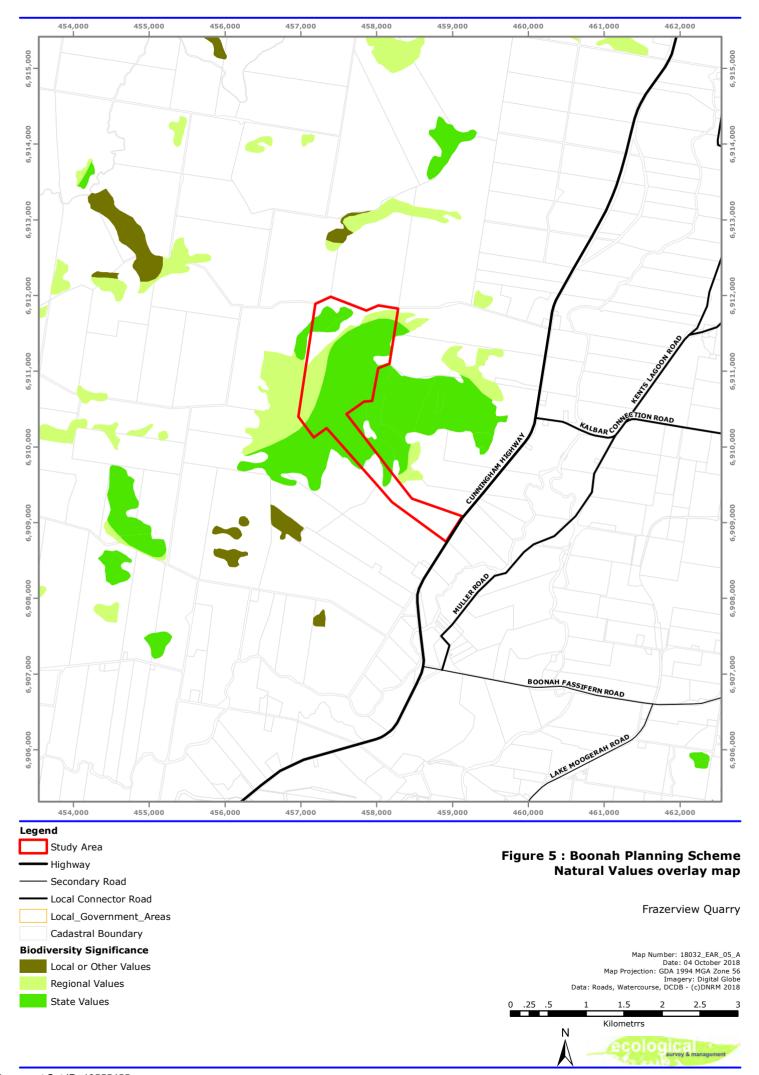
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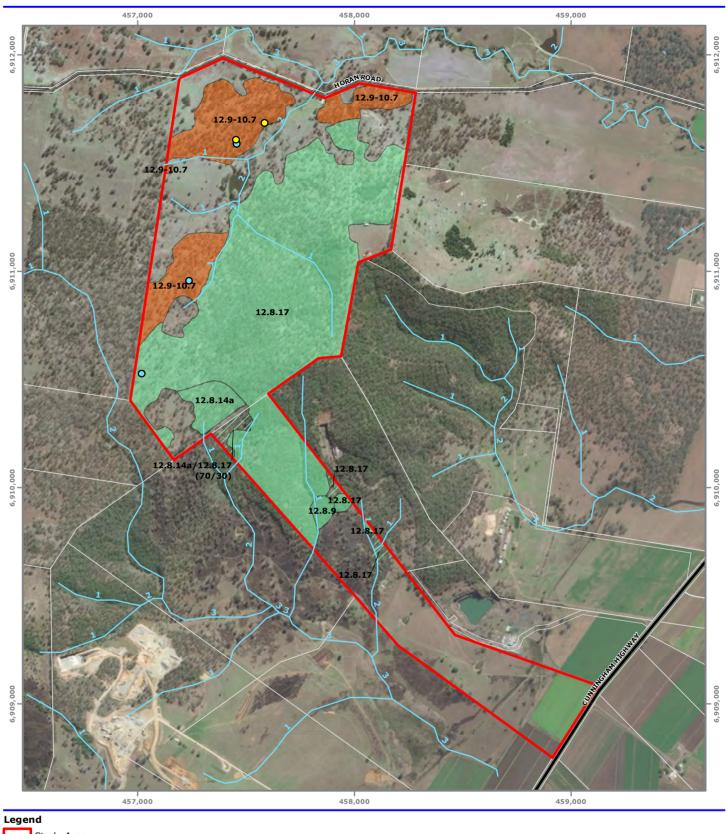
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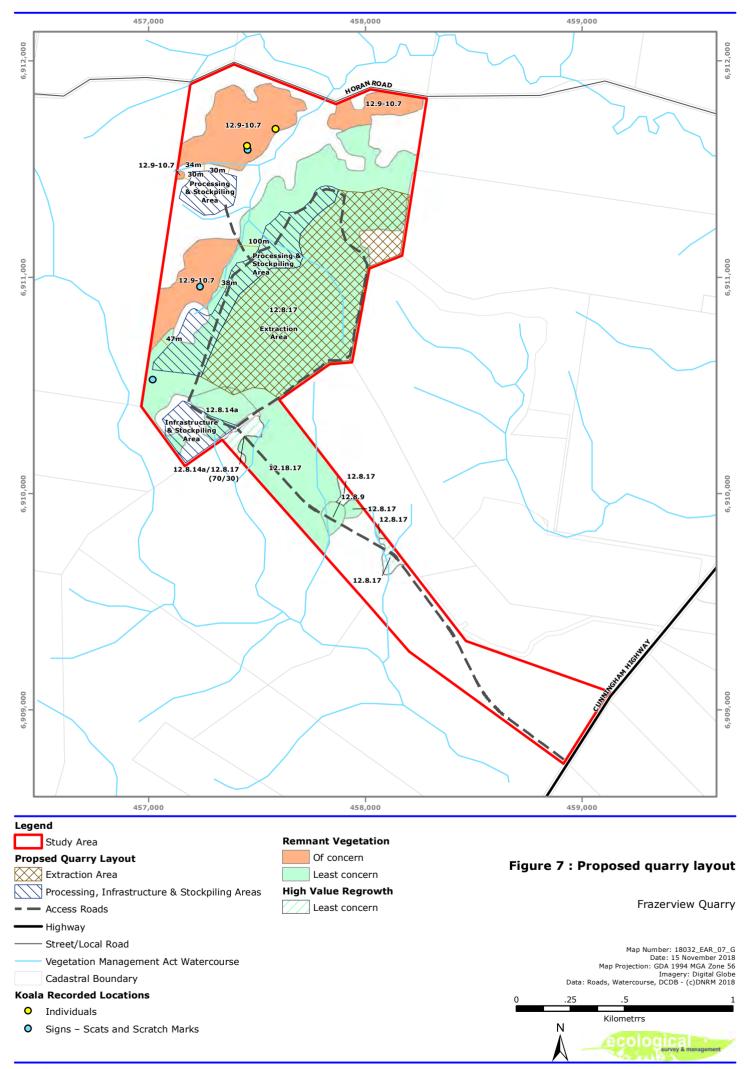
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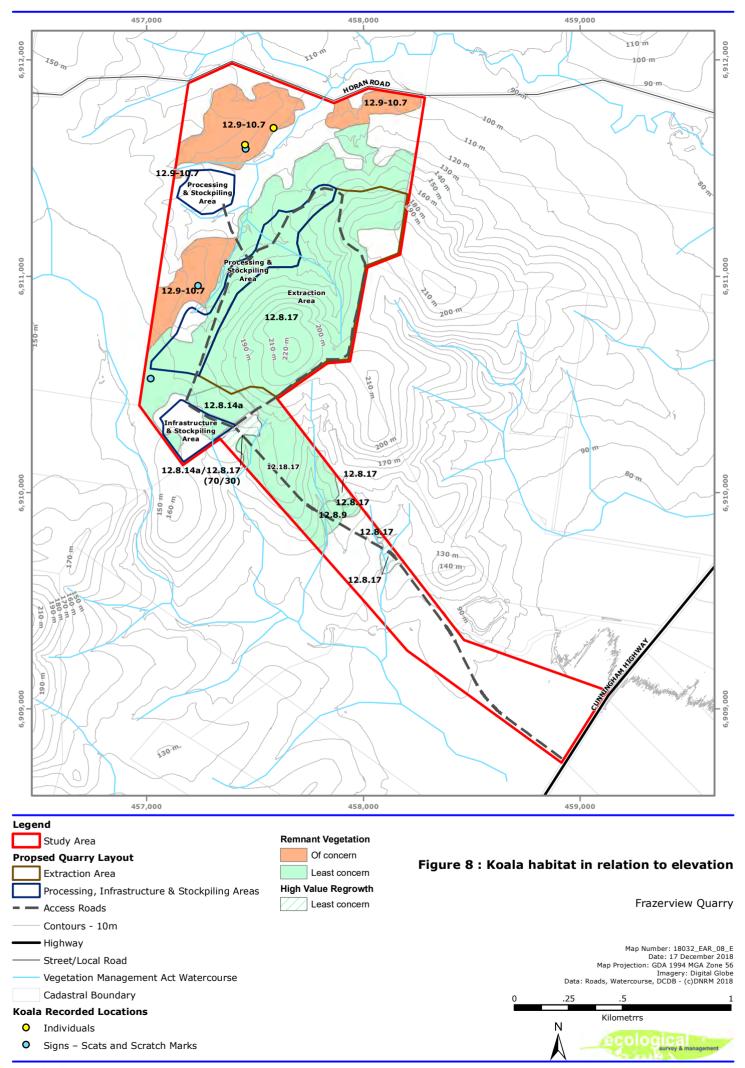
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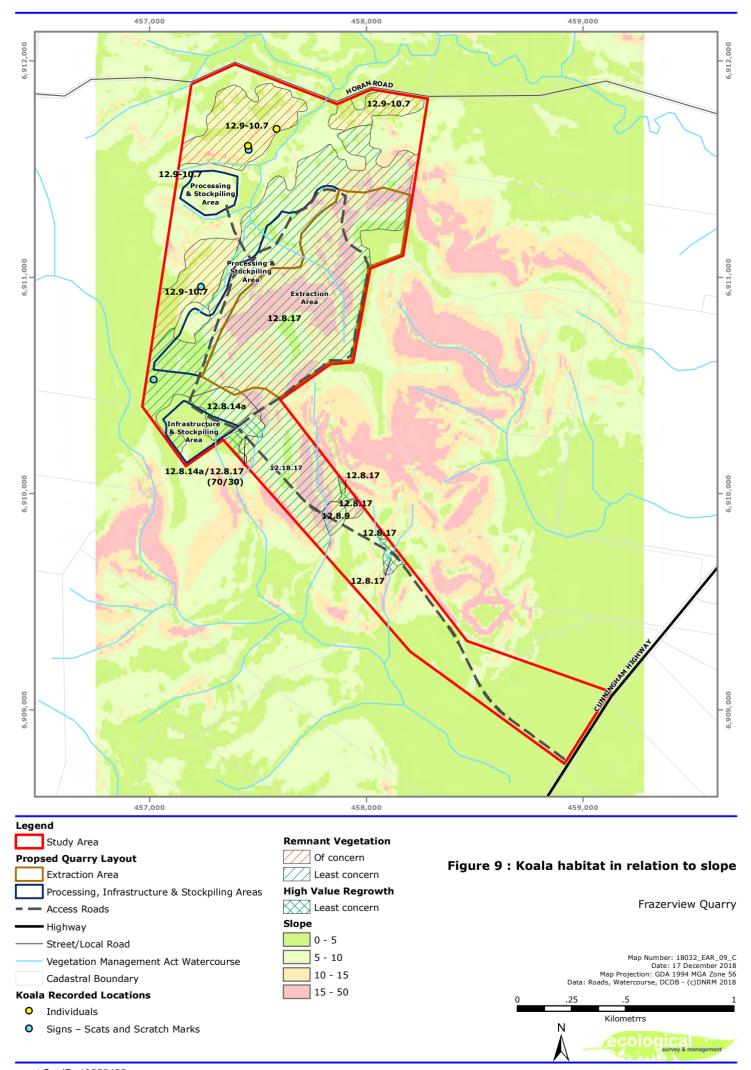
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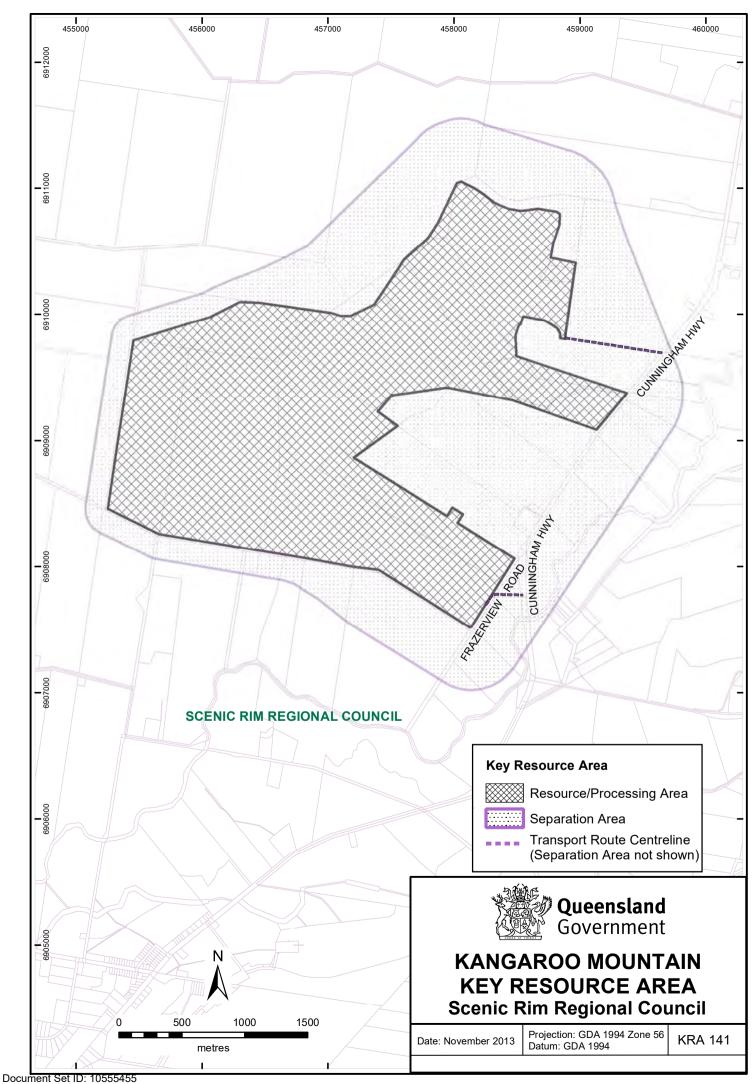






Appendix A

KRA 141 - Kangaroo Mountain Map



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Appendix B

Database search results

EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected.

Information on the coverage of this report and qualifications on data supporting this report are contained in the caveat at the end of the report.

Information is available about <u>Environment Assessments</u> and the EPBC Act including significance guidelines, forms and application process details.

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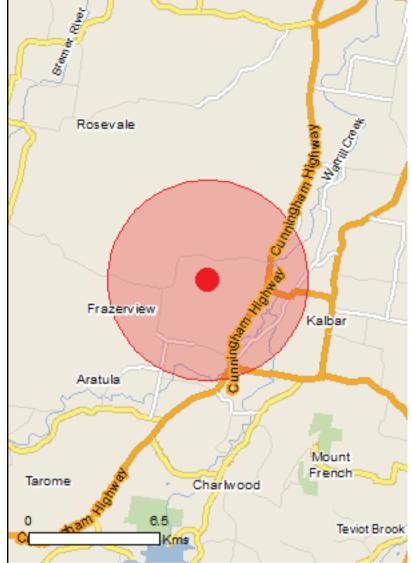
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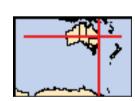
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Summary

Matters of National Environmental Significance

This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the <u>Administrative Guidelines on Significance</u>.

World Heritage Properties:	None
National Heritage Places:	None
Wetlands of International Importance:	None
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park:	None
Commonwealth Marine Area:	None
Listed Threatened Ecological Communities:	2
Listed Threatened Species:	37
Listed Migratory Species:	16

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at http://www.environment.gov.au/heritage

A <u>permit</u> may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species.

Commonwealth Land:	None
Commonwealth Heritage Places:	None
<u>Listed Marine Species:</u>	22
Whales and Other Cetaceans:	None
Critical Habitats:	None
Commonwealth Reserves Terrestrial:	None
Australian Marine Parks:	None

Extra Information

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have nominated.

State and Territory Reserves:	None
Regional Forest Agreements:	None
Invasive Species:	33
Nationally Important Wetlands:	None
Key Ecological Features (Marine)	None

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

Listed Threatened Ecological Communities

community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps. Type of Presence Name **Status** Lowland Rainforest of Subtropical Australia Critically Endangered Community likely to occur within area White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Community likely to occur Critically Endangered Woodland and Derived Native Grassland within area Listed Threatened Species [Resource Information] Status Type of Presence Name Birds Anthochaera phrygia Regent Honeyeater [82338] Critically Endangered Foraging, feeding or related behaviour may occur within area Botaurus poiciloptilus Australasian Bittern [1001] Species or species habitat Endangered known to occur within area Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856] Critically Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni Coxen's Fig-Parrot [59714] Species or species habitat Endangered may occur within area Dasyornis brachypterus Eastern Bristlebird [533] Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area **Erythrotriorchis radiatus** Red Goshawk [942] Species or species habitat Vulnerable likely to occur within area Geophaps scripta scripta Squatter Pigeon (southern) [64440] Species or species habitat Vulnerable may occur within area Grantiella picta Painted Honeyeater [470] Vulnerable Species or species habitat may occur within area Lathamus discolor Swift Parrot [744] Critically Endangered Species or species habitat likely to occur within area Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847] Critically Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are derived from recovery

plans, State vegetation maps, remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological

[Resource Information]

Name	Status	Type of Presence
Poephila cincta cincta Southern Black-throated Finch [64447]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Rostratula australis Australian Painted-snipe, Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Turnix melanogaster Black-breasted Button-quail [923]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Fish		
Murray Cod [66633]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Frogs		
Mixophyes fleayi Fleay's Frog [25960]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Mammals		
Chalinolobus dwyeri Large-eared Pied Bat, Large Pied Bat [183]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Dasyurus maculatus maculatus (SE mainland population Spot-tailed Quoll, Spotted-tail Quoll, Tiger Quoll (southeastern mainland population) [75184]	<u>on)</u> Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Petauroides volans Greater Glider [254]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Petrogale penicillata Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby [225]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Phascolarctos cinereus (combined populations of Qld, Koala (combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory) [85104]	NSW and the ACT) Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Potorous tridactylus tridactylus Long-nosed Potoroo (SE mainland) [66645]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Pseudomys novaehollandiae New Holland Mouse, Pookila [96]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Pteropus poliocephalus Grey-headed Flying-fox [186]	Vulnerable	Foraging, feeding or related behaviour known to occur within area
Plants		
Arthraxon hispidus Hairy-joint Grass [9338]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Bertya ernestiana a shrub [78349]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Bosistoa transversa Three-leaved Bosistoa, Yellow Satinheart [16091]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Bulbophyllum globuliforme Miniature Moss-orchid, Hoop Pine Orchid [6649]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area

Name	Status	Type of Presence
Cupaniopsis tomentella Boonah Tuckeroo [3322]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
<u>Dichanthium setosum</u> bluegrass [14159]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
<u>Lepidium peregrinum</u> Wandering Pepper-cress [14035]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
<u>Lychnothamnus barbatus</u> a green alga [64479]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Macadamia integrifolia Macadamia Nut, Queensland Nut Tree, Smooth- shelled Macadamia, Bush Nut, Nut Oak [7326]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Notelaea Iloydii Lloyd's Olive [15002]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
<u>Thesium australe</u> Austral Toadflax, Toadflax [15202]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Reptiles		
<u>Delma torquata</u> Adorned Delma, Collared Delma [1656]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Furina dunmalli Dunmall's Snake [59254]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Saiphos reticulatus Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink [88328]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Listed Migratom, Chasins		[Decourse Information
Listed Migratory Species * Species is listed under a different scientific name on	the EDDC Act. Threatened	[Resource Information]
* Species is listed under a different scientific name on Name	Threatened	Type of Presence
Migratory Marine Birds		.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Migratory Terrestrial Species		
Cuculus optatus Oriental Cuckoo, Horsfield's Cuckoo [86651]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail [682]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Monarcha melanopsis Black-faced Monarch [609]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Monarcha trivirgatus Spectacled Monarch [610]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area

Name	Threatened	Type of Presence
Myiagra cyanoleuca Satin Flycatcher [612]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Rhipidura rufifrons Rufous Fantail [592]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Migratory Wetlands Species		
Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Gallinago hardwickii Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe [863]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Pandion haliaetus Osprey [952]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
<u>Tringa nebularia</u> Common Greenshank, Greenshank [832]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Listed Marine Species		[Resource Information]
* Species is listed under a different scientific n	ame on the EPBC Act - Threat	tened Species list.
Name	Threatened	Type of Presence
Birds		
Actitis hypoleucos		
Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Anseranas semipalmata		
Magpie Goose [978]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Apus pacificus		
Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Ardea alba		
Great Egret, White Egret [59541]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Ardea ibis		
Cattle Egret [59542]		Species or species habitat may occur within area

Name	Threatened	Type of Presence
Calidris acuminata		. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris melanotos		
Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Gallinago hardwickii Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe [863]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Haliaeetus leucogaster White-bellied Sea-Eagle [943]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail [682]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Lathamus discolor Swift Parrot [744]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Monarcha melanopsis Black-faced Monarch [609]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Monarcha trivirgatus Spectacled Monarch [610]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Pandion haliaetus Osprey [952]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Rhipidura rufifrons Rufous Fantail [592]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Rostratula benghalensis (sensu lato) Painted Snipe [889]	Endangered*	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Tringa nebularia Common Greenshank, Greenshank [832]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

Extra Information

Invasive Species [Resource Information]

Weeds reported here are the 20 species of national significance (WoNS), along with other introduced plants that are considered by the States and Territories to pose a particularly significant threat to biodiversity. The following feral animals are reported: Goat, Red Fox, Cat, Rabbit, Pig, Water Buffalo and Cane Toad. Maps from Landscape Health Project, National Land and Water Resouces Audit, 2001.

Name	Status	Type of Presence
Birds		
Acridotheres tristis		
Common Myna, Indian Myna [387]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Anas platyrhynchos		
Mallard [974]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Carduelis carduelis		
European Goldfinch [403]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Columba livia		
Rock Pigeon, Rock Dove, Domestic Pigeon [803]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Lonchura punctulata		
Nutmeg Mannikin [399]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Passer domesticus		
House Sparrow [405]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Streptopelia chinensis		
Spotted Turtle-Dove [780]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Sturnus vulgaris		
Common Starling [389]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Frogs		
Rhinella marina		
Cane Toad [83218]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Mammals		
Bos taurus		
Domestic Cattle [16]		Species or species habitat

likely to occur

Name	Status	Type of Presence
		within area
Canis lupus familiaris		
Domestic Dog [82654]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Felis catus		
Cat, House Cat, Domestic Cat [19]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Lepus capensis		
Brown Hare [127]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Mus musculus		
House Mouse [120]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Oryctolagus cuniculus		
Rabbit, European Rabbit [128]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Rattus norvegicus		
Brown Rat, Norway Rat [83]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Rattus rattus		
Black Rat, Ship Rat [84]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Sus scrofa		
Pig [6]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Vulpes vulpes		
Red Fox, Fox [18]		Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Plants		
Asparagus africanus		
Climbing Asparagus, Climbing Asparagus Ferr	1	Species or species habitat
[66907]		likely to occur within area
Asparagus plumosus		
Climbing Asparagus-fern [48993]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Cabomba caroliniana		
Cabomba, Fanwort, Carolina Watershield, Fish	•	Species or species habitat
Washington Grass, Watershield, Carolina Fant Common Cabomba [5171]	WOIL,	likely to occur within area
Chrysanthemoides monilifera		
Bitou Bush, Boneseed [18983]		Species or species habitat
		may occur within area
Dolichandra unguis-cati		
Cat's Claw Vine, Yellow Trumpet Vine, Cat's C	law	Species or species habitat
Creeper, Funnel Creeper [85119]		likely to occur within area
Lantana camara		
Lantana, Common Lantana, Kamara Lantana,	•	Species or species habitat
leaf Lantana, Pink Flowered Lantana, Red Flow Lantana, Red-Flowered Sage, White Sage, Wi		likely to occur within area
[10892]	ia cago	
Parkinsonia aculeata		
Parkinsonia, Jerusalem Thorn, Jelly Bean Tree	e, Horse	Species or species habitat
Bean [12301]		likely to occur within area
Parthenium hysterophorus		
Parthenium Weed, Bitter Weed, Carrot Grass,	False	Species or species habitat
		likely to occur within area
Ragweed [19566]		
Salix spp. except S.babylonica, S.x calodendro		
		Species or species

Type of Presence Name Status habitat likely to occur within Sterile Pussy Willow [68497] area Salvinia molesta Salvinia, Giant Salvinia, Aquarium Watermoss, Kariba Species or species habitat likely to occur within area Weed [13665] Senecio madagascariensis Species or species habitat Fireweed, Madagascar Ragwort, Madagascar likely to occur within area Groundsel [2624] Solanum elaeagnifolium Silver Nightshade, Silver-leaved Nightshade, White Species or species habitat Horse Nettle, Silver-leaf Nightshade, Tomato Weed, likely to occur within area White Nightshade, Bull-nettle, Prairie-berry, Satansbos, Silver-leaf Bitter-apple, Silverleaf-nettle, Trompillo [12323] Reptiles Hemidactylus frenatus Asian House Gecko [1708] Species or species habitat likely to occur within area Ramphotyphlops braminus Flowerpot Blind Snake, Brahminy Blind Snake, Cacing Species or species habitat Besi [1258] may occur within area

Caveat

The information presented in this report has been provided by a range of data sources as acknowledged at the end of the report.

This report is designed to assist in identifying the locations of places which may be relevant in determining obligations under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999. It holds mapped locations of World and National Heritage properties, Wetlands of International and National Importance, Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves, listed threatened, migratory and marine species and listed threatened ecological communities. Mapping of Commonwealth land is not complete at this stage. Maps have been collated from a range of sources at various resolutions.

Not all species listed under the EPBC Act have been mapped (see below) and therefore a report is a general guide only. Where available data supports mapping, the type of presence that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. People using this information in making a referral may need to consider the qualifications below and may need to seek and consider other information sources.

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are derived from recovery plans, State vegetation maps, remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Threatened, migratory and marine species distributions have been derived through a variety of methods. Where distributions are well known and if time permits, maps are derived using either thematic spatial data (i.e. vegetation, soils, geology, elevation, aspect, terrain, etc) together with point locations and described habitat; or environmental modelling (MAXENT or BIOCLIM habitat modelling) using point locations and environmental data layers.

Where very little information is available for species or large number of maps are required in a short time-frame, maps are derived either from 0.04 or 0.02 decimal degree cells; by an automated process using polygon capture techniques (static two kilometre grid cells, alpha-hull and convex hull); or captured manually or by using topographic features (national park boundaries, islands, etc). In the early stages of the distribution mapping process (1999-early 2000s) distributions were defined by degree blocks, 100K or 250K map sheets to rapidly create distribution maps. More reliable distribution mapping methods are used to update these distributions as time permits.

Only selected species covered by the following provisions of the EPBC Act have been mapped:

- migratory and
- marine

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in reports produced from this database:

- threatened species listed as extinct or considered as vagrants
- some species and ecological communities that have only recently been listed
- some terrestrial species that overfly the Commonwealth marine area
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in small numbers

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:

- non-threatened seabirds which have only been mapped for recorded breeding sites
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent

Such breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

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- -Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania
- -Other groups and individuals

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Kingdom	Class	Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	I	Q	Α	Records
animals	amphibians	Bufonidae	Rhinella marina	cane toad	Υ			1
animals	amphibians	Hylidae	Litoria fallax	eastern sedgefrog		С		1
animals	birds	Acanthizidae	Acanthiza chrysorrhoa	yellow-rumped thornbill		С		1
animals	birds	Accipitridae	Haliastur sphenurus	whistling kite		С		1
animals	birds	Accipitridae	Elanus axillaris	black-shouldered kite		Č		1
animals	birds	Accipitridae	Milvus migrans	black kite		Č		1
animals	birds	Anatidae	Chenonetta jubata	Australian wood duck		Č		2
animals	birds	Anatidae	Aythya australis	hardhead		CCC		1
animals	birds	Anatidae	Anas gracilis	grey teal		Č		1
animals	birds	Anatidae	Anas superciliosa	Pacific black duck		Č		3
animals	birds	Anhingidae	Anhinga novaehollandiae	Australasian darter		Č		1
animals	birds	Apodidae	Apus pacificus	fork-tailed swift		SL		1
animals	birds	Ardeidae	Bubulcus ibis	cattle egret		C		2
animals	birds	Ardeidae	Egretta novaehollandiae	white-faced heron		Č		3
animals	birds	Artamidae	Cracticus torquatus	grey butcherbird		Č		1
animals	birds	Artamidae	Cracticus tibicen	Australian magpie		Č		3
animals	birds	Artamidae	Cracticus nigrogularis	pied butcherbird		C		1
animals	birds	Cacatuidae	Nymphicus hollandicus	cockatiel		Č		1
	birds	Cacatuidae		galah		C		1
animals	birds		Eolophus roseicapilla Coracina novaehollandiae	yalan black-faced cuckoo-shrike		C C		1
animals	birds	Campephagidae	Coracina novaenoliandiae Coracina maxima			C		1
animals		Campephagidae Charadriidae		ground cuckoo-shrike		C		1
animals	birds	Ciconiidae	Vanellus miles novaehollandiae	masked lapwing (southern subspecies)		C		
animals	birds		Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus	black-necked stork		C		1
animals	birds	Cisticolidae	Cisticola exilis	golden-headed cisticola	Υ	C		2
animals	birds	Columbidae	Columba livia	rock dove	Y	0		1
animals	birds	Columbidae	Geopelia striata	peaceful dove		С		1
animals	birds	Columbidae	Ocyphaps lophotes	crested pigeon	\/	С		2
animals	birds	Columbidae	Streptopelia chinensis	spotted dove	Υ	0		2
animals	birds	Corvidae	Corvus orru	Torresian crow		С		6
animals	birds	Cuculidae	Centropus phasianinus	pheasant coucal		С		2
animals	birds	Estrildidae	Taeniopygia guttata	zebra finch		C		1
animals	birds	Estrildidae	Taeniopygia bichenovii	double-barred finch		C		1
animals	birds	Falconidae	Falco subniger	black falcon		C		1
animals	birds	Falconidae	Falco cenchroides	nankeen kestrel		00000		1
animals	birds	Halcyonidae	Dacelo novaeguineae	laughing kookaburra				1
animals	birds	Halcyonidae	Todiramphus sanctus	sacred kingfisher		С		1
animals	birds	Hirundinidae	Petrochelidon ariel	fairy martin		С		2
animals	birds	Hirundinidae	Cheramoeca leucosterna	white-backed swallow		С		1
animals	birds	Hirundinidae	Hirundo neoxena	welcome swallow		C		1
animals	birds	Maluridae	Malurus cyaneus	superb fairy-wren		C		2
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Plectorhyncha lanceolata	striped honeyeater		С		2
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Philemon corniculatus	noisy friarbird		С		2
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Melithreptus albogularis	white-throated honeyeater		C		1
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Philemon citreogularis	little friarbird		С		1
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Myzomela sanguinolenta	scarlet honeyeater		С		3
animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Lichmera indistincta	brown honeyeater		С		1

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animals	birds	Meliphagidae	Manorina melanocephala	noisy miner		С		1
animals	birds	Meropidae	Merops ornatus	rainbow bee-eater		С		1
animals	birds	Monarchidae	Grallina cyanoleuca	magpie-lark		С		3
animals	birds	Motacillidae	Anthus novaeseelandiae	Australasian pipit		С		1
animals	birds	Nectariniidae	Dicaeum hirundinaceum	mistletoebird		С		3
animals	birds	Oriolidae	Oriolus sagittatus	olive-backed oriole		C C		1
animals	birds	Oriolidae	Sphecotheres vieilloti	Australasian figbird		С		2
animals	birds	Pachycephalidae	Colluricincla harmonica	grey shrike-thrush		С		1
animals	birds	Pardalotidae	Pardalotus striatus	striated pardalote		С		1
animals	birds	Passeridae	Passer domesticus	house sparrow	Υ			2
animals	birds	Phaethontidae	Phaethon rubricauda	red-tailed tropicbird		V		3/1
animals	birds	Phalacrocoracidae	Microcarbo melanoleucos	little pied cormorant		С		1
animals	birds	Phasianidae	Coturnix ypsilophora	brown quail		С		1
animals	birds	Podicipedidae	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	Australasian grebe		С		1
animals	birds	Psittacidae	Trichoglossus haematodus moluccanus	rainbow lorikeet		CCC		3
animals	birds	Psittacidae	Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus	scaly-breasted lorikeet		C		2
animals	birds	Psittacidae	Platycercus adscitus	pale-headed rosella		C		2
animals	birds	Rallidae	Porphyrio melanotus	purple swamphen		C C		_ 1
animals	birds	Rallidae	Gallinula tenebrosa	dusky moorhen		Č		1
animals	birds	Recurvirostridae	Himantopus himantopus	black-winged stilt		Č		1
animals	birds	Rhipiduridae	Rhipidura leucophrys	willie wagtail		Č		2
animals	birds	Sturnidae	Acridotheres tristis	common myna	Υ	•		_ 1
animals	birds	Sturnidae	Sturnus vulgaris	common starling	Ý			4
animals	birds	Threskiornithidae	Threskiornis molucca	Australian white ibis	•	С		2
animals	birds	Threskiornithidae	Platalea regia	royal spoonbill		Č		1
animals	birds	Threskiornithidae	Threskiornis spinicollis	straw-necked ibis		č		2
animals	birds	Tytonidae	Tyto delicatula	eastern barn owl		Č		2
animals	mammals	Canidae	Vulpes vulpes	red fox	Υ			2
animals	mammals	Dasyuridae	Phascogale tapoatafa tapoatafa	brush-tailed phascogale	•	С		2
animals	mammals	Muridae	Rattus rattus	black rat	Υ	•		1
animals	mammals	Phascolarctidae	Phascolarctos cinereus	koala	•	V	V	27
animals	mammals	Pteropodidae	Pteropus scapulatus	little red flying-fox		Č	·	1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Ambassidae	Ambassis agassizii	Agassiz's glassfish		•		8
animals	ray-finned fishes	Anguillidae	Anguilla reinhardtii	longfin eel				14
animals	ray-finned fishes	Anguillidae	Anguilla australis	southern shortfin eel				13
animals	ray-finned fishes	Atherinidae	Craterocephalus stercusmuscarum	flyspecked hardyhead				8
animals	ray-finned fishes	Atherinidae	Craterocephalus marjoriae	silverstreak hardyhead				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Clupeidae	Nematalosa erebi	bony bream				2
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Hypseleotris klunzingeri	western carp gudgeon				15
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Philypnodon grandiceps	flathead gudgeon				7
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Hypseleotris compressa	empire gudgeon				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Gobiomorphus coxii	Cox gudgeon				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Hypseleotris galii	firetail gudgeon				18
animals	ray-finned fishes	Eleotridae	Gobiomorphus australis	striped gudgeon				2
animals	ray-finned fishes	Melanotaeniidae	Melanotaenia duboulayi	crimsonspotted rainbowfish				13
animals	ray-finned fishes	Mugilidae	Mugil cephalus	sea mullet				10
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animals	ray-finned fishes	Percichthyidae	Macquaria novemaculeata	Australian bass				4
animals	ray-finned fishes	Plotosidae	Tandanus tandanus	freshwater catfish				12
animals	ray-finned fishes		Gambusia holbrooki	mosquitofish	Υ			16
animals	ray-finned fishes	Retropinnidae	Retropinna semoni	Australian smelt				11
animals	ray-finned fishes		Notesthes robusta	bullrout				1
animals	ray-finned fishes	Terapontidae	Leiopotherapon unicolor	spangled perch				14
animals	reptiles	Agamidae	Pogona barbata	bearded dragon		С		1
animals	reptiles	Boidae	Morelia spilota	carpet python		С		1
animals	reptiles	Elapidae	Pseudonaja textilis	eastern brown snake		С		1
animals	reptiles	Scincidae	Ctenotus spaldingi	straight-browed ctenotus		С		1
animals	reptiles	Scincidae	Lampropholis delicata	dark-flecked garden sunskink		С		1
plants	higher dicots	Bignoniaceae	Dolichandra unguis-cati	cat's claw creeper	Υ			1/1
plants	higher dicots	Euphorbiaceae	Ricinus communis	castor oil bush	Υ			2/2
plants	higher dicots	Phytolaccaceae	Phytolacca dioica	bella sombra	Υ			1/1
plants	higher dicots	Sapindaceae	Cupaniopsis tomentella	Boonah tuckeroo		V	V	1/1
plants	higher dicots	Ulmaceae	Celtis sinensis	Chinese elm	Υ			1/1
plants	monocots	Asparagaceae	Asparagus africanus	ornamental asparagus	Υ			1/1
plants	monocots	Cyperaceae	Cyperus eragrostis		Υ			1/1
plants	monocots	Poaceae	Sporobolus coromandelianus		Υ			1/1
plants	monocots	Poaceae	Arundo donax		Υ			1/1
plants	mosses	Meteoriaceae	Papillaria flexicaulis			С		2/2
protists	green algae	Chlorophyceae	Stigeoclonium askenasyi			С		1/1
protists	•	Streptophyceae	Lychnothamnus barbatus			V	Е	2/2

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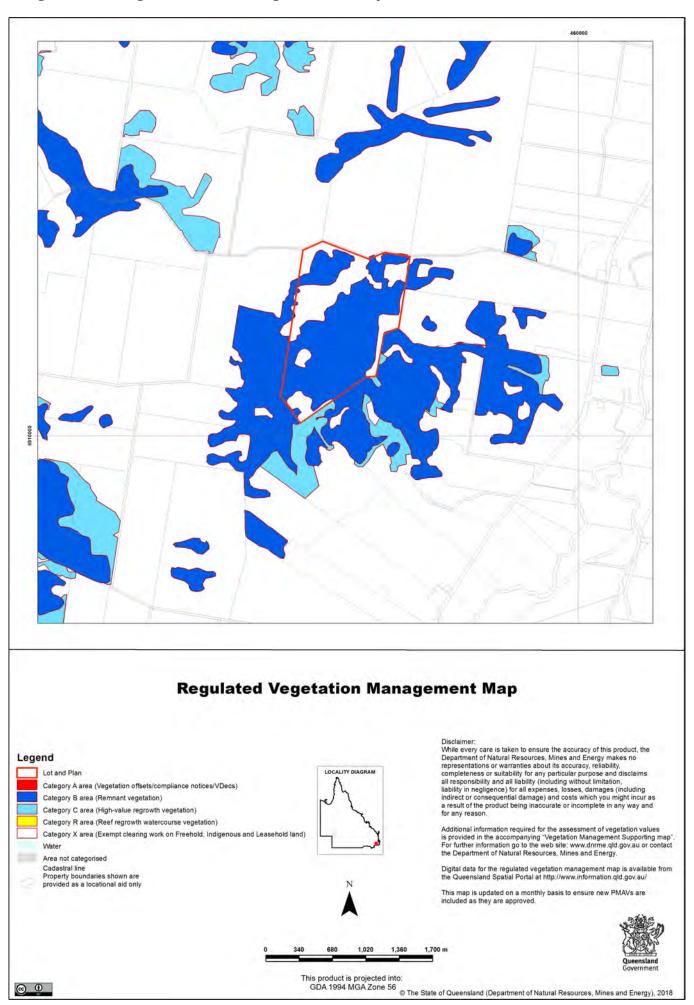
- I Y indicates that the taxon is introduced to Queensland and has naturalised.
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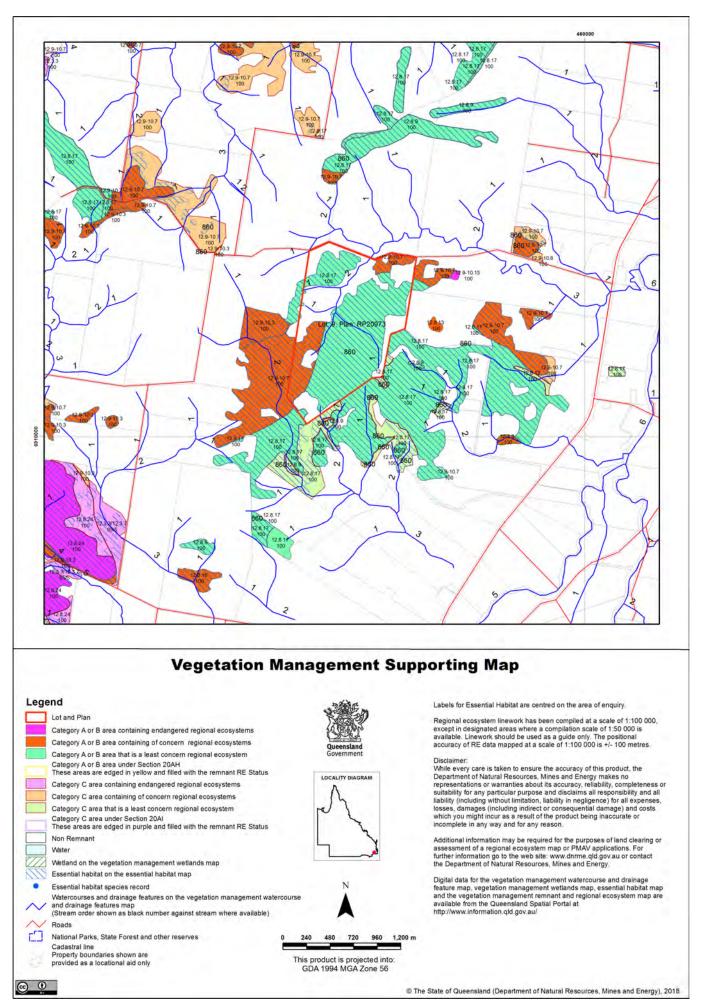
Appendix C

Queensland Government Mapping

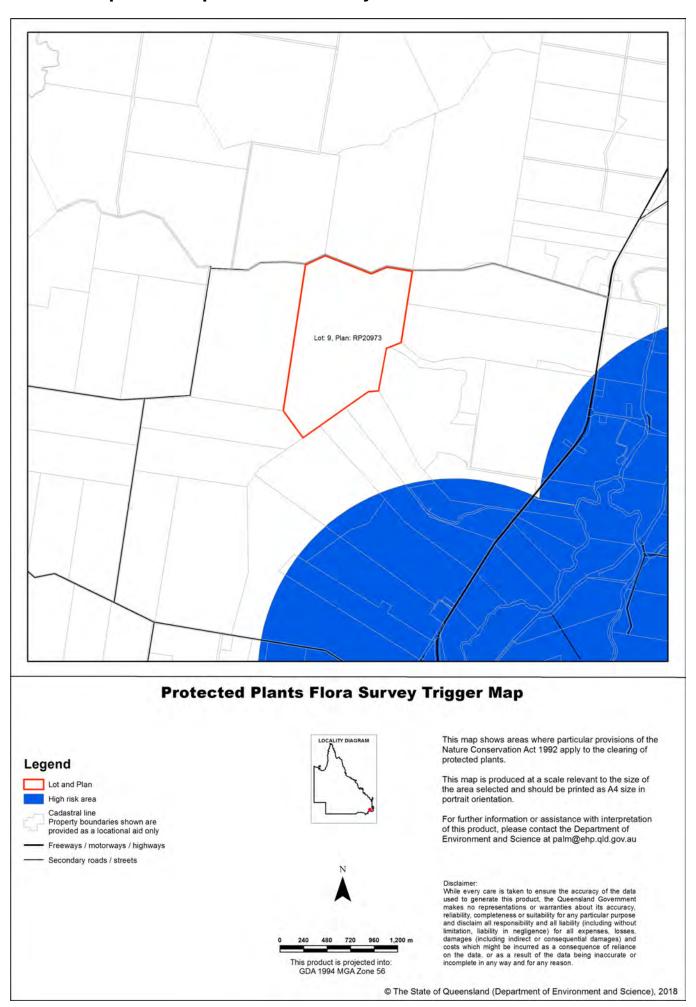
5.1 Regulated vegetation management map



5.2 Vegetation management supporting map



5.4 Protected plants map administered by DES



6. Other relevant legislation contacts list

Activity	Legislation	Agency	Contact details
Interference with overland flow Earthworks, significant disturbance	Water Act 2000 Soil Conservation Act 1986	Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dnrme.qld.gov.au
Indigenous Cultural Heritage	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003	Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.datsip.qld.gov.au
Mining and environmentally relevant activities Infrastructure development (coastal) Heritage issues Protected plants and protected areas¹	Environmental Protection Act 1994 Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 Queensland Heritage Act 1992 Nature Conservation Act 1992	Department of Environment and Science (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.des.qld.gov.au
Interference with fish passage in a watercourse, mangroves Forestry activities ²	Fisheries Act 1994 Forestry Act 1959	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.daf.qld.gov.au
Matters of National Environmental Significance including listed threatened species and ecological communities	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Department of the Environment (Australian Government)	Ph: 1800 803 772 www.environment.gov.au
Development and planning processes	Planning Act 2016 State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971	Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au
Local government requirements	Local Government Act 2009 Planning Act 2016	Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs (Queensland Government)	Ph: 13 QGOV (13 74 68) Your relevant local government office

- 1. In Queensland, all plants that are native to Australia are protected plants under the <u>Nature Conservation Act 1992</u>, which endeavours to ensure that protected plants (whether whole plants or protected plants parts) are not illegally removed from the wild, or illegally traded. Prior to clearing, you should check the flora survey trigger map to determine if the clearing is within a high-risk area by visiting <u>www.des.qld.gov.au</u>. For further information or assistance on the protected plants flora survey trigger map for your property, please contact the Department of Environment and Science on 13QGOV (13 74 68) or email <u>palm@des.gld.gov.au</u>.
- 2. Contact the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries before clearing:
 - Any sandalwood on state-owned land (including leasehold land)
 - · On freehold land in a 'forest consent area'
 - More than five hectares on state-owned land (including leasehold land) containing commercial timber species listed in parts 2 or 3 of Schedule 6 of the Vegetation Management Regulation 2012 and located within any of the following local government management areas-Banana, Bundaberg Regional, Fraser Coast Regional, Gladstone Regional, Isaac Regional, North Burnett Regional, Somerset Regional, South Burnett Regional, Southern Downs Regional, Tablelands Regional, Toowoomba Regional, Western Downs Regional.

Appendix D

Flora species recorded within the study area

Table D1. Flora species recorded in the study area

	Scientific name		Sta	tus¹	Remnant (Category B)				Non- remnant (Category X)	
Family		Common name	EPBC Act IC Act		12.8.17		12.9-10.7			
			ш	S	S2	Extras	S1	Extras	Dam	
Malvaceae	Abutilon oxycarpum var. oxycarpum	Straggly Lantern Bush	NL	LC	+(t)					
Mimosaceae	Acacia falcata	Sickle-leaved Wattle	NL	LC		+				
Mimosaceae	Acacia fasciculifera	Scaly Bark	NL	LC		1				
Amaranthaceae	Achyranthes aspera	Chaff Flower	NL	LC		1				
Adiantaceae	Adiantum aethiopicum	Maidenhair Fern	NL	LC		+				
Adiantaceae	Adiantum hispidulum var. hispidulum	Rough Maidenhair Fern	NL	LC		1				
Asteraceae	Ageratum houstonianum	Blue Billygoat Weed	NL	*		+(g)				
Euphorbiaceae	Alchornea ilicifolia	Native Holly	NL	LC		2-3				
Sapindaceae	Alectryon diversifolius	Scrub Boonaree	NL	LC	+(t)					
Sapindaceae	Alectryon pubescens	Hairy Boonaree	NL	LC	+(t)					
Rhamnaceae	Alphitonia excelsa	Red Ash	NL	LC	4-+					
Apocynaceae	Alstonia constricta	Bitterbark	NL	LC		1				
Apocynaceae	Alyxia ruscifolia	Chain Fruit	NL	LC	+(t)					
Loranthaceae	Amyema bifurcata	Bloodwood Mistletoe	NL	LC		+				
Loranthaceae	Amyema conspicua subsp. conspicua	Alphitonia Mistletoe	NL	LC	1(t)					
Poaceae	Ancistrachne uncinulata	Hooky Grass	NL	LC		+-3				
Myrtaceae	Angophora subvelutina	Broad-leaved Apple	NL	LC		+(e)	İ	+		
Poaceae	Aristida calycina var. calycina	Dark Wiregrass	NL	LC			3			
Poaceae	Aristida gracilipes	ncn	NL	LC	3					
Poaceae	Aristida ramosa	Purple Wiregrass	NL	LC	4		3			
Asparagaceae	Asparagus africanus	Asparagus Fern	NL	*(RI)		1				
Pittosporaceae	Auranticarpa rhombifolia	Diamond-leaved Pittosporum	NL	LC		+				
Azollaceae	Azolla pinnata	Azolla Fern	NL	LC					2	
Asteraceae	Bidens pilosa	Cobbler's Pegs	NL	*	1(t)					
Poaceae	Bothriochloa decipiens var. decipiens	Pitted Bluegrass	NL	LC	2		4			
Nyctaginaceae	Bougainvillea glabra	ncn	NL	*						+
Sterculiaceae	Brachychiton populneus subsp. populneus	Kurrajong	NL	LC		1				
Phyllanthaceae	Breynia oblongifolia	Coffee Bush	NL	LC	1(t)					
Phyllanthaceae	Bridelia exaltata	Scrub Ironbark	NL	LC		+-4				
Phyllanthaceae	Bridelia leichhardtii	Small-leaved Scrub Ironbark	NL	LC	1-3(t)	+				

			Sta	tus¹	Rei	nnant (C	ategoi	ry B)	Non- remnant	
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Pittosporaceae	Bursaria incana	Prickly Pine	NL	LC		+				
Fabaceae	Caesalpinia ferrea	Leopard Tree	NL	*						+
Apocynaceae	Carissa ovata	Klunkerberry	NL	LC		+				
Poaceae	Cenchrus caliculatus	Hillside Burrgrass	NL	LC	+(t)					
Adiantaceae	Cheilanthes sieberi subsp. sieberi	Mulga Fern	NL	LC		2				
Chenopodiaceae	Chenopodium album	Goosefoot	NL	*						+
Poaceae	Chloris divaricata var. divaricata	Slender Chloris	NL	LC			2-3			
Poaceae	Chloris ventricosa	Tall Chloris	NL	LC	3					
Poaceae	Chrysopogon fallax	Golden Beard Grass	NL	LC	2(t)					
Asteraceae	Cirsium vulgare	Scotch Thistle	NL	*			+(t)			
Vitaceae	Cissus antarctica	Kangaroo Vine	NL	LC		+				
Myrtaceae	Corymbia intermedia	Pink Bloodwood	NL	LC	2					
Asteraceae	Cotula australis	Common Cotula	NL	LC						1
Asteraceae	Crassocephalum crepidioides	Thickhead	NL	*		+(g)				
Sapindaceae	Cupaniopsis parvifolia	Small-leaved Tuckeroo	NL	LC		1				
Apiaceae	Cyclospermum leptophyllum	Wild Carrot	NL	*					+	
Orchidaceae	Cymbidium canaliculatum	Black Orchid	NL	LC		+				
Poaceae	Cymbopogon refractus	Barbed Wire Grass	NL	LC	4		4			
Poaceae	Cynodon dactylon	Couch	NL	*					+	
Cyperaceae	Cyperus gracilis	Whisker Grass	NL	LC	2		2			
Celastraceae	Denhamia pittosporoides subsp. pittosporoides	Denhamia	NL	LC		1				
Hemerocallidaceae	Dianella brevipedunculata	ncn	NL	LC	2		2			
Hemerocallidaceae	Dianella caerulea	Blueberry Flax Lily	NL	LC	+(t)					
Convolvulaceae	Dichondra repens	Kidney Weed	NL	LC						1
Ebenaceae	Diospyros fasciculosa	Grey Ebony	NL	LC		1-3				
Sapindaceae	Dodonaea viscosa subsp. viscosa	Sticky Hop-bush	NL	LC		+				
Bignoniaceae	Dolichandra unguis-cati	Cat's Claw Creeper	NL	*(RI)		+				
Putranjivaceae	Drypetes deplanchei	Yellow Tulip	NL	LC	+(t)					
Chenopodiaceae	Dysphania pumilio	Black Crumbweed	NL	LC						+
Boraginaceae	Ehretia membranifolia	Peach Bush	NL	LC		+				
Celastraceae	Elaeodendron australe var. integrifolium	Narrow-leaved Red Olive Plum	NL	LC		1				

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Elatinaceae	Elatine gratioloides	Waterwort	NL	LC					1	
Sapindaceae	Elattostachys xylocarpa	White Tamarind	NL	LC		1				
Cyperaceae	Eleocharis dulcis	Water Chestnut	NL	LC					5	
Cyperaceae	Eleocharis equisetina	Spiked Bogrush	NL	LC					+	
Poaceae	Enneapogon lindleyanus	Cone-top Nineawn	NL	LC	1(t)					
Poaceae	Eragrostis leptostachya	Paddock Lovegrass	NL	LC	2					
Poaceae	Eragrostis spartinoides	(a) Lovegrass	NL	LC	2		2			
Fabaceae	Erythrina vespertilio subsp. vespertilio	Bat's Wing Coral Tree	NL	LC	+(t)					
Erythroxylaceae	Erythroxylum sp. (Splityard Creek L.Pedley 5360)	ncn	NL	LC		1				
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus crebra	Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark	NL	LC	5		6			
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus melanophloia	Silver-leaved Ironbark	NL	LC	3		1			
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus melliodora	Yellow Box	NL	LC		+				
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus moluccana	Grey Box	NL	LC				+		
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia australis var. subtomentosa	ncn	NL	LC					+	
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia hirta	Asthma plant	NL	*					+	
Laxmanniaceae	Eustrephus latifolius	Wombat Berry	NL	LC	1(t)					
Santalaceae	Exocarpos latifolius	Broad-leaved Cherry	NL	LC		1				
Rutaceae	Flindersia australis	Crow's Ash	NL	LC		1				
Rutaceae	Flindersia collina	Leopardwood	NL	LC		+				
Fabaceae	Galactia tenuiflora	ncn	NL	LC			+			
Asteraceae	Glossocardia bidens	Native Cobblers Pegs	NL	LC			+			
Apocynaceae	Gomphocarpus physocarpus	Balloon Cotton Bush	NL	*		1				
Proteaceae	Grevillea robusta	Dotted Myrtle	NL	LC						+
Boraginaceae	Heliotropium amplexicaule	Blue Heliotrope	NL	*		+				
Poaceae	Heteropogon contortus	Black Speargrass	NL	LC	3		3-4			
Araliaceae	Hydrocotyle laxiflora	Pennyweed	NL	LC	_		-			1
Fabaceae	Jacksonia scoparia	Dogwood	NL	LC		+				
Sapindaceae	Jagera pseudorhus	Foambark	NL	LC		1				
Oleaceae	Jasminum simplicifolium subsp. australiense	Stiff Jasmine	NL	LC		1				
Juncaceae	Juncus usitatus	Common Rush	NL	LC		_		+	4	
Verbenaceae	Lantana camara	Common Lantana	NL NL	*(RI)	+		2	'	'	
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Verbenaceae	Lantana montevidensis	Creeping Lantana	NL	*(RI)						1
Poaceae	Leersia hexandra	Swamp Ricegrass	NL	LC					3	<u> </u>
Campanulaceae	Lobelia purpurascens	White Root	NL	LC					+	
Laxmanniaceae	Lomandra multiflora	Many-headed Mat Rush	NL	LC	1		1			
Myrtaceae	Lophostemon confertus	Brush Box	NL	LC	2					
Onagraceae	Ludwigia peploides subsp. montevidensis	Creeping Primrose	NL	LC					2	
Euphorbiaceae	Mallotus claoxyloides	Green Kamala	NL	LC		2				
Euphorbiaceae	Mallotus philippensis	Red Kamala	NL	LC		+-4				
Malvaceae	Malvastrum americanum var. americanum	Spiked Malvastrum	NL	*	2					
Marsileaceae	Marsilea drummondii	Nardoo	NL	LC					+	
Plantaginaceae	Mecardonia procumbens	ncn	NL	*		+(g)				
Meliaceae	Melia azedarach	White Cedar	NL	LC		+				
Poaceae	Melinis repens	Red Natal Grass	NL	*					+-4	
Myrsinaceae	Myrsine variabilis	Muttonwood	NL	LC		1				
Nephrolepidaceae	Nephrolepis cordifolia	Fishbone Fern	NL	LC		+				
Oleaceae	Notelaea longifolia	Large-leaved Mock Olive	NL	LC	+(t)	2				
Oleaceae	Notelaea microcarpa	Small-fruited Mock Olive	NL	LC		+				
Viscaceae	Notothixos subaureus	Golden Mistletoe	NL	LC	+(t)					
Ochnaceae	Ochna serrulata	Mickey Mouse Bush	NL	*		+				
Cactaceae	Opuntia stricta	Common Pest Pear	NL	*(RI)				+		
Cactaceae	Opuntia tomentosa	Velvety Tree Pear	NL	*	+(t)					
Meliaceae	Owenia venosa	Crow's Apple	NL	LC		+				
Bignoniaceae	Pandorea jasminoides	Bower Vine	NL	LC		1				
Poaceae	Panicum simile	Two-coloured Panic	NL	LC	1		2			
Poaceae	Paspalum distichum	Water Couch	NL	LC					4	
Passifloraceae	Passiflora suberosa	Corky Passionvine	NL	*	2					
Rubiaceae	Pavetta australiensis	Pavetta	NL	LC		1				
Rutaceae	Pentaceras australe	Penta's Ash	NL	LC		+				
Asteraceae	Peripleura diffusa	ncn	NL	LC			1			
Polygonaceae	Persicaria lapathifolia	Pale Knotweed	NL	LC					+	
Picrodendraceae	Petalostigma pubescens	Quinine Bush	NL	LC	+-4(t)					
Pittosporaceae	Pittosporum spinescens	Wallaby Apple	NL	LC		1				

			Sta	tus¹	Remnant (Category B)					Non- remnant		
Family	Scientific name	Common name	EPBC Act	C Act	12.8.17		12.9-10.7		remr (Cate X	gory		
			ш `	S	S2	Extras	S1	Extras	Dam			
Pittosporaceae	Pittosporum viscidum	Black-fruited Thornbush	NL	LC		2						
Polypodiaceae	Platycerium superbum	Staghorn	NL	LC		+						
Rubiaceae	Pomax umbellata	Pomax	NL	LC	1(t)							
Rubiaceae	Psydrax odorata	Shiny-leaved Canthium	NL	LC	4-+		3					
Rubiaceae	Psydrax odorata forma buxifolia	Stiff-leaved Canthium	NL	LC	1(t)							
Asteraceae	Pterocaulon redolens	ncn	NL	LC			+(t)					
Polypodiaceae	Pyrrosia rupestris	Rock Felt Fern	NL	LC		2						
Ranunculaceae	Ranunculus lappaceus	Common Buttercup	NL	LC					2			
Polygonaceae	Rumex brownii	Swamp Dock	NL	LC					+			
Anacardiaceae	Schinus molle var. areira	Pepper Tree	NL	*						+		
Cyperaceae	Schoenoplectiella mucronata	Triangular Swordsedge	NL	LC					1			
Asteraceae	Senecio madagascariensis	Fireweed	NL	*(RI)						2		
Malvaceae	Sida hackettiana	Spiked Sida	NL	LC	2							
Celastraceae	Siphonodon australis	Ivorywood	NL	LC		+						
Solanaceae	Solanum nigrum subsp. nigrum	Blackberry Nightshade	NL	*						+		
Asteraceae	Sonchus oleraceus	Milk Thistle	NL	*					+			
Araceae	Spirodela polyrhiza	Duckweed	NL	LC					2			
Asteraceae	Symphyotrichum subulatum	Wild Aster	NL	*					1			
Asteraceae	Tagetes minuta	Stinking Roger	NL	*		1						
Moraceae	Trophis scandens subsp. scandens	Burney Vine	NL	LC		+						
Meliaceae	Turraea pubescens	Witch Hazel	NL	LC		+						
Verbenaceae	Verbena litoralis var. litoralis	Common Verbena	NL	*					+			
Asteraceae	Vittadinia dissecta var. hirta	ncn	NL	LC	1							
Campanulaceae	Wahlenbergia queenslandica	ncn	NL	LC						1		
Asteraceae	Xanthium occidentale	Noogera Burr	NL	*					+			
Asteraceae	Xanthium spinosum	Bathurst Burr	NL	*					+			
Asteraceae	Zinnia peruviana	Zinnia	NL	*	2							

¹ Status:

- EPBC Act Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999: NL, not listed.
 NC Act Nature Conservation Act 1992: LC, Least concern; *RI, restricted invasive plant under the Biosecurity Act 2014; *, introduced species.

ncn, no common name

Relative abundance for species was based on the Braun-Blanquet technique cover-abundance scale (Hurst and Allen 2007, Whittaker 1975, Mueller-Dombois 1974) as follows:

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+ = one or two individuals only
1 = sparse, <5
2 = any number, <5%
3 = 5 - 24%
4 = 25 - 49%
5 = 50 - 74%
6 = 75 - 100%.
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Suffices applied to relative abundance values are as follows:

- (t) traverse
- (g) gully

Appendix E

Fauna species recorded in the study area

Table E1. Fauna species recorded in the study area.

Colour!!!		Stat	us¹
Scientific name	Common name	EPBC Act	NC Act
Amphibians			
Litoria fallax	Eastern Sedgefrog	NL	LC
Birds			
Acanthiza chrysorrhoa	Yellow-rumped Thornbill	NL	LC
Alisterus scapularis	Australian King Parrot	NL	LC
Anas superciliosa	Pacific Black Duck	NL	LC
Anhinga novaehollandiae	Australasian Darter	NL	LC
Anthus novaeseelandiae	Australasian Pipit	NL	LC
Apus pacificus	Fork-tailed Swift	М	SLC
Aquila audax	Wedge-tailed Eagle	NL	LC
Ardea pacifica	White-necked Heron	NL	LC
Aythya australis	Hardhead	NL	LC
Cacatua galerita	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	NL	LC
Cacatua sanguinea	Little Corella	NL	LC
Cacomantis pallidus	Pallid Cuckoo	NL	LC
Centropus phasianinus	Pheasant Coucal	NL	LC
Chenonetta jubata	Australian Wood Duck	NL	LC
Coracina novaehollandiae	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	NL	LC
Corvus orru	Torresian Crow	NL	LC
Cracticus tibicen	Australian Magpie	NL	LC
Cracticus nigrogularis	Pied Butcherbird	NL	LC
Cracticus torquatus	Grey Butcherbird	NL	LC
Dacelo novaeguineae	Laughing Kookaburra	NL	LC
Dendrocygna eytoni	Plumed Whistling-duck	NL	LC
Dicrurus bracteatus	Spangled Drongo	NL	LC
Egretta novaehollandiae	White-faced Heron	NL	LC
Entomyzon cyanotis	Blue-faced Honeyeater	NL	LC
Eolophus roseicapillus	Galah	NL	LC
Gerygone albogularis	White-throated Gerygone	NL	LC
Grallina cyanoleuca	Magpie-lark	NL	LC
Himantopus himantopus	Black-winged Stilt	NL	LC
Manorina melanocephala	Noisy Miner	NL	LC
Monarcha melanopsis	Black-faced Monarch	М	SLC
Myiagra rubecula	Leaden Flycatcher	NL	LC
Pachycephala rufiventris	Rufous Whistler	NL	LC
Phalacrocorax sulcirostris	Little Black Cormorant	NL	LC

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Scientific name	Common name	Stat	us¹	
Scientific name	Common name	EPBC Act	NC Act	
Phalacrocorax varius	Pied Cormorant	NL	LC	
Platalea regia	Royal Spoonbill	NL	LC	
Platycercus adscitus	Pale-headed Rosella	NL	LC	
Porphyrio porphyrio	Purple Swamphen	NL	LC	
Rhipidura rufifrons	Rufous Fantail	М	SLC	
Rhipidura leucophrys	Willie Wagtail	NL	LC	
Scythrops novaehollandiae	Channel-billed Cuckoo	NL	LC	
Smicrornis brevirostris	Weebill	NL	LC	
Acridotheres tristis	Common Myna	NL	*	
Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	Australasian Grebe	NL	LC	
Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus	Scaly-breasted Lorikeet	NL	LC	
Trichoglossus haematodus	Rainbow Lorikeet	NL	LC	
Vanellus miles	Masked Lapwing	NL	LC	
Zosterops lateralis	Silvereye	NL	LC	
Mammals				
Macropus giganteus	Eastern Grey Kangaroo	NL	LC	
Macropus parryi	Pretty-faced Wallaby	NL	LC	
Macropus rufogriseus	Red-necked Wallaby	NL	LC	
Phascolarctos cinereus	Koala	V	V	
Trichosurus vulpecula	Common Brushtail Possum	NL	LC	
Vulpes vulpes	European Red Fox	NL	*(RI)	
Reptiles				
Demansia psammophis	Yellow-faced Whip Snake	. NL		
Pogona barbata	Eastern Bearded Dragon	NL	LC	

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Appendix F

Likelihood of occurrence assessment

Table F1: Likelihood of significant flora and fauna to occur in the study area

Common name	Status ¹		Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
Plants					
Wandering Pepper-cress (Lepidium peregrinum)	E	LC	PMST	Distribution: Lepidium peregrinum occurs from the Bunya Mountains, south-east Queensland, to near Tenterfield, in northern New South Wales (TSSC 2014). Since 2001, further populations have been discovered from Rosin's Lookout at Beechmont (Qld), D'Aguilar Range, Deer Reserve State Forest near Kilcoy (Qld), Condamine Gorge near Killarney (Qld), Picnic Point Toowoomba (Qld) and Highfields Falls near Toowoomba (Qld). Additionally, new locations have been recorded for this species from the Bunya Mountains and Mt Glorious areas (TSSC 2014). Habitat preferences: This species tends to occur in the tussock grassland fringe in riparian open forest (TSSC 2014). Dispersal mode: not known. Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable habitat for this species in the form of tussock grassland fringing riparian open forest. There are no records for this species in the search area and this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.
Hairy-joint Grass (<i>Arthraxon hispidus</i>)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: This species occurs in scattered locations from Port Douglas, Queensland south to Kempsey, NSW (EHP 2014a). In Queensland, disjunct populations have been recorded around springs as far west as Carnarvon National Park however most occurrences are from Noosa South (EHP 2014a). In NSW, the species has been recorded as far west as Glen Innes (EHP 2014a). Habitat preferences: This species occurs around moist areas in or fringing rainforest, wet eucalyptus forest and woodland (EHP 2014a). In South East Queensland bioregion the species has also been	Low: The study area does not support suitable habitat for this species in the form of moist areas and forests. The drainage line in the southern extent of the proposed haul road is heavily degraded by exotic grasses and cattle utilisation. There are no records for this species in the search area and this species was not recorded during the field surveys.

Common name	Status¹		Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				recorded around freshwater springs on coastal foreshore dunes, in shaded small gullies, on creek banks, and on sandy alluvium in creek beds in open forests (EHP 2014a). This species has also been recorded growing with bog mosses in mound springs (EHP 2014a). Notable features: Hairy Joint Grass is a slender	
				tufted, creeping perennial grass that roots at the nodes and has erect to semi-erect stems. Fertile specimens have been collected from March to May and July (EHP 2014a). Flowering is also thought to occur from summer to autumn (EHP 2014a).	
				Dispersal mode: Little is known about the biology and ecology of this species. Possibly gravity, wind and mammal dispersed – awned and hairy seeds assist with wind movement and attachment to mammals.	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Bertya ernestiana (no common name)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: This shrub species is known from Mt May and Mt Ernest within Mt Barney National Park, in the Moreton district of south-east Queensland. The population at Mt Ernest supports an estimated few hundred plants and the population at Mt May supports approximately 50 plants (TSSC 2012). Habitat preferences: This species typically occurs within heath or open eucalypt forest with heath understorey on skeletal sandy loam soils derived from rhyolite on steep rocky slopes, rock pavements and in mountain gorges. The species has been recorded growing with Tea Tree (<i>Leptospermum</i> spp.), <i>Gynura</i> spp., <i>Keraudrenia</i> spp., and <i>Plectranthus suaveolens</i> (TSSC 2012).	Low: The study area does not support the heath communities or landforms (i.e. steep slopes, rock pavements and mountain gorges) that are favoured by this species. There are no records for this species in the search area and this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.

Common name	Sta	tus¹	Record	or a production of the control of th	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				Notable features: Bertya ernestiana is a branched shrub growing to 1.5 m high with terminal inflorescences with a solitary flower. Plants are monoecious (having male and female flowers on the same plant. Flowers and fruits have been recorded in April, July, and September (TSSC 2012).	
				Dispersal mode: Explosive release; Water and invertebrates may assist dispersal.	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Three-leaved Bosistoa (Bosistoa transversa)	V	LC	PMST	Distribution: Three-leaved Bosistoa occurs from the Nightcap Range north of Lismore in north-east NSW to Mount Larcom (near Gladstone) in southeast Queensland (DoEE 2018c). Habitat preferences: Three-leaved Bosistoa grows in lowland subtropical rainforest and complex notophyll vine forest up to 300 m above sea level on steep slopes to level ground and on a variety of soil types (DoEE 2018c). Notable features: This species flowers from January to May with ripe fruit present from May to November (DoEE 2018c). Dispersal mode: Gravity and water dispersed – woody endocarp assists floatation. Nearest record: Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable habitat for this species in the form of subtropical rainforest and complex notophyll vine forest habitats. A very small thicket of dry vine forest was observed in the northern portion of the study area, however this vegetation type is not suitable habitat for this species. There are no records for this species in the search area and this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.
Miniature Moss-orchid (Bulbophyllum globuliforme)	V	NT	PMST	Distribution: Known from the McPherson Range of north-east New South Wales, Maleny and Noosa in south-east Queensland, Calliope Range near Gladstone and Hidden Valley near Ingham (TSSC 2008a).	Low: The study area does not support preferred habitat for this species in the form of upland rainforest communities with mature Hoop Pine.

Common name	Status¹		Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				Habitat preferences: This species only grows on the upper branches of mature on Hoop Pines (Araucaria cunninghamii) in upland rainforest (TSSC 2008a). The species appears to favour the underside of tree limbs (DoEE 2018d).	There are no records for this species in the search area and this species was not recorded during the field surveys.
				Notable features: A tiny rhizomatous orchid that grows on the bark of trees, forming a dense mat. Flowers from September to November (TSSC 2008a).	
				Dispersal mode: Pollination mechanisms are unknown. Fragmentation of individual plants is the only form of vegetative reproduction known (DoEE 2018d).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project site.	
Boonah Tuckeroo (<i>Cupaniopsis</i> tomentella)	V	V	PMST, Wildlife Online	Distribution: This tree species is known only from an area between Boonah and Ipswich in southeastern Queensland (DEWHA 2008).	Low: The very small thicket of dry vine forest that was observed in the northern portion of the study area does provide a potential
				Habitat preferences: Boonah Tuckeroo grows in vine thickets predominantly on fertile clay soils. There are only seven known occurrences all of which are confined to small isolated remnants on scree slopes and roadsides (DEWHA 2008).	opportunity for this species to subsist. An exhaustive grid-based search of this patch and surrounding vegetation was undertaken and no specimens were observed. There are records for this species in the
				Notable features: This species has compound leaves with 3–4 pairs of elliptic, often serrated leaflets which are densely rusty hairy, especially when young (DEWHA 2008).	search area. However, this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.
				Dispersal mode: Gravity and birds.	
				Nearest record: There is one Wildlife Online record for this species within 5 km of the study area.	

Common name	Sta	tus¹	Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
Dichanthium setosum (no common name)	V	LC	PMST	Distribution: This grass species is known from inland New South Wales and Queensland. In Queensland the species has been recorded in the Leichardt, Morton, North Kennedy and Port Curtis regions (DoEE 2018e). Habitat preferences: It grows on heavy basaltic black soils and red-brown loams with clay subsoil. It is often found in moderately disturbed areas such as cleared woodland, grassy roadside remnant and highly disturbed pasture (DoEE 2018e). Notable features: This is a perennial grass that commences growing in spring, flowers in summer and becomes dormant in late autumn (DoEE 2018e). Dispersal mode: Wind and mammal dispersed – awned seeds assist with wind movement and attachment to mammals. Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area's underlying geology is a combination of Cainozoic igneous rocks and sedimentary rocks. The heavy basaltic soils and red-brown clay loams this species is typically associated with do not occur within the study area. Further there are no areas of natural grassland within or adjacent to the study area. There are no records for this species in the search area and this species was not recorded during the field surveys.
Queensland Nut (<i>Macadamia</i> integrifolia)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: This species is known from remnant rainforest in northern New South Wales and southeast Queensland (from Mt Bauple, north of Gympie to the Currumbin Valley in the Gold Coast hinterland) (DoEE 2018f). Habitat preferences: This species occurs in complex notophyll mixed forest, extremely tall closed forest, simple notophyll mixed very tall closed forest to simple microphyll-notophyll mixed midhigh closed forest with <i>Araucaria</i> and <i>Argyrodendron</i> emergents as well as partially open areas along the edges of remnant rainforest (DotE 2016a). The species will grow on a wide range of landforms from hill crests to gullies with level to steep surfaces. Soils	Low: The study area does not support habitat (i.e. tall open forest or rainforest) that this species is typically associated with. There are no records for this species in the search area and this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.

Common name	Sta	tus¹	Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				are typically well drained, high nutrient volcanics of varying texture (DoEE 2018f). Notable features: The species has been recorded flowering in January, March and from June to November with fruits recorded from November to January and March to April (DoEE 2018f). Dispersal mode: Seeds (nut) are typically eaten by mammals and dispersed by stream (DoEE 2018f). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online	
Lloyd's Olive (Notelaea lloydii)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: Species is endemic to south-east Queensland between Mt Brisbane, near Somerset Dam, to just south of Beaudesert and as far west as Mt Berryman near Laidley, a range of approximately 120 km (Harden et al. 2006; TSSC 2008b). Habitat Preferences: It commonly occurs in open eucalypt forest, often near the margins of vine thickets, vine forests and softwood scrub at altitudes between 80 and 480 m. It is usually found on stony, shallow and rocky soils derived from sandstone or acid volcanic rocks, often on steep slopes, or near drainage lines (Harden et al. 2006; TSSC 2008b). Notable Features: Lloyd's Olive is a multistemmed shrub to 4 m (Harden et al. 2006; TSSC 2008b). Dispersal Mode: Small fleshy purple fruits suggest animal dispersal particularly birds. Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support preferred habitat for this species in the form of vine thicket and dry rainforest habitat does not occur in the study area. There are no records for this species in the search area and this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.
Austral Toadflax (<i>Thesium australe</i>)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: The current distribution of Austral Toadflax is sporadic but widespread, occurring between the Bunya Mountains in south-east Queensland to north-east Victoria and as far inland as the southern, central and northern tablelands in	Low: The study area does not support habitat preferred by this species in the form of vegetation communities with a prevalence of Kangaroo Grass.

Common name (Scientific name)	Stat	tus¹	Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				New South Wales and the Toowoomba region (DoEE 2018g). There is an outlier in Carnarvon National Park on the Consuelo Tableland of the southern Brigalow Belt (DoEE 2018g). **Habitat preferences:** Austral Toadflax is semiparasitic on roots of a range of grass species most notably Kangaroo Grass (Themeda triandra). The species occurs in shrubland, grassland or woodland, often on damp sites, on a variety of soil types and altitudes (DoEE 2018g). **Notable features:** Austral Toadflax is a hairless, yellowish-green perennial herb with slender, wiry stems to 40 cm high with tiny white flowers (DoEE 2018g). This species flowers and fruits throughout the year on the coast and in summer at higher altitudes (DoEE 2018g). In Queensland the species has been recorded flowering from October through to April (EHP 2014b). **Dispersal mode:** Fruit is a small nut (2-2.5 mm). No information on dispersal mode. **Nearest record:** There are no Wildlife Online**	There are no records for this species in the search area and this vegetatively distinct species would have been detectable in the field if individuals were present.
				records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Amphibians					
Fleay's Frog (Mixophyes fleayi)	E	Е	PMST	Distribution: This species is narrowly and disjunctly distributed in wet forests from the Conondale Range in south-east Queensland, south to Yabbra Scrub in north-east New South Wales. While the majority of records for the species are from altitudes above 400m, Fleay's Frog is also known from lowland rainforest; 200m (DoEE 2018h).	Low: The study area does not support or adjoin preferred habitat for this species in the form of 'permanent and semi-permanent freshwater streams in lowland rainforest, montane rainforest and adjoining open forests.
				General habitat preferences: Fleay's Frog is associated with montane rainforest and open forest communities adjoining rainforest (DoEE 2018h). The	

Common name	Sta	tus¹	Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				species occurs along stream habitats from first to third order streams (i.e. small streams close to their origin through to permanent streams with grades of 1 in 50) and is not found in ponds or ephemeral pools. In Queensland, important habitat has been defined as: 'permanent and semi-permanent freshwater streams, between 100-1000 m in altitude, in rainforest and other forest communities of the McPherson, Main and Conondale Ranges, Mt Tamborine, and the Mistake and Bunya Mountains' (DoEE 2018h). **Nearest record:** There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project.	
Birds				site.	
Regent Honeyeater (Anthochaera phrygia)	CE	E	PMST	Distribution: The Regent Honeyeater is endemic to south-east Australia, where its range extends from south-east Queensland to central Victoria. In Queensland, the Regent Honeyeater has been recorded from 15 sites, primarily south of a line between Chinchilla and the Sunshine Coast. There are several records on Bribie Island and the Granite Belt between Warwick in the east, Gore in the west and Sundown NP in the south (DoEE 2018i). General habitat preferences: Regent Honeyeaters mostly occur in dry Box-Ironbark eucalypt woodland and dry sclerophyll forest associations in areas of low to moderate relief. The species tends to prefer moister, more fertile sites, for example along creek flats, or in broad river valleys and foothills. The Regent Honeyeater is believed to use lowland coastal forest as a refuge when the preferred box-ironbark habitats are affected by drought (DoEE 2018i).	Low: The underlying geology, landform and vegetation present in the study area is not consistent with the habitat requirements of the Regent Honeyeater in that: Box-Ironbark dominated woodlands are not present moist, fertile communities associated with creek flats, broad river valleys and/or foothills are not present.

Common name	Stat	tus¹	Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				Foraging habitat: Regent Honeyeaters typically are associated with plant species that reliably produce copious amounts of nectar particularly species of ironbark and box (DoEE 2018i).	
				Breeding habitat: Regent Honeyeaters usually nest in the canopy of forests or woodlands, and in the crowns of tall trees, mostly eucalypts. The species shows a preference for tall mature rough bark species such as ironbarks. Nests have also been recorded from amongst mistletoes (DoEE 2018i).	
				Notable features: The Regent Honeyeater has a black head, with a patch of warty, dirty yellowish to pinkish skin around its dark red-brown eye, and a sturdy, decurved, black bill.	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Curlew Sandpiper (Calidris ferruginea)	CE L	E LC PMST	Distribution: This species occurs along the coasts but is also widespread inland. In Queensland there are scattered records in the Gulf of Carpentaria, widespread records along the coast, south of Cairns, and sparsely scattered records inland (DoEE 2018j).	Low: The study area is characterised by a eucalypt woodlands on undulating terrain. There is a constructed dam that extends into the western portion of the study area. However this dam does not have edges or	
				General habitat preferences: Near the coast it inhabits intertidal mudflats in sheltered areas, such as estuaries, bays inlets and lagoons and non-tidal swamps, lakes, lagoons, ponds in saltworks and sewage farms. Inland they are occasionally recorded around ephemeral and permanent lakes, dams, waterholes and bore drains, usually with bare edges of mud or sand. The will use fresh and brackish habitats and floodwaters (DoEE 2018j).	bare mud and sand that form part of the foraging habitat matrix preferred by the Curlew Sandpiper.
				The usually wade and forage in waters 15-30 mm deep, but up to 60 mm deep at the edge of saltmarsh, emergent vegetation and inundated	

Common name	Sta	tus¹	Record	Habitat preferences	Likelihood to occur in the study area
(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act	source ²		
				saltflats. It feeds on invertebrates, including worms, molluscs, crustaceans, and insects as well as seeds (DoEE 2018j).	
				The species usually roosts on bare dry shingle, shell or sand beaches, sandspits and islets and sometimes in dunes (DoEE 2018j).	
				Notable features: This species does not breed in Australia (DoEE 2018j).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Swift Parrot (<i>Lathamus discolor</i>)	CE	Е	PMST	Distribution: The swift parrot breeds in Tasmania during the summer and the entire population migrates north to mainland Australia for the winter (TSSC 2016a). The species has been recorded from Victoria through coastal New South Wales to coastal south eastern and central Queensland.	Low: The Swift Parrot breeds in Tasmania and migrates to the mainland every year. It is an uncommon winter migrant to Southeast Queensland. The study area and surrounds do support some potential feed trees for this species (i.e. Eucalyptus
				General habitat preferences: Whilst on the mainland the swift parrot disperses widely to forage on flowers and psyllid lerps in <i>Eucalyptus</i> species, with the majority being found in Victoria and New South Wales.	species). However, there are no records within 5 km of the study area and only two records within 20 km of the study area. It is thefeore unlikely that the Swift Parrot uses habitat resources within and adjacent to the
				Foraging habitat: In Victoria, swift parrots are predominantly found in the dry forests and woodlands of the box-ironbark region on the inland slopes of the Great Dividing Range (TSSC 2016a). In New South Wales, swift parrots forage in forests and woodlands throughout the coastal and western slopes regions each year. Coastal regions tend to support larger numbers of birds when inland habitats are subjected to drought (TSSC 2016a).	study area on a regular basis.
				Breeding preferences: This species only breeds in Tasmania (TSSC 2016a).	

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				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online record of this species within 5 km of the study area.		
Australasian Bittern (<i>Botaurus poiciloptilus</i>)	Е	LC	PMST	Distribution: The Australasian Bittern occurs from south-east Queensland to south-east South Australia, Tasmania and the south-west of Western Australia (DoEE 2018k). In Queensland, the Australasian Bittern occurs in the far south-east where it has been reported north to Baralaba and west to Wyandra. At present the species is rarely recorded in Queensland and my only survive in protected areas such as the Cooloola and Fraser regions (DoEE 2018k).	Low: The study area is characterised by eucalypt woodlands on undulating terrain. There is a constructed dam that extends into the western portion of the study area. However this dam does not have the tall, dense fringing vegetation that is an important part of the breeding and foraging habitat matrix preferred by the Australasian Bittern.	
				General habitat preferences: The Australasian Bittern occurs in terrestrial freshwater wetlands and, rarely, estuarine habitats. The species favours permanent and seasonal freshwater habitats, particularly those dominated by sedges, rushes and/or reeds or cutting grass (Gahnia) growing over muddy or peaty substrate (DoEE 2018k).		
					Foraging habitat: The species favours wetlands with tall, dense vegetation, where it forages in still, shallow water up to 0.3 m deep, often at the edges of pools or waterways, or from platforms or mats of vegetation over deep water (DoEE 2018k).	
				Breeding habitat: Knowledge of the breeding ecology of the Australasian Bittern is relatively poor. The limited information available indicates that the species breeds in relatively deep, densely vegetated freshwater swamps and pools, building its nests in deep cover over shallow water (DoEE 2018k).		
				Notable features: A large, stocky, thick-necked heron-like bird with camouflage-like plumage. Due to its habitat (wetlands with dense vegetation) and		

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				plumage this species is typically heard rather than seen (DoEE 2018k).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species 5 km of the study area.	
Coxen's Fig Parrot (Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni)	E	E	PMST	Distribution: The distribution of Coxen's Fig-Parrot is poorly known. Based on accepted records, the core distribution extends from Gympie in southeastern Queensland to the Richmond River in northeastern New South Wales, and west to the Bunya Mountains, Main Range and Koreelah Range (DoEE 20181).	Low: The study area does not support suitable rainforest habitats for this species. In addition, preferred feed trees (i.e. <i>Ficus</i> spp.) were not recorded within the study area.
				General habitat preferences: Coxen's Fig-Parrot occurs in rainforest habitats including subtropical rainforest, dry rainforest, littoral and developing littoral rainforest, and vine forest (DoEE 2018I). The fig-parrot was, in the past, probably most abundant in lowland subtropical rainforest. Within these rainforest habitats, the fig-parrot is likely to favour alluvial areas that support figs and other trees with fleshy fruits, in particular, habitats that have a high diversity of fig species, and that have a fruiting season that is staggered across moisture and altitudinal gradients. Coxen's Fig-parrots have also been recorded at trees in gardens, cultivated farmlands, and along streets in country towns (DoEE 2018I).	
				Foraging habitat: Coxen's Fig-Parrot feeds on seeds and, occasionally, nectar and lichen. Food is mainly taken from fig trees, especially <i>Ficus macrophylla</i> and <i>F. watkinsiana</i> , but also <i>F. rubiginosa</i> , <i>F. virens</i> , <i>F. obliqua</i> , <i>F. racemosa</i> , <i>F. coronata</i> , <i>F. opposita</i> , <i>F. fraseri</i> , <i>F. superba</i> and the introduced <i>F. carica</i> . Other food plants that have been recorded in the diet include <i>Elaeocarpus grandis</i> , <i>Syzygium corynanthum</i> , <i>Litsea reticulata</i>	

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				and <i>Grevillea robusta</i> , and the introduced species *Cotoneaster lacteus, *Eriobotrya japonica and *Syagrus romanzoffianum. It is possible that the figparrot feeds at introduced plants when native foods become scarce (DoEE 2018I).	
				Breeding habitat: Nests of Coxen's Fig-Parrot have been recorded in subtropical rainforest and dry rainforest, and in the ecotone (i.e. the zone of transition) between subtropical rainforest and sclerophyll forest (DoEE 2018I).	
				Notable features: Coxen's Fig-Parrot is a small parrot that measures approximately 13 to 16 cm in length. Adults are predominantly bright green, but have a prominent yellow line along the flanks and the sides of the breast, blue edges on the primary feathers, bright red marks on the tertial feathers, broad cream bands and grey-black edging on the undersides of the wings, and dark grey edging around the underside of the tail (DoEE 2018I).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species 5 km of the study area.	
Eastern Bristlebird (<i>Dasyornis</i> <i>brachypterus</i>)	E	E	PMST	Distribution: The Eastern Bristlebird occurs in three geographically-separate regional populations in south-eastern Australia. The first, a northern population, occurs in south-eastern Queensland and north-eastern NSW, and consists of extant local populations at Conondale Range National Park, Main Range National Park, Mount Barney National Park, Lamington National Park, Border Ranges National Park, Grady's Creek and Gibraltar Range National Park (DoEE 2018m). The remaining two populations occur in central NSW and south eastern NSW and Victoria.	Low: Vegetation within the study consists of eucalypt woodlands to open forest with a very sparse shrub layer. Field data indicates that the shrub layer in these communities typically had a cover of between <5 - 15% with a ground layer ranging from being very sparse (2-20%) to mid-dense (50-80%). Vegetation communities within the study area therefore do no support preferred habitat for the Eastern Bristlebird given the vegetation communities present to not support a consistently dense ground or understorey layer with a cover of 65-90%.

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				General habitat preferences: The Eastern Bristlebirds inhabits low dense vegetation in a broad range of habitat types including sedgeland, heathland, swampland, shrubland, sclerophyll forest and woodland, and rainforest (DoEE 2018m). All habitats vary in species composition but share a similar structure of low, dense, ground or understorey vegetation that provides about 65–90% coverage (DoEE 2018m).	
				Foraging habitat: The Eastern Bristlebirds mainly feed on seeds, small fruits and invertebrates, but it also take fungi and occasionally nectar (DoEE 2018m). The species forage mostly on the ground, where they toss aside leaf litter with their bill, peck food items from the surface and probe into soil (DoEE 2018m).	
				Breeding habitat: There is no distinction between foraging and breeding habitats for this species. A small, globular nest is placed less than 1 m above the ground in low dense vegetation, in or near the base of sedges, grasses, ferns and shrubs (DoEE 2018m).	
				Notable features: The Eastern Bristlebird is a cryptic and secretive species whose presence is typically detected by call rather than sight.	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Australian Painted Snipe (Rostratula australis)	E	V	PMST	Distribution: The Australian Painted Snipe has been recorded at wetlands in all states of Australia. It is most common in eastern Australia, where it has been recorded at scattered locations throughout	Low: The study area is characterised by a eucalypt woodlands on undulating terrain. There is a constructed dam that extends into the western portion of the study area.

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				much of Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and south-eastern South Australia. This population is considered to occur as a single, contiguous breeding population (DoEE 2018n).	However, this dam does not have the emergent vegetation and areas of bare mud that are important components of the breeding and foraging habitat matrix
				General habitat preferences: This secretive, cryptic, crepuscular (active at dawn, dusk and during the night) species occurs in terrestrial shallow wetlands, both ephemeral and permanent, usually freshwater but occasionally brackish. They also use inundated grasslands, salt-marsh, dams, rice crops, sewage farms and bore drains with rank emergent tussocks of grass, sedges, rushes or reeds or samphire, and often with scattered clumps of Lignum (Muehlenbeckia florulenta), canegrass or sometimes tea trees. It has been known to use areas lined with trees, or that have some scattered fallen or washed-up timber (DoEE 2018n).	preferred by the Australian Painted Snipe.
				Foraging habitat: The species feeds on vegetation, seeds, and invertebrates including crustaceans and molluscs as well as insects, worms and other invertebrates (DotE 2016b; Marchant and Higgins 1994). Foraging habitats are not well understood (DoEE 2018n).	
				Breeding habitat: Requirements are specific and include shallow wetlands with areas of bare wet mud and both upper and canopy cover nearby. Almost all records of nests occur on or near small islands in freshwater wetlands characterised by a combination of very shallow water, exposed mud, dense low cover and sometimes some tall dense cover. Although this species uses modified habitat, it doesn't necessarily breed in these habitats. It most likely breeds in response to wetland conditions rather than during a particular season (DoEE 2018n).	

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				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Southern Black-throated Finch (Poephila cincta cincta)	E	E	PMST	Distribution: The Black-throated Finch (southern) occurs at two general locations: in the Townsville region, where it is considered to be locally common at a few sites around Townsville and Charters Towers (Garnett & Crowley 2000). It has also been recorded at scattered sites in central-eastern Queensland (between Aramac and Great Basalt Wall National Park) (DoEE 2018o). DoEE considers birds recorded since 1998, at the following locations to be part of the southern: Townsville and its surrounds (Giru, Serpentine Lagoon, Toonpan, and near Ross River Dam) Ingham, and sites nearby (near Mutarnee [at Ollera Creek], and near Mount Fox) scattered sites in central-eastern Queensland (Great Basalt Wall, Yarrowmere Station, Moonoomoo Station, Doongmabulla Station, Fortuna Station and Aramac) (DoEE 2018o). General habitat preferences: This species is known from dry, open grassy woodlands and forests and grasslands of the sub-tropics and tropics with seeding grasses and ready access to water (Higgins et al. 2006). Also thought to probably require a mosaic of different habitat in the wet season to find seed (Garnett et al. 2011). Black-throated Finch mainly inhabit dry open to very open eucalypt woodlands with dense grassy ground cover and often along watercourses or in the vicinity of water (DoEE 2018o; Higgins et al. 2006). Almost all recent records of this species, south of the tropics, have been from riparian habitat (DoEE 2018o). It is thought that permanent sources of water and	Low: Vegetation communities recorded within the study area are not consistent with the preferred habitat that is described for the Black-throated Finch. Specifically, the study area does not support riparian habitat that this is preferred by this species. The study area is outside the current known range of this species. Further, the Black-throated Finch has not been recorded in southern Queensland since the 1980s (DoEE 2018o).

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				surrounding habitat provides refuge for this species during the dry season and particularly during drought conditions (DoEE 2018o). This species has been recorded in degraded habitats such as heavily grazed paddocks (DoEE 2018o). This species has undergone a significant range contraction from the southern parts of its former distribution. It has not been recorded in south-east Queensland since the early 80s and is now thought to be extinct in NSW. It is noted as being mostly absent from the coastal plain but occasionally recorded from the area around Townsville and Ingham (Higgins et al. 2006).	
				Foraging habitat: This subspecies is thought to require a mosaic of different habitats in which it can find seed during the wet season (DoEE 2018o).	
				Breeding habitat : Nests are often built in a hollow branch of a tree, or in a fork of a tree, shrub or sapling. It is not uncommon for nests to be placed in other sites, such as in tall grass, amongst mistletoe, beneath active raptor nests, or in an old nest of a Babbler (<i>Pomatostomus</i> spp.) or Diamond Firetail (<i>Stagonopleura guttata</i>) (DoEE 2018o). Nest sites tend to be located in close proximity to water.	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Red Goshawk (<i>Erythrotriorchis</i> <i>radiatus</i>)	V	E	PMST	Distribution: This species is sparsely dispersed across coastal and sub-coastal Australia from western Kimberly Division to north-eastern New South Wales and occasionally on continental islands.	Low: There is a distinct lack of preferred habitat for the Red Goshawk in the form of permanent water and riverine forests in the study area.
				General habitat preferences: This species occurs in woodlands and forests, ideally with a mosaic of vegetation types and permanent water, particularly riverine forests. The species avoids both very dense	

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				and very open habitats. They are solitary and secretive birds and hunt mainly from ambush. Their prey is mostly birds, but also mammals, reptiles and insects (Marchant and Higgins 1994).	
				Breeding habitat: Nests are restricted to trees taller than 20 m and within 1 km of a watercourse or wetland. It is thought to rarely breed in areas with fragmented native vegetation (Garnett et al. 2011). Home ranges of 120 km² and 200 km² for females and males, respectively have been recorded (Marchant and Higgins 1994). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study	
Squatter Pigeon (southern) (Geophaps scripta scripta)	V	V	PMST, ALA	Distribution: The southern sub-species for the Squatter Pigeon (southern subspecies) is described as occurring south of the Burdekin River-Lynd divide in the southern region of Cape York Peninsula to the Border Rivers region of northern New South Wales, and from the east coast to Hughenden, Longreach and Charleville (Higgins and Davies 1996). The known distribution of the southern sub-species overlaps with the known distribution of the northern subspecies (DoEE 2018p). General habitat preferences: This species is known from tropical dry, open sclerophyll woodlands and sometimes savannah with Eucalyptus, Corymbia, Acacia or Callitris species in the overstorey. The groundcover layer is patchy consisting of native, perennial tussock grasses or a mix of grasses and low shrubs or forbs. However, the groundcover layer rarely exceeds 33% of the ground area. It appears to favour sandy soil dissected with low gravely ridges and is less common on heavier soils with dense grass cover. It	Low: The study area does not support habitat suitable for this species. Specifically, the vegetation communities present are taller and more closed than habitat the Squatter Pigeon is typically associated with. Further the study area is located on land zones 8 and 9-10, and does not support any areas of land zone 5 and 7. The study is also not characterised by sandy soils separated by low gravelly rises that are preferred by the Squatter Pigeon.

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				is nearly always found in close association i.e. within 3 km, with permanent water. While the species is unlikely to move far from woodland trees, where scattered trees still occur and the distance of cleared land between remnant trees or patches of habitat does not exceed 100 m, individuals may be found foraging in, or moving across modified or degraded environments (DoEE 2018p).	
				Foraging habitat: This occurs in any remnant or regrowth open-forest to sparse, open woodland or scrub dominated by <i>Eucalyptus</i> , <i>Corymbia</i> , <i>Acacia</i> or <i>Callitris</i> species, on sandy or gravelly soils. It feeds primarily on seeds of grasses, herbs and shrubs (DoEE 2018p).	
				Breeding habitat: This occurs on well-draining, stony rises occurring on sandy or gravelly soils or on low 'jump-ups' and escarpments (i.e. land zones 5 and 7), within 1 km of a suitable, permanent waterbody (DoEE 2018p).	
				Dispersal habitat: This can be any forest or woodland occurring between patches of foraging or breeding habitat, and suitable waterbodies and may include denser patches of vegetation not suitable for foraging or breeding.	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Painted Honeyeater (<i>Grantiella picta</i>)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: This species is sparsely distributed from south-eastern Australia to north-western Queensland and eastern Northern Territory. Greatest concentrations, including all breeding records, come from south of 26°, on inland slopes of the Great Dividing Range between the Grampians in Victoria and Roma in Queensland. After breeding,	Low: The study area supports some suitable habitat resources for this species in the form a mature eucalypt woodlands. However, mistletoe species were not prevalent in the vegetation communities present.

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				many birds move to semi-arid regions such as north- eastern South Australia, central and western Queensland and central Northern Territory. This species is considered to have a single population.	
				General habitat preferences: This species occurs in mistletoes in eucalypt forests, woodlands, riparian woodlands of black box and river red gum, boxironbark-yellow gum woodlands, acacia-dominated woodlands, paperbarks, casuarinas, Callitris, and trees on farmland or gardens. Prefers woodlands with a higher number of mature trees, as these generally support more mistletoes. More common in larger remnant tracts, rather than narrow remnant strips.	
				Breeding preferences: Breeding season is closely aligned with fruiting of mistletoe, therefore north-south movements have been observed (TSSC 2015). It has been known to breed in narrow roadside strips if ample mistletoe fruit is present. The species appears to prefer mistletoe as a nest substrate and is likely to be attracted to habitats where mistletoe is prevalent and parasitism rates are high (TSSC 2015). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online	
				records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Red-tailed Tropicbird (<i>Phaethon rubricauda</i>)	М	V	Wildlife Online, ALA	Distribution: This species ranges throughout tropical and subtropical zones of the Indian and West Pacific Oceans, breeding on oceanic islands. Lord Howe Island is said to have the greatest breeding concentration in the world (OEH 2018). General habitat preferences: This pelagic, marine	Low: The Red-tailed Tropicbird is a pelagic, marine bird that is rarely recorded inland. The study area is approximately 83 km inland from the coast and the study area does not support suitable coastal habitats for foraging, sheltering or breeding.
				species spends most of its time on the open ocean, often far from land. Cliffs and the forest canopy of	It is noted that there are three records for this species within 5 km of the study area.

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				islands are used for rest and shelter. Vagrant birds occur in coastal NSW waters, and occasionally even inland, particularly after storm events (Morcombe and Stewart 2013; OEH 2018).	The ALA database indicates that these three records are all dated February 1991 and are likely to be from the same collection event. Two of the records specify the specimen is a
				Foraging habitat: The Red-tailed Tropicbird plunge-dives for fish on the open ocean (Morcombe and Stewart 2013; OEH 2018)	preserved specimen. The ALA data quality tests indicate there may be an issue with the records given this is a marine species being
				Breeding habitat: Breeds in coastal cliffs and under bushes in tropical Australia. Nests on cliffs of the northern hills and southern mountains on the main island at Lord Howe Island (OEH 2018).	reported in a terrestrial area. The mismatch could be an identification or name match error instead of geospatial issue.
				Notable features: A large white seabird, often with long red tail streamers and red bill. Juveniles mottled above, tail streamers missing, bill black (OEH 2018).	
				Nearest record: There are three Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Black-breasted Button- quail (<i>Turnix melanogaster</i>)	>	V	PMST	Distribution: Endemic to eastern Australia, this species is restricted to coastal and near-coastal regions of south-eastern Queensland and north-eastern New South Wales (DoEE 2018q). The main populations occur within south-east Queensland, where the current known distribution extends from near Byfield in the north, south to the New South Wales border and westwards to Palm Grove National Park and Barakula State Forest (DoEE 2018q). The most significant populations appear to be in the Yarraman-Nanango, Jimna-Conondale and Great Sandy regions.	Low: The study area does not support preferred habitat for the Black-breasted Button Quail in the form of vine thicket rainforest or mature Hoop Pine forest. Distinctive feeding platelets in the litter layer were not observed in any of the vegetation communities within the study area during the field survey.
				General habitat preferences: This species is most commonly associated with vine thicket rainforest with greater than 800 mm rainfall, deep leaf litter and a closed canopy but also occur in softwood	

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				scrubs in the Brigalow Belt, vine scrub regrowth and mature Hoop Pine (<i>Araucaria cunninghamii</i>) particularly with a Common Lantana (* <i>Lantana camara</i>) understorey. They also occur in dry sclerophyll forest adjacent to rainforest and <i>Acacia</i> and <i>Austromyrtus</i> scrubs on sandy coastal sols (Inskip Point) (Garnett et al. 2011).	
				Foraging habitat: An extensive dense leaf-litter layer is required for foraging (DoEE 2018q). As such, optimum habitat is often associated with highly fertile soils. It is believed that the highly fertile soils promote rapid leaf growth on plants, which dropped to the ground during dry periods thus maintaining the deep leaf litter layer which is crucial to the foraging requirements of the species (DoEE 2018q). In Googa State Forest, south-eastern Queensland, birds are most commonly associated with remnant microphyll vine forest with no lantana in the understorey, but lantana is often used for diurnal foraging and nocturnal roosting (DoEE 2018q).	
				Breeding habitat: Nests consist of a scrape in the ground, lined with leaves, grass or moss (DoEE 2018q). Fallen logs and a dense, heterogeneously distributed shrub layers are also considered to be important habitat characteristics for shelter and breeding. Nests are often in areas where the common understorey plants include species such as Bracken (Pteridium esculentum), Rasp Fern (Doodia aspera) and Lantana (Lantana camara) and are often placed in the buttress root of a tree or sapling, the base of a fern or under a low bush or grass tussock (DoEE 2018q).	
				Notable features: Black-breasted Button quail are commonly seen in pairs or occasionally in small groups. This species is cryptic in nature and direct	

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				observation can be difficult. One of the key methods of detecting the presence of birds in an area is the presence of feeding traces (platelets) (DoEE 2018q).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Mammals					
Spotted-tailed Quoll (south-eastern mainland population) (Dasyurus maculatus maculatus)	PMST	Distribution: The Spotted-tailed Quoll occurs in south-east Queensland coastally from Bundaberg to the New South Wales border and inland to Monto and Stanthorpe (DoEE 2018r). Occurrences from five broad geographic areas are known with four from coastal ranges and the Great Dividing Range from the NSW border to Gladstone. The fifth is centred on the eastern Darling Downs-Inglewood Sandstone provinces of the Brigalow Belt South Bioregion (DoEE 2018r). In New South Wales, the Spot-tailed Quoll records are generally confined to within 200 km of the coast and range from the Queensland border to Kosciuszko NP (DoEE 2018r).	Low: The study area supports a relatively intact mosaic of eucalypt woodlands however the prevalence of suitable denning sites was limited to virtually absent. Large pieces of fallen woody debris, low hollows and caves were limited to non-existent.		
				General habitat preferences: The Spotted-tailed Quoll has been recorded from a wide range of habitats, including: temperate and subtropical rainforests in mountain areas, wet sclerophyll forest, lowland forests, open and closed eucalypt woodlands, inland riparian and River Red Gum (Eucalyptus camaldulensis) forests, dry 'rainshadow' woodland, sub-alpine woodlands, coastal heathlands and occasional sightings from open country, grazing lands, rocky outcrops and other treeless areas (DoEE 2018r). Refuge habitat: The Spotted-tailed Quoll is predominantly nocturnal and rests during the day in dens. Habitat requirements include suitable den	

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				sites such as hollow logs, tree hollows, rock outcrops or caves (DoEE 2018r). Individuals also require an abundance of food, such as birds and small mammals, and large areas of relatively intact vegetation through which to forage (DoEE 2018r). *Nearest record:* There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Large-eared Pied Bat (Chalinolobus dwyeri)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: The species' current distribution is poorly known. Records exist from Shoalwater Bay, north of Rockhampton, Queensland, through to the vicinity of Ulladulla, NSW in the south. Despite the large range, it has been suggested that the species is far more restricted within the species' range than previously understood (DoEE 2018s). In Queensland, records are known from sandstone escarpments in the Carnarvon, Expedition Ranges and Blackdown Tablelands. Additional records exist in the Scenic Rim near the NSW/Queensland border (DoEE 2018s).	Low: The study area does not support high fertility sites with box-gum woodlands or riverine/rainforest corridors. The study area also does not support any suitable roosting habitat (i.e. caves).
				General habitat preferences: This species is uncommon in dry and wet eucalypt forests from Blackdown Tableland to near Wollongong NSW (Menkhorst and Knight 2011). It is primarily a cave roosting species that inhabits sclerophyll forests and woodland throughout much of its range (Churchill 2009).	
				Foraging habitat: Higher fertility sites, particularly box gum woodlands or river/rainforest corridors are used for foraging (DoEE 2018s).	
				Roosting habitat: Sandstone cliffs and fertile woodland valley habitat within close proximity of each other is important roosting habitat for this species. Records from south-east Queensland	

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				suggest that rainforest and moist eucalypt forest habitats on other geological substrates (rhyolite, trachyte and basalt) at high elevation are of similar importance to the species are also of importance (DoEE 2018s).	
				Breeding habitat: The structure of primary nursery roosts appears to be very specific, i.e. arch caves with dome roofs (that need to be deep enough to allow juvenile bats to learn to fly safely inside) and with indentations in the roof, presumably to allow the capture of heat (DoEE 2018s). These physical characteristics are not very common in the landscape and therefore a limiting factor. No maternity roost sites are known in Queensland (TSSC, 2010).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project site.	
Greater Glider (<i>Petauroides volans</i>)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: This species is restricted to eastern Australia, between Windsor Tableland in north Queensland and Wombat State Forest in central Victoria. It occurs from sea level up to 1,200 m above sea level. Two isolated subpopulations exist in Queensland, one in the Gregory Range west of Townsville and another in the Einasleigh Uplands (TSSC 2016b).	Low: The study area does not support habitat preferred by this species in the form of tall, montane, moist eucalypt forests with large hollow bearing trees that are the preferred habitat.
				General habitat preferences: The Greater Glider occurs in a range of eucalypt-dominated habitats, including low open forests on the coast to tall forests in the ranges and low woodland westwards of the Dividing Range. It does not use rainforest habitats (van Dyck et al. 2013; van Dyck and Strahan 2008a). This species favours taller, montane, moist eucalypt forests with relatively old trees and	

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				abundant hollows and a diversity of eucalypt species (TSSC 2016b).	
				Foraging habitat: The Greater Glider has an almost exclusive diet of eucalypt leaves and occasionally flowers or buds (TSSC 2016b; van Dyck and Strahan 2008a). Although the species is known to feed on a range of eucalypt species, in any particular area it is likely to only forage on one or two species (van Dyck and Strahan 2008a).	
				Breeding habitat: Breeding occurs between March and June and a single young is born each year (TSSC 2016b; van Dyck and Strahan 2008a). The young stays with the mother or is left in the nest and becomes independent at about 9 months (Menkhorst and Knight 2011).	
				Notable features: This species appears to have low dispersal ability and typically small home ranges of 1-4 ha. In lower productivity forests, home ranges may be as large as 16 ha for males. Male home ranges generally do not overlap (TSSC 2016b). It may glide over distances of up to 100 m. It is a nocturnal species and uses tree hollows during the day to rest (van Dyck and Strahan 2008a).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project site.	
Brush-tailed Rock- wallaby (Petrogale penicillata)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: The Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby was once widespread and abundant in south-eastern Australia (van Dyck and Strahan 2008b). In Queensland, populations of the Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby occur, or did occur, throughout the Great Dividing Range from the border with NSW to Nanango, 100 km northwest of Brisbane (DoEE 2018t). In the northeastern region of New South	Low: The study area is unlikely to provide habitat for this species given the absence of rocky outcrops, steep rock slopes, cliffs, gorges and isolated rock stacks. Further, habitats supporting fig trees and vegetation with a dense canopy cover beneath cliffs are not present.

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				Wales, most Brush-tailed Rock-Wallabies were in one of three main populations; one consisting of more than 50 colonies in the Macleay Gorges system, one consisting of more than 20 colonies on the Cataract River, and one consisting of more than 20 colonies on the Clarence River (DoEE 2018t). General habitat preferences: This species prefers rocky habitats, including loose boulder-piles, rocky outcrops, steep rocky slopes, cliffs, gorges and isolated rock stacks (DoEE 2018t).	Populations of this species are not highly mobile and rarely move from established home ranges. The nearest known populations of this species are located a Main Range National Park (at least 12 kn west of the study area), Moogerah Peaks NI (approximately 8 km south-south-west of the study area) and Mt French NI (approximately 5 km south-east of the study area).
				Foraging habitat: Rocky outcrops appear crucial to current habitat selection by rock-wallabies, however, vegetation structure and composition is also considered to be an important factor. Rock-wallabies are closely associated with dense arboreal cover, especially fig trees and the vegetation on and below cliffs appear to be important to this species as a source of food and shelter and in some cases may provide some protection from predation (DoEE 2018t). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online	
				records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Koala (Combined populations of QLD, NSW and the ACT) (Phascolarctos cinereus)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: This species is widespread in sclerophyll forest and woodlands on foothills and plains on both sides of the Great Dividing Range from about Chillagoe, Queensland to Mt Lofty Ranges in South Australia (Menkhorst and Knight 2011). General habitat preferences: Koalas use a range of habitats, including temperate, sub-tropical and tropical forest, woodland and semi-arid communities dominated by Eucalyptus species. Essentially any forest or woodland containing species that are	Present: This species was directly observed in remnant RE 12.9-10.7 in the northwestern corner of Lot 9. Scats of this species were also recorded in eucalypt woodland on the lower slopes in the western portion of Lot 9. This species appears to be favouring communities with a higher density of Queensland Blue Gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis subsp. tereticornis) (i.e. RE 12.9-10.7 and lower slopes of RE 12.8.17),

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				known Koala food trees, or shrubland with emergent food trees provides potential Koala habitat. Koala are known to occur in modified or regenerating native vegetation communities (DotE 2016c). Foraging habitat: The South East Queensland Koala Conservation State Planning Regulatory Provisions define Koala food trees as species of the Corymbia, Melaleuca, Lophostemon or Eucalyptus genera (DERM 2010; DotE 2016c). Refuge habitat: Habitat that allows for the persistence of the Koala during droughts and periods of extreme heat, especially in riparian environments and other areas with reliable soil moisture and fertility. Such habitats occur on permanent aquifers, in riparian zones, on upper or mid-slopes, on fertile alluvial plains or where soil moisture/rainfall is reliable (DotE 2016c). Nearest record: This species was recorded within eucalypt woodland communities within the study area.	which is recognised preferred feed tree in coastal South East Queensland (EHP 2011). The study area also supports nine other Koala habitat trees: Smooth-barked Apple (Angophora leiocarpa) Broad-leaved Apple (Angophora subvelutina) Pink Bloodwood (Corymbia intermedia) Carbeen (C. tessellaris) Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark (Eucalyptus crebra) Silver-leaved Ironbark (E. melanphloia) Gum-topped Box (E. moluccana) Yellow Box (E. melliodora) Brush Box (Lophostemon confertus). A total of 146.8 ha of Koala habitat have been identified within the study area in the form of remnant, high-value regrowth and non-remnant vegetation in Lot 9 with sufficient cover of non-juvenile Koala habitat trees (Figure 6). However, as discussed in Section 7.1.1, the majority of Koala habitat within the proposed quarry footprint is considered less likely to be used by Koalas given: the slope (i.e. between 3 and >14°) and elevation (i.e. above 150 m AHD) of these areas is not consistent with the landscape features preferred by Koalas in South East Queensland (i.e. slopes 0-5° and

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					elevations between 0-100 m AHD (GHD 2009)) the absence of Queensland Blue Gum, which is being preferentially used by Koalas as they move through the study area and is recognised a preferred feed tree in South East Queensland (EHP 2011) no individuals, scats or scratch marks were recorded in survey plots conducted throughout vegetation communities on the upper slopes and crest of the low hill.
Long-nosed Potoroo (Potorous tridactylus tridactylus)	V	LC	PMST	Distribution: The Long-nosed Potoroo (SE Mainland) has scattered populations extending from south-eastern Queensland through to NSW. The species has been recorded at Many Peaks Range, south-east of Gladstone, Bellthorpe near Beerwah and in the Border Ranges (DoEE 2018u). It has also been seen at Bulburin, south-west of Miriam Vale and in the Lamington National Park and surrounds (DoEE 2018u). General habitat preferences: There is limited information about the species habitat in Queensland and NSW. There is no consistent pattern to the habitat for this species, it can be found in wet eucalypt forests to coastal heaths and scrubs (DoEE 2018u). The main factors would appear to be access to some form of dense vegetation for shelter (and the presence of an abundant supply of fungi for food (DoEE 2018u). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support preferred habitat for this species. Specifically, the vegetation present in the study area is not characterised by dense vegetation that provides shelter or the presence of an abundant supply of fungi for food.

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New Holland Mouse (Pseudomys novaehollandiae)	V	LC	PMST	Distribution: The New Holland Mouse has a fragmented distribution across Tasmania, Victoria, NSW and Queensland. The species is now largely restricted to the coast of central and northern NSW, with one inland occurrence near Parkes (DoEE 2018v). General habitat preferences: The New Holland Mouse is predominantly nocturnal and shelters and nests in burrows up to 5 m long (van Dyck and Strahan 2008b). The species occurs in heathland, woodland, open forests, paperbark swamps and on deeper sandy, loamy or rocky soils (van Dyck and Strahan 2008b). Important attributes of habitat are a diverse understory of leguminous shrubs and substrates capable of supporting their burrows (van Dyck and Strahan 2008b). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project site.	Low: The soil types (primarily shallow clay-loams with pebbles) within the study area are unlikely to support the burrowing habits of this species. Further, field data indicates that the vegetation communities present have a relatively sparse shrub layer, which does not align with the diverse understorey of leguminous shrubs that is preferred by the New Holland Mouse.
Grey-headed Flying-fox (<i>Pteropus</i> poliocephalus)	V	LC	PMST	Distribution: This species is endemic to Australia and occurs in the coastal belt between Rockhampton in central Queensland and Melbourne in Victoria. It infrequently occurs west of the Great Dividing Range. It moves throughout its range in response to availability of foraging resources (DoEE 2018w). General habitat preferences: This species is a canopy-feeding frugivore and nectarivore, usually feeding on rainforest, open forest, closed and open woodland communities as well as <i>Melaleuca</i> swamps and Banksia woodlands. It will also feed on fruit crops and other introduced tree species. Its primary food source is <i>Eucalyptus</i> (and related genera) blossom (DoEE 2018w).	Low: The potential exists for this species to feed on eucalypt species (and related genera) throughout the woodlands within the study area and surrounds. Historically, there may have been a moderate likelihood for this species to use habitats within the study area. There was an active flying fox camp located in Boonah (approximately 12 km south-east of the study area) that was known to support Greyheaded Flying Fox. However, this camp was decommissioned in 2014 (SRRC 2016). The nearby Boonah - Mount French roost site is also known to support Grey-headed Flying-

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				Camps: Camps are generally in rainforest patches, stands of <i>Melaleuca</i> , mangroves and riparian vegetation located near water, such as lakes, rivers or the coast (DoEE 2018w).	fox, but this site is used irregularly (SRRC 2016). There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.
				Breeding: Mating occurs in early autumn. Young are usually born in October (DoEE 2018w).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project site.	
Reptiles					
Collared Delma (Delma torquata)	V	V	PMST	Distribution: The species has been recorded within the Bunya Mountains (approximately 200 km northwest of Brisbane), Blackdown Tablelands National Park (approximately 200 km west of Rockhampton), Expedition National Park (Central Queensland), Western Creek, near Millmerran (approximately 200 km south-west of Brisbane) and the Toowoomba Range. A large concentration of records are from the western suburbs of Brisbane (DoEE 2018x). General habitat preferences: This species is predominantly associated with open rocky terrain although it has also been found in eucalypt woodlands and brigalow with little surface rock (Wilson 2005). It is most likely to inhabit eucalypt-dominated woodland and open forests on landzones 3, 9 and 10. The presence of rocks, logs, bark and other coarse woody debris, and mats of leaf litter typically 30-100 mm thick) appear to be essential characteristics of Collared Delma microhabitat, which may be a limiting factor for recolonising recently burnt areas (DoEE 2018x). This species has been found in only a hand full of small isolated	Low: The majority of the study area is located on landzone 8 with areas of land zones 9-10 located within the northern and western portions of Lot 9 (i.e. refer to mapped areas of RE 12.9-10.7 on Figure 6). However, vegetation associated with landzone 9-10 within the study area lacks critical microhabitat features for this species in the form of rocks, logs, bark and other coarse woody debris. In addition the litter layer in these areas was sparse and shallow.

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				populations in South-east Queensland and the Brigalow Belt bioregions (DoEE 2018x).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the project site.	
Dunmall's Snake (<i>Furina dunmalli</i>)	٧	V	PMST	Distribution: This snake occurs in the Brigalow Belt South and Nandewar bioregions from near the Queensland border south to Ashford in New South Wales (DoEE 2018y).	Low: The vegetation types present in the study area, are not consistent with the preferred habitat for this species.
				General habitat preferences: Dunmall's Snake has been found in a broad range of habitats between 200-500 m above sea level. Habitats including forests and woodlands on clay or clay loam soils dominated by Brigalow (Acacia harpophylla), other wattles such as A. burrowii, A. deanii, A. leiocalyx, native Cypress (Callitris spp.) or Bull Oak and various Spotted Gum (Corymbia citriodora ssp. variegata), Ironbark (Eucalyptus crebra and E. melanophloia), White Cypress Pine (Callitris glaucophylla) and Bull Oak open forest and woodland associations on sandstone derived soils. It has rarely been found on the edge of dry vine scrub and in hard ironstone country. It shelters under fallen timber and ground litter and may use cracks in alluvial clay soils. The Dunmall's Snake feeds on small skinks and geckos (DoEE 2018y).	
				Notable features: This is a very secretive snake with few known records. The high number of midbody scales (21) and small yellow flecks over the temporal region and lips will generally distinguish this snake from other similar species (DoEE 2018y).	
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	

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(Scientific name)	EPBC Act	NC Act				
Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink (Saiphos reticulatus)	>	LC	PMST	Distribution: The Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink occurs from Crescent Head in north-east NSW to Fraser Island in south-east Queensland (DoEE 2018z). Most records are from the Border Ranges in the vicinity of the NSW/Queensland border (DoEE 2018z). General habitat preferences: In Queensland, the Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink has been recorded in rainforest, closed forest, wet sclerophyll forest, tall open Blackbutt (Eucalyptus pilularis) forest, tall layered open eucalypt forest and closed Brush Box (Lophostemon confertus) forest (DoEE 2018z). It has also been recorded from extensive regrowth in heavily logged areas (DoEE 2018z). Foraging habitat: This species feeds on worms, insects and insect larvae (DoEE 2018z). Breeding habitat: There is no life cycle information available for this species. Notable features: The Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink can be easily distinguished from most other skinks by its reduced limbs, three toes per limb, robust shape and, in most instances, distinctive body markings (especially in juveniles) (DoEE 2018z). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records for this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support habitat suitable for this species in the form of rainforest, closed forest, tall open Blackbutt forest or closed Brush Box forest. It is noted that the brush Box dominated vegetation (i.e. 12.8.9) recorded within the central portion of Lot 2 is a low open forest community.	
Migratory	1			1	1	
Common Sandpiper (Actitis hypoleucos)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: Occurs in a range of coastal wetland habitats, and some inland wetlands with varying levels of salinity. Generally occurs on muddy margins or rocky shores, which may be narrow or steep, and rarely found on	Low: The study area does not support coastal aquatic habitats that are preferred by this species.	

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				mudflats. Forages in shallow water or edges of wetlands. May also use grassy areas adjoining wetlands (DoEE 2018aa). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Fork-tailed Swift (Apus pacificus)	М	SLC	PMST, Wildlife Online	Distribution and habitat preferences: Aerial species that flies over open habitat sometimes over forests and cities (Pizzey et al. 2012). Sometimes occurs above rainforests, wet sclerophyll forest or pine plantations (DoEE 2018ab) Nearest record: There is one Wildlife Online and one ALA record for this species within 5 km of the study area.	Present: This species was observed overflying the study area and neighbouring properties. This species was commonly observed soaring 50 to 100 m above the various woodland communities within the study area.	
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (Calidris acuminata)	M	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: A widespread summer migrant to coastal and inland Australia (Pizzey et al. 2012). This species has been recorded from tidal mudflats, saltmarshes, mangroves, shallow Saline, brackish or fresh water inland wetlands, Floodwaters, irrigated pastures and crops (Pizzey et al. 2012). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support wetland habitats that are preferred by this species. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Pectoral Sandpiper (Calidris melanotos)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: In Queensland this species mainly occurs in shallow fresh to saline wetlands around Cairns, although there have been few records near Mt Isa, Longreach and Oakley. Wetland habitat includes lakes, swamps, inundated grasslands, saltmarshes, rive pools, creeks, flood plains, estuaries, bays, coastal lagoons and artificial wetlands (DoEE 2018ac). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable coastal aquatic habitat for this species. The study area is outside of the current known range of this species.	

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Oriental Cuckoo (Cuculus optatus)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: Non-breeding habitat occurs in Australia and is characterised by monsoonal rainforest, vine thickets, wet sclerophyll forest or open Casuarina, Acacia or Eucalyptus woodlands (DotE 2015). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area supports suitable habitat for this species in the form of eucalypt woodlands. However, the lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Latham's Snipe (<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>)	М	SLC	PMST, Wildlife Online	Distribution and habitat preferences: Soft wet ground or shallow water with tussocks, wet paddocks, seepage below dams, irrigated areas, scrub or open woodland (Pizzey et al. 2012). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable wetland habitats for this species. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus</i> caudacutus)	М	SLC	PMST, Wildlife Online	Distribution and habitat preferences: Aerial over forests, woodlands, farmlands, plains, lakes and towns (Pizzey et al. 2012). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Moderate: This species may overfly the study area as part of a larger foraging range. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Black-faced Monarch (<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i>)	М	SLC	PMST, ALA	Distribution and habitat preferences: Mainly occurs in rainforest ecosystems, including semideciduous vine-thickets, complex notophyll vineforest, tropical (mesophyll) rainforest, subtropical (notophyll) rainforest, mesophyll (broadleaf) thicket/shrubland, warm temperate rainforest, dry (monsoon) rainforest and (occasionally) cool temperate rainforest (DoEE 2018ad). The species also occurs in selectively logged and 20—30 years old regrowth rainforest. It is also sometimes found in nearby open eucalypt forests (mainly wet sclerophyll forests), especially in gullies with a dense, shrubby understorey as well as in dry sclerophyll forests and woodlands, often with a patchy understorey. The species especially occurs in	Present: This species was recorded in a steeply inclined drainage gully within Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark woodland to open forest in the central portion of the study area. The gully and associated slopes supported a mid-dense cover within the mid and lower strata comprising Brush Box and various vine forest generalists (e.g. Red Kamala (<i>Mallotus philippensis</i>)).	

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				'marginal' habitats during winter or during passage (migration).		
				Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.		
Spectacled Monarch (Monarcha trivirgatus)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: Dense vegetation, mainly in rainforest but also in moist forest or wet sclerophyll and occasionally in other dense vegetation such as mangroves, drier forest and woodlands (DotE 2015) Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable habitat for this species in the form of rainforest, thickly wooded gullies and waterside vegetation. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Yellow Wagtail (<i>Motacilla flava</i>)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: Non-breeding habitat occurs in Australia and is characterised by mostly well-watered open grasslands and the fringes of wetlands. Roosts in mangrove and other dense vegetation (DoEE 2018ae) Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable habitat for this species in the form of well-watered open grasslands and wetlands. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Satin Flycatcher (<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i>)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: Heavily vegetated gullies in forests and taller woodlands and during migration coastal forests, woodlands, mangroves, gardens and open country (Pizzey et al. 2012). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable habitat for this species in the form of heavily vegetated forests and gullies. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	
Osprey (<i>Pandion</i> haliaetus)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: This species occurs in littoral and coastal habitats and terrestrial wetlands of tropical and temperate Australia and offshore islands (DoEE 2018af). The Osprey has been occasionally observed further inland along major rivers (DoEE 2018af). This	Low: The study area does not support suitable coastal or riverine habitats that are preferred by this species. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.	

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				species requires extensive areas of fresh, brackish or saline waters for foraging (DoEE 2018af). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	
Rufous Fantail (<i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i>)	М	SLC	PMST	Rainforest, wet eucalypt forests, monsoon forests, paperbarks, sub-inland and coastal scrubs, mangroves, watercourses, parks (Pizzey et al. 2012). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Present: This species was recorded in a steeply inclined drainage gully within Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark woodland to open forest in the central portion of the study area. The gully and associated slopes supported a mid-dense cover within the mid and lower strata comprising Brush Box and various vine forest generalists (e.g. Red Kamala (<i>Mallotus philippensis</i>)).
Common Greenshank (<i>Tringa nebularia</i>)	М	SLC	PMST	Distribution and habitat preferences: This species occurs mainly in coastal regions with some scattered records south of a line from near Dalby to Mt Guide. It occurs in a variety of inland wetlands and sheltered coastal habitats of varying salinity. This species uses permanent and ephemeral terrestrial wetlands, including swamps, lakes, dams, rivers, creeks, billabongs, waterholes and inundated floodplains, claypans, saltflats mudflats, saltmarsh, mangroves, seagrass, embayments, harbours, river estuaries, deltas and lagoons. It will also use artificial wetlands and impoundments. It generally does not occur in dry grassland (DoEE 2018ag). Nearest record: There are no Wildlife Online records of this species within 5 km of the study area.	Low: The study area does not support suitable wetland habitats for this species. The lack of records within the search area indicates this species does not use habitats in the locality on a regular basis.

¹Status:

- EPBC Act Status Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999: E, Endangered; V, Vulnerable; M, Migtaory; NL, Not listed
- NC Act Status Nature Conservation Act 1992: E, Endangered; V, Vulnerable; NT, Near threatened; LC, Least concern; SLC, Special least concern

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³Record source:

- PMST Protected Matters Search Tool (refer Appendix B)
- Wildlife Online Wildlife Online database (refer Appendix B)
- ALA Atlas of Living Australia

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Appendix G

Koala SAT site data sheets

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KOALA HABITAT SPOT ASSESSMENT

SAT No: 1 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 4/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: 152.56605 Northing:-27.93091 Datum: 56J/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	K	FP
1	E. moluccana	450	-	-
2	E. moluccana	270	-	-
3	E. moluccana	270	-	-
4	E. moluccana	320, 250	-	-
5	E. melanophloia	250	-	-
6	E. melanophloia	250	-	-
7	E. moluccana	310	-	-
8	E. moluccana	420	-	-
9	E. moluccana	300	-	-
10	E. crebra	190	-	-
11	E. moluccana	320	-	-
12	E. moluccana	260	-	-
13	E. moluccana	400	-	-
14	E. moluccana	330	-	-
15	E. moluccana	360	-	-
16	E. moluccana	400	-	-
17	E. moluccana	310	-	-
18	E. moluccana	320	-	-
19	E. moluccana	340	-	-
20	E. moluccana	420	-	-
21	E. moluccana	410	-	-
22	E. moluccana	280	-	-
23	E. moluccana	290	-	-
24	E. moluccana	430	-	-
25	E. moluccana	290	-	-
26	E. moluccana	280	-	-
27	E. moluccana	320	-	-
28	E. moluccana	500	-	-
29	E. moluccana	320	-	-
30	E. moluccana	300	-	-

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- **6. Comments:** Macropod scats at base of most trees. Brushtail Possum scats at trees 11 and 26.
- 7. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 0

8. Transect Data

Length: 200 m Width: 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1
Estimated sighting distance (m):

No. Koalas: 0

Comment/Detail:

KOALA HABITAT SPOT ASSESSMENT

SAT No: 2 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 4/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: 152.36306 Northing:-27.92964 Datum: 56J/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	К	FP
1	E. tereticornis	320	Scratch	Yes
2	E. crebra	340	-	-
3	E. crebra	260	-	-
4	E. crebra	400	-	-
5	E. crebra	420	-	-
6	E. crebra	210	-	-
7	E. crebra	220	-	-
8	E. crebra	380	-	-
9	E. crebra	300	-	-
10	E. tereticornis	410	Scratch	Yes
11	E. crebra	210	-	-
12	E. tereticornis	520	Scratch	Yes
13	E. tereticornis	380	Scratch	Yes
14	E. tereticornis	270	Scratch	Yes
15	E. crebra	470	-	-
16	E. crebra	410	-	-
17	E. crebra	420	-	-
18	E. crebra	100	-	-
19	E. crebra	320	-	-
20	E. crebra	300	-	-
21	E. crebra	200	-	-
22	E. crebra	270	-	-
23	E. crebra	180	-	-
24	E. crebra	320	-	-
25	E. crebra	120	-	-
26	E. crebra	150	-	-
27	E. crebra	260	-	-
28	E. crebra	350	-	-
29	E. crebra	260	-	Yes
30	E. tereticornis	410	Scratch	Yes

9.	Soil	landscape	Trachy	vandesite
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16. Transect Data

Length: 200 m Width: 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 50 m

No. Koalas: 0

Comment/Detail: Timbergetting, fragmented patch. *Eucalyptus tereticornis* in centre of transect (i.e. o/s SAT sites) and 2 to north of transect, all have scratch marks and scats.



Plate 1. SAT Site 2 – Example of Koala scats recorded



Plate 2. SAT Site 2 – Example of Koala scratch marks recorded

SAT No: 3 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 4/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: 152.56538 Northing:-27.92568 Datum: 56J/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	K	FP
1	E. crebra	220	-	-
2	E. crebra	210	-	-
3	E. crebra	250	-	-
4	E. crebra	170	-	-
5	E. crebra	180	-	-
6	E. crebra	200	-	-
7	E. crebra	210	-	-
8	E. crebra	300	-	-
9	E. crebra	180	-	-
10	E. crebra	410	-	_
11	E. crebra	270	-	-
12	E. crebra	250	-	-
13	E. crebra	450	-	-
14	E. crebra	290	-	-
15	E. crebra	180	-	-
16	E. crebra	270	-	Yes
17	E. crebra	120	-	-
18	E. crebra	220	-	-
19	E. crebra	200	-	-
20	E. crebra	210	-	-
21	E. crebra	200	-	-
22	E. crebra	260	-	-
23	E. crebra	210	-	-
24	E. crebra	260	-	_
25	E. crebra	280	-	_
26	E. crebra	220	-	_
27	E. crebra	300	-	-
28	E. crebra	290	-	-
29	E. crebra	350	-	-
30	C. intermedia	330	-	-

17	Soil	landscane	Sedimentary	(ciltetone)
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21. Mean % groundcover in search area:

22. Comments: Macropod scats throughout Brushtail Possum scats at trees 6,10,13,25 and 30.

23. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 0

24. Transect Data

Length: 200 m **Width:** 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 30 m

No. Koalas: 0

SAT No: 4 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 4/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: 152.56893 Northing:-27.92560 Datum: 56J/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	K	FP
1	E. crebra	410	-	-
2	E. crebra	200	-	-
3	E. crebra	270	-	-
4	E. crebra	200	-	-
5	E. melanophloia	370	-	-
6	E. crebra	320	-	-
7	E. crebra	250	-	-
8	E. crebra	290	-	-
9	E. crebra	400	-	-
10	E. crebra	350	-	-
11	E. crebra	290	-	-
12	E. crebra	200	-	-
13	E. crebra	200	-	-
14	E. crebra	310	-	-
15	E. crebra	450	-	-
16	E. crebra	260	-	-
17	E. crebra	200	-	-
18	E. melanophloia	260	-	-
19	E. crebra	420	-	-
20	E. crebra	400	-	-
21	E. crebra	250	-	-
22	E. crebra	130	-	-
23	E. crebra	170	-	-
24	E. crebra	180	-	-
25	E. crebra	170	-	-
26	E. crebra	150	-	-
27	E. crebra	190	-	-
28	E. melanophloia	450	-	-
29	E. melanophloia	380		-
30	C. intermedia	190	_	-

2	5.	Soil	landscap	e Trach	vandesite
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29. Mean % groundcover in search area:

31. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 0

32. Transect Data

Length: 200 m **Width:** 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 30 m

No. Koalas: 0

SAT No: 5 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 5/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: Datum: 563/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	K	FP
1	C. intermedia	390	-	-
2	E. crebra	210	-	-
3	E. crebra	330	-	-
4	E. crebra	240	-	-
5	E. crebra	190	-	-
6	E. crebra	350	-	-
7	E. crebra	340	-	-
8	E. crebra	270	-	-
9	E. crebra	400	-	-
10	E. crebra	200	-	-
11	E. crebra	450	-	-
12	E. crebra	390	-	-
13	E. crebra	340	-	-
14	E. crebra	200	-	-
15	E. crebra	300	-	-
16	E. crebra	330	-	-
17	E. melanophloia	210	-	-
18	E. crebra	200	-	-
19	E. crebra	230	-	-
20	E. crebra	210	-	-
21	E. crebra	220	-	-
22	E. crebra	260	-	-
23	E. crebra	350	-	-
24	E. crebra	300	-	-
25	E. crebra	300	_	-
26	E. crebra	290	-	-
27	E. crebra	310	-	-
28	E. crebra	190		-
29	E. crebra	170	-	-
30	E. crebra	210	-	-

33. Soil	landscape	: Trach	vandesite

34. SAT Criteria: 1 2 3

35. Age of pellets: Old Mixed Fresh

36. A/Level: __/_=___%

37. Mean % groundcover in search area:

< 30% 30 − 70% > 70%

38. Comments: Brushtail Possum scats at tree 11. Macropod scats common under most trees.

39. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 0

40. Transect Data

Length: 200 m **Width:** 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 30 m

No. Koalas: 0

SAT No: 6	Recorder: Chris Hansen	Recorder: Chris Hansen		Date: 5/10/2018		
Project Location: Frazervi	ew Quarry - Lot					
Easting:	Northing:	Datum 561/W/		Error: ±	3	m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	К	FP
1	E. crebra	300	-	-
2	E. crebra	160	-	-
3	E. crebra	330	-	-
4	E. crebra	190	-	-
5	E. crebra	240	-	-
6	E. crebra	270	-	-
7	E. crebra	210	-	-
8	E. crebra	240	-	-
9	E. crebra	220	-	-
10	E. crebra	310	-	-
11	E. crebra	330	-	-
12	E. crebra	190	-	-
13	E. crebra	320	-	-
14	C. intermedia	390	-	-
15	E. crebra	210	-	-
16	E. crebra	340	-	-
17	E. melanophloia	300	-	-
18	E. crebra	420	-	-
19	E. crebra	110	-	-
20	E. crebra	320	-	-
21	E. crebra	220	-	-
22	E. crebra	290	-	-
23	E. crebra	310	-	-
24	E. crebra	180	-	-
25	E. crebra	330	-	-
26	E. crebra	210	-	-
27	E. crebra	190	-	-
28	E. crebra	190	-	-
29	E. crebra	180	-	-
30	E. crebra	220	-	-

41	Soil	landsca	ne Sed	limentary	, soils
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45. Mean % groundcover in search area:

46. Comments: Brushtail Possum scats at tree 11. Macropod scats common under most trees.

47. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 0

48. Transect Data

Length: 200 m **Width:** 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 30 m

No. Koalas: 0

SAT No: 7 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 5/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: Datum: 563/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	К	FP
1	E. crebra	190	-	-
2	E. tereticornis	350	Scratch	Yes
3	E. tereticornis	220	Yes	Yes
4	E. crebra	410	-	-
5	E. crebra	310	-	-
6	E. crebra	220	-	-
7	E. tereticornis	330	Scratch	Yes
8	E. tereticornis	350	Scratch	Yes
9	E. tereticornis	320	Scratch	Yes
10	E. tereticornis	360	Scratch	Yes
11	E. melanophloia	210	-	-
12	A. subvelutina	290	-	-
13	E. crebra	310	-	-
14	E. crebra	340	-	-
15	E. crebra	310	-	-
16	E. crebra	200	-	-
17	E. crebra	270	-	-
18	E. tereticornis	310	Scratch	Yes
19	E. tereticornis	480	Scratch	Yes
20	E. tereticornis	390	Scratch	Yes
21	E. crebra	220	-	-
22	E. melanophloia	450	-	-
23	E. melanophloia	340	-	-
24	E. crebra	420	-	-
25	E. crebra	200	-	-
26	E. crebra	310	-	-
27	E. crebra	300	-	
28	E. tereticornis	600	-	Yes
29	E. melanophloia	450	-	-
30	E. tereticornis	370	Scratch	Yes

49	Soil	landsca	se Sed	imentary	, soils
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53. Mean % groundcover in search area:

55. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 1

56. Transect Data

Length: 200 m **Width:** 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 30 m

No. Koalas: 2

SAT No: 8 Recorder: Chris Hansen Date: 5/10/2018

Project Location: Frazerview Quarry - Lot

Easting: 152.56973 Northing: -27.93443 Datum: 56J/WGS84 Error: ± 3 m

	Tree Species	DBH (mm)	K	FP
1	E. crebra	100	-	-
2	E. crebra	110	-	-
3	E. crebra	110	-	-
4	E. crebra	200	-	-
5	E. crebra	100	-	-
6	E. crebra	10	-	_
7	E. crebra	130	-	-
8	E. crebra	150	-	-
9	E. crebra	100	-	_
10	E. crebra	120	-	-
11	E. crebra	190	-	-
12	C. intermedia	150, 70	-	-
13	E. crebra	120, 60	-	-
14	E. crebra	110	-	-
15	C. intermedia	160	-	-
16	E. crebra	150	-	-
17	E. crebra	120	-	-
18	E. crebra	120	-	-
19	E. crebra	110	-	-
20	E. crebra	120	-	-
21	E. crebra	170	-	-
22	E. crebra	110	-	-
23	E. crebra	200	-	-
24	E. crebra	100	-	-
25	E. crebra	100	-	-
26	E. crebra	110	-	-
27	E. crebra	130	-	-
28	E. crebra	120	-	-
29	E. crebra	100	-	-
30	E. crebra	190	-	-

57. S	oil lan	dscape	Cainzoic	ianeous	rocks

61. Mean % groundcover in search area:

63. No. Koalas within 25 m of CT: 0

64. Transect Data

Length: 200 m Width: 50 m

Area: 1 ha No. Personnel: 1

Estimated sighting distance (m): 25 m

No. Koalas: 0

Attachment H

Koala EPBC Act critical habitat assessment

Table H1: Koala EPBC Act critical habitat assessment

Attributes and scores from Koala habitat assessment tool			Results of desktop and field analysis	
Attribute	Score	Coastal	Score	Comment
Koala occurrence	+2 (high)	Evidence of one or more Koalas within the last 2 years.		Two Koalas were recorded within remnant RE 12.9-10.7 within the study area. In
	+1 (medium)	Evidence of one or more Koalas within 2 km of the edge of the impact area within the last 5 years.	2	addition, scats and characteristic scratch marks were recorded within remnant RE 12.9-10.7 and RE 12.8.17 on the lower slopes of the undulated low hill.
	0 (low)	None of the above.		
Vegetation composition	+2 (high)	Has forest or woodland with 2 or more known koala food tree species, OR 1 food tree species that alone accounts for >50% of the vegetation in the relevant strata.		Remnant eucalypt woodland communities in the study area contains the following ten species of Koala food trees: Smooth-barked Apple (Angophora leiocarpa) Broad-leaved Apple (Angophora subvelutina)
	+1 (medium)	Has forest or woodland with only 1 species of known koala food tree present.		Pink Bloodwood (Corymbia intermedia)Carbeen (C. tessellaris)
	0 (low)	None of the above.	2	 Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark (Eucalyptus crebra) Silver-leaved Ironbark (E. melanophloia) Gum-topped Box (E. moluccana) Yellow Box (Eucalyptus melliodora) Queensland Blue Gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis subsp. tereticornis) Brush Box (Lophostemon confertus).

Attributes and scores from Koala habitat assessment tool		Results of	desktop and field analysis	
Attribute	Score	Coastal	Score	Comment
Habitat connectivity	+2 (high)	Area is part of a contiguous landscape ≥ 500 ha.	3	The study area is part of a contiguous landscape of remnant woodland vegetation, greater than
	+1 (medium)	Area is part of a contiguous landscape < 500 ha, but ≥ 300 ha.		
	0 (low)	None of the above.		500 ha in area.
Key existing threats	+2 (high)	Little or no evidence of Koala mortality from vehicle strike or dog attack at present in areas that score 1 or 2 for koala occurrence. Areas which score 0 for koala occurrence and have no dog or vehicle threat present		
	+1 (medium)	Evidence of infrequent or irregular Koala mortality from vehicle strike or dog attack at present in areas that score 1 or 2 for Koala occurrence, OR Areas which score 0 for Koala occurrence and are likely to have some degree dog or vehicle threat present.	1	There was no evidence of mortality from dog attack in the study area, although wild dogs are likely to pose a threat throughout the region. The potential for vehicle strike on Cunningham Highway and local roads in the study area locality is likely to pose a threat to the local Koala population.
	0 (low)	Evidence of frequent or regular Koala mortality from vehicle strike or dog attack in the study area at present, OR Areas which score 0 for Koala occurrence and have a significant dog or vehicle threat present.		

Attributes and scores from Koala habitat assessment tool		Results of	f desktop and field analysis	
Attribute	Score	Coastal	Score	Comment
Recovery value [‡]	+2 (high)	Habitat is likely to be important for achieving the interim recovery objectives for the relevant context, as outlined in Table 1.	1	The study area encompasses vegetation primarily on land zones 8 and 9-10 and there are no riparian/refuge communities are present in the
	+1 (medium)	Uncertain whether the habitat is important for achieving the interim recovery objectives for the relevant context, as outlined in Table 1.		study area. Nonetheless, Koalas were recorded during the field survey and the study area connects with larger areas of Koala habitat (i.e. dominated by Koala feed trees). It is uncertain whether habitat within the study area is important for the recovery objectives for this species.
	0 (low)	Habitat is unlikely to be important for achieving the interim recovery objectives for the relevant context, as outlined in Table 1.		
TOTAL		8	Outcome: Habitat critical to the survival of the Koala	

Attachment I

Summary resource assessment – Frazerview Quarry



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Summary Resource Assessment – Frazerview Quarry

1. Introduction

Ausrocks Pty Ltd (Ausrocks) has been contracted by Wagner Investments Pty Ltd (Wagners) to evaluate the potential quarry resource at Horan Road, Frazerview. The property on which the identified Trachyandesite resource is located is Lot 9 RP20973, totaling 155.85 ha located in the Scenic Rim Regional Council. Access to the quarry site is via Horan Road currently, however a new access route through Lot 2 on RP20974 will connect the site directly with the Cunningham Highway about 3 km West of Kalbar. Lot 2 has a surface area of 59.744ha and proposed access is facilitated via a boundary realignment. Preparation of a Development Application has also commenced at the site for approval of extraction up to 1,200,000 tonnes per annum. **Figure 1** shows the site location.

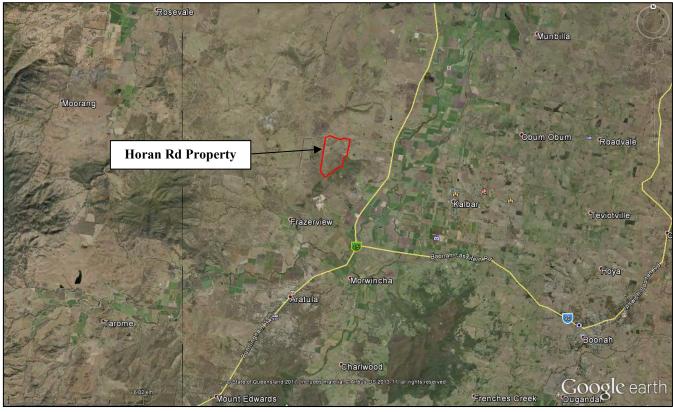


Figure 1 Site Location

Site visits of the proposed Wagners property have been conducted at regular intervals between April 2018 and November 2018 as part of the Development Application and the Resource Assessment. Elevation data was sourced from the online Elevation Foundation Spatial Database (ELVIS) titled 'Queensland LiDAR Data – Scenic Rim 2011 Project'. This data was captured between 19 July 2011 and 19 December 2011 using an Airborne Laser Scanner (ALS) with appropriate ground control. Vertical accuracy of the data is estimated at +/- 0.15m and horizontal accuracy is estimated at +/- 0.4m with 68% confidence. The site resource estimation and pit design were completed using Global Mapper Software (version 20).

2. Scope of work

The investigation was required to assess the quantity and quality of materials considered for use as construction material resources for a proposed long-term guarry. The aims of the investigation were as follows:

- Assess the spatial distribution of quarry resources within the site;
- · Estimate potential in-situ volumes of materials; and
- Assess potential suitability of material for use as raw feed to produce various quarry products.

This report presents the findings of the investigation, together with estimates of material suitability to produce quarry products in accordance with existing material specifications for the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR).

3. Geology

The formal geology for the site is well known and has been mapped at 1:100,000 Scale (Ref: Qld Govt 1989). The site is dominated by the target rock type referred to as Unit **Tia-SEQ**, its lithology being **Trachyandesite**, an intrusive rock of Tertiary Age. The unit has been mapped to be a flat lying sub-horizontal sheets or "sills", intruding into the flat lying **Walloon Coal Measures (Jw**) rocks, a stratified unit of shale, sandstone, sandstone and coals seams. Erosion has exposed the previously buried trachyandesite unit, which is variably weathered to depths up to several metres. The trachyandesite primarily is a robust and durable dark grey-black fine-grained rock, but may include lighter coloured altered intrusive variations. The trachyandesite bodies in the region, including throughout the site, are semi-resistant forming high-rounded hills in the region and in the south and east of the property. Refer **Figure 2**.

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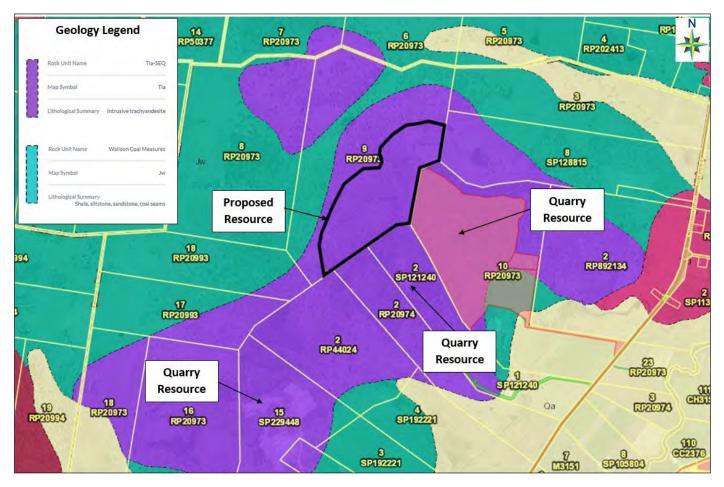


Figure 2 Regional Geology

A SW-NE narrow trending zone of older Walloon Coal Measures has also been mapped at surface on the site. This unit passes through the western side of the site and underlies all the trachyandesite. Its mapped location coincides with the SW-NE trending dominant creek, adjacent alluvial flood flats and a large dam.

The mapped trachyandesite at the site occurs on the very northern end of a much larger mapped mass which extends well outside the Horan Rd property to the south and is approx. 4km long SW-NE and 1.5km wide NW-SE. Formally, a section of this mass to the immediate south has been displayed in cross section and interpreted to have formed from a connecting vertical plug (location unknown). The proposed site sits alongside existing Quarry Resource sites to the east and south (refer **Figure 2**) and these are considered to have similar geology.

4. Site Investigation

A series of investigations at the site have been undertaken to determine the location and potential of the resource. A basic field geological investigation was conducted at the site in April 2018, which resulted in a clear indication that potential resources were contained within the elevated slopes of the south-eastern property area. The field investigation recorded a number of surface observations (including spalls, outcrop & exposures) distributed over the site at various elevations. Subsequently a hand sample was collected and submitted for Petrographic analysis. The material was identified as a Trachyte (commonly associated with Trachyandesite in this type of resource) which was suitable for a range of products including road base, aggregates (with certain precautions), ballast and rip rap. Importantly the sample was identified to have a low (2%) free silica content.

Following the field investigation, a drilling campaign was conducted in November 2018 by Sequel Drilling over a 3-day period. A total of 12 holes were drilled, mostly within the target area but some outside to confirm the surrounding geology. The drilling campaign identified a mix of weathered and fresh rock potentially suitable for quarrying within the blue dotted line on **Figure 3**.

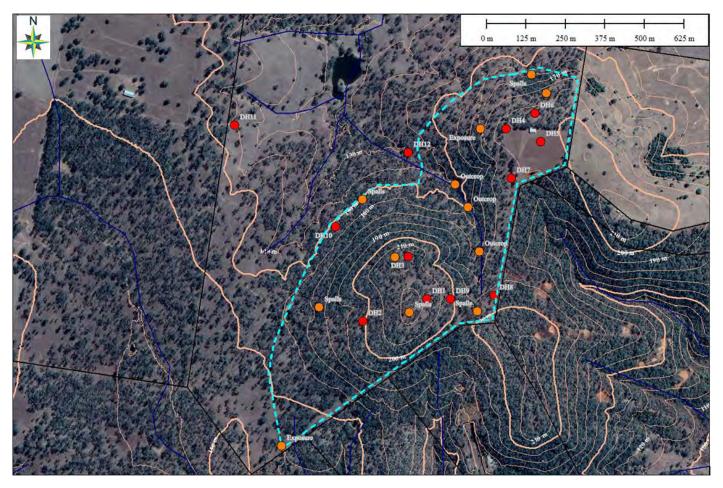


Figure 3 Site Investigation

Based on available data, it appears that groundwater has a limited distribution within the resource area, however, longer-term observations may be required to confirm this.

5. Resource

Work is ongoing to further evaluate the resource and it is proposed to submit 2 additional samples for petrographic

assessment, one from the weathered zone and one from the fresh material. In addition, detailed modelling of the

resource is proposed to assist with detailed pit stage design and optimization of weathered material extraction

planning. Detailed modelling will split the resource into the following classifications;

Topsoil

Highly to moderately weathered trachyandesite (HW-MW)

• Slightly-weathered to fresh trachyandesite (SW-FR)

An estimate of volumes has been prepared for this resource justification report. Geological work and interpretation

for this assessment ascribes a deposit ranging from approximately 10m to 97m in thickness from a base elevation

of 120m Above Sea Level (ASL) to approximately 222.5m ASL. The deposit is flat, with continuity throughout from

north east to south west for approximately 1200m, and the east to west for 550m. The deposit is rectangular in shape with rounded corners following the topography. The pit design was used to constrain the lower surface of the

resource. The total calculated volume of the pit is 22.76Mm³ which predominantly contains a mixture of weathered

to fresh trachyandesite.

Work completed to date is considered sufficient to justify the submission of the development application and

approval. However, recommended further work as the project progresses includes the following;

a test blast and trial crush of the weathered material to determine suitability;

additional drilling to delineate the base of the resource more thoroughly throughout the resource area; and

• further product testing of the fresh material for suitability of a range of specialist products.

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ATTACHMENT 16 – Justification of Survey Methods

This attachment describes the flora and fauna surveys adopted for the SRAIP EAR, with reference to the Scope of Work and the associated DES EIS Information Guideline – Flora and Fauna (the EIS Information Guideline).

Scope of Work	Survey Method used for EAR and Justification		
2.1.3.2(a)(i) Flora and fauna surveys must be completed as per the EIS Information Guideline (see below).	See responses to individual requirements of the EIS Information Guideline below.		
Selecting suitably qualified persons	The surveys by EcoSM (2018) and 28 South (2019) within the Project Site were undertaken by qualified and experienced ecologists with recent experience on ecological surveys in the locality and broader region.		
Desktop assessment	A desktop assessment was undertaken to provide an appreciation of the likelihood that species and communities of conservation significance might be within the Project Site. This included a review of: 1. EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Tool;		
	Previous EPBC Controlled Action Referrals and Environmental Impact Statements;		
	3. Regulated Vegetation Management Map, Supporting Maps, and Essential Habitat Maps;		
	4. Wildlife Online database;		
	5. Protected Plants Flora Survey Trigger Map;		
	6. Imagery (Nearmap 2019);		
	7. Biodiversity Planning Assessments – Southeast Queensland Version 3.5;		
	8. State Planning Policy Natural Hazard Overlays;		
	9. Queensland Governments Bionet mapping;		
	10. Draft Planning Scheme Overlays; and		
	11. Atlas of Living Australia.		
	This also included a review of the general habitat requirements of a species or community.		
Defining the survey area and survey effort	The surveys focused on ensuring differentiation between the Project Site and the Project Footprint, with a key determining factor for survey effort being the extent of the "potentially impacted surrounding area".		

Scope of Work	Survey Method used for EAR and Justification
	The highly modified nature of the Project Footprint and the distance of impacted areas from features of ecological value meant that survey effort relevant to the SRAIP was confined to those areas that would be impacted by the proposed development and the immediate surrounds (i.e. a 400 m buffer). The EcoSM (2018) surveys for the Frazerview Quarry included considerable survey effort within Lot 2RP that represents the most intact habitat within the Project Site. The results of these surveys were therefore used for instances where the broader ecological values of the Project Site and surrounds was required for the EAR.
Timing of surveys	The survey undertaken for the SRAIP EAR was undertaken on 15 October 2019. Owing to time constraints, it was not possible to undertake a seasonal survey. The results from this mid-October survey are combined with the early October 2018 surveys of EcoSM to provide a basis for the SRAIP EAR.
Timed meander flora surveys	Timed meander surveys were undertaken within the Project Site as part of both the SRAIP EAR survey and the EcoSM (2018) survey.
As a minimum, fauna surveys should include:	Fauna habitat assessment survey was undertaken across the Project Site with a more detailed analysis of habitats and
incidental observations (visual, auditory, tracks and scats) trapping surveys	microhabitat features within the Project Footprint. Fauna habitat assessments included a complete and thorough traverse of the Project Footprint by three suitably qualified and experienced ecologists and employed a range of active searching methods including:
 trapping surveys area searches (active diurnal and passive nocturnal searches) ultrasonic recordings – microbat echo location call detection call playback searches spotlight searches camera traps targeted species searches. 	 Active searches of logs, rocks and ground debris – Logs, rock and ground debris was turned in order to detect amphibians, reptiles and small terrestrial mammals; Active searches for habitat trees – searches were completed for hollow bearing trees providing potential habitat for a range of tree hollow dependent fauna¹; Random meander searches and aural surveys – searches of riparian and vegetated areas were undertaken to identify any potential important habitats; Point census and flushing surveys – fixed stationary observation assessments for fauna species (namely avian) were undertaken in proximity to habitat features or anthropogenic features such as soaks/dams/drains and habitat trees. Flushing surveys involved foot traverse of areas where taller sedges/grasses occurred in proximity to
Fauna assessment based on habitat assessment alone is not advised. In areas where no fauna surveys were carried out, listed threatened fauna species that are likely to occur (based on the presence of suitable habitat and recent records) should be assumed to occur in the identified habitat. However, the probable absence or low likelihood of occurrence of a listed threatened fauna species must be determined on the balance of evidence of historical records, known distribution and	 soaks/drains to flush any cryptic avian species (e.g. bitterns, rails, quails and snipes) Koala Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) searches – 4 SAT² surveys were undertaken during survey efforts to determine the presence of koala throughout the Project Site. These surveys were also coupled with general scratch and scat searches while traversing the Project Site. opportunistic observation – while undertaking general survey across the Project Site, opportunistic observations were made to account for fauna observed during survey efforts. Important fauna habitat features such as large fallen debris / logs and hollow-bearing trees were spatially located along with all native trees within and immediately surrounding the Project Footprint. Owing to (1) the highly-disturbed nature of the Project Footprint, (2) the high level of confidence that more intact habitats (over 500 m from the earthworks and permanent infrastructure associated with the Project Footprint) would not be impacted

¹ For example, small hollow bearing trees providing roost sites for microchiropteran bats and gliders, medium sized hollows providing nest sites for small-medium sized birds and possums, and large hollows providing potential nest sites for large forest owls.

² Stephen Phillips and John Callaghan (2011) The Spot Assessment Technique: a tool for determining localised levels of habitat use by Koalas *Phascolarctos cinereus*. Australian Zoologist: 2011, Vol. 35, No. 3, pp. 774-780.

Scope of Work	Survey Method used for EAR and Justification
habitat, and the scope, effort and results of surveys.	by the SRAIP, and (3) timing constraints, the SRAIP EAR did not include trapping surveys, ultrasonic recordings, call playback searches, spotlight searches, camera traps or targeted species searches.
	Given the significant separation distances (> 500 m) and elevation changes (>40 m) between the Project Footprint (specifically where disturbance and permanent infrastructure is proposed) and remnant habitat within the Project Site, more detailed surveys of the greater Project Site were not warranted. It is considered that a precautionary approach to on-ground habitat assessment and fauna species associations is sufficient to determine the likelihood of species presence and potential impact of the Project Footprint in such a highly modified environment. A fauna assessment based on known habitat preferences and habitat assessment (underpinned by the precautionary principle) and described in Section 4.3 of the EAR was undertaken for the SRAIP.
Vegetation Community Mapping	Quaternary site assessments were undertaken throughout the Project Site to determine the characteristics and extent of vegetation communities.
2.1.3.2(a)(ii) Desktop potential habitat assessment in conjunction with survey data could be used to estimate the likelihood of this species occurring at the site.	This was a key element of the ecological assessment (refer to Section 4.2 , Section 4.3 and Section 6.1 of the EAR).
2.1.3.2(a)(iii) Desktop potential habitat assessment in conjunction with survey data could be used to estimate the likelihood of this species occurring at the site.	This was a key element of the ecological assessment (refer to Section 4.2 , Section 4.3 and Section 6.1 of the EAR).
2.1.3.2(c)(i) Carry out field surveys that meet best practice professional standards to identify koala habitat, including single koala habitat trees, within and adjacent to the project area.	Surveys for koala included 4 SAT surveys as part of the EcoSM (2018) surveys in the more intact habitat within the Project Site, and searches for evidence of koala within and adjoining the Project Footprint – which involved searching for koala presence (actual or indirect – scats and scratches) on all NJKHTs within and adjoining the Project Footprint.
2.1.3.2(d)(i) Carry out surveys to verify the presence (and/or habitat) of listed threatened species and communities within and adjacent to the project area.	Surveys of habitat for listed threatened species were undertaken throughout the Project Area as described in Section 6.1 of the EAR.

ATTACHMENT 17 – Survey Team CV's



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Mitch Taylor

DIRECTOR

Mitch is a Director of 28 South with over fourteen years consulting experience in Queensland and New South Wales. He has worked on a range of projects across many industry sectors including mining and extractive industries, coal seam gas, eco-tourism, linear (pipeline/rail/road/water) infrastructure, strategic, industrial and urban development for private, public and government clients. The scale of these has ranged from small single lot developments through to the country's most significant mining, gas, industrial and residential developments.

Mitch has managed teams undertaking broad and specific ecological assessments for the mining, CSG and Urban Development sectors, authoring ecological impact assessment reports and liaising directly with Commonwealth, State and Local government agencies on a range of projects and their relevant environmental approvals. Mitch has undertaken many applications under the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* as well as the various principal Queensland environmental legislations and approval requirements. Mitch has developed a strong understanding to highly technical environmental planning legislation through all levels of government regulation and often advises both regulators, legal teams and clients alike. Mitch has provided a wide range of services to clients covering many aspects of ecology and environmental planning. Through his experience, Mitch understands the practical application of ecology and environmental planning and the need to identify and liaise directly with his clients to achieve a sound scientific outcome whilst incorporating the ultimate goal of a project. Mitch's ability to think laterally and pragmatically to address constraints and management issues is a strong aspect of his skill and one regularly sought by clients.

Education

Bachelor of Environmental Science, Australian Catholic University, North Sydney, Australia.

Memberships/Affiliations/Permits/Licenses

NSW Rural Fire Service.

Queensland Environmental Law Association.

Scientific Purposes Permit (QLD).

Animal Ethics Permit (QLD).

Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit (QLD).

Employment History

2015 to present | 28 South Environmental | Director – Environmental Consultant

2011 to 2015 | Amec Foster Wheeler | Senior Ecologist.

2007 to 2011 | PLACE Design Group | Senior Ecologist / Environmental Scientist.

2005 to 2007 | Cumberland Ecology | Ecologist.

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Recent Project Experience

Mitch is a Director of 28 South Environmental. In this role he is responsible for project management, as well as coordinating applied ecological studies servicing Commonwealth, State and Local Government Regulatory Approvals for the energy, mineral, infrastructure, industrial and urban development sectors.

Emerald Industrial Precinct Investigations – Ecological Assessment and PMAV Central Highlands Regional Council, Queensland, Australia 2016-2017

Mitch conducted detailed site investigations over a number large rural allotments to determine each site's environmental constraints and opportunities for strategic industrial developments critical to the economic growth of the CHRC LGA. Surveys involved the ground-truthing of on-ground ecological and environmental constraints and opportunities. Our work lead to a significant reduction in constraints and identified greater opportunities to consolidate development areas avoid fragmented and disassociated development.

Petrie Mill Redevelopment – Ecological and Environmental Assessments and Approvals Moreton Bay Regional Council, Australia 2016 - Present

Mitch conducted detailed Koala and Botanical surveys over the broader Petrie Mill site and co-authored the projects EPBC Controlled Action referral. During this project, Mitch spatially mapped out the Sites vegetation communities and koala habitat areas with reference to the Koala State Planning Regulator Provisions (Division 9 mapping amendment). These works were a critical component in addressing the proposed impacts to koala and other MNES/MSES and identifying the potential opportunities surrounding the Sites development and offset carrying capacity.

Warner Structure Plan – Ecological Assessment and Strategic Structure Planning AUSBUILD Development Corporation, Queensland, Australia 2015-Present

Mitch undertook detailed on-ground ecological assessment surveys to spatially map vegetation communities and fauna habitats across large areas within the suburb of Warner. Results from these surveys and mapping provided the basis for the development of a strategic structure planning exercise over these lands to ensure ecological and environmental matters were considered and incorporated into the structure plans design. This structure planning exercise also involved collaboratively working with a range of other design disciplines and MBRC to establish the most logical plan over these lands.

Birkdale Relocatable Home Park – Flying Fox Management Plan and Implementation Gateway Lifestyle Pty Ltd, Queensland, Australia 2016-Present

Mitch worked closely with his internal colleagues, Redlands City Council and the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection to assess potential impacts that may arise from the construction and establishment of a relocatable home park adjoining a flying fox camp in Birkdale, Queensland. Mitch and the 28 South team successfully developed and implemented a flying fox management plan which saw the construction of the park without significant impacts to the flying fox camp. Surveys remain on-going and will spatially map the camps extent over the course of a year to identify movements and core camp locations over the course of inhabitation of the park.

Mt Margret Mine – Purple-Necked Rock Wallaby offset Xstrata Copper, Queensland, Australia 2012-2013

Mitch undertook detail ecological equivalence surveys to identify suitable habitats for the purple-necked rock wallaby within ML5058 and other adjacent MLs to the north. Data obtained from these surveys was spatially reviewed and synthesized into preferential habitat mapping for the purple-necked rock wallaby and subsequently into an approved offsets program.

Selwyn Mining Lease Microbat Management Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines, Queensland, Australia, May 2011

Proposed re-engagement of discontinued mining declines within the Selwyn mining lease. During previous surveys Mitch identified that significant population of microbat species were inhabitation mining declines which are proposed for re-engagement works, including threatened species. Together with Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines staff Mitch co-authored a microbat management plan to allow the reengagement works to be conducted after the passive relocation of the microbat populations inhabiting the mining declines. This included the tracking of 12 individual microbats to observe the movement and confirm the re-location roost sites.

Moranbah Gas Project - Ecological and Environmental Approval Surveys Arrow Energy, Queensland, Australia 2013-2014

Mitch conducting ecological and environmental approval surveys over the four tenements which are being focused on during this project. He conducted these assessments with a focus on their two and three dimension seismic surveys and pilot wells. Further, Mitch has looked at all legacy wells on these four development areas as well as all other arrow sites in the Bowen basin except their Baralaba site.

Mt Isa Open Pit – Ecological Gap Analysis Xstrata Mt Isa Mines, Queensland, Australia 2012

Mitch oversaw the development of a detailed ecological gap analysis for Xstrata MIM which provided an overview of the effort and adequacy of historical ecological surveys completed within Site (ML5058). This analysis was undertaken with a view to identifying potential long-lead ecological surveys that may be required for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the MIOP Project and provide advice on the most appropriate direction forward to achieve an approval through the EIS process from an ecological perspective.

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Selwyn Mining Leases Ecological Impact Assessments Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines, Queensland, Australia, 2010 - 2011

Established and proposed underground/open cut gold and copper mining activities in the Selwyn Ranges, North Western Queensland (southern extent of the Mt Isa Inlier/Northern extent of Mitchell Grass Downs bioregions). Mitchell oversaw detailed flora and fauna surveys of all Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines mining leases. These investigations provided the client with detailed mapping of all vegetation and habitat types present within each mining leases. Mitchell managed a number of ecological teams as well as leading the detailed fauna assessment and habitat mapping of 20 mining leases. This work provided Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines with a detailed and geo-referenced constraint mapping tool to implement within their Environmental Management Plan going forward.

Surat and Bowen gas fields

APLNG/Origin, Queensland, Australia, 2011 - 2015

Mitchell carried out pre-clearance and ecological surveys for Origin Energy. These surveys involved surveying and reporting on a broad range of environmental constraints for the APLNG Project. Areas covered include identification and locations of Threatened Ecological Communities (TEC); Ecologically Sensitive Areas; Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened flora species and likely habitats; Essential Habitat features for flora and fauna; field verification of High Value Regrowth for TECs, waterways and wetlands; weeds and pests; wildlife corridors and regional ecosystems. All field information has been collected using Trimble GeoExplorers with corrected capabilities.

Surat Basin gas fields

QGC, Queensland, Australia, 2011 - 2015

Mitchell undertook various gas pipeline projects, extensive flora and fauna surveys within the Surat and Bowen Basins gas fields. These flora and fauna surveys included identification of species listed in both the Nature Conservation Act (NC Act) and Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999 (EPBC Act) (2011- 2012).

Bverwen Coal Mine EIS

QCOAL, Queensland, Australia, April - November 2011

Proposed open cut and underground coal mining activity located in the Bowen basin south of Collinsville, Queensland. Mitchell conducted detailed fauna assessments utilizing a wide variety of trapping and habitat assessment techniques which provided field data for the EIS process as well as authoring the terrestrial fauna component of the report.

Curragh Coal Mine - Blackwater Creek Diversion Project Westfarmers, Queensland, Australia, 2009

Established open cut coal mine near Blackwater Queensland, 10 kilometer diversion of Blackwater Creek. Mitchell was responsible for assisting in background research and co-authoring the Blackwater Creek Diversion Rehabilitation Management Plan to allow the expansion of the current mining operations. He was involved in ongoing monitoring of the rehabilitation works and compliance with the approved Rehabilitation Management Plan.

Wandoan Coal Project EIS

Xstrata, Queensland, Australia, 2007

Proposed open cut coal mining activity located in the area surround the township of Wandoan, Queensland. Mitchell conducted detailed fauna assessments utilizing a wide variety trapping and habitat assessment techniques which provided field data for the EIS process.

Mitch is highly experienced, reliable and resilient, and will creates value for all of his projects. To illustrate this, Mitch has been engaged by prominent land development and government clients to advise on highly complex, large scale resort and tourism master planning projects in Queensland. Recent examples of these projects in which Mitch as led include:

- The Big Pineapple Renewal (Sunshine Coast Council);
- The Petrie Mill Redevelopment (Moreton Bay Regional Council);
- Lake Proserpine Masterplan (Whitsunday Regional Council);
- Pacific Harbour Golf Course (Moreton Bay Regional Council);
- Yeppoon Foreshore Redevelopment (Livingstone Regional Council);
- Caloundra Coastal Walk (Sunshine Coast Council);
- Noosa Sanctuary (Noosa Regional Council);
- Shute Harbour Marina (Whitsunday Regional Council);
- Port of Airlie Redevelopment (Whitsunday Regional Council);
- Minnippi Golf Course and Residential Development (Brisbane City Council):
- The Pinnacles (Townsville Regional Council);
- Tamborine Mountain Skywalk (Scenic Rim Regional Council);
- Guanaba Experience (Scenic Rim Regional Council);
- Mt Coot-tha Zipline (Brisbane City Council); and
- Takarakka Bush Resort (Central Highlands Regional Council).

Mitch forms part of a team that offers the perfect synergy of highly technical expertise in ecological assessment combined with strong environmental planning and policy credentials. This is also demonstrated through our companies regular work as expert witnesses in the Queensland Planning and Environment Court, support for State and Local Government Departments on environmental planning matters and involvement with prominent town planning and development firms.



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Rebecca Freese

ECOLOGIST AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT

With over five years' experience in the environmental industry, Rebecca has provided a range of environmental consulting and habitat restoration services in Queensland. She has worked on a range of projects across many industry sectors including urban development for private, public and government clients, ecotourism and strategic master planning projects. The scale of these has ranged from small single lot developments through to suburb-scale structure plans.

Rebecca has lead broad and specific ecological assessments around Queensland, specifically South East Queensland, authoring ecological assessment reports and providing supporting documentation for development applications and associated compliance requirements for Commonwealth, State and Local government agencies. Rebecca has collated applications for referral under the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) and assisted with a variety of Planning and Environmental Court Appeal cases.

Rebecca has provided a wide range of services to clients covering many aspects of environmental management. Through her experience, Rebecca understands the practical application of ecology and the need to identify and liaise directly with clients to achieve a sound scientific outcome whilst incorporating the ultimate goal of the project. Rebecca has the ability to think laterally and pragmatically to address ecological constraints and management issues.

Education

Bachelor of Environmental Management, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.

Employment History

2018 to Present | 28 South Environmental | Ecologist and Environmental Consultant 2017 to 2018 | S5 Environmental | Graduate Ecologist. 2016 to 2017 | Austspray Environmental Weed Control| Natural Areas Team Member

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Representative **Projects**



ELLENDALE

Cedar Woods Properties Ltd

2014 - Ongoing

Rebecca coordinated the remaining vegetation surveys over the Development Stages yet to be approved. The Tree Survey data informed the Vegetation Management Plans for various operational works applications over the Site of which Rebecca developed.

CARSELDINE URBAN VILLAGE

Economic Development Queensland

2017 - Ongoing

Rebecca assisted with the development of the Site's Fauna Flora Management Plans under the broader Fitzgibbon Bushland Management Plan for the operational works phase of the development. This included spatial mapping of significant habitat features throughout the stages of CUV and determination of management units for ecological restoration in line with the requirements in the FBMP. Rebecca also assisted with the fauna spotter catcher team throughout the vegetation clearing works.

AUSBUILD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

260-284 Ritchie Road, Pallara

2018 - Ongoing

Rebecca has undertaken numerous ecological assessments over the various Sites of interest for a residential subdivision for AUSBUILD. The site presented a unique challenge being zoned within both urban and non-urban designation which subsequently triggered the consideration of theoretical impact to Regulated Vegetation under State environmental legislation as well as Brisbane City Council's own environmental considerations.

Fernbourne Road, Wellington Point

2018 – Ongoing

Rebecca assisted with the provision of environmental planning advice including an Environmental Assessment Report and community consultation. The Site provided another unique situation for environmental planning matters, with Stage 1 of a previous development application having been constructed and subject to an EPBC Particular Matter Decision.

BURDEKIN DOWNS APPEAL

<u>Department of State Development, Manufacturing,</u> <u>Infrastructure and Planning</u>

2016 - Ongoing

Rebecca assisted Wayne Moffatt as the Expert Witness (Ecology) for the Burdekin Downs Appeal Case through Geographical Information Systems (GIS) Analysis and Mapping. Rebecca's GIS products were used during the mediation process to settle the Case and support approval conditions

PINE VALLEY

Lendlease

2016 - Ongoing

Rebecca assisted with detailed on-ground botanical and habitat assessment surveys to spatially map vegetation communities and fauna habitats across large areas of the Investigation Area within Burpengary. Results from these surveys and mapping provided the basis for the development of a strategic structure planning exercise over these lands to ensure ecological and environmental matters were considered and incorporated into the structure plans design. This structure planning exercise also involved collaboratively working with a range of other design disciplines and MBRC to establish the most logical plan over these lands. Further, Rebecca assisted with collation of the EPBC Referral Submission for the Project.

LAKE PROSERPINE MASTERPLAN

Whitsunday Regional Council

2018 - Ongoing

Rebecca assisted with detailed ecological surveys of the Site as part of the environmental analysis for the Proserpine Dam Recreation Masterplan. Results from these surveys assisted with the development of design constraints and opportunities for the Proserpine Dam. Rebecca also assisted the 28 South team with the ongoing master planning consultation advice with Place Design Group.

MT COOTHA POWERFUL OWL PROJECT

Brisbane City Council, Australia

2018 – Ongoing

Rebecca assisted with the targeted Powerful Owl surveys over Mt Cootha Forest Park. As part of the broader ecological assessment of the Site, the Powerful Owl surveys were undertaken to inform the design and location of infrastructure for a Brisbane City Council ecotourism development. During this project, Rebecca spatially mapped the location of any Powerful Owl nest trees within the Reserve.

TOOWOOMBA RV PARKS MASTERPLAN

Toowoomba Regional Council

2018 - Ongoing

Rebecca undertook ecological assessment of three existing campgrounds that were the focus of Toowoomba Regional Council's Parks and Recreation master planning exercise. The results from the ecological surveys formed the basis of individual Vegetation Management Plans for each of the Sites.

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CURRICULUM VITAE

CHRIS HANSEN

Director / Principal Botanist

Education

Bachelor of Biomedical Science, Griffith University (1994) Bachelor of Science (Honours), University of Queensland (1995)

Professional Development

Bio-condition Monitoring training, Queensland Herbarium

Regional Ecosystem Training, Queensland Herbarium (certified by the Department of Natural Resources Mines and Water)

Vegetation Structure Training, Queensland Herbarium

Seed Collection and Propagation Workshop, Greening Australia

Compilation of 1500⁺ plant herbarium from across Queensland and northern NSW

Skills and Expertise

Chris has worked within the consultancy sector for the past 17 years. During this time he has gained a wealth of experience in the assessment of vegetation types from central NSW to Cape York Peninsula, Queensland, with experience in Gove in the Northern Territory and Balranald in south-western NSW. Following over five years of service as the senior botanist and associate for a specialist environmental consultancy, Chris established his own specialist botanical consultancy practice in 2008 before joining Ecological Survey & Management in 2010.

Chris has conducted detailed botanical assessments on sites, which range from $800~\text{m}^2$ to more than 100,000 hectares in area. These assessments have been conducted as part of the environmental assessment process relating to the reconfiguration of residential lots through to Environmental Impact Statements for large infrastructure and mining projects.

Chris has regularly been engaged to provide the technical lead role for the on-ground qualitative vegetation assessment of projects such as water pipelines, dams, power transmission corridors, major highway upgrades, coal and metaliferous mining and liquefied natural gas infrastructure. Chris has also conducted numerous bio-condition monitoring and vegetation offset assessments relating to these and other projects. Chris has developed a specialty for the assessment of vegetation to which the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (Qld), *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (Qld), *Local Land Services Act 2013* (NSW) and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* (NSW) and *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Commonwealth) applies.

Professional History

2010 – present:	Director & Principal Botanist, Ecological Survey & Management
2008 - 2010:	Principal Consultant, Hansen Botanical Assessments
2007 – 2008:	Associate - Senior Botanist/Ecologist, PLACE Design Group (Environment)
2004 - 2007:	Botanist/Ecologist, PLACE Design Group Pty Ltd (Environment)
2003 - 2004:	Botanical Sub-consultant and Regeneration Contractor, Hansen Vegetation Management
2000 - 2003:	Bushland Regeneration Contractor, Rainforest Repairs

Experience

The following projects have been categorised into projects involving targeted threatened species surveys followed by specific resource sectors. It should be noted that most of the projects undertaken in the past six to twelve months are subject to confidentiality agreements and as such are yet to be included. Once the corresponding reports (e.g. EIA, EIS, REFs) are submitted for assessment the CV will be updated.

Protected Plants Surveys

In addition to the following projects, most of the terrestrial ecology assessments listed beyond this section involved 'educated walks' (Garrard *et al.*, 2008), which facilitated targeted threatened species searches of suitable habitat.

- Walton threatened plant survey and report, in accordance with the Queensland Protected Plants flora Survey Guidelines, Bluff, central Queensland (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment, condition threshold assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches of lowland rainforest and wet sclerophyll forest for the Big Pineapple project, Nambour (Ecological Survey & Management for 28 South Environmental)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches of wet sclerophyll forest for private property conservation abutting Mt Crosby Road, Buderim (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches of road reserve of David Low Way, Coolum to Yaroomba (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted threatened flora species searches of upland rainforest and wet sclerophyll forest on VCA properties for the Scenic Rim Regional Council, Tamborine Mountain
- Terrestrial ecological assessment, condition threshold assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches of lowland rainforest and wet sclerophyll forest for the Guanaba Experience project, Tamborine Mountain (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment, condition threshold assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches of lowland rainforest and wet sclerophyll forest for the Guanaba Indigenous Protection Area, Tamborine Mountain (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted threatened species surveys, Barro Quarry, Hervey Bay (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted threatened species surveys, Easement Maintenance, Clear Mountain and Cashmere (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted threatened species surveys, NBN Tower and Fibre Spur, Chuwar West (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted threatened species surveys, Eldorado Goldmine (closed), Gympie (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted threatened species surveys, Cherabah Resort, Elbow Valley (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches, 'One Mile' Quandamooka Land Council, North Stradbroke Island (Ecological Survey & Management for 28 South Environmental)



- Targeted Flora Survey and Ecological Constraints Assessment for Helidon Quarry, Helidon (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted Flora Survey, Hinze Dam Wall Raising, Gold Coast (PLACE Design Group for Sinclair Knight Mertz)
- Targeted Flora Survey and Mapping, Hinze Dam Wall Raising, Gold Coast (HBA for Sinclair Knight Mertz)

OEH Investigations

- Terrestrial ecological assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches, 'Fairland's & 'Allawa', Walgett district (Ecological Survey & Management for 28 South Environmental)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches, 'Cubbaroo', Wee Waa district (Ecological Survey & Management for 28 South Environmental)
- Terrestrial ecological assessment and targeted threatened flora species searches, 'Beefwood' & 'The Prairies', Moree district (Ecological Survey & Management for 28 South Environmental)
- Offset Investigation and Assessment, 'Bryanungra', Moree district (Ecological Survey & Management for 28 South Environmental)

Power Transmission Projects

- Terrestrial Ecology Assessment, vegetation validation and flora surveys, Stage 2 of Collinsville Solar Farm (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecology Assessment, including vegetation validation and mapping, Majors Creek Solar Farm near Townsville (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecology Assessment, Tully sub-station upgrade (Ecological Survey & Management for Gaia Consulting)
- Ecological Constraints Assessment for Queensland Sun Farms in Middlemount,
 Dysart, Glenden (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecology Assessment, Majors Creek Solar Farm near Townsville (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecology Assessment, Stage 2 of Collinsville Solar Farm (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Targeted Threatened Species Survey, Weed Audit and Treatment Control Plan, Western Downs to Coolumboola High Voltage Transmission Line and Substations (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Close-out Weed Audit, Western Downs to Halys High Voltage Transmission Line and Substations (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Baseline and Targeted Threatened Species Survey and RE Assessment, Surat Stage 1 and 2 (Coolumboola-Wandoan South and Coolumboola to Talinga), High Voltage Transmission Line and Substations (HBA for Parson Brinckerhoff)
- Targeted Threatened Species Survey and Mapping, Darling Downs Power Station (DDPS) 2, Braemar (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff).
- Targeted Threatened Species Survey, Granite Creek to Agnes, High Voltage Transmission Line and Substation (PLACE Design Group for Parson Brinckerhoff)
- Baseline Flora Survey, Ebenezer to Greenbank High Voltage Transmission Line,
 South East Queensland (PLACE Design Group for Parson Brinckerhoff)



- Baseline Flora Survey, Springdale to Blackwall and Lockrose to Abermain High Voltage Transmission Line and Substation, Gatton to Ipswich (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Baseline Flora Survey, Blackwater Powerline Alignment, Blackwater (Ecological Survey & Management.
- Baseline Flora Survey, Kogan Creek Power Station (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Vegetation Offset Analysis, Kogan Creek Power Station (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Vegetation Offset Analysis, 'Rockwood' gas fields, Wieambilla (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (PMAV) Tarong Power Station (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Moratorium Vegetation Assessment, Tarong Power Station (HBA for Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Goodna Substation (PLACE Design Group)

Water Infrastructure Projects

- Ecological Assessment, Modification of Water Infrastructure, Tooralee National Park (Ecological Survey & Management for Biosis)
- Flora Survey, Tooralee National Park, Bourke (Ecological Survey & Management for Biosis)
- Flora Survey, Nimmie-Caira Ecological Assessment, Balranald (Ecological Survey & Management for Biosis)
- Flora Survey, Wandoan Mine Water Pipelines, Wandoan (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff).
- Flora Survey, Wetella to Acland Water Pipeline, Toowoomba/Oakey (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff).
- Flora Survey, Water for Bowen, North Queensland (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Flora Survey, De-salination Water Pipeline, Gold Coast (PLACE Design Group for Sinclair Knight Mertz)

Transport Infrastructure Projects

- Flora Survey, Multi-modal Transport Corridor, Kawana (PLACE Design Group for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Detailed Flora Survey, Dickson Road, Sippy Downs (PLACE Design Group for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Flora Survey, Tarong Transport Corridor, Tarong Transport Alliance (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Targeted Flora Survey, Stage B Bruce Highway Upgrade, Cooroy to Curra (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff).
- Targeted Flora Survey, Dawson Highway Upgrade, Eaton Range Crossing (HBA for Ecological Survey & Management)
- Eton Range Supplementary Flora Surveys (Ecological Survey & Management)



Mining Projects (Bowen Basin)

- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment, Moranbah North Mine Expansion, Moranbah (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment, Grasstree Mine Expansion, Middlemount (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment, Grosvenor Mine Expansion, Moranbah (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment, Hail Creek Mine Mine Expansion, Nebo (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment and Offset Procurement, Byerwen Coal Project, Glenden (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Black Ironbox Monitoring, Sonoma Mine, Collinsville (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Belvedere Lease Areas, Moura (HBA for Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Minyango Lease Areas, Blackwater (HBA for Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Moranbah South Project, Moranbah (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Valeria Project, Capella (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Winchester South Project, Moranbah (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Natural Grassland Assessment, Eagle Downs Project, Moranbah (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Train Load Out (TLO) Facility and Haul Road, Baralaba Coal Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Regional Ecosystem Map Amendment Application, Hail Creek Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Bio-condition Monitoring (2009 to present), Hail Creek Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Rehabilitation Monitoring (2010 to present), Hail Creek Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Rehabilitation Manual, Hail Creek Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Weed Audit, Hail Creek Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Backwater Creek Diversion, East Curragh Mine, (PLACE Design Group for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Bio-condition Monitoring, Curragh East Mine (HBA for PLACE Design Group)
- Flora Survey, Coppabella Underground Lease Areas, Coppabella (HBA for Ecological Survey & Management)
- Endangered Ecological Community Assessment, Rolleston Coal Mine, Rolleston (HBA for Booyong Forest Service)
- Flora Survey, Abbot Point State Development Area, Abbot Point, Bowen (HBA for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Regional Ecosystem Validation and EIS, "Winchester South" Mine Lease Area, Moranbah (Ecological Survey & Management)



- Bio-condition, Rehabilitation and Black Ironbox Monitoring, Hail Creek Mine, northwest of Nebo (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Bio-condition Monitoring, Hail Creek Mine, north-west of Nebo (HBA for Sinclair Knight Mertz)
- Exotic Flora Audit, Mt. Flora Offset, Nebo (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Flora Survey, Collinsville Mine Lease Areas, Collinsville (HBA for Biodiversity Australia)

Mining Projects (Surat Basin)

- Flora Survey, Wandoan Mine Lease Areas, Wandoan (PLACE Design Group for Parsons Brinckerhoff)
- Flora Survey, Linc Energy Gas Extraction Project, Chinchilla (PLACE Design Group for Sinclair Knight Mertz)
- Baseline Bio-condition Monitoring, Spring Gully Gas Fields, north-east of Roma (HBA for Lewis Ecological Services)

Mining Projects (outside Bowen and Surat Basin)

- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment, including seasonal vegetation validation and mapping and targeted threatened flora survey – Tcharawopin Project, Aurukun, Cape York (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Terrestrial Ecological Assessment, including seasonal vegetation validation and mapping and targeted threatened flora survey – Coconut Project, Aurukun, Cape York (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Ecological Equivalence Assessments and Offset Procurement, BHP Cannington Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Offset Management Plan, BHP Cannington Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Offset Area Monitoring (2016 & 2018), BHP Cannington Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Weed Audit (2016 & 2018), BHP Cannington Mine (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Weed Audit (2018), Yurbi Load Out Facility (Ecological Survey & Management)
- Bio-condition Monitoring, Rio Tinto-Alcan Aluminium Refinery, Gove (HBA for Booyong Forest Service)
- Flora Survey, Trekelano Satellite Operation, Osborne Mine, north-west Queensland (PLACE Design Group for Resource Strategies Australia)
- Flora Survey, Lucky Luke Satellite Operation, Osborne Mine, north-west Queensland (PLACE Design Group for Resource Strategies Australia).
- Flora Survey Proposed Coal Mine, Kingaroy, (PLACE Design Group for Parson Brinckerhoff)
- Flora Survey Proposed Conveyor, Kingaroy (PLACE Design Group for Parson Brinckerhoff)
- Targeted Flora Survey, Tarong (PLACE Design Group for Parson Brinckerhoff)

Natural Resource Management Projects

Flora Survey, Parkinson Bushland, Brisbane City Council (PLACE Design Group).



Property Development Projects

Chris has conducted numerous botanical assessments relating to proposed property developments throughout south East Queensland and northern NSW (PLACE Design Group). These assessments included assessments of small one into two lot reconfigurations through to assessments across hundreds of hectares. This has required detailed knowledge of the regulatory framework of numerous local government bodies and state concurrence agencies. Some larger and/or noteworthy examples are provided below.

- Regional Ecosystem Remap Applications, Fernvale.
- Regional Ecosystem Remap Applications, Parkinson.
- Flora Survey, Caloundra Coastal Walk, Caloundra City Council.
- Botanical Assessment, Thornlands Master Plan, Thornlands.
- Flora Survey, Trinity Drive, Lismore.
- Flora Survey, Shute Harbour Marina, Airlie Beach.
- Flora Survey, Mongogarie Chicken Sheds, near Casino.
- Flora Survey, Baida Chicken Sheds, near Tamworth and Gunnedah.
- Flora Survey, Morayfield Aged Care Facility, Morayfield.
- Ecological Assessment, Eumundi Noosa Road, Doonan.

Rehabilitation Projects

- Prepared a rehabilitation plan for the degraded terraces of Oxley Creek in the Larapinta area. The site had been subjected to intensive sand-mining activities.
- Prepared a rehabilitation plan that was required as part of the operation works application for a site bordering the Brisbane River. The plan provided detailed strategies to manage weeds and revegetate the degraded bank of the river.
- Prepared a rehabilitation plan for Yandina Caravan Park, which was required to support a development application to expand the existing Yandina Caravan Park. The site was bordered by the Maroochy River and traversed by two of the river's tributaries.
- Prepared numerous rehabilitation plans for property developments located throughout the Richmond Valley Shire (greater Lismore area). These sites were primarily modified landscapes with rehabilitation intent afforded to drainage lines and minor watercourses vegetated with pastoral grasses or weed tree species.







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Chris is a qualified Environmental Planner, Environmental Scientist and Certified Environmental Practitioner with broad experience managing multidisciplinary impact assessments for large-scale infrastructure projects and a particular knowledge of Queensland environmental planning approvals processes. Chris has considerable experience in the provision of strategic environmental approvals advice and in coordinating and managing projects characterised by complex environmental issues. In challenging circumstances, Chris has developed a reputation for being able to identify and deliver project outcomes that are acceptable to all stakeholders.

Education

2006 | Bachelor of Environmental Planning (Honours 1) | Griffith University | Brisbane, QLD

2006 | Bachelor of Science | Urban and Regional Planning and Environmental Science, Ecology and Conservation Biology |
Griffith University | Brisbane, QLD.

Memberships/Affiliations/Permits/Licenses

Certified Environmental Practitioner (CEnvP)

Member Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand (MEIANZ)

Member of the EIANZ Professional Development Committee (SEQ)

Member of the Queensland Environmental Law Association (MQELA)

Employment History

2018 to Present | 28° South Environmental | Principal Environmental Planner

2016 to 2018 | ACCIONA Energy | Project Developer

2014 to 2016 | Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure | Principal Environmental Planner

2011 to 2014 | Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure | Senior Environmental Planner

2006 to 2011 | AECOM | Environmental Planner

2005 to 2006 | Umwelt Environmental Consultants | Ecological Assistant (Undergraduate)

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Recent Project Experience

2018 to Present | 28 South Environmental | Principal Environmental Planner

In his time with 28 South Environmental, Chris has provided environmental planning advice for a range of clients in South-East Queensland. This has largely centered on the provision of ecological assessment reports to address Commonwealth, State and Local Government environmental requirements for projects in the urban development and waste management sectors. Projects of note include large residential masterplan projects in the Moreton Bay Regional Council and Ipswich City Council areas. Chris has authored multiple Controlled Action Referral documents and has submitted these under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*. Chris has also played a substantial role in providing technical environmental planning support to one of 28 South's Directors for expert witness work across various cases before the *Queensland Planning and Environment Court*.

Chris currently manages 28 South Environmental's technical peer review work for Economic Development Queensland, involving ecological matters associated with development applications within the Weinam Creek and Toondah Harbour Priority Development Areas.

2016 to 2018 | ACCIONA Energy | Project Developer

In Chris' role as Project Developer, he was exposed to the full spectrum of challenges associated with renewable energy development from pre-feasibility through to construction, commissioning and operations on wind and solar farm projects in Australia. Working as part of a small satellite office in Brisbane (2-3 people), he was responsible for helping to drive the growth of the company's portfolio of projects within Queensland (MacIntyre Wind Farm, Aldoga Solar Farm, others currently confidential) and New South Wales (currently confidential). Among other things, this included preparation and presentation of targeted development strategies to national and international management, extensive greenfield prospecting, competitor analysis, landowner negotiation, stakeholder identification and management, project management, coordination of internal resources (particularly engineering and legal), management of external consultants and tender preparation. Whilst the planning and environmental elements of these projects were very familiar to Chris, in this role he had to develop a working understanding of the technical aspects associated with grid connection for renewable energy projects; grid connection consistently becomes the critical path item for renewable energy developments. This role also required continual commitment to working effectively across cultures as there was a very heavy Spanish influence within the business.

After ACCIONA Energy was awarded the right to enter into an Agreement for Lease with the Queensland Government for the development of the Aldoga Solar Farm Project, Chris was ACCIONA Energy's Project Manager for this project. The company viewed the Aldoga Solar Farm as a strategically important project for the business in Australia; owing to the high profile that comes with having the Queensland Government as landholder, and the ambitious development milestones within the Agreement for Lease. Chris' hands-on role required total coordination of internal and external resources to drive many parallel work streams including planning and environment, grid connection, stakeholder and community engagement and client management (Minister for Economic Development Queensland). In this role, Chris was responsible for all project management elements including schedule, budget, team coordination, internal and external reporting and contract management. The role required constant travel – on average, fortnightly – to both Melbourne (Australian head office) and Gladstone (site).

2011 to 2016 | Amec Foster Wheeler | Principal Environmental Planner (formerly Senior)

Throughout Chris' time at Amec Foster Wheeler (now Wood Group), he was responsible for the coordination of complex environmental studies involving large infrastructure projects. These project management roles required strategic approvals advice, coordination of environmental and planning approvals processes (including EPBC Act referrals, Environmental Authority applications and local government Development Assessment applications), ecological survey design, complex data collection and processing, preparation of comprehensive environmental reporting and preparation of alignment refinement advice where necessary. Chris was the Assessments and Approvals Team Lead within the Brisbane office for his final three years. Prior to his departure he spent six months as the company's national renewables lead as the business was seeking to transfer its balance-of-plant EPC experiences from North American wind farm projects to the burgeoning renewable energy sector in Australia.

Selected project experience is outlined in the following pages.

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2014 to 2016 | Regulatory Approvals and Environment Lead (CloughAMEC JV) | Bowen Gas Project | Arrow Energy, QLD

- The joint venture's primary client contact for all environmental management and regulatory approvals matters associated with the Bowen Gas Project
- Led a team of environmental management and approvals professionals from the Clough AMEC JV during the Front-End Engineering and Design (FEED) phase of the Bowen Gas Project.
- Designed and executed the regulatory compliance and regulatory approvals management systems for the FEED.
- Key responsibilities included the development and management of a regulatory approvals register for the project, provision of
 environmental and regulatory approvals input into design documents, environmental review of field development layouts and
 proposed infrastructure locations, overseeing the development of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (including
 12 subordinate Key Value Management Plans).
- Provided environmental and approvals input into construction-focused activities such as overall project scheduling and cost estimating.

2013 to 2014 | Environmental Coordinator | South Georgina Basin Exploration Program | Central Petroleum, QLD

- Responsible for determining and delivering an approvals strategy for the proposed exploration activities.
- Prepared applications for EA amendments, data acquisition authorities and EPBC Act referrals.
- Primary point of contact for the administering authorities and was responsible for the design of desktop, targeted (via helicopter) and pre-clearance surveys associated with the project, which involved approximately 1,000km of seismic surveys near the Queensland/Northern Territory border.
- Although this project presented some unique challenges due to influential stakeholders, the approvals were obtained through
 the recently-amended Environmental Protection Act 1994 and were some of the first to be issued under the DEHP's new
 regulatory approach.

2011 to 2012 | Project Manager | Australia Pacific LNG Pipeline | Australia Pacific LNG, QLD

- Project Manager of the Detailed Environmental Infield Studies (DEIS) for the Australia Pacific LNG pipeline pre-clearance surveys.
- Responsible for coordinating detailed ecological studies in accordance with the Federal survey guidelines and across a pipeline length of more than 400km.
- This project saw the collection and delivery of an unprecedented amount of ecological data, within a corridor extending from south of Miles to Curtis Island.

2013 | Technical Reviewer | Selective Salt Recovery Facility Project | QGC, QLD

 Technical Reviewer of the approvals plan and approvals register during the Pre-FEED phase of this confidential project involving the major CSG to LNG proponents in Queensland.

2011 to 2012 | Environmental Planner| Kennedy Wind Farm Route Selection Study | Windlab Developments, QLD

- Led a route selection study for the transmission lines connecting the proposed Kennedy Wind Farm with the CopperString substation south of Hughenden.
- The route development report prepared for this project was to accompany the development approval application for the Kennedy Wind Farm.

2011 to 2012 | CopperString Project | Leighton, QLD

 Responsible for the preparation of land use and planning, socio-economic and environmental offsets technical chapters in response to submissions received on the CopperString EIS.

2011 | Project Manager | Burngrove West Upgrade Project | QR National, QLD

 Oversaw the preparation and delivery of a Preliminary Environmental and Planning Assessment (PEPA) for a component of QR National's Blackwater System upgrade.

2006 to 2011 | AECOM | Environmental Planner

In Chris' five years at AECOM (formerly Maunsell) as an Environmental Planner, he was involved in a wide variety of infrastructure projects and planning studies for public and private sector clients. Following successful roles preparing land use and planning technical papers for large projects such as the Ipswich Motorway Alternative Northern Corridor and the Surat Basin Rail Project, Chris became heavily involved in the management and coordination of large multidisciplinary projects.

Selected project experience is outlined below.

2010 to 2011 | Project Coordinator, Environment and Approvals Lead | Coopers Gap Wind Farm Project | AGL, QLD

- The focal point for client liaison.
- Management of the environmental and social impact assessment process under the Community Infrastructure Designation provisions of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009.
- Scoping, coordination and lead authoring of a comprehensive EIA document.
- Management of all technical study teams.
- Led the regulatory authority and local council engagement process, including workshop facilitation.
- Played a central role in community engagement activities.

2007 to 2010 | Project Coordinator, Environment and Approvals Lead | Southern Freight Rail Corridor Study | Department of Transport and Main Roads

- The focal point for client liaison.
- Management of the environmental and social impact assessment process under the Community Infrastructure Designation provisions of the former Integrated Planning Act 1997.
- Scoping, coordination and lead authoring of a comprehensive EIA document.
- Management of technical study teams.
- Led engagement with regulatory authorities, including workshop facilitation.
- Played a central role in community engagement activities.
- Coordinated the re-alignment of a portion of the SFRC to avoid areas recognised as high value bushland habitat under new DEHP habitat classifications.
- Authored a report assessing an alternative alignment which was proposed by a community group.

2010 to 2011 | Cedar Grove Feasibility Study | LinkWater, QLD

- Involved in the formulation of criteria for a multi-criteria analysis (MCA) process.
- Prepared an Environment, Planning and Social Assessment for the preferred corridor, advising LinkWater of potential impacts and any risks associated with the preferred alignment option for future stages of the project.

2010 | Amberley Perimeter Fence Project | Department of Defence, QLD

- Oversaw the preparation of an Initial Environmental Review (IER) for the construction of a perimeter fence at RAAF Base Amberley.
- Provided advice for the management of vegetation, macropods and arboreal fauna on the site.

2009 | Environmental Coordinator | Banana to Wooderson Rail Track Upgrade | QR National, QLD

- Lead author of a land use and planning assessment for the EIA document.
- Responsible for the compilation of the Environmental Planning Study and accompanying Environmental Management Plan.

2008 | Surat Basin Rail Project | Surat Basin Rail, QLD

• Lead author of a land use and planning technical paper for the EIS.

2007 | Ipswich Motorway Alternative Northern Corridor Project | Department of Transport and Main Roads, QLD

• Lead author of cultural heritage and land use and planning chapters for the EIA document.

2006 to 2007 | Petrie to Redcliffe Multi-modal Corridor Study | Translink, QLD

Lead author of land use and statutory assessment chapters for the Concept Design and Impact Management Plan.

Publications and presentations

Cantwell, C. "Complying with Environmental Approval Conditions – Coal Seam Gas Projects in Central Queensland, Australia", AMEC Environment & Infrastructure Technical Summit, New York, USA, October 2012.

Cantwell, C. and Harrison, G., "Maintaining the Balance – Ports and Urban Encroachment", Regional Ports Conference, Townsville, QLD, 2009.

Professional development

- Current | MOOC Energy Principles and Renewable Energy | UQ, Brisbane
- 2018 | NEM Market Overview Course | AEMO
- 2016 | MOOC Sustainable Urban Development | Delft & Wageningen Universities, Netherlands
- 2015 | MOOC Making Sense of Climate Science Denial | UQ, Brisbane
- 2013 | AMEC Project Management Course
- 2010 | Managing AECOM Projects
- 2008 | PSMJ Project Management Accreditation

ATTACHMENT 18 – Flora Species List

			EPBC Act	NC Act
Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	1999	1992
Amaranthaceae	Alternanthera pungens	Khaki Weed	NL	*
Amaranthaceae	Amaranthus spinosus	Spiny Amaranth	NL	*
Papaveraceae	Argemone ochroleuca subsp. ochroleuca	Mexican Poppy	NL	*
Brassicaceae	Capsella bursapastoris		NL	*
Chenopodiaceae	Chenopodium album		NL	*
Poaceae	Chloris gayana	Rhodes Grass	NL	*
Asteraceae	Cirsium vulgare	Scotch Thistle	NL	*
Asteraceae	Crassocephalum crepidioides	Thickhead	NL	*
Fabaceae	Crotalaria pallida var. obovata		NL	*
Poaceae	Cynodon dactylon	Couch	NL	*
Cyperaceae	Cyperus brevifolius		NL	*
Solanaceae	Datura ferox		NL	*
Poaceae	Dichanthium aristatum	Angleton Grass	NL	*
Poaceae	Digitaria eriantha	Blue Digit	NL	*
		Blue Digit	NL NL	*
Poaceae	Echinochloa esculenta	Mileita Faliata		*
Asteraceae	Eclipta prostrata	White Eclipta	NL	*
Poaceae	Eleusine indica	Crowsfoot Grass	NL	
Poaceae	Eragrostis tenuifolia	Elastic Grass	NL	*
Asteraceae	Erigeron bonariensis		NL	*
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia hirta		NL	*
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia hyssopifolia		NL	*
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia prostrata		NL	*
Verbenaceae	Glandularia aristigera	Mayne's Pest	NL	*
Asteraceae	Gnaphalium polycaulon	Cudweed	NL	*
Apocynaceae	Gomphocarpus physocarpus	Balloon Cotton Bush	NL	*
Amaranthaceae	Gomphrena celosioides	Gomphrena Weed	NL	*
Fabaceae	Indigofera spicata	Creeping Indigo	NL	*
Lamiaceae	Lamium amplexicaule	1 3 3	NL	*
Brassicaceae	Lepidium bonariense		NL	*
Fabaceae	Macroptilium atropurpureum	Siratro	NL	*
Malvaceae	Malvastrum coromandelianum	False Mallow	NL	*
Fabaceae	Medicago polymorpha		NL	*
Poaceae	Melinis repens	Red Natal Grass	NL	*
Malvaceae	Modiola caroliniana		NL	*
Cactaceae	Opuntia tomentosa	Velvety Tree Pear	NL	*
Oxalidaceae	Oxalis corniculata	Creeping Oxalis	NL	*
Malvaceae	Pavonia hastata	Orceping Oxans	NL	*
Verbenaceae	Phyla canescens		NL	*
Solanaceae	Physalis peruviana		NL	*
Portulacaceae	Portulaca oleracea	Pigweed	NL	*
Portulacaceae	Portulaca pilosa	Hairy Pigweed	NL	*
	Ranunculus sceleratus subsp. sceleratus	rially rigweed	NL	*
Ranunculaceae				*
Brassicaceae	Raphanus raphanistrum		NL	*
Euphorbiaceae	Ricinus communis		NL	
Polygonaceae	Rumex conglomeratus		NL	*
Lamiaceae	Salvia reflexa		NL	*
Malvaceae	Sida rhombifolia		NL	*
Asteraceae	Silybum marianum		NL	*
Brassicaceae	Sisymbrium irio		NL	*
Solanaceae	Solanum nigrum		NL	*
Asteraceae	Sonchus oleraceus		NL	*
Poaceae	Sorghum halepense		NL	*
Lamiaceae	Stachys arvensis		NL	*
Asteraceae	Symphyotrichum subulatum		NL	*
Fabaceae	Trifolium repens var. repens		NL	*

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	EPBC Act 1999	NC Act 1992
Malvaceae	Urena lobata		NL	*
Asteraceae	Xanthium spinosum		NL	*
Ulmaceae	Celtis sinensis	Chinese Celtis	NL	*(RI)
Asteraceae		Fireweed	NL	` '
	Senecio madagascariensis	1		*(RI)
Poaceae	Sporobolus fertilis	Giant Parramatta Grass	NL	*(RI)
Amaranthaceae	Alternanthera denticulata	Lesser Joyweed	NL	LC
Poaceae	Aristida ramosa	Purple Wiregrass	NL	LC
Poaceae	Bothriochloa bladhii subsp. bladhii	Forest Bluegrass	NL	LC
Poaceae	Bothriochloa decipiens var. decipiens	Pitted Bluegrass	NL	LC
Acanthaceae	Brunoniella australis	Blue Trumpet	NL	LC
Myrtaceae	Corymbia tessellaris	Carbeen	NL	LC
Cyperaceae	Cyperus exaltatus	Tall Sedge	NL	LC
Cyperaceae	Cyperus gracilis	Whisker Grass	NL	LC
Poaceae	Digitaria longiflora		NL	LC
Chenopodiaceae	Dysphania pumilio		NL	LC
Cyperaceae	Eleocharis equisetina		NL	LC
Poaceae	Eragrostis sororia		NL	LC
Poaceae	Eriochloa pseudoacrotricha	Early Spring Grass	NL	LC
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus melanophloia	Silver-leaved Ironbark	NL	LC
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Queensland Blue Gum	NL	LC
Fabaceae	Glycine microphylla		NL	LC
Fabaceae	Glycine tabacina	Glycine Pea	NL	LC
Poaceae	Heteropogon contortus	Black Speargrass	NL	LC
Clusiaceae	Hypericum gramineum	Native St. John's Wort	NL	LC
Fabaceae	Indigofera linifolia		NL	LC
Juncaceae	Juncus polyanthemus		NL	LC
Juncaceae	Juncus usitatus	Common Rush	NL	LC
Poaceae	Lachnagrostis filiformis		NL	LC
Poaceae	Leersia hexandra	Swamp Ricegrass	NL	LC
Onagraceae	Ludwigia peploides subsp. montevidensis	Creeping Primrose	NL	LC
Mimosaceae	Neptunia gracilis forma gracilis	Native Sensitive Plant	NL	LC
Poaceae	Paspalum distichum	Water Couch	NL	LC
Polygonaceae	Persicaria attenuata	Smartweed	NL	LC
Polygonaceae	Persicaria decipiens	Slender Knotweed	NL	LC
Polygonaceae	Persicaria hydropiper		NL	LC
Polygonaceae	Persicaria prostrata		NL	LC
Asteraceae	Pterocaulon redolens		NL	LC
Fabaceae	Rhynchosia minima var. australis		NL	LC
Brassicaceae	Rorippa eustylis		NL	LC
Zygophyllaceae	Tribulus micrococcus		NL	LC
Typhaceae	Typha orientalis		NL	LC
Asteraceae	Vittadinia sulcata		NL	LC
Campanulaceae	Wahlenbergia stricta	Australian Bluebell	NL	LC
	Anagallis arvensis var. arvensis			
	Cyperus spp.			
	Daucus carota subsp. sativus			
	Phytolacca oleracea			
	Verbena officinalis			
	Xanthium pungens			

ATTACHMENT 19 – State Code 16

State code 16: Native vegetation clearing

Purpose statement

The purpose of this code is to ensure development:

- avoids clearing, or where avoidance is not reasonably possible, minimises clearing to:
 - a. conserve vegetation;
 - b. avoid land degradation;
 - c. avoid the loss of biodiversity;
 - d. maintain ecological processes;
- minimises contributions to greenhouse gas emissions;
- for vegetation retention purposes, is undertaken in a manner that retains or regenerates vegetation by sustainably managing the impacts of the clearing on regional ecosystems, biodiversity and ecological processes over time;
- is consistent with any notice requiring compliance on the land subject to the development application unless a better environmental outcome can be achieved;
- is consistent with vegetation management requirements for particular regulated areas unless a better environmental outcome can be achieved:
- 6. avoids impacts on **vegetation** and minimises and mitigates impacts on **vegetation** where avoidance is not possible:
- does not result in a significant residual impact on a matter of state environmental significance unless the significant residual impact is acceptable, and an offset is provided (where

appropriate). An **offset** is not appropriate for acceptable **significant residual impacts** on a connectivity area unless the **clearing** is for development that is a **coordinated project**, **natural channel diversion** or **contaminants removal**.

Using this code

The assessment benchmarks for this code comprise:

- a purpose statement which identifies the overall intent of the code:
- performance outcomes which set benchmarks to achieve the purpose statement of the code;
- acceptable outcomes which identify one way to achieve the relevant performance outcome.

Development complies with the code where:

- it complies with the acceptable outcomes for the performance outcome: or
- it complies with all the performance outcomes, where not complying with the acceptable outcomes; or
- development does not meet relevant performance outcome(s) and SARA determines, on balance, that the development complies with the purpose statement.

This code also includes the glossary of terms for definitions relevant to this code and reference documents; including the guideline **State Development Assessment Provisions Guidance material: State code 16: Native vegetation clearing**, which provides direction on how to address this code.

Guidance for determining if the development will have a **significant residual impact** is provided in the Significant Residual Impact Guideline, Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, 2014 in section 3.1 (Regulated vegetation). Where the **significant residual impact** is considered an acceptable impact on the **matter of state environmental significance** and an **offset** is considered appropriate, the **offset** should be delivered in accordance with the environmental offsets framework.

Statutory note: Where an **offset** applies to development on Brisbane core port land, it only applies to areas within the area identified as E1 Conservation/Buffer, E2 Open Space or Buffer/Investigation in the <u>Brisbane Port LUP</u> precinct plan.

Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Table 16.1: Relevant code provisions for each type of development

Clearing purpose	Relevant provisions	
Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot and / or operational work		
Public safety, relevant infrastructure activities and / or	Table 16.2 and Table 16.3	
consequential development of IPA approval		
Extractive industry	Table 16.2 and Table 16.4	
Coordinated project (agriculture)	Table 16.2 and Table 16.5	
Coordinated project (extractive industry)	Table 16.2 and Table 16.6	
Coordinated project (all other purposes)	Table 16.2 and Table 16.7	
Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot for all	Table 16.2 and Table 16.8	
other purposes		
Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot for	Table 16.9	
which there will be no clearing as a result of the		
material change of use or reconfiguring a lot		
Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot for	Table 16.2 and Table 16.10	
which clearing is limited to clearing that could be done		
as exempt clearing work for the purpose of the		
development prior to the material change of use or		
reconfiguring a lot application being approved		
Operational work		
Necessary environmental clearing	Table 16.2 and Table 16.11	
Control non-native plants or declared pests	Table 16.2 and Table 16.12	
Encroachment	Table 16.2 and Table 16.13	
Fodder harvesting	Table 16.2 and Table 16.14	
Managing thickened vegetation	Table 16.2 and Table 16.15	

Table 16.2: General

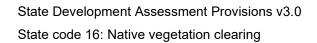
able 16.2. General		
Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	
PO1 Clearing of vegetation is consistent with any notice requiring compliance on the land subject to the development application, unless a better environmental outcome can be achieved.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
PO2 Clearing of vegetation is consistent with vegetation management requirements for particular regulated areas unless a better environmental outcome can be achieved.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
PO3 Clearing of vegetation in a legally secured offset	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
area:		
1. is consistent with the offset delivery plan; or		
 is consistent with an agreement for the offset area on the land subject to the development application; or only occurs if an additional offset is provided. 		

Table 16.3: Public safety, relevant infrastructure activities and / or consequential development of IPA approval

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts		
PO4 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application		
has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse		
impacts of clearing have been:		
reasonably avoided; or		

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably	Acceptable datedines
avoided.	
Clearing associated with wetlands	
PO5 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland	AO5.1 Clearing does not occur in a natural wetland or
and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a	within 100 metres of the defining bank of any natural
natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and	wetland.
function of any regional ecosystem associated with any	
natural wetland to protect all of the following:	OR
1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	
2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	AO5.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining
other pollutants;	bank of any natural wetland:
3. aquatic habitat;	1. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
4. terrestrial habitat.	bank of any natural wetland; and
	2. does not exceed widths in reference table 1 in this
	code.
PO6 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not	•
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has	
been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable	
significant residual impact.	
Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage fe	atures
PO7 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse	AO7.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following
and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant	areas:
distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse	 inside the defining bank of a watercourse or
and/or drainage feature , maintains the composition,	drainage feature; and
structure and function of the regional ecosystem	2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank or
associated with the watercourse and/or drainage	any watercourse or drainage feature in reference
feature to protect all of the following:	table 2 of this code.
bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	
2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	OR
other pollutants;	407.001
3. aquatic habitat;	AO7.2 Clearing within any watercourse or drainage
4. terrestrial habitat.	feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining
	bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in
	reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in reference table 1 of
	this code; and
	does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the
	watercourse or drainage feature.
PO8 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or	no acceptable outcome is prescribed.
drainage feature does not maintain the composition,	
structure and function of the regional ecosystem , and	
cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is	
provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	
Connectivity	
PO9 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and any	AO9.1 Clearing occurs in accordance with reference
adjacent land retain sufficient vegetation to:	table 3 in this code.
maintain ecological processes; and	abio o in the oods.
ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the	
landscape despite threatening processes.	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO10 Clearing of vegetation does not result in	AO10.1 Clearing only occurs if an erosion and
accelerated soil erosion within or outside the land the	sediment control plan is developed and implemented
subject of the development application.	to prevent increased soil erosion and instability
A 11 14	resulting from the clearing .
Salinity	10044401
PO11 Clearing of vegetation within 100 metres of a	AO11.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of a
salinity expression area does not contribute to or	salinity expression area.
accelerate land degradation through either of the	
following:	
1. waterlogging;	
2. the salinisation of groundwater , surface water or	
soil. Conserving least concern regional ecosystems - Minin	lnising clearing of areas temporarily required to
enable construction of the infrastructure	
PO12 Clearing of vegetation for temporary use areas to	AO12.1 Clearing for temporary use areas to construct
construct necessary infrastructure, such as temporary	necessary infrastructure does not occur in a least
use roads or access tracks, maintains the composition,	concern regional ecosystem.
structure and function of least concern regional	
ecosystems.	OR
	AO12.2 Total clearing for temporary use areas to
	construct necessary infrastructure in any regional
	ecosystem combined does not exceed the widths
	prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO12.3 Total clearing for temporary use areas to
	construct necessary infrastructure in any regional
	ecosystem combined does not exceed areas
	prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
PO13 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem for temporary use areas to construct	
necessary infrastructure does not maintain the	
composition, structure and function of the regional	
ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been	
mitigated, the cleared area is rehabilitated .	
Conserving endangered and of concern regional ecosy	
PO14 Clearing of vegetation maintains the composition,	AO14.1 Clearing does not occur in an endangered
structure and function of endangered regional	regional ecosystem or an of concern regional
ecosystems and/or of concern regional ecosystems.	ecosystem.
	OR
	AO44 2 Total alagricus of an demonstration of the state of
	AO14.2 Total clearing of endangered regional
	ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed the widths prescribed in
	table reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO14.3 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems



Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	combined does not exceed areas prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystems does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area: 1. is rehabilitated; or 2. where the cleared area cannot reasonably be rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Essential habitat excluding essential habitat for <i>Phasc</i> assessable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning	
PO16 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat maintains the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem for each protected wildlife species	AO16.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat. OR
individually.	AO16.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
	AO16.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the areas prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
PO17 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact for each protected wildlife species individually.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the ass	sessment manager for the development application
PO18 Clearing of vegetation does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the hydrology of the location that will result in either of the following: 1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides;	AO18.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR
2. mobilisation of acid or metals.	 AO18.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height Datum only occurs where: 1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a depth greater than 30 centimetres; and 2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the soil management guidelines in the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.

Table 16.4: Extractive industry

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts	
PO19 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse	
impacts of clearing have been:	
 reasonably avoided; or reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably 	
avoided.	
Clearing associated with wetlands	
PO20 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland	AO20.1 Clearing does not occur in a natural wetland
and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a	or within 100 metres of the defining bank of any
natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and	natural wetland .
function of any regional ecosystem associated with any	
natural wetland to protect all of the following:	OR
bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	
water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutents.	AO20.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining
other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat;	bank of any natural wetland:does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
4. terrestrial habitat.	bank of any natural wetland; and
1. torrodria nastat.	2. does not exceed widths in table reference table 1 in
	this code.
PO21 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not	
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has	
been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact .	
Significant residual impact.	
Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage fe	
PO22 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and	AO22.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following
/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance	areas:
(listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature , maintains the composition, structure	inside the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature ; and
and function of the regional ecosystem associated with	2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank of
the watercourse and/or drainage feature to protect all	any watercourse or drainage feature in reference
of the following:	table 2 of this code.
1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	
2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	OR
other pollutants;	A 000 0 01 and a military with its annual factors and a distance of the control o
3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	AO22.2 Clearing within any watercourse or drainage feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining
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	bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in
	bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code:
	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the
DO22 Where electing of vegetation in a regional	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
PO23 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. Connectivity	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature. No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. Connectivity PO24 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and	bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature. No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. Connectivity	 bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature. No acceptable outcome is prescribed.

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Where clearing of vegetation in a regional stem that is an area of essential habitat does not ain the composition, structure and function of the nal ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable icant residual impact for each protected wildlife is individually.	AO29.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the areas prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code. No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
	sessment manager for the development application
Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, pance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the ogy of the location that will result in either of the ng: eration of horizons containing iron sulphides obilisation of acid or metals.	AO31.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR AO31.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height Datum only occurs where: 1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a depth greater than 30 centimetres; and 2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the soil management guidelines in the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.
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staged in line with operational needs that restrict earing to the current operational area; and ally occurs in the area from which material will be tracted, and any reasonably associated built frastructure, within the term of the development oproval; and	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
	Where clearing of vegetation in a regional stem that is an area of essential habitat does not ain the composition, structure and function of the nal ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has nitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable icant residual impact for each protected wildlife individually. Sulfate soils if the local government is not the assection of acid sulfate soils or changes to the location that will result in either of the local government is not the assection of horizons containing iron sulphides obbilisation of acid or metals. In clearing Clearing of vegetation: Staged in line with operational needs that restrict earing to the current operational area; and lay occurs in the area from which material will be tracted, and any reasonably associated built frastructure, within the term of the development

Table 16.5: Coordinated project (agriculture)
Performance outcomes

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts	
PO33 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse impacts of clearing have been: 1. reasonably avoided; or 2. reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
avoided.	
Clearing associated with wetlands	
PO34 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with any	AO34.1 Clearing does not occur in a natural wetland or within 100 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland.
natural wetland to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	OR

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	AO34.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining
other pollutants;	bank of any natural wetland:
3. aquatic habitat;	1. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
4. terrestrial habitat.	bank of any natural wetland; and
	2. does not exceed widths in table reference table 1 in
	this code.
PO35 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not	, ,
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has	
been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable	
significant residual impact.	
Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage fe	eatures
PO36 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and	AO36.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following
/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance	areas:
(listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or	inside the defining bank of a watercourse or
drainage feature, maintains the composition, structure	drainage feature; and
and function of the regional ecosystem associated with	2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank of
the watercourse and/or drainage feature to protect all	any watercourse or drainage feature in reference
of the following:	table 2 of this code.
bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	table 2 of this code.
water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	OR
other pollutants;	OIX
3. aquatic habitat;	AO36.2 Clearing within any watercourse or drainage
4. terrestrial habitat.	feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining
4. terrestrial napitat.	
	bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code:
	does not exceed the widths in table reference table def this code; and
	1 of this code; and
	2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
	bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
PO37 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
drainage feature does not maintain the composition,	
structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and	
cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact .	
Connectivity PO38 Pagional acceptations on the subject land and	AO28 1 Clearing occurs in accordance reference table
PO38 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and	AO38.1 Clearing occurs in accordance reference table 3 of this code.
any adjacent land retain sufficient vegetation to:	S OF ITHIS COUR.
maintain ecological processes; and analyze the regional accounter remains in the	
2. ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the	
landscape despite threatening processes.	No constable enteres to provide the
PO39 Where:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	
does not maintain ecological processes; and	
2. the regional ecosystem does not remain in the	
landscape despite threatening processes; and	
3. the clearing cannot be avoided; and	
4. the clearing has been mitigated	
an offset is provided for any acceptable significant	
residual impact.	
Soil erosion if the local government is not the assessment	nent manager for the development application

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO40 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil erosion within or outside the land the subject of the development application.	AO40.1 Clearing only occurs if an erosion and sediment control plan is developed and implemented to prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from the clearing.
Salinity	
PO41 Clearing within 100 metres of a salinity expression area does not contribute to or accelerate land degradation through either of the following: 1. waterlogging; 2. the salinisation of groundwater, surface water or soil.	AO41.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.
Conserving endangered and of concern regional ecos	
PO42 Clearing of vegetation maintains the composition, structure and function of endangered regional ecosystems and/or of concern regional ecosystems .	AO42.1 Clearing does not occur in an endangered regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystem.
	OR
	AO42.2 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed the widths prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO42.3 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed areas prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
PO43 Where clearing of vegetation in an endangered regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystems does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area: 1. is rehabilitated; or 2. where the cleared area cannot be rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
residual impact.	
Essential habitat excluding essential habitat for <i>Phase</i> assessable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning	•
PO44 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	AO44.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat.
that is an area of essential habitat maintains the	7.0-7.1 Clouring does not occur in essential Habitat.
composition, structure and function of the regional	OR
ecosystem for each protected wildlife species individually.	AO44.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not excee the widths prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO44.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not excee the areas prescribed in table reference table 1 of this

code.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO45 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact for each protected wildlife species individually. Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the assets.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
PO46 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the hydrology of the location that will result in either of the following: 1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides; 2. mobilisation of acid or metals.	AO46.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR AO46.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height Datum only occurs where: 1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a depth greater than 30 centimetres; and 2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the soil management guidelines in the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.
Clearing for agriculture	7,000 - 000 -
PO47 Clearing of vegetation only occurs where the land is suitable for agriculture having regard to topography, climate and soil attributes.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
PO48 For applications for irrigated crops, the owner of the land has, or may have, access to enough water for establishing, cultivating and harvesting the crops to which the clearing of vegetation relates.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.

Table 16.6: Coordinated project (extractive industry)

Table 16.6: Coordinated project (extractive industry)	
Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts	
PO49 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application	
has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse	
impacts of clearing have been:	
reasonably avoided; or	
2. reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably	
avoided.	
Clearing associated with wetlands	
PO50 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland	AO50.1 Clearing does not occur in a natural wetland
and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a	or within 100 metres of the defining bank of any
natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and	natural wetland .
function of any regional ecosystem associated with any	
natural wetland to protect all of the following:	OR
bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	
water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	AO50.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining
other pollutants;	bank of any natural wetland:
3. aquatic habitat;	1. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
4. terrestrial habitat.	bank of any natural wetland; and
	2. does not exceed widths in reference table 1 in this
	code.

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Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO51 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not	
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has	
been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable	
significant residual impact. Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage fe	naturos
PO52 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and	AO52.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following
/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature, maintains the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem associated with the watercourse and/or drainage feature to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	areas: 1. inside the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature; and 2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code. OR AO52.2 Clearing within any watercourse or drainage feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the
	watercourse or drainage feature.
PO53 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. Connectivity	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
	AOE44 Classing account in account was with reference
 PO54 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and any adjacent land retain sufficient vegetation to: 1. maintain ecological processes; and 2. ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the landscape despite threatening processes. 	AO54.1 Clearing occurs in accordance with reference table 3 of this code.
PO55 Where:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
 clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem does not maintain ecological processes; and the regional ecosystem; and the clearing cannot be avoided; and the clearing has been mitigated an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. 	
Soil erosion if the local government is not the assessm	nent manager for the development application
PO56 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil erosion within or outside the land the subject of the development application.	AO56.1 Clearing only occurs if an erosion and sediment control plan is developed and implemented to prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from the clearing.
Salinity	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO57 Clearing within 100 metres of a salinity	AO57.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of a
expression area does not contribute to or accelerate	salinity expression area.
land degradation through either of the following:	
1. waterlogging;	
2. the salinisation of groundwater , surface water or	
soil.	rotomo
Conserving endangered and of concern regional ecosy PO58 Clearing of vegetation maintains the composition,	
structure and function of endangered regional ecosystems and/or of concern regional ecosystems.	AO58.1 Clearing does not occur in an endangered regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystem.
	OR
	AO58.2 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO58.3 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
PO59 Where clearing of vegetation in an endangered	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
regional ecosystem or an of concern regional	
ecosystems does not maintain the composition,	
structure and function of the regional ecosystem , and	
cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared	
area: 1. is rehabilitated; or	
2. where the cleared area cannot be rehabilitated , an	
offset is provided for any acceptable significant	
residual impact.	
Essential habitat excluding essential habitat for <i>Phasc</i> assessable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning	
PO60 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	AO60.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat.
that is an area of essential habitat maintains the	Tiest Tiesting account to cook in coconition indicate.
composition, structure and function of the regional	OR
ecosystem for each protected wildlife species	
individually.	AO60.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO60.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
PO61 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not	
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has	
been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact for each protected wildlife species individually.	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the as	sessment manager for the development application
PO62 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the hydrology of the location that will result in either of the following: 1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides; 2. mobilisation of acid or metals.	AO62.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR AO62.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height Datum only occurs where: 1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a depth greater than 30 centimetres; and 2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the soil management guidelines in the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.
Staged clearing	
 PO63 Clearing: is staged in line with operational needs that restrict clearing to the current operational area; and only occurs in the area from which material will be extracted, and any reasonably associated built infrastructure, within the term of the development approval; and does not occur without required permits. 	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.

Table 16.7: Coordinated project (all other purposes)

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts	Acceptable outcomes
PO64 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse impacts of clearing have been: 1. reasonably avoided; or 2. reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably avoided.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Clearing associated with wetlands	
PO65 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with any natural wetland to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	AO65.1 Clearing does not occur in a natural wetland or within 100 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland. OR AO65.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland: 1. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland; and 2. does not exceed widths in table reference table 1 in this code.
PO66 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage fee	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.

Performance outcomes	Accontable outcomes
	Acceptable outcomes
PO67 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse	AO67.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following
and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant	areas:
distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse	1. inside the defining bank of a watercourse or
and/or drainage feature, maintains the composition,	drainage feature; and
structure and function of the regional ecosystem	2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank of
associated with the watercourse and/or drainage	any watercourse or drainage feature in reference
feature to protect all of the following:	table 2 of this code.
bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	0.0
water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	OR
other pollutants;	A 007 0 01 and a model in a model of a model
3. aquatic habitat;	AO67.2 Clearing within any watercourse or drainage
4. terrestrial habitat.	feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining
	bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in
	reference table 2 of this code:
	1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table
	1 of this code; and
	2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining
	bank, unless clearing is required into or across the
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PO68 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or	
drainage feature does not maintain the composition,	
structure and function of the regional ecosystem , and	
cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is	
provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	
Connectivity	
PO69 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and	AO69.1 Clearing occurs in accordance with reference
any adjacent land retain sufficient vegetation to:	table 3 of this code.
maintain ecological processes; and	
2. ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the	
landscape despite threatening processes.	
PO70 Where:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
1. clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	
does not maintain ecological processes; and	
2. the regional ecosystem; and	
3. the clearing cannot be avoided; and	
4. the clearing has been mitigated	
an offset is provided for any acceptable significant	
residual impact.	
Soil erosion if the local government is not the assessm	
PO71 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil	AO71.1 Clearing only occurs if an erosion and
erosion within or outside the land the subject of the	sediment control plan is developed and implemented
development application.	to prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from
On limite.	the clearing.
Salinity	A070 4 Objection 1
PO72 Clearing within 100 metres of a salinity	AO72.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of a
expression area does not contribute to or accelerate	salinity expression area.
land degradation through either of the following:	
1. waterlogging;	
2. the salinisation of groundwater , surface water or	
soil.	
Conserving least concern regional ecosystems - Minim	nising clearing of areas temporarily required to
enable construction of the infrastructure	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO73 Clearing of vegetation for temporary use areas to	ACCEPTABLE outcomes AO73.1 Clearing for temporary use areas to construct
construct necessary infrastructure, such as temporary	necessary infrastructure does not occur in a least
use roads or access tracks, maintains the composition,	concern regional ecosystem.
structure and function of least concern regional	Concom regional coodystein.
ecosystems.	OR
	AO73.2 Total clearing for temporary use areas to construct necessary infrastructure in any regional
	ecosystem combined does not exceed the widths prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO73.3 Total clearing for temporary use areas to construct necessary infrastructure in any regional ecosystem combined does not exceed areas prescribed in table reference table 1 of this code.
PO74 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem for temporary use areas to construct	·
necessary infrastructure does not maintain the	
composition, structure and function of the regional	
ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been	
mitigated, the cleared area is rehabilitated.	
Conserving endangered and of concern regional ecosy	
PO75 Clearing of vegetation maintains the composition,	AO75.1 Clearing does not occur in an endangered
structure and function of endangered regional ecosystems and/or of concern regional ecosystems.	regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystem.
	OR
	AO75.2 Total clearing of endangered regional
	ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems
	combined does not exceed the widths prescribed in
	table reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO75.3 Total clearing of endangered regional
	ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems
	combined does not exceed areas prescribed in
DOTO William algorithm (reference table 1 of this code.
PO76 Where clearing of vegetation in an endangered	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystems does not maintain the composition,	
structure and function of the regional ecosystem , and	
cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared	
area:	
1. is rehabilitated ; or	
where the cleared area cannot be rehabilitated , an	
offset is provided for any acceptable significant	
residual impact.	
Essential habitat excluding essential habitat for Phasco	
assessable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning	Regulation 2017

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Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO77 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat maintains the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem for each protected wildlife species individually.	AO77.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat. OR AO77.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code. OR
	AO77.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
PO78 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact for each protected wildlife species individually.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the ass	
PO79 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the hydrology of the location that will result in either of the following: 1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides	AO79.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR
2. mobilisation of acid or metals.	 AO79.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height Datum only occurs where: 1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a depth greater than 30 centimetres; and 2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the soil management guidelines in the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.

Table 16.8: Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot for all other purposes

Performance outcomes		Acceptable outcomes	
Cle	Clearing avoids and minimises impacts		
PC	080 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
	earing vegetation do not occur unless the application		
	s demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse		
im	pacts of clearing have been:		
1.	reasonably avoided; or		
2.	reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably		
	avoided.		
Cle	Clearing associated with wetlands		
	081 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland	AO81.1 Clearing does not occur in a natural wetland	
	d/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a	or within 100 metres of the defining bank of any	
	tural wetland maintains the composition, structure and	natural wetland .	
	nction of any regional ecosystem associated with any		
	tural wetland to protect all of the following:	OR	
1.	bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;		
2.	water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	AO81.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining	
	other pollutants;	bank of any natural wetland:	
3.	aquatic habitat;	does not occur within 10 metres of the defining	
4.	terrestrial habitat.	bank of any natural wetland; and	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	2. does not exceed widths in reference table 1 in this
	code.
PO82 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage for	eatures
PO83 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and /or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance	AO83.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following areas:
(listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature, maintains the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem associated with the watercourse and/or drainage feature to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and	 inside the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature; and within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code. OR
other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	AO83.2 Clearing within any watercourse or drainage feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code: 1. does not exceed the widths in table reference table 1 of this code; and 2. does not occur within 10 metres of the defining bank, unless clearing is required into or across the watercourse or drainage feature.
PO84 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Connectivity	
PO85 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and any adjacent land, retain sufficient vegetation to maintain: 1. ecological processes; and 2. ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the landscape despite threatening processes.	AO85.1 Clearing occurs in accordance with reference table 3 in this code.
Soil erosion if the local government is not the assessm	
PO86 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil erosion within or outside the land the subject of the development application.	AO86.1 Clearing only occurs if an erosion and sediment control plan is developed and implemented to prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from the clearing.
Salinity	
 PO87 Clearing within 100 metres of a salinity expression area does not contribute to or accelerate land degradation through either of the following: waterlogging; the salinisation of groundwater, surface water or soil. Conserving endangered and of concern regional ecosy 	AO87.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.

Porformanco outcomos	Assentable outcomes
Performance outcomes PO88 Clearing of vegetation maintains the composition, structure and function of endangered regional ecosystems and/or of concern regional ecosystems.	Acceptable outcomes AO88.1 Clearing does not occur in an endangered regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystem.
	OR
	AO88.2 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO88.3 Total clearing of endangered regional ecosystems and of concern regional ecosystems combined does not exceed areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
PO89 Where clearing of vegetation in an endangered regional ecosystem or an of concern regional ecosystems does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
 is rehabilitated; or where the cleared area cannot be rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact. 	
Essential habitat excluding essential habitat for <i>Phase</i> assessable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning	
PO90 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat maintains the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem for each protected wildlife species	AO90.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat. OR
individually.	AO90.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO90.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
PO91 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact for each protected wildlife species individually.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the ass	
PO92 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the hydrology of the location that will result in either of the following:	AO92.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR
 aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides; mobilisation of acid or metals. 	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	AO92.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height
	Datum only occurs where:
	1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a
	depth greater than 30 centimetres; and
	2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the
	Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.

Table 16.9: Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot for which there will be no clearing as a result of the material change of use or reconfiguring a lot

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Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO93 Clearing as a result of a material change of use or clearing as a result of reconfiguring a lot does not	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
occur.	

Table 16.10: Material change of use and / or reconfiguring a lot for which clearing is limited to clearing that could be done as exempt clearing work for the purpose of the development prior to the material change of use or reconfiguring a lot application being approved

or recoming a feet approaches being approved			
Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes		
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts			
PO94 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse impacts of clearing have been: 1. reasonably avoided; or 2. reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably avoided.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.		
Clearing that could already be done under an exemption			
PO95 Clearing of vegetation does not occur unless it is clearing that could be done as exempt clearing work for the purpose of the development prior to the material change of use or reconfiguring a lot application being approved.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.		

Table 16.11: Necessary environmental clearing

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	
Clearing avoids and minimises impacts		
PO96 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application		
has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse		
impacts of clearing have been:		
reasonably avoided; or		
2. reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably		
avoided.		
Clearing associated with wetlands (Land Restoration and Natural Disaster Preparation)		
PO97 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland	AO97.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following	
and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a	areas:	
natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and	1. inside the defining bank of any natural wetland ;	
function of any regional ecosystem associated with any	and	
natural wetland to protect all of the following:	2. within 100 metres of the defining bank of any	
bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;	natural wetland .	
water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and		
other pollutants;	OR	
3. aquatic habitat;		

Performance outcomes Acceptable outcomes terrestrial habitat. AO97.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland only occurs where: 1. **clearing** does not exceed 0.5 hectares; and 2. clearing retains all mature trees and habitat trees: and 3. clearing that is for flood preparation complies with all of the following: a. **clearing** is undertaken by **felling** only; and: b. **clearing** does not exceed 100 square metres; and c. clearing does not occur outside the defining banks of a natural wetland... OR AO97.3 Clearing to provide necessary access to undertake necessary environmental clearing only occurs where clearing: 1. does not exceed 10 metres in width; and 2. retains all mature trees and habitat trees; and 3. the access track: a. runs parallel to a natural wetland and clearing is not within 10 metres of the **defining bank** of a natural wetland; or b. is required to provide access across the wetland. PO98 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional No acceptable outcome is prescribed. ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area is rehabilitated. Clearing associated with wetlands (natural channel diversion and contaminants removal) PO99 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland AO99.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a areas: natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and 1. inside the **defining bank** of any natural **wetland**; function of any regional ecosystem associated with any natural wetland to protect all of the following: 2. within 100 metres of the **defining bank** of any 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; natural wetland. 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; OR 3. aquatic habitat: 4. terrestrial habitat. AO99.2 Clearing within 100 metres of the defining **bank** of any natural **wetland** only occurs where: 1. **clearing** does not exceed 0.5 hectares; and 2. **clearing** retains all **mature trees** and **habitat** trees. OR AO99.3 Clearing to provide necessary access to undertake necessary environmental clearing only occurs where clearing: 1. does not exceed 10 metres in width; and 2. retains all mature trees and habitat trees: and

the access track:

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	 a. runs parallel to a natural wetland and clearing is not within 10 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland; or b. is required to provide access across the wetland.
CO100 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a natural wetland does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the egional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area: is rehabilitated; or where the cleared area cannot reasonably be rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage f Preparation)	eatures (Land Restoration and Natural Disaster
PO101 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with any watercourse and/or drainage feature to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	AO101.1 Clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature; and 2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code. OR AO101.2 Clearing in any watercourse or drainage feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code only occurs where:
	 clearing does not exceed 0.5 hectares; and clearing retains all mature trees and habitat trees; and clearing that is for flood preparation complies with all of the following: clearing is undertaken by felling only; and
	 b. clearing does not exceed 100 square metres; and c. clearing does not occur outside of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature
	OR
	AO101.3 Clearing to provide necessary access to undertake necessary environmental clearing only occurs where clearing: 1. does not exceed 10 metres in width; and 2. retains all mature trees and habitat trees; and 3. the access track: a. runs parallel to a watercourse or drainage
	feature and clearing is not within 10 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or



the **defining bank** of a **watercourse** or

b. is required to provide access across the watercourse or drainage feature.

drainage feature; or

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO102 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area is rehabilitated.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Clearing associated with watercourses and drainage fe	eatures (natural channel diversion and contaminants
removal)	A0400 4 Objection 1
PO103 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with any watercourse or drainage feature to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants;	 AO103.1 Clearing does not occur within any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature; and 2. within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code.
3. aquatic habitat;4. terrestrial habitat.	AO103.2 Clearing in any watercourse or drainage feature, or within the relevant distance of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature in reference table 2 of this code only occurs where: 1. clearing does not exceed 0.5 hectares; and 2. clearing retains all mature trees and habitat trees.
	OR
DO404 Where election of translation in a regional	AO103.3 Clearing to provide necessary access to undertake necessary environmental clearing only occurs where: 1. clearing does not exceed 10 metres in width; and 2. clearing retains all mature trees and habitat trees; and 3. the access track: a. runs parallel to a watercourse or drainage feature and clearing is not within 10 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature; or b. is required to provide access across the watercourse or drainage feature.
PO104 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem associated with a watercourse and/or drainage feature does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area: 1. is rehabilitated; or 2. where the cleared area cannot reasonably be rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Connectivity (land restoration and natural disaster prepared	
PO105 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and any adjacent land retain sufficient vegetation to:	AO105.1 Clearing occurs in accordance with reference table 3 of this code.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
maintain ecological processes; and	
2. ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the	
landscape despite threatening processes.	
PO106 Where:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
1. clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	
does not maintain ecological processes; and	
2. the regional ecosystem does not remain in the	
landscape despite threatening processes; and	
3. the clearing cannot be avoided; and	
4. the clearing bearing the avoided, and	
the clearing has been mitigated,	
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Connectivity (natural channel diversion and contamina	
PO107 Regional ecosystems on the subject land and	AO107.1 Clearing occurs in accordance with reference
any adjacent land retain sufficient vegetation to:	table 3 of this code.
maintain ecological processes; and	
2. ensure the regional ecosystem remains in the	
landscape despite threatening processes.	
PO108 Where:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
 clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem 	
does not maintain ecological processes; and	
2. the regional ecosystem does not remain in the	
landscape despite threatening processes; and	
3. the clearing cannot be avoided; and	
4. the clearing has been mitigated;	
the cleared area:	
a. is rehabilitated ; or	
b. where the cleared area cannot reasonably be	
rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any	
acceptable significant residual impact.	
Soil erosion if the local government is not the assessn	nent manager for the development application
PO109 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil	AO109.1 Clearing only occurs if an erosion and
	sediment control plan is developed and implemented
erosion within or outside the land the subject of the	T Scaling it Control blair is acveloped and implemented
erosion within or outside the land the subject of the development application.	
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development application.	
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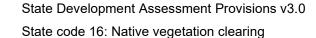
Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
- Tonormanoc oatoomics	AO111.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not
	exceed the areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this
	code.
PO112 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not	'
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem for each protected wildlife species	
individually, and cannot be avoided and has been	
mitigated, the cleared area is rehabilitated .	
Essential habitat (natural channel diversion and contar	ninants removal) excluding essential habitat for
Phascolarctos cinereus (koalas) if development is asse Regulation 2017	essable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning
PO113 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	AO113.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat.
that is an area of essential habitat maintains the	_
composition, structure and function of the regional	OR
ecosystem for each protected wildlife species	
individually.	AO113.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not
	exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of
	this code.
	OR
	AO113.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not
	exceed the areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this
	code.
PO114 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not	
maintain the composition, structure and function of the	
regional ecosystem for each protected wildlife species	
individually, and cannot be avoided and has been	
mitigated, the cleared area:	
1. is rehabilitated ; or	
2. where the cleared area cannot reasonably be	
rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any	
acceptable significant residual impact for each	
protected wildlife species individually.	
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the ass	
PO115 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the	AO115.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3.
hydrology of the location that will result in either of the	ZONG Z OF IGHU ZONG J.
following:	OR
aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides;	
mobilisation of acid or metals.	AO115.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land
mobilisation of acid or metals.	zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height
	Datum only occurs where:
	mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a
	depth greater than 30 centimetres; and
	 acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the
	soil management guidelines in the Queensland
	Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.
Maintaining the composition, structure and function of	

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes		
PO116 Clearing of vegetation maintains the	A0116.1 Clearing retains all of the following:		
composition, structure and function of the regional	1. habitat trees;		
ecosystem.	2. mature trees; and		
	3. the natural floristic composition and range of sizes		
	across the application area.		
	OR		
	AO116.2 Clearing is for the purpose of natural		
	disaster preparation and does not exceed the widths		
	prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.		
	OD		
	OR		
	AO116.3 Clearing is for the purpose of natural		
	disaster preparation and does not exceed the areas		
	prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.		
PO117 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.		
ecosystem does not maintain the composition, structure			
and function of the regional ecosystem , and cannot be			
avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area is			
rehabilitated.			
Maintaining the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem (natural channel diversion and contaminants removal)			
PO118 Clearing of vegetation maintains the	AO118.1 Clearing retains all of the following:		
composition, structure and function of the regional	1. habitat trees;		
ecosystem.	2. mature trees; and		
	3. the natural floristic composition and range of sizes		
	across the application area.		
PO119 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.		
ecosystem does not maintain the composition, structure			
and function of the regional ecosystem , and cannot be			
avoided and has been mitigated, the cleared area: 1. is rehabilitated; or			
2. where the cleared area cannot reasonably be			
rehabilitated, an offset is provided for any			
acceptable significant residual impact.			
Duration of clearing, preventing land degradation, and	maintaining biodiversity, ecological processes and		
regional ecosystems (Land Restoration, Natural Disast			
PO120 Clearing occurs only during a period that:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.		
1. will not contribute to land degradation; and			
2. ensures the ongoing maintenance of ecological			
processes and biodiversity; and			
3. maintains the regional ecosystem .			

Table 16.12: Control non-native plants or declared pests

	Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	
•	Clearing avoids and minimises impacts		
	PO121 Clearing of vegetation and adverse impacts of	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
	clearing vegetation do not occur unless the application		
	has demonstrated that the clearing and the adverse		
	impacts of clearing have been:		
	reasonably avoided; or		

Performance outcomes Acceptable outcomes 2. reasonably minimised where it cannot be reasonably avoided. Clearing associated with wetlands PO122 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland AO122.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a the following areas, unless it is required to provide natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and necessary access to control non-native plants or function of any regional ecosystem associated with a declared pests: natural wetland to protect all of the following: 1. inside the **defining bank** of any natural **wetland**; 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and 2. within 20 metres of the **defining bank** of any other pollutants; natural wetland. 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat. AND AO122.2 Clearing to provide necessary access to control non-native plants or declared pests only occurs where: 1. **clearing** does not exceed five metres in width; and 2. clearing retains all mature trees and habitat trees; and 3. the access track: a. runs parallel to a natural wetland and clearing is not within 10 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland; or b. is required to provide access across the wetland. AND AO122.3 Chemical clearing retains: 1. all **mature trees**; and 2. all **habitat trees**: and 3. at least 50 per cent of **immature trees** in each 50 metre by 50 metre area. AND **AO122.4** Root absorbed broad spectrum herbicides are not applied within whichever is the greater distance from the **defining bank** of a natural **wetland**: 1. 100 metres: or 2. the distance specified on the approved product label: or 3. the distance specified in the safety and use conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority. **AND**



AO122.5 Aerial application of a foliar herbicide does not occur within whichever is the greater distance from

the **defining bank** of a natural **wetland**;

50 metres; or

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	2. the distance specified for wetlands on the
	approved product label; or
	3. the distance specified in the safety and use
	conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and
	Veterinary Medicines Authority.
Clearing associated with watercourses or drainage fea	furos

PO123 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with any watercourse and/or drainage **feature** to protect all of the following:

- 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion;
- 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants;
- 3. aquatic habitat;
- 4. terrestrial habitat.

AO123.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas, unless it is required to provide necessary access to control non-native plants or declared pests:

- 1. inside the **defining bank** of any **watercourse** or drainage feature; and
- 2. within 10 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 1 or 2 watercourse or drainage feature;
- 3. within 15 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 3 or 4 watercourse or drainage feature;
- 4. within 20 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 5 or more watercourse or drainage feature.

AND

AO123.2 Clearing to provide necessary access to control non-native plants or declared pests only occurs

- 1. clearing does not exceed five metres in width; and
- 2. clearing retains all habitat trees and mature trees: and
- 3. the access track:
 - a. runs parallel to the watercourse or drainage feature and is not within 10 metres of the defining bank of the watercourse or drainage feature: or
 - b. is required to provide access across the watercourse or drainage feature.

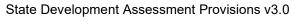
AND

AO123.3 Chemical clearing retains all of the following:

- 1. mature trees; and
- 2. habitat trees; and
- 3. at least 50 per cent of **immature trees** in any 50 metre by 50 metre area.

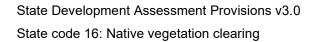
AND

AO123.4 Root absorbed broad spectrum herbicides are not applied within whichever is the greater distance from the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature:



Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	1. 100 metres; or 2. any distance specified on the approved product label; or 3. the distance specified in the safety and use conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and
Soil erosion	AND AO123.5 Aerial application of a foliar herbicide does not occur within whichever is the greater distance from the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature: 1. 50 metres; or 2. any distance specified on the approved product label; or 3. the distance specified in the safety and use conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority.
PO124 Clearing of vegetation does not result in accelerated soil erosion within or outside the land subject of the development application.	 AO124.1 Clearing only occurs where recognised best practice methods are employed to: 1. prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from the clearing; and 2. stabilise soil erosion and instability which would result from clearing; and 3. prevent increased sediment run-off entering a wetland, watercourse or drainage feature as a result of the clearing.
	AND
	AO124.2 Mechanical clearing: 1. does not occur on a slope greater than 15 percent; and
	2. in each 50 by 50 metre area (0.25 hectares), retains 50 per cent of the ground cover and does not disturb more than 50 per cent of the ground cover .
	AND
	AO124.3 New access tracks required to provide necessary access to control a non-native plant or declared pests do not exceed five metres in width or de-stabilise the banks of any watercourse or drainage feature as a result of crossing, construction or use.
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the a	
PO125 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the hydrology of the location that will result in either of the following: 1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides; 2. mobilisation of acid or metals.	AO125.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land zone 3. OR

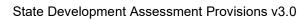
Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	AO125.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land
	zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height
	Datum only occurs where:
	mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a
	depth greater than 30 centimetres; and
	2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the
	soil management guidelines in the Queensland
	Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.
Conserving remnant vegetation that is a regional ecos	ystem
PO126 Clearing activities:	AO126.1 Mechanical clearing:
. maintain the natural floristic composition and range	1. only occurs within 1.5 metres from the edge of the
of sizes of each species of the regional ecosystem	canopy of individual non-native plants, unless the
evenly spaced across the application area ; and	clearing is required to provide necessary access to
. retain all habitat trees and mature trees .	control a non-native plant or declared pest ; and
	2. does not occur using two machines linked by chain
	or cable; and
	3. retains all habitat trees and mature trees .
	AND
	AO126.2 Clearing to provide necessary access to
	control non-native plants or declared pests does not
	exceed five metres in width.
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	AND
	AO126.3 Any regional ecosystem burn is undertaken
	in accordance with the fire guideline for the regional
	ecosystem, as outlined in the Regional Ecosystem
	Description Database (REDD).
	Description Database (NEDD).
	AND
	AO126.4 Chemical clearing retains all of the following:
	1. mature trees; and
	2. habitat trees; and
	3. at least 50 per cent of immature trees in each 50
	metre by 50 metre area.
	mond by 60 mond area.
	AND
	AO126.5 Aerial application of a root-absorbed broad
	spectrum herbicides does not occur.
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	AND
	AO126.6 Root-absorbed broad spectrum herbicides
	are not applied within whichever distance is the greater
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	from a mature tree or a habitat tree;
	1. 30 metres; or
	the distance specified on the approved product
	label; or
	3. the distance specified in the safety and use
	conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and
	Veterinary Medicines Authority



Veterinary Medicines Authority.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes		
Duration of clearing, preventing land degradation, and maintaining biodiversity, ecological processes and regional ecosystems			
PO127 Clearing occurs only during a period that: 1. will not contribute to land degradation; and 2. ensures the ongoing maintenance of ecological processes and biodiversity; and 3. maintains the regional ecosystem.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.		

Tab	Table 16.13: Encroachment				
	rformance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes			
	Clearing associated with wetlands				
an na fur na 1. 2.	O128 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland d/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a tural wetland maintains the composition, structure and nation of any regional ecosystem associated with a tural wetland to protect all of the following: bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; aquatic habitat; terrestrial habitat.	AO128.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of any natural wetland; and 2. within 20 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland. AND AO128.2 Root absorbed broad spectrum herbicides are not applied within whichever is the greater distance from the defining bank of a natural wetland: 1. 100 metres; or 2. the distance specified on the approved product label; or 3. the distance specified in the safety and use conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and			
		Veterinary Medicines Authority.			
	earing associated with watercourses or drainage fea				
1.	D129 Clearing of encroachment maintains: bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; and water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; and aquatic habitat; and terrestrial habitat.	 AO129.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: inside the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature; and within 10 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 1 or 2 watercourse or drainage feature; and within 15 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 3 or 4 watercourse or drainage feature; and within 20 metres of the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 5 or more watercourse or drainage feature. 			
		AO129.2 Root-absorbed broad spectrum herbicides are not applied within whichever is the greater distance from the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature: 1. 100 metres; or			



Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	2. any distance specified on the approved product
	label; or
	3. the distance specified in the safety and use
	conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority.
Soil erosion	veterinary inedicines Authority.
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PO130 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil erosion within or outside the land subject of the	AO130.1 Clearing only occurs where recognised best practice methods are employed to:
development application.	practice methods are employed to. prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from
development application.	the clearing; and
	2. stabilise soil erosion and instability which would
	result from clearing ; and
	3. prevent increased sediment run-off entering a
	wetland, watercourse or drainage feature as a
	result of the clearing .
	AND
	AO420 2 Machanical electing does not excur in any of
	AO130.2 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas:
	1. within 50 metres of an area of soil erosion and
	instability; and
	2. slopes greater than five per cent.
Salinity	
PO131 Clearing within 100 metres of a salinity	AO131.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of
expression area does not contribute to or accelerate	a salinity expression area.
land degradation through either of the following:	
1. waterlogging;	
the salinisation of groundwater, surface water or soil.	
Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the assessment manager for the development application	
PO132 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate,	AO132.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land
disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the	zone 2 or land zone 3.
hydrology of the location that will result in either of the	
following:	OR
1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides; or	
mobilisation of acid or metals.	AO132.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land
	zone 3 in areas below the five metre Australian Height
	Datum only occurs where:
	1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a
	depth greater than 30 centimetres; and 2. acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the
	soil management guidelines in the Queensland
	Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual.
Clearing limited to specific regional ecosystems	
PO133 Clearing of encroachment does not occur, other	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
than in the regional ecosystems listed in reference table	· ·
5 of this code.	
Conserving vegetation	
PO134 Clearing activities:	AO134.1 Clearing retains all of the following:
1. result in the restoration of the regional ecosystem ;	1. all mature trees; and
and	2. all habitat trees; and
2. retain all habitat trees ; and	3. all woody vegetation within a grove , unless it is
3. retain all groves ; and	undertaken by a regional ecosystem burn .

4. retain species which make up the natural floristic composition of the regional ecosystem, distributed in a natural pattern.	Acceptable outcomes AND	
	AO134.2 Any regional ecosystem burn is undertaken in accordance with the fire guideline for the regional ecosystem, as outlined in the Regional Ecosystem Description Database (REDD).	
	AND	
		AO134.3 Clearing does not result in debris being stacked or pushed against a mature tree or a habitat tree.
		AND
		AO134.4 Mechanical clearing does not occur within 10 metres of a mature tree or a habitat tree.
		AND
	AO134.5 Aerial application of a herbicide does not occur.	
		AND
	AO134.6 Chemical clearing does not occur within five metres of a mature tree or a habitat tree.	
		AND
		AO134.7 Root-absorbed broad spectrum herbicides are not applied in any of the following areas: 1. regional ecosystems 11.4.11 and 11.8.11; and 2. within whichever is the greater distance from a mature tree or a habitat tree: a. 10 metres; or b. the distance specified by the approved product label; or c. the distance specified in the safety and use conditions prescribed by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority;
		and
		within whichever is the greater distance from a grove: a 20 metros; or
		a. 30 metres; orb. the distance specified by the approved product label; or
		 the distance specified in the safety and use conditions issued by the Australian Pesticides

Duration of clearing, preventing land degradation, and maintaining biodiversity, ecological processes and regional ecosystems

and Veterinary Medicines Authority.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
PO135 Clearing occurs only during a period that:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
 will not contribute to land degradation; and 	
2. ensures the ongoing maintenance of ecological	
processes and biodiversity; and	
3. maintains the regional ecosystem .	

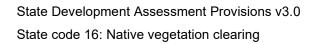
Table 16.14: Fodder harvesting	
Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
Clearing associated with wetlands	
PO136 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with a natural wetland to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	AO136.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of any natural wetland; and 2. within 20 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland. AND AO136.2 Mechanical clearing that is strip harvesting or block harvesting does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of any natural wetland; and 2. within 100 metres of the defining bank of any natural wetland.
Clearing acceptated with watercourses or designate for	natural wetland.
Clearing associated with watercourses or drainage fea	
PO137 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with any watercourse and/or drainage feature to protect all of the following: 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; 3. aquatic habitat; 4. terrestrial habitat.	 AO137.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature; and 2. within 20 metres of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature. AND AO137.2 Mechanical clearing that is strip harvesting or block harvesting does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature; and 2. within 100 metres of the defining bank of any watercourse or drainage feature.
PO138 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil	AO138.1 Clearing only occurs where recognised best
erosion within or outside the land subject of the development application.	practice methods are employed to: 1. prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from the clearing; and 2. stabilise soil erosion and instability which would result from clearing; and 3. prevent increased sediment run-off entering a wetland, watercourse or drainage feature as a result of the clearing.

AND

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	AO138.2 Mechanical clearing does not occur on a slope greater than five percent.
	OR
	AO138.3 Mechanical clearing does not occur within 50 metres of an area of soil erosion and instability.
PO139 Clearing within 100 metres of a salinity	AO139.1 Clearing does not occur within 100 metres of
 expression area does not contribute to or accelerate land degradation through either of the following: waterlogging; the salinisation of groundwater, surface water or soil. 	a salinity expression area.
Essential habitat excluding essential habitat for <i>Phasc</i> assessable under Schedule 10, Part 10 of the Planning	
PO140 Clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem	AO140.1 Clearing does not occur in essential habitat.
that is an area of essential habitat maintains the composition, structure and function of the regional	OR
ecosystem for each protected wildlife species individually.	AO140.2 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the widths prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
	OR
	AO140.3 Clearing in essential habitat does not exceed the areas prescribed in reference table 1 of this code.
PO141 Where clearing of vegetation in a regional ecosystem that is an area of essential habitat does not maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem, and cannot be avoided and has been mitigated, an offset is provided for any acceptable significant residual impact for each protected wildlife	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
species individually. Limits to clearing for fodder harvesting	
PO142 Clearing is limited to: 1. the extent necessary to provide fodder for stock; and 2. areas where the stock is located, and the stock have sufficient water.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
PO143 Clearing must only occur: 1. in regional ecosystems listed in reference table 6 or reference table 7 of this code; and 2. in accordance with the harvesting method limitations for the regional ecosystem listed in reference table 6	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
or reference table 7 of this code.	No coontable outcome is well as
PO144 Clearing consists predominantly of fodder species.	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
Conserving vegetation	
PO145 Clearing is carried out in a way that conserves: 1. remnant vegetation in perpetuity; and	AO145.1 Clearing does not result in the removal of non-fodder species with a height of four metres or more.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
the regional ecosystem in which the vegetation is situated.	AND
	 AO145.2 Selective harvesting: retains all non-fodder species except where the damage is an unavoidable consequence of clearing the selected fodder tree; and when using a chainsaw in regional ecosystems listed in reference table 6 of this code, retains at least one fodder tree for every fodder tree cleared; and in least concern regional ecosystems listed in reference table 7 of this code, retains at least one fodder tree for each fodder tree cleared; and in of concern regional ecosystems listed in reference table 7 of this code, retains at least two fodder trees for each fodder tree cleared.
	AND
	 AO145.3 Strip harvesting and block harvesting: where fodder harvesting has previously occurred in an area of a lot, only occurs if all of the following apply: the vegetation has not been cleared in the last 10 years; and the average height of the fodder trees is at least 70 per cent of the height of the tallest stands of fodder species in the regional ecosystem; and the fodder trees that were previously harvested have now attained an average height of at least 4 metres; and aligns clearing along the contour where practical; and does not occur in patches of regional ecosystems that are less than 10 hectares in area or less than 500 metres wide.
	AND
	 AO145.4 Strip harvesting: does not result in any strip harvesting area exceeding 50 metres in width; and results in all strip retention areas: being preserved along the length of strip harvest areas to a width of at least 1.5 times that of the adjacent strip harvest area; and containing fodder species with an average height of at least four metres; and does not result in clearing for machinery access between strip harvest areas exceeding 15 metres in width.

AND



Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	
	AO145.5 Block harvesting:	
	does not result in any block harvest area	
	exceeding one hectare; and	
	2. results in block retention areas:	
	a. being preserved between block harvest	
	areas in accordance with the widths specified	
	in reference table 8 of this code; and	
	b. containing fodder species with an average	
	height of at least four metres; and	
	3. does not result in clearing for machinery access	
	between block harvest areas exceeding 10	
Cloared vegetation	metres in width.	
Cleared vegetation	No googatable outcome is properited	
PO146 Fodder harvesting is carried out in a way that results in the woody biomass of the cleared vegetation	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
remaining where it is cleared. Conserving the fodder resource		
PO147 Fodder harvesting is carried out in a way that will	AO147.1 Clearing does not occur:	
conserve the fodder resource.	1. in an area that has been cleared in the previous	
	10-year period; and	
	2. more than once in the same area of a lot; and	
	3. in more than 50 per cent of the area of the	
	regional ecosystem listed in reference table 6	
	and reference table 7 of this code on the lot; and	
	4. in areas required to be retained under this code, a	
	development approval or any accepted	
	development vegetation clearing code.	
Duration of clearing, preventing land degradation, and	maintaining biodiversity, ecological processes and	
regional ecosystems		
PO148 Clearing occurs only during a period that:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	
1. will not contribute to land degradation ; and		
2. ensures the ongoing maintenance of ecological		
processes and biodiversity; and		
3. maintains the regional ecosystem .		

Table 16.15: Managing thickened vegetation
Performance outcomes

	Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	
Clearing associated with wetlands			
	 PO149 Clearing of vegetation within a natural wetland and/or within 100 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland maintains the composition, structure and function of any regional ecosystem associated with a natural wetland to protect all of the following: bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; aquatic habitat; terrestrial habitat. 	 AO149.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of a natural wetland; and 2. within 20 metres of the defining bank of a natural wetland. 	
	Clearing associated with watercourses or drainage fear	tures	
	PO150 Clearing of vegetation within a watercourse and/or drainage feature and/or within the relevant distance (listed in reference table 2) of a watercourse and/or drainage feature maintains the composition,	AO150.1 Mechanical clearing does not occur in any of the following areas: 1. inside the defining bank of any watercourse drainage feature;	

Performance outcomes Acceptable outcomes structure and function of any regional ecosystem within 10 metres of the defining bank of a associated with any watercourse and/or drainage watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream **feature** to protect all of the following: order 1 or 2 watercourse or drainage feature; 1. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion; 3. within 15 metres of the defining bank of a 2. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream other pollutants; order 3 or 4 watercourse or drainage feature; 3. aquatic habitat; within 20 metres of the defining bank of a 4. terrestrial habitat. watercourse or drainage feature that is a stream order 5 or more watercourse or drainage feature. Soil erosion PO151 Clearing does not result in accelerated soil AO151.1 Clearing only occurs where recognised best erosion within or outside the land subject of the practice methods are employed to: prevent soil erosion and instability resulting from development application. the clearing; and 2. stabilise soil erosion and instability which would result from clearing; and 3. prevent increased sediment run-off entering a wetland, watercourse or drainage feature as a result of the clearing. AND AO151.2 Mechanical clearing does not: 1. occur in a **regional ecosystem** in reference table 4 of this code that states 'mechanical clearing not 2. disturb more than 50 per cent of the ground surface or result in any hectare having less than 50 per cent ground cover; 3. occur on a **slope** greater than five per cent; and 4. occur within 50 metres of an area of soil erosion and instability. Acid sulfate soils if the local government is not the assessment manager for the development application PO152 Clearing does not result in, or accelerate, AO152.1 Clearing does not occur in land zone 1, land disturbance of acid sulfate soils or changes to the zone 2 or land zone 3. hydrology of the location that will result in either of the OR following: 1. aeration of horizons containing iron sulphides; 2. mobilisation of acid or metals. AO152.2 Clearing in land zone 1, land zone 2 or land **zone 3** in areas below the five metre Australian Height Datum only occurs where: 1. mechanical clearing does not disturb the soil to a depth greater than 30 centimetres; and acid sulfate soils are managed consistent with the soil management guidelines in the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual. Restoring the regional ecosystem PO153 Clearing activities: AO153.1 Clearing does not occur in thickets. 1. restore the natural floristic composition and range of sizes of each species of the regional ecosystem AND evenly spaced across the application area; and 2. retain mature trees, habitat trees and tall AO153.2 Clearing retains: immature trees and thickets. 1. all mature trees and habitat trees;

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	 a full range of sizes and species typical of the regional ecosystem in the area; and where the number of mature trees plus habitat trees is less than 20 per hectare, tall immature trees to total 20 mature trees, habitat trees and
	tall immature trees per hectare.
	AND
	AO153.3 Clearing does not result in debris stacked or pushed against a mature tree, habitat tree or tall immature tree.
	AND
	AO153.4 If clearing immature trees, retain immature trees in each 50 metre by 50 metre area to at least the density specified reference table 4 of this code.
	AND
	 AO153.5 If clearing low shrubs: in regional ecosystems where clearing is restricted to low shrubs as specified in reference table 4 of this code – clearing retains all immature trees; in regional ecosystems where clearing is not restricted to low shrubs as specified in reference table 4 of this code – clearing retains at least the number of immature trees specified in reference table 4 of this code; and clearing retains at least 10 per cent of the predominate species that have thickened.
	AND
	AO153.6 Mechanical clearing does not occur within 5 metres of the trunk of a mature tree, habitat tree or tall immature tree.
	AND
	 AO153.7 Clearing is not undertaken by: aerial application of any herbicide; and/or application of a root-absorbed broad spectrum herbicide.
	AND
	AO153.8 Chemical clearing does not occur within five metres of the trunk of a mature tree, habitat tree or tall immature tree.
	AND

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
	AO153.9 Any regional ecosystem burn is undertaken
	in accordance with the fire guideline for the regional
	ecosystem, as outlined in the Regional Ecosystem
	Description Database (REDD).
Clearing limited to specific regional ecosystems and s	pecific clearing methods
PO154 Clearing must be for the purpose of restoring	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
the remnant regional ecosystem and only occur if all of	
the following apply:	
 clearing is in regional ecosystems prescribed in 	
reference table 4 of this code; and	
2. clearing is in accordance with the clearing	
restrictions for the regional ecosystem prescribed	
in reference table 4 of this code.	
PO155 Clearing occurs only during a period that:	No acceptable outcome is prescribed.
 will not contribute to land degradation; and 	
2. ensures the ongoing maintenance of ecological	
processes and biodiversity; and	
3. maintains the regional ecosystem .	

Reference tables

Table 1

Clearing limits per regional ecosystem structure category		
Structure category	Width (metres)	Area (hectares)
Dense and mid-dense*	10	0.5
Sparse and very sparse*	20	2
Grassland*	25	5

^{*}Note: Refer to the structure category within the latest version of Regional Ecosystem Description Database, developed by the Queensland Herbarium and the Department of Environment and Science.

Table 2

Distance from defining banks of watercourses and drainage features		
Stream order Distance from the defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature (metres)		
1 or 2	10	
3 or 4	25	
5 or greater	50	

Table 3

Maintaining connectivity areas	
Coastal bioregions and subregions	Non-coastal bioregions and subregions
Clearing does not:	Clearing does not:

Maintaining connectivity areas

- 1. occur in areas of **vegetation** that are less than 10 hectares; and
- reduce the extent of vegetation to less than 10 hectares; and
- 3. occur in areas of **vegetation** less than 100 metres wide; and
- 4. reduce the width of **vegetation** to less than 100 metres; and

Very sparse regional ecosystems

5. occur where the extent of **vegetation** on the subject lot(s) is reduced to, or less than, 30 per cent of the total area of the lot(s).

- occur in areas of vegetation that are less than 50 hectares; and
- reduce the extent of **vegetation** to less than 50 hectares; and
- 3. occur in areas of **vegetation** less than 200 metres wide; and
- 4. reduce the width of **vegetation** to less than 200 metres; and
- 5. occur where the extent of **vegetation** on the subject lot(s) is reduced to, or less than, 30 per cent of the total area of the lot(s).

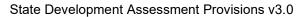
Table 4

Managing thickened vegetation – Prescribed regional ecosystems and restrictions

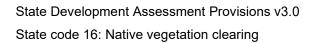
In this table, regional ecosystems are grouped by vegetation density and bioregion. Use this table to determine the regional ecosystems where clearing is permitted, the tree retention rates and any clearing restrictions.

Tree retention rates: Retained immature tree density must be at least 200 trees per hed	ctare after clearing.

Bioregion	1					Clearing restrictions
North Wes	t Highlands					1
1.5.14	1.5.6					
Gulf Plains	3					
2.3.9	2.3.10	2.3.34	2.5.2	2.5.5	2.10.6	
Cape York	Peninsula					
3.3.24	3.3.37	3.9.4	3.9.6	3.10.15	3.11.17	
		3.9.5	3.9.7	3.11.15		
Mitchell G	rass Downs					
4.3.9	4.5.2	4.7.4	4.9.10	4.9.16		
4.3.10	4.5.8		4.9.12	4.9.18		
	4.5.9		4.9.14			
Channel C						
5.5.2	5.5.4	5.5.6	5.9.2			
Mulga Lan	ıds					
6.3.7	6.3.24	6.5.16	6.6.2	6.7.6	6.7.17	
6.3.9	6.5.14	6.5.18		6.7.7	6.9.2	
6.3.22	6.5.15	6.5.19		6.7.9		
Wet Tropic	cs					
7.12.28						
Einasleigh	Uplands					
9.3.5	9.5.14	9.11.13	9.12.4	9.12.16	9.12.29	
9.3.22	9.7.5	9.11.17	9.12.6	9.12.21	9.12.33	
	9.8.1	9.11.21	9.12.10	9.12.23	9.12.39	
	9.8.2	9.11.23	9.12.11	9.12.27	9.12.40	
	9.8.4	9.11.24	9.12.12	9.12.28		
	9.8.9	9.12.1	9.12.14			
			9.12.15			
Desert Up	lands					



10.3.6	10.3.12	10.3.26	10.5.5	10.5.9	10.5.12	
Brigalow Be	elt		<u> </u>			<u> </u>
11.8.4 11.8.5	11.10.6	11.11.6	11.11.12	11.12.5		
South-east	Queensland	•	•	•	1	,
12.11.15						
Sparse reg	ional ecosys	tems				
Tree retenti	ion rates: Reta	ined immatur	e tree density	must be at lea	st 300 trees pe	er hectare after clearin
Bioregion						Clearing restrictions
North West						
1.3.4	1.5.2					
Gulf Plains						
2.3.5	2.3.27	2.5.1	2.7.4	2.9.4	2.10.4	
2.3.7	2.3.36	2.5.9	2.7.5	2.9.6	2.11.1	
2.3.11		2.5.10	2.9.4	2.10.1	2.12.1	
2.3.18		2.5.12		2.10.2		
2.3.19		2.5.14				
2.3.22						
2.3.15	2.3.20	2.3.29				Mechanical
2.3.17	2.3.21	2.3.30				clearing not
	2.3.24					permitted.
Cape York			<u>. </u>	L		
3.3.8	3.5.5	3.7.3	3.9.2	3.11.7	3.12.10	
3.3.16	3.5.6			3.11.12	3.12.11	
3.3.20	3.5.24			3.11.13	3.12.18	
3.3.28	3.5.25				0112110	
Mitchell Gra		1	1	1	<u> </u>	l
4.3.8	4.5.4	4.5.8	4.9.6	4.9.11		
Channel Co		1.0.0	1.0.0	1.0.11		
5.5.1	5.5.3	5.6.2	5.6.3	5.6.4		
Mulga Land		J.U.Z	1 0.0.0	1 3.0.4		
6.3.5	6.5.1	6.5.6	6.5.10	6.5.17	6.7.10	
6.3.16	6.5.2	6.5.7	6.5.11	6.6.1	6.7.10	
6.3.18	6.5.3	6.5.8	6.5.13	0.0.1	6.7.12	
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8.5.3	8.9.1	8.12.6	8.12.20	8.12.22		
8.5.5	8.11.1	8.12.9				
Einasleigh I		074	0444	0.40.7	T	<u> </u>
9.3.2	9.5.3	9.7.1	9.11.1	9.12.7		
9.3.6	9.5.4	9.7.2	9.11.2	9.12.13		
9.3.8	9.5.6	9.8.11	9.11.3	9.12.24		
9.3.16	9.5.7	9.10.7	9.11.5	9.12.26		
9.3.19	9.5.8		9.11.7	9.12.32		
9.3.20	9.5.9		9.11.15			
9.3.21	9.5.10		9.11.19			
	9.5.13		9.11.22			
	9.7.1		9.11.25			
	9.1.1		0.11.20			



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9.3.3	9.11.16	9.12.31				Mechanical
	9.11.31					clearing not
D	9.11.32					permitted.
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10.3.9 10.3.10	10.3.27 10.3.28	10.5.4	10.9.5			
	10.3.28					
10.3.11						Mechanical
10.3.14						clearing not
						permitted.
Brigalow Bel	<u> </u>					permitted.
11.3.4	11.3.19	11.4.2	11.9.2	11.10.1	11.12.1	
11.3.6	11.3.19	11.5.2	11.9.7	11.10.7	11.12.1	
11.3.7	11.3.30	11.5.3	11.5.7	11.10.7	11.12.3	
11.3.9	11.3.32	11.5.5		11.11.4	11.12.9	
11.3.10	11.3.35	11.5.8		11.11.7	11.12.10	
11.3.12	11.3.36	11.5.9		11.11.9	11.12.11	
11.3.14	11.3.39	11.5.12		11.11.10	11.12.13	
11.3.18	11.0.00	11.5.13		11.11.11	11112110	
		11.5.20		11.11.15		
				11.11.20		
11.7.7		1				Restricted to
						clearing of low
						shrubs only.
						Clearing of
						immature trees is
						not permitted.
South-east C	(ueensland					
12.3.12	12.8.16	12.9-10.4	12.12.4			
	12.8.17	12.9-10.7	12.12.5			
New England						
13.11.1	13.11.4	13.12.2	13.12.5			
Mid-dense r	egional ecosy	/stems				
Tree retention	n rates: Retair	ned immature	tree density i	must he at lea	st 500 trees pe	r hectare after
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Bioregion						Clearing
Dioregion						restrictions
Gulf Plains						restrictions
2.5.4	2.5.16	1				
Mulga Lands						
6.7.1	6.7.2	6.7.14	6.7.15	6.7.16		
Wet Tropics	0.7.2	1 0.7.17	1 0.7.10	1 0.7.10		
7.11.16	7.11.21	7.12.53	7.12.55			
	ensland Coast		1.12.00			
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12.9-10.2 12.12.27			
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Table 5

Grassland regional ecosystems in which encroachment can be cleared								
3.3 56	4.3.20	4.9.9	6.7.17	10.3.7	11.4.11			
3.3.60	4.9.7	5.7.9	9.8.5	10.3.8	11.8.11			
3.3.61	4.9.8	5.7.10	9.12.42	11.3.31	11.9.3			
3.12.32								

Table 6

Regional ecosystems in which fodder species are dominant and suitable for fodder harvesting by all harvesting practices									
4.5.2	5.5.2	5.6.4	6.5.6	6.5.11	6.5.18	6.7.12			
4.5.3	5.5.3	5.7.5	6.5.7	6.5.13	6.6.1	6.7.17			
4.5.4	5.5.4	5.7.14	6.5.8	6.5.14	6.7.9				
5.5.1	5.5.5	6.3.21	6.5.9	6.5.15	6.7.10				
	5.5.6	6.5.1	6.5.10	6.5.16	6.7.11				

Table 7

Regional ecosystems in which fodder species are not dominant and harvesting is limited to selective harvesting only								
6.3.16	6.5.3	6.7.6	6.7.15	11.5.13				
6.3.18	6.5.17	6.7.13	6.7.16	11.7.2				
6.5.2	6.7.1	6.7.14	6.7.17	11.11.2				

Table 8

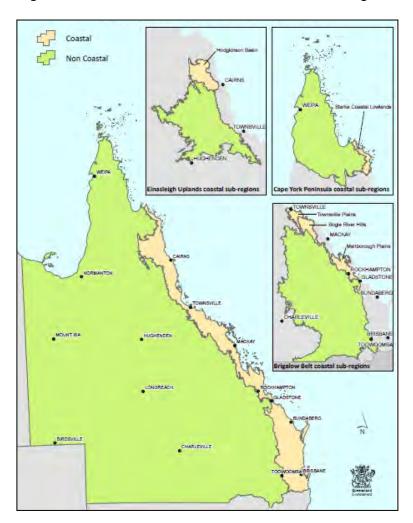
Minimum retention area and widths required for block harvesting					
Block harvesting area	Minimum width of retained vegetation				
Less than 0.5 hectares (70 metres by 70 metres)	75 metres				
0.5 hectares to 1 hectare (100 metres by 100 metres)	150 metres				

Table 9

Range of size classes – trees				
Class	Diameter			
1	<5 centimetres			
2	5 centimetres – 10 centimetres			
3	>10 centimetres – 20 centimetres			
4	>20 centimetres – 40 centimetres			

Figures

Figure 16.1: Location of coastal and non-coastal bioregions and subregions



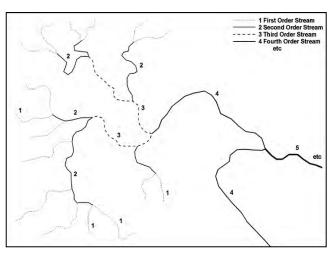


Figure 16.2: Diagrammatic view of stream ordering

When two streams of the same order join, the resulting stream becomes one **stream order** larger. If two streams of different orders join, the resultant **stream order** is that of the larger stream (note: for this diagram, streams are **watercourses** and **drainage features** shown on the **vegetation management watercourse** and **drainage feature map**).

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Glossary of terms

Accelerated soil erosion means **soil erosion** that exceeds the natural level and that occurs as a direct result of human activity.

Accepted development vegetation clearing code see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: An accepted development vegetation clearing code is a code made under section 190 of the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Adverse impacts of clearing include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. the loss of vegetation
- 2. the loss of biodiversity
- 3. land degradation
- 4. loss of connectivity
- 5. altered ecological processes; and
- 6. contributions to greenhouse gas emissions.

Aerial application means application by aircraft or drone.

Agreement means an agreed delivery arrangement under the *Environmental Offsets Act* including any **offset** delivery plan and or any other instrument associated with a **legally secured offset area** however described.

Application area means the area the subject of the development application that is proposed to be **cleared** of **vegetation**.

State Development Assessment Provisions v3.0

State code 16: Native vegetation clearing

Better environmental outcome means an environmental outcome provided on land in exchange for an area to be developed which is a **particular regulated area**, or is subject to a **notice requiring compliance**, and is legally secured using a **declared area** (**voluntary**) before:

- 1. the commencement of works; and
- 2. prior to any amendment, partial discharge or discharge of any **notice requiring compliance** or instrument securing a **particular regulated area**.

Biodiversity see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: **Biodiversity** means the variability among living organisms from all sources, including terrestrial, marine and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are a part, and includes:

- 1. diversity within species and between species; and
- 2. diversity of ecosystems.

Block harvest area means the block or clump where block harvesting is undertaken.

Block harvesting means fodder harvesting in blocks or clump (block harvest areas) while retaining undisturbed areas of vegetation (block retention areas) on all sides of the block harvest area.

Block retention area means an undisturbed area of vegetation required to be retained on all sides of a **block harvest** area when undertaking **block harvesting**.

Built infrastructure see Vegetation Management Act 1999

Note: built infrastructure includes a building, or other structure, built or used for any purpose

Category A area see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: A category A area is an area, other than a category B area, category C area, category R area or category X area, shown on the regulated vegetation management map as a category A area that:

- 1. is any of the following:
 - a. a declared area
 - b. an offset area
 - c. an exchange area; or
- 2. has been unlawfully cleared; or
- 3. is, or has been, subject to:
 - a. a restoration notice; or
 - b. an **enforcement notice** under the *Planning Act 2016* containing conditions about restoration of **vegetation**; or
- 4. has been **cleared** of native **vegetation** and in relation to the **clearing** a person has been found guilty by a court, whether or not a conviction has been recorded, of a **clearing** offence; or
- 5. the chief executive decides under section 20BA [of the VMA] is a category A area.

Category B area see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: A category B area is an area, other than a category A area, category C area, category R area or category X area, shown on the regulated vegetation management map as a category B area that:

- contains remnant vegetation; or
- 2. the chief executive [administering the VMA] decides to show on the regulated vegetation management map as a category B area; or
- 3. if section 20AN [of the VMA] does not apply to the area:
 - a. is a Land Act tenure to be converted under the Land Act 1994 to another form of tenure, and contains:
 - i. an endangered regional ecosystem; or
 - ii. an of concern regional ecosystem; or
 - iii. a least concern regional ecosystem.

Category X area see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: A category X area is an area, other than a category A area, category B area, category C area or category R area, shown on the regulated vegetation management map as a category X area. However, an area is not a category X area if the chief executive decides under section 20CA [of the VMA] that the area is not a category X area.

Clear, cleared or clearing of vegetation means:

- 1. to remove, cut down, ringbark, push over, poison or destroy in any way including by burning, flooding or draining;
- 2. does not include destroying standing **vegetation** by stock, or lopping a tree.

Note: For the purpose of assessment of a material change of use or reconfiguring a lot application, any reference to **clearing** is taken to include "clearing as a result of the material change of use" or "clearing as a result of the reconfiguring a lot".

Clearing as a result of a material change of use means:

- 1. clearing of vegetation that will result from the change in use, consisting of any of the following:
 - a. **clearing** to construct **built infrastructure** including buildings, stormwater management systems, water supply and sewerage systems that are proposed as part of the material change of use application
 - b. **clearing** for roads, vehicle parking, vehicle and pedestrian access, utilities corridors, services, fences, **fire breaks** and **fire management lines**
 - c. clearing that may not be necessary for developing built infrastructure but is associated with the use applied for
- 2. **clearing** of **vegetation** that will become **exempt clearing work** if the development application is approved. This includes any of the following examples:
 - a. clearing for routine management and essential management purposes associated with the approved development including clearing to maintain proposed infrastructure, facilities, roads, access routes, utilities, services and fences, and clearing to maintain the safety of persons and property that will be associated with the development
 - b. **clearing** for necessary **fire breaks**, **fire management lines** and associated with the development. This will be assessed as follows:
 - i. all **built infrastructure** other than underground services, roads and fences will be assessed as requiring **clearing** for **fire breaks** and safety buffers with a width of 20 metres or 1.5 times the height of the tallest adjacent tree to the infrastructure, whichever is the greater. The extent of **clearing** assessed will include any vegetation that may be required to be **cleared** for fire breaks distances and safety buffers on adjoining land
 - ii. all proposed allotment boundaries will be assessed as requiring **clearing** for **fire management lines** with a width of 10 metres constructed on either side of the allotment boundary unless written evidence from the relevant Area Commander of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service which confirms an alternative **fire management line** width is required or acceptable
 - iii. in the case of evidence being presented which demonstrates constraints on **clearing** for **fire management lines** as being reasonably imposed in accordance with written evidence from the relevant
 Area Commander or equivalent officer of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service, the development
 may be conditioned so that the full extent of **exempt clearing work** prescribed for **essential management** under schedule 21 of the Planning Regulation 2017 cannot be carried out by current or
 future landholders.

Clearing as a result of reconfiguring a lot means:

- 1. **clearing** of **vegetation** that will result from reconfiguring a lot, consisting of any of the following:
 - a. **clearing** for boundary fence lines for each proposed allotment (whether or not the **clearing** is proposed as part of the application)
 - b. **clearing** to construct **built infrastructure**, including stormwater management systems, water supply and sewerage systems, roads, access routes or utilities corridors that are proposed as part of the reconfiguring a lot application or that will be required as a condition of approval by the assessment manager
 - c. clearing for excavation and filling, for example, where the lots are to be levelled
- 2. **clearing** of **vegetation** that will become **exempt clearing work** if the development application is approved. This includes any of the following examples:
 - clearing for a single residence and reasonably associated buildings and structures for each allotment to be created as a result of the reconfiguring a lot, where no such dwelling house already exists on the proposed allotment
 - b. all lots will be assessed as including **clearing** of two hectares for the purpose stated in 2a, or for lots smaller than two hectares the whole area of the lot, unless the application demonstrates that a greater or smaller area will be required and achieved for example, building envelopes binding on title
 - c. clearing for routine management and essential management purposes associated with the approved development including clearing to maintain proposed infrastructure, facilities, roads, access routes, utilities, services and fences, and clearing to maintain the safety of persons and property that will be associated with the development
 - d. **clearing** for necessary **fire breaks**, **fire management lines** and safety buffers associated with the development. This will be assessed as follows:

- i. all built infrastructure other than underground services, roads and fences will be assessed as requiring clearing for firebreaks and safety buffers with a width of 20 metres or 1.5 times the height of the tallest adjacent tree to the infrastructure, whichever is the greater. The extent of clearing assessed will include any vegetation that may be required to be cleared for fire breaks and safety buffers on adjoining land
- ii. all proposed allotment boundaries will be assessed as requiring **clearing** for **fire management lines** with a width of 10 metres constructed on either side of the allotment boundary unless written evidence from the relevant Area Commander of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service which confirms an alternative **fire management line** width is required or acceptable
- iii. in the case of evidence being presented which demonstrates constraints on **clearing** for **fire management lines** as being reasonably imposed in accordance with written evidence from the relevant

 Area Commander of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service, the development may be conditioned
 so that the full extent of **exempt clearing work** prescribed for **essential management** under schedule 21
 of the Planning Regulation 2017 cannot be carried out by current or future landholders.

Coastal bioregions and subregions mean the following bioregions and subregions, as shown in figure 16.1:

- 1. Brigalow Belt Bioregion sub-regions Townsville Plains (sub-region 11.1), Bogie River Hills (sub-region 11.2), and Marlborough Plains (sub-region 11.14)
- 2. Central Queensland Coast Bioregion
- 3. Cape York Peninsula Bioregion sub-region Starke Coastal Lowlands (sub-region 3.2)
- 4. Einasleigh Uplands Bioregion sub-region Hodgkinson Basin
- 5. Wet Tropics Bioregion
- 6. South East Queensland Bioregion.

Consequential development of IPA approval means **clearing** that is a natural and ordinary consequence of other assessable development for which a development approval was given under the repealed *Integrated Planning Act* 1997, or a development application was made under that Act, before 16 May 2003.

Contaminant see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Contaminant includes a gas, liquid, solid or energy source, including radioactivity and electromagnetic radiation.

Contaminants removal means part 4 of **necessary environmental clearing**, defined as **clearing** of **vegetation** that is necessary to remove **contaminants** from land.

Coordinated project see the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971.

Note: A **coordinated project** is a project declared to be a **coordinated project** under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act* 1971.

Declared area (voluntary) see section 19F of the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: A **declared area (voluntary)** is an area declared under the VMA to be an area of high nature conservation value or an area vulnerable to **land degradation**, at the request of the owner of the land.

Declared pests means restricted or prohibited matter declared under the Biosecurity Act 2014.

Note: A prohibited matter is a biosecurity matter that, for the time being, is established as prohibited matter. A restricted matter is a biosecurity matter that, for the time being, is established as restricted matter.

Defining bank means the bank which confines the seasonal flows but may be inundated by flooding from time to time. This can be either:

- 1. the bank or terrace that confines the water before the point of flooding; or
- 2. where there is no bank, the **seasonal high water line** which represents the point of flooding.

Diameter means the width of a tree trunk measured at 1.3 metres above the ground.

Drainage feature means a natural landscape feature, including a gully, drain, drainage depression or other erosion feature that:

- 1. is formed by the concentration of, or operates to confine or concentrate, overland flow water during and immediately after rainfall events
- 2. flows for only a short duration after a rainfall event, regardless of the frequency of flow events

- 3. commonly, does not have enough continuing flow to create a riverine environment
- 4. is shown on the vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map:
 - a. at a scale of 1:25 000 for the local government areas of Brisbane, Moreton Bay, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Logan, Noosa and Redlands, unless the application is to **clear vegetation** for an **extractive industry**; or
 - b. for all other local governments, and for applications to clear vegetation for an extractive industry.

Ecological processes means processes including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1. hydrological processes; or
- 2. soil development; or
- 3. nutrient cycling; or
- 4. chemical processes including storage of nutrients; or
- 5. decomposition and cycling of organic matter; or
- 6. pollination and seed production; or
- 7. seed dispersal; or
- 8. predator-prey relationships; or
- 9. germination and recruitment of species; or
- 10. the carbon cycle and stability of atmospheric carbon; or
- 11. habitats for flora and fauna (such as particular **regional ecosystems**, logs, rocks, debris, leaf litter, nectar, hollow bearing trees, food and shelter).

Encroachment means a woody species that has invaded an area of a grassland **regional ecosystem** to an extent the area is no longer consistent with the description of the **regional ecosystem** and the woody species is absent in **historical imagery** and present in **recent imagery**.

Endangered regional ecosystem see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Endangered regional ecosystem means a regional ecosystem declared to be an endangered regional ecosystem under the VMA.

Enforcement notice means a notice under the *Planning Act 2016* issued for a **clearing** offence or a notice under the *Planning Act 2016* containing conditions about restoration of **vegetation**.

Environmental clearing management plan means a plan that outlines management actions that will be undertaken in an area cleared for necessary environmental clearing to rehabilitate the area over time to ensure endangered regional ecosystems, of concern regional ecosystems, least concern regional ecosystems, essential habitat, connectivity is maintained, wetlands and watercourses are protected, and clearing does not result in land degradation.

Note: Refer to the Guidelines for necessary environmental clearing to assist with developing the environmental clearing management plan.

Environmental offset agreement see the Environmental Offsets Act 2014.

Note: Environmental offset agreements may also be described as an 'agreed delivery arrangement' or 'delivery agreement'.

Erosion and sediment control plan means a plan which details all of the following:

- 1. the presence and location of any accelerated soil erosion within the proposed development area; and
- 2. the rates of soil and sediment movement prior to the proposed development; and
- 3. the estimated rates of soil loss and sediment movement after the proposed development; and
- 4. the **recognised best practice methods** that will be employed to:
 - a. ensure rates of soil loss and sediment movement are the same or less than those prior to the proposed development; and
 - b. prevent increased soil erosion resulting from the clearing; and
 - prevent increased sediment run-off entering a wetland, watercourse or drainage feature as a result of the clearing; and
 - d. stabilise soil erosion which results from clearing.
- 5. A map showing where **recognised best practice methods** will be used within and around the proposed development area to address points 4(a) to 4(d) above.

Note: For further guidance on developing an **erosion and sediment control plan**, please refer to the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control Document, IECA, 2008.

Essential habitat see the Vegetation Management Act 1999, section 20AC.

Note: Essential habitat is shown on the essential habitat map.

Essential habitat for protected wildlife is a category A area, category B area or category C area shown on the regulated vegetation management map:

- that has at least three essential habitat factors for the protected wildlife that must include any essential habitat factors that are stated as mandatory for the protected wildlife in the essential habitat database; or
- in which the protected wildlife, at any stage of its life cycle, is located.

Essential habitat database see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: An **essential habitat database** means a database, listing **essential habitat factors** for **protected wildlife**, certified by the chief executive [administering the VMA] as an **essential habitat database**.

Essential habitat factor see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: **Essential habitat factor**, for **protected wildlife**, is a component of the wildlife's habitat, including for example, a landform, pollinator, **regional ecosystem**, soil and water, that is necessary or desirable for the wildlife at any stage of its lifecycle.

Essential habitat map see the Vegetation Management Act 1999, section 20AC.

Note: The **essential habitat map** is a map certified by the chief executive [administering the **VMA**] as the **essential habitat map** for the State and showing, for the State, areas the chief executive reasonably believes are areas of **essential habitat** for **protected wildlife**.

Essential management see schedule 24 of the Planning Regulation 2017.

Note: Essential management means clearing native vegetation:

- for establishing or maintaining a necessary firebreak to protect infrastructure other than a fence, road or vehicular track, if the maximum width
 of the firebreak is equivalent to 1.5 times the height of the tallest vegetation adjacent to the infrastructure, or 20 metres, whichever is the
 greater; or
- 2. for establishing a necessary fire management line if the maximum width of the clearing for the fire management line is 10 metres; or
- 3. necessary to remove or reduce the imminent risk that the vegetation poses of serious personal injury or damage to the infrastructure; or
- 4. by fire under the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990 to reduce hazardous fuel load; or
- 5. necessary to maintain infrastructure including any core airport infrastructure, buildings, fences, helipads, roads, stockyards, vehicular tracks, watering facilities and constructed drains other than contour banks, other than to source construction material; or
- 6. for maintaining a garden or orchard, other than **clearing** predominant canopy trees to maintain underplantings established within **remnant vegetation**; or
- 7. on land subject to a lease issued under the Land Act 1994 for agriculture or grazing purposes to source construction timber to repair existing infrastructure on the land, if:
 - a. the infrastructure is in need of immediate repair.
 - b. the clearing does not cause land degradation as defined under the VMA
 - c. restoration of a similar type, and to the extent of the removed trees, is ensured; or
- 8. by the owner on freehold land to source construction timber to maintain infrastructure on any land of the owners, if:
 - a. the clearing does not cause land degradation as defined under the VMA
 - b. restoration of a similar type, and to the extent of the removed trees, is ensured.

Exchange area see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: **Exchange area** means an area of **vegetation** that must be protected in the way provided under a self-assessable **vegetation clearing** code in exchange for **clearing** high value regrowth **vegetation**.

Exempt clearing work see the Planning Regulation 2017.

Note: **Exempt clearing work** means operational work that is the **clearing** of native vegetation as **exempt clearing work** or for particular land as prescribed in schedule 21 of the Planning Regulation 2017, or that, under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*, section 74, is not affected by that Act

Extractive industry see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Extractive industry means one or more of the following:

- 1. dredging material from the bed of any waters
- 2. extracting, from a pit or quarry, rock, sand, clay, gravel, loam or other material
- 3. screening, washing, grinding, milling, sizing or separating material extracted from a pit or quarry; and

includes carrying out work that is the natural and ordinary consequence of carrying out the work mentioned above.

Felling means the cutting of **vegetation** using equipment that retains the root of the **vegetation** in the ground, such as a handsaw, axe, brush cutter or chainsaw. The term does not include using a dozer or tractor or other type of machinery to push **vegetation**.

Firebreak means an area that has been **cleared** and maintained in a low fuel state to either stop or steady wildfire, or back burn against.

Fire management line means a pathway, track or road, including existing property tracks, or fence line **clearings**, which can be used to access water for fire-fighting, divide the property into sub-units to allow a fuel reduction burning program to be carried out, or divide the property into sub-units to allow for back burning in the event of a wildfire.

Flood means an overflow of water rising above the defining banks of a wetland, watercourse or drainage feature.

Flood preparation means activities undertaken to reduce the likelihood or impacts of a flood.

Fodder harvesting see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Fodder harvesting is the clearing of vegetation predominantly consisting of fodder species:

- 1. necessary to provide fodder for stock
- 2. carried out in a way that:
 - a. conserves the **vegetation** in perpetuity
 - b. conserves the regional ecosystem in which the vegetation is situated
 - c. results in the woody biomass of the cleared vegetation remaining where it is cleared.

Fodder species means any of the following species:

- 1. Acacia aneura;
- 2. Acacia brachystachya;
- 3. Acacia excelsa:
- 4. Acacia pendula;
- 5. Acacia sibirica;
- 6. Alphitonia excels:
- 7. Flindersia maculosa;
- 8. Geijera parviflora.

Foliar herbicide means a herbicide primarily absorbed by the foliage of plants. For example, spraying using glyphosate'.

Note: The application of a herbicide must also comply with the approved product label or the safety and use conditions published by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority.

Ground cover means plant matter, either dead or alive, woody or non-woody, that covers the surface of the ground (either attached or detached). For example grasses, shrubs, tree and grass leaf litter, twigs, logs, branches etc.

Groundwater means water occurring below the surface of the ground.

Grove means an area of woody vegetation that is present in historical imagery.

Gully erosion means the removal of soil by water creating large incised channels more than 30 centimetres in depth.

Habitat trees means a living or dead standing tree that contains either of the following:

- 1. one or more visible hollows positioned at least two metres above the base of the tree;
- 2. an active bird's nest or the nest of a raptor or other bird that uses the same nest each year.

Note: Habitat trees are used, or potentially used, by hollow-dwelling fauna.

Historical imagery means an aerial photograph or satellite image used for the purpose of demonstrating the presence of **encroachment**, that was taken more than 15 years ago.

Immature trees means a tree or shrub (other than a mature tree or habitat tree) that is two metres or more in height.

Land Act notice see the Vegetation Management Act 1999, section 20BA(b).

Note: A **Land Act notice** is a notice issued by the chief executive [administering the VMA] for **clearing** in contravention of a tree **clearing** provision under the *Land Act 1994* as in force before the commencement of the *Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2004*, section 3.

Land degradation see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Land degradation includes any of the following:

- soil erosion; or
- 2. rising water tables; or
- 3. the expression of salinity; or

- 4. mass movement by gravity of soil or rock; or
- 5. stream bank instability; or
- 6. a process that results in declining water quality; or
- 7. disturbance of acid sulfate soils.

Land restoration means part 1 of necessary environmental clearing, defined as clearing of vegetation that is necessary to restore the ecological and environmental condition of land.

Land zone 1 means quaternary estuarine and marine deposits subject to periodic inundation by saline or brackish marine waters. This includes mangroves, saltpans, off-shore tidal flats and tidal beaches.

Land zone 2 means quaternary coastal dunes and beach ridges. This includes degraded dunes, sand plains and swales, lakes and swamps enclosed by dunes, as well as coral and sand cays.

Land zone 3 means quaternary alluvial systems, including floodplains, alluvial plains, alluvial fans, terraces, levees, swamps, channels, closed depressions and fine textured palaeo-estuarine deposits. This also includes estuarine plains currently under fresh water influence, inland lakes and associated dune systems (lunettes).

Least concern regional ecosystem see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Least concern regional ecosystem means a regional ecosystem declared to be a least concern regional ecosystem under the VMA.

Legally secured offset area see the Environmental Offsets Act 2014.

Note: An area of land is a legally secured offset area if:

- 1. the area is:
 - a. an environmental offset protection area; or
 - b. an area declared as an area of high nature conservation value under section 19F of the Vegetation Management Act 1999;
 - c. another area prescribed under a regulation; and
- under the Environmental Offsets Act 2014 or another Act, the area is subject to a delivery or management plan or agreement (however described in this Act or the other Act) to achieve a conservation outcome for a prescribed environmental matter.

Low shrub means any live woody tree, shrub or ground cover less than two meters high.

Managing thickened vegetation means the selective **clearing** of **vegetation** at a locality that does not include clearing using a chain or cable linked between two tractors, bulldozers or other traction vehicles –

- 1. to restore a **regional ecosystem** to the floristic composition and range of densities typical the **regional ecosystem** in the bioregion in which it is located; and
- to maintain ecological processes and prevent loss of biodiversity.

Mass movement is a landslip, earthflow, landslide, rock avalanche or soil creep.

Matters of state environmental significance see the Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014, schedule 2.

Note: Matters of state environmental significance are prescribed environmental matters under the Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014 that require an offset when a prescribed activity will have a significant residual impact on the matter. A matter of state environmental significance is any of the following matters:

- 1. regional ecosystems under the Vegetation Management Act 1999 that:
 - a. are endangered regional ecosystems; or
 - b. are of concern regional ecosystems; or
 - c. intersect with a wetland shown on the vegetation management wetlands map; or
 - d. contains an area of essential habitat on the essential habitat map for an animal that is critically endangered wildlife, endangered wildlife or vulnerable wildlife or a plant that is critically endangered wildlife, endangered wildlife or vulnerable wildlife; or
 - e. are located within the defined distances stated in the Environmental Offsets Policy 2014 from the **defining banks** of a relevant **watercourse** or **drainage feature** as shown on the **vegetation management watercourse** and **drainage feature map**; or
 - f. are areas of land determined to be required for ecosystem functioning ('connectivity areas'); or
- wetlands in a wetland protection area or wetlands of high ecological significance shown on the Map of referable wetlands under the Environmental Protection Regulation 2019; or
- 3. **wetlands** and **watercourses** in high ecological value waters as defined in the Environmental Protection (Water and Wetland Biodiversity) Policy 2019, schedule 2; or
- 4. designated precincts in strategic environmental areas under the Regional Planning Interests Regulation 2014; or
- threatened wildlife under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 and special least concern animals under the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006; or
- 6. protected areas under the Nature Conservation Act 1992, excluding coordinated conservation areas; or
- 7. highly protected zones of state marine parks under the Marine Parks Act 2004; or
- 8. fish habitat areas under the Fisheries Act 1994; or

- 9. waterways that provide for fish passage under the *Fisheries Act 1994* if the construction, installation or modification of waterway barrier works carried will limit the passage of fish along the waterway; or
- 10. marine plants under the Fisheries Act 1994; or
- 11. legally secured offset areas.

Mature tree means a native tree that is:

- 1. a *Eucalyptus, Corymbia, Lophostemon* and *Angophora* species (such as 'gum' or 'box' trees) with a single trunk or several trunks with a **diameter** of 30 centimetres or more;
- 2. any other native tree species with—a single trunk with a **diameter** of 20 cm or more; or several trunks with a **diameter** of 25 cm or more.

Note: If there are several trunks, add the diameters of the two largest trunks together.

Mechanical clearing means the clearing of vegetation using any of the following methods:

- 1. slashing; or
- 2. brush cutting; or
- 3. machinery which disturbs the soil surface or uproots woody **vegetation**.

Natural channel diversion means part 2 of **necessary environmental clearing**, defined as **clearing** that is necessary to divert existing natural channels in a way that replicates the existing form of the natural channels.

Natural disaster preparation means part 3 of **necessary environmental clearing**, defined as **clearing** that is necessary to prepare for the likelihood of a natural disaster.

Necessary environmental clearing see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Necessary environmental clearing means clearing of vegetation that is necessary to:

- 1. restore the ecological and environmental condition of land (example stabilising banks of **watercourses** and **drainage features**, works to **rehabilitate** eroded areas, works to prevent erosion of land or for ecological fire management); or
- 2. divert existing natural channels in a way that replicates the existing form of the natural channels; or
- 3. prepare for the likelihood of a natural disaster (example removal of silt to mitigate flooding); or
- 4. remove contaminants from land.

Non-coastal bioregions and subregions mean the following bioregions and subregions, as shown in figure 16.1:

- 1. Brigalow Belt Bioregion sub-regions not listed under coastal bioregions and subregions
- 2. New England Tableland Bioregion
- 3. Northwest Highlands Bioregion
- 4. Gulf Plains Bioregion
- 5. Cape York Peninsula Bioregion subregions not listed under coastal bioregions and subregions
- 6. Mitchell Grass Downs Bioregion
- 7. Channel Country Bioregion
- 8. Mulga Lands Bioregion
- 9. Einasleigh Uplands Bioregion subregions not listed under coastal bioregions and subregions
- 10. Desert Uplands Bioregion.

Notice requiring compliance mean any of the following notices:

- a restoration notice; or
- 2. a stop work notice; or
- 3. a Land Act notice; or
- 4. a trespass notice if the trespass related act under the *Land Act 1994* for the notice is the **clearing** of **vegetation** on the relevant land; or
- 5. an enforcement notice under the Planning Act 2016 issued for a vegetation clearing offence; or
- 6. a compliance notice containing conditions about the restoration of **vegetation**.

Of concern regional ecosystem see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Of concern regional ecosystem means a regional ecosystem declared to be an of concern regional ecosystem under the VMA.

Offset means environmental **offset** under the *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*. In accordance with the offset principles under the Environmental Offsets Policy, an **offset** can only be considered to meet a Performance Outcome

or a purpose under then Purpose Statement of this code where **clearing** and the impacts of **clearing** have first been reasonably avoided, then reasonably mitigated.

Note: Environmental **offset** means an activity undertaken to counterbalance a **significant residual impact** of a prescribed activity on a **prescribed environmental matter**, delivered in accordance with the Environmental offsets Framework. The **prescribed environmental matters** assessed under the State Development Assessment Provisions are **matters of state environmental significance**.

Offset area see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Offset area means a legally secured offset area under the Environmental Offset Act 2014.

Particular regulated areas means any of the following areas:

- (a) an exchange area; or
- (b) an unlawfully cleared area; or
- (c) a **declared area (voluntary)** declared for purposes other than to legally secure an **offset area** under the *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*; or
- (d) an area on a **PMAV** shown to be **category A area** where the chief executive [administering the VMA] reasonably believes that a **vegetation clearing** offence is being, or has been, committed in relation to the area.

Prescribed environmental matters see the Environmental Offsets Act 2014.

Note: A **prescribed environmental matter** is any species, ecosystem or other similar matter protected under Queensland legislation for which an **offset** may be provided. A **prescribed environmental matter** may be a matter of national, state or environmental significance, however, assessment criteria in the State Development Assessment Provisions only relate to **matters of state environmental significance**. Each of the **prescribed environmental matters** is listed under the Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014.

Prescribed regional ecosystems and restrictions means a **regional ecosystem** or restriction prescribed in table 16.3.4 of this code for **managing thickened vegetation**.

Property map of assessable vegetation (PMAV) see Vegetation Management Act 1999.

- 1. a **property map of assessable vegetation (PMAV)** is a map certified by the chief executive [administering the VMA] as a **PMAV** for an area and showing the **vegetation** category area for the area
- 2. the map may also show for the area the location of the boundaries of, and the **regional ecosystem** number for, each **regional ecosystem** in the area

Protected wildlife see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Protected wildlife means native wildlife prescribed under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 as:

- 1. Critically endangered wildlife; or
- 2. endangered wildlife: or
- 3. vulnerable wildlife; or
- 4. near threatened wildlife.

Public safety means clearing to ensure public safety.

Range of sizes means retaining a range of all size classes as outlined in reference table 9.

Recent imagery means an aerial photograph or satellite image used for the purposes of demonstrating **encroachment**, that was taken less than 15 years ago.

Recognised best practices method means a method to mitigate accelerated soil erosion, recognised by any of the following:

 a Federal or State government agency published advice or guide, such as the Soil Conservation Guidelines for Queensland (3rd edition)

the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control Document, IECA, 2008.

Regional ecosystem see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Regional ecosystem means a vegetation community in a bioregion that is consistently associated with a particular combination of geology, landform and soil.

Regional ecosystem burn means a burn that is planned and undertaken for the purpose of restoring the range of plant species, size classes, and **vegetation** densities typical of the regional ecosystem.

Note: A **regional ecosystem burn** is for purposes other than reducing hazardous fuel loads. Reducing hazardous fuel loads by fire under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*, is **exempt clearing work**.

A permit under the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990 is required for a regional ecosystem burn.

Regulated vegetation management map see the Vegetation Management Act 1999, section 20A.

Note: The **regulated vegetation management map** is the map certified by the chief executive [administering the VMA] as the **regulated vegetation management map** for a part of the State and showing the **vegetation** category areas for the part.

Rehabilitate or **Rehabilitated** means, where **clearing** and the impacts of **clearing** have first been reasonably avoided, and then reasonably mitigated, undertaking management actions, to the extent required under this code, in accordance with an **environmental clearing management plan** to ensure:

- 1. **regional ecosystems** associated with a **wetland** are **rehabilitated** to maintain the composition, structure and function of the **regional ecosystem** to protect all of the following:
 - a. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and pollutants
 - b. aquatic habitat
 - c. terrestrial habitat.
- regional ecosystems associated with a watercourse or drainage feature are rehabilitated to maintain the composition, structure and function of the regional ecosystem to protect all of the following:
 - a. bank stability by protecting against bank erosion
 - b. water quality by filtering sediments, nutrients and pollutants
 - c. aquatic habitat
 - d. terrestrial habitat
- connectivity areas are rehabilitated to maintain ecological processes, and the regional ecosystem/s remain in the landscape despite threatening processes.
- 4. **regional ecosystems** that are areas of **essential habitat** are **rehabilitated** to maintain the composition, structure and function of the **regional ecosystem**.
- 5. **endangered regional ecosystems, of concern regional ecosystems** and **least concern regional ecosystems** are **rehabilitated** to maintain the composition, structure and function of the **regional ecosystem**.

Note: Refer to the Guidelines for **necessary environmental clearing**, Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 2017 to assist with developing relevant management actions to ensure the **application area** is appropriately **rehabilitated**.

Relevant infrastructure activities see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Relevant infrastructure activities means:

- 1. establishing and maintaining a necessary fence, firebreak, road, or vehicular track; or
- 2. constructing and maintaining necessary built infrastructure.

Remnant vegetation see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Remnant vegetation means vegetation:

- 1. that is:
 - a. an endangered regional ecosystem; or
 - b. an of concern regional ecosystem; or
 - a least concern regional ecosystem
- 2. forming the predominant canopy of the **vegetation**:
 - a. covering more than 50 per cent of the undisturbed predominant canopy
 - b. averaging more than 70 per cent of the **vegetation's** undisturbed height
 - c. composed of species characteristic of the **vegetation's** undisturbed predominant canopy.

Restoration notice see the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*, section 54B.

Note: A **restoration notice** means a notice given to a person by an official requiring the person to rectify the matter if the official reasonably believes the person has committed a **vegetation clearing** offence and the matter can be rectified.

Retained tree means any native tree that has a diameter at 1.3 metres above ground level which is 20 centimetres or more. For multi-stemmed trees, add the diameters of the two largest stems.

Retained vegetation means an area of a fodder **regional ecosystem** that has an average canopy height of **fodder species** that is more than four metres.

Rill erosion means the removal of soil by runoff water to create small channels up to 30 centimetres deep.

Root-absorbed broad spectrum herbicide means a broad spectrum herbicide that is primarily absorbed by the roots of plants, rather than the shoots.

Note: Examples of root-absorbed broad spectrum herbicides are hexazinone (Velpar) or tebuthiuron (Graslan). Glyphosate is not considered a **root** absorbed broad spectrum herbicide.

The application of a herbicide must also comply with the approved product label or the safety and use conditions published by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority.

Routine management see schedule 24 of the Planning Regulation 2017.

Note: Routine management means the clearing of native vegetation:

- 1. to establish a necessary fence, road or vehicular track if the maximum width of **clearing** for the fence, road or track is 10 metres; or
- 2. to build necessary built infrastructure, including core airport infrastructure, other than contour banks, fences, roads or vehicular tracks, if:
 - a. the clearing is not to source construction timber; and
 - b. the total area cleared is less than two hectares; and
 - c. the total area covered by the infrastructure is less than two hectares; or
- 3. by the owner on freehold land to source construction timber for establishing necessary infrastructure on any land of the owner, if:
 - a. the clearing does not cause land degradation as defined under the VMA; and
 - b. restoration of a similar type, and to the extent of the removed trees, is ensured; or
- 4. by the lessee of land subject to a lease issued under the Land Act 1994 for agriculture or grazing purposes to source construction timber, other than commercial timber, for establishing necessary infrastructure on the land if:
 - a. the clearing does not cause land degradation as defined under the VMA; and
 - b. restoration of a similar type, and to the extent of the removed trees, is ensured.

Salinisation means the process of salts accumulating in soils or waters.

Salinity means waterlogging or the salinisation of groundwater, surface water or soil.

Salinity expression area means an area containing more than one of the following salinity indicators:

- 1. plant species tolerant of saline conditions, shallow water tables or poor drainage (waterlogging);
- 2. wet areas in lower parts of the landscape or bare soil (soil **scalding**);
- 3. dieback of larger trees in low, wetter parts of the landscape (outside drought conditions or the effects of fire);
- 4. salt accumulations on the surface (often white and powdery, sometimes crystalline); or
- 5. areas of shallow groundwater.

Note:

- 1. For example—Melaleuca spp. (in particular Melaleuca bracteata and Melaleuca quinquenervia), Sporobolus spp. (saltwater or marine couch), Salsola kali (soft roly-poly), Sclerolaena spp. (in particular prickly roly-poly), Cyperus spp. (sedges), Juncus spp. (rushes), Atriplex spp. (saltbushes), Halosarcia spp. (samphires), Chloris spp. (Rhodes grasses), Enchylaena tomentosa (ruby saltbush), Sesuvium portulacastrum (purslane), Tecticornia spp (samphires), Phragmites spp.
- A water table less than five metres from the surface would generally be considered as shallow for this purpose. One mechanism to identify this is from a nearby bore.

Scald means a bare area formed when the surface soil is removed by wind or water erosion, exposing a more clayey subsoil which is devoid of vegetation and relatively impermeable to water.

Note: Definition from the National Committee on Soil and Terrain, (2009). Australian soil and land survey handbook. (3rd edition). (CSIRO Publishing: Melbourne, Victoria)

Seasonal high water line means the zone which represents the usual peak seasonal flow level and can be identified by deposition, debris or characteristic **vegetation** zonation. If this is not obvious, project a horizontal line from the **seasonal high water line** on the opposite bank.

Selective harvesting involves felling individual fodder trees using a chainsaw, or selectively pushing individual fodder trees using a tractor or dozer. This practice should cause minimal damage to the surrounding **vegetation**.

Sheet erosion is the removal of a relatively uniform layer of soil from the surface with generally no obvious channel created

Note: Definition from the National Committee on Soil and Terrain, (2009). Australian soil and land survey handbook. (3rd edition). (CSIRO Publishing: Melbourne, Victoria)

Significant residual impact see the Environmental Offsets Act 2014.

Note: Significant residual impact is an impact, whether direct or indirect, of a prescribed activity on all or part of a prescribed environmental matter that:

- 1. remains, or will or is likely to remain, (whether temporarily or permanently) despite on-site mitigation measures for the prescribed activity;
- 2. is, or will or is likely to be, significant.

Guidance for determining if a prescribed activity will have a **significant residual impact** on a **matter of state environmental significance** is provided in the Significant Residual Impact Guideline, Department State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, 2014.

Slope means a measure of the upward or downward incline of the land surface over any 30 metre length in the **application area**.

Soil erosion means **mass movement**, **gully erosion**, **rill erosion**, **sheet erosion**, tunnel erosion, stream bank erosion, **wind erosion**, or **scald**; and any associated loss of chemical, physical or biological fertility – including, but not limited to water holding capacity, soil structure, organic matter, soil biology, and nutrients.

Soil erosion and instability means the occurrence of **gully erosion** greater than 30 centimetres in depth, landslips, a scarp, soil scalding or stream bank slumping.

Stream bank erosion means the removal of soil from a stream bank, typically during periods of high stream flow. Note: Definition from the National Committee on Soil and Terrain, (2009). Australian soil and land survey handbook. (3rd edition). (CSIRO Publishing: Melbourne, Victoria)

Stream order means a numerical ordering classification of each stream segment according to its position within a catchment, as shown in figure 16.2. Streams are **watercourses** and **drainage features** shown on the **vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map.**

Stop work notice see the Vegetation Management Act 1999, section 54A.

Note: A **stop work notice** means a notice given to a person by an official requiring the person to stop committing a **vegetation** offence if the official reasonably believes the person is committing a **vegetation clearing** offence.

Strip harvest area means a strip where strip harvesting is undertaken.

Strip harvesting means fodder harvesting in strips (strip harvest areas), while retaining undisturbed areas of vegetation (strip retention areas) on both sides of a strip harvest area.

Strip retention area means an undisturbed area of **vegetation** required to be retained on all sides of a **strip harvest area** when undertaking **strip harvesting**.

Tall immature tree means the tallest immature trees retained as 'surrogate' mature trees.

Thicket means thick or dense patches of **vegetation** such as vine-scrub, gidgee (*Acacia cambagei*) or brigalow (*Acacia harpophylla*) that naturally occur in sparse to mid-dense regional ecosystems.

Note: **Thickets** are generally too small to be mapped as distinct vegetation communities but may be visible on satellite or aerial imagery. The species composition within vine-scrub **thickets** may differ from the surrounding vegetation.

Threatening processes are natural or human induced process that adversely affect or may adversely affect regulated **vegetation**, populations, ecological communities or species. A threatening process threatens or may threaten the survival, abundance or evolutionary development of a native species or ecological community and may include but are not limited to:

- 1. fragmentation
- 2. land clearing
- 3. climate change
- 4. weather events
- 5. weeds and pests (animal and plant) infestations
- 6. fire
- 7. disease
- 8. land degradation
- 9. predation.

Tunnel erosion means the removal of subsoil by water while the surface soil remains relatively intact.

Note: Definition from the National Committee on Soil and Terrain, (2009). Australian soil and land survey handbook (3rd edition). (CSIRO Publishing: Melbourne, Victoria)

Unlawfully cleared see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: Means cleared of vegetation by a person in contravention of:

- a vegetation clearing provision, if the person:
 - a. has not contested an infringement notice given for the contravention; or
 - b. has been convicted of the contravention, whether or not the conviction is recorded; or
- 2. a tree **clearing** provision under the *Land Act 1994*, as in force before the commencement of the *Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2004*, section 3.

Vegetation see the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*.

Note: For the purpose of this code, vegetation is limited to vegetation where it is identified as assessable under the Planning Regulation 2017.

Vegetation clearing provision see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: A **vegetation clearing provision** is any of the following to the extent the provision relates to the **clearing of vegetation**:

1. the *Planning Act 2016*, section 162, 163(1), 164, 165 and 168(5);

for the **clearing** of **vegetation** that happened before the repeal of the *Sustainable Planning Act* 2009 – section 578(1), 580(1), 581(1), 582 or 594(1) of that Act.

Vegetation management requirements means any conditions, restrictions, management requirements or outcomes identified in a **particular regulated area** which must be undertaken or complied with to achieve compliance with the **particular regulated area**.

Vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: The **vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map** is the map certified by the chief executive [administering the VMA] as the **vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map** showing particular **watercourses** and **drainage features** for the State. The map consists of the following documents:

- 1. the document called Vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map (1:25 000)
- the document called Vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map (1:100 000 and 1:250 000).

Vegetation management wetlands map see the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Note: The **vegetation management wetlands map** is the map certified by the chief executive [administering the VMA] as the **vegetation management wetlands map** showing particular **wetlands** for the state.

Vegetation retention purposes means **clearing** that is not intended to permanently remove **vegetation** or change **remnant vegetation** to non-remnant **vegetation**, but retains **vegetation** or allows it to regenerate over time. Vegetation retention purposes are:

- 1. fodder harvesting
- 2. controlling non-native plants or **declared pests**
- 3. managing thickened vegetation
- 4. clearing of encroachment
- 5. necessary environmental clearing other than natural channel diversion.

Watercourse means a **watercourse** as defined under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*, other than an artificial channel, that is shown:

- 1. at a scale of 1:25 000 on the **vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map** for the local government areas of Brisbane, Moreton Bay, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Logan, Noosa and Redlands, unless the application is to **clear vegetation** for an **extractive industry**; or
- 2. on the **vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map** for all other local governments and applications to **clear vegetation** for **extractive industries**.

Waterlogging means to soak or saturate with water.

Weed cover means the estimated percentage of the area that is covered by weeds, measured over a 30 metre by 30 metre (0.09 hectare) area.

Wetland means an area of land that supports plants or is associated with plants that are adapted to and dependent on living in wet conditions for at least part of their life cycle, and are shown on the **vegetation management wetlands map**.

Wind erosion means the movement of soil by wind.

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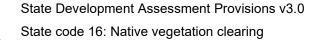
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Abbreviations

PMAV – Property map of assessable vegetation

VMA – Vegetation Management Act 1999

REDD – Regional Ecosystem Description Database





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Payment details

Non-protected non-SEQ koala cost

On ground cost	\$0.00
Landholder incentive payment	\$0.00
Administrative cost	\$0.00
Total non-protected area cost	\$0.00

Protected area cost

Total protected area cost \$0.00

Scenic Rim Regional Council koala habitat area

Total on ground cost	\$4,800.00
Landholder incentive payment	\$2,030.88
Administrative cost	\$1,200.00
Total koala habitat cost for Scenic Rim Regional Council	\$8,030.88

Total cost

Grand total \$8,030.88

Total offset area: 0.24 ha

Section 1

LGA

Scenic Rim Regional Council

Bioregion

Southeast Queensland

Subregion

Scenic Rim

Impact area

0.08 ha

Notional offset area

0.24 ha

Distinct matter area 1.1

Impact area: 0.08 ha

Notional offset area: 0.24 ha

Matter groups:

• 1.1.1: SEQ Koala Habitat

Scenic Rim Regional Council koala habitat

The notional offset area for this LGA is 0.24 ha.

Sections, areas and matter groups used in calculations

Section	Bioregion / Marine (and waterways) zone	Subregion / Marine bioregion	Local government area (LGA)	Distinct matter area (DMA)	DMA impact area (ha)	DMA notional offset area (ha)	Matter group
1	Southeast Queensland	Scenic Rim	Scenic Rim Regional Council	1.1	0.08	0.24	1.1.1 SEQ Koala Habitat

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