

Attachment D – Native Vegetation Removal Report

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This report provides information to support an application to remove, destroy or lop native vegetation in accordance with the *Guidelines for the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation*. The report **is not an assessment by DELWP** of the proposed native vegetation removal. Native vegetation information and offset requirements have been determined using spatial data provided by the applicant or their consultant.

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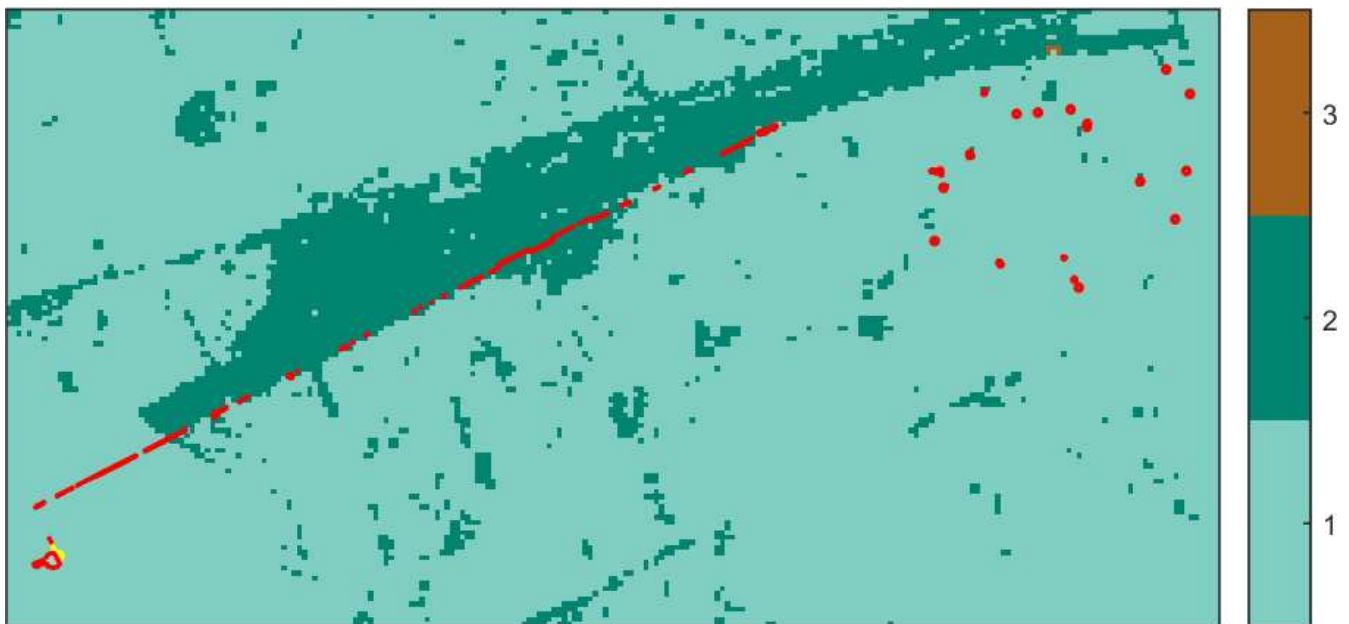
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Assessment pathway

Assessment pathway	Detailed Assessment Pathway
Extent including past and proposed	2.904 ha
Extent of past removal	2.798 ha
Extent of proposed removal	0.106 ha
No. Large trees proposed to be removed	2
Location category of proposed removal	Location 1 The native vegetation is not in an area mapped as an endangered Ecological Vegetation Class (as per the statewide EVC map), sensitive wetland or coastal area. Removal of less than 0.5 hectares in this location will not have a significant impact on any habitat for a rare or threatened species

1. Location map



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Offset requirements if a permit is granted

Any approval granted will include a condition to obtain an offset that meets the following requirements:

General offset amount¹	0.038 general habitat units
Vicinity	Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority (CMA) or Benalla Rural City Council
Minimum strategic biodiversity value score ²	0.459
Large trees	2 large trees

NB: values within tables in this document may not add to the totals shown above due to rounding

Appendix 1 includes information about the native vegetation to be removed

Appendix 2 includes information about the rare or threatened species mapped at the site.

Appendix 3 includes maps showing native vegetation to be removed and extracts of relevant species habitat importance maps

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¹ The general offset amount required is the sum of all general habitat units in Appendix 1.

² Minimum strategic biodiversity score is 80 per cent of the weighted average score across habitat zones where a general offset is required

Native vegetation removal report

Next steps

Any proposal to remove native vegetation must meet the application requirements of the Detailed Assessment Pathway and it will be assessed under the Detailed Assessment Pathway.

If you wish to remove the mapped native vegetation you are required to apply for a permit from your local council. Council will refer your application to DELWP for assessment, as required. **This report is not a referral assessment by DELWP.**

This *Native vegetation removal report* must be submitted with your application for a permit to remove, destroy or lop native vegetation.

Refer to the *Guidelines for the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation* (the Guidelines) for a full list of application requirements. This report provides information that meets the following application requirements:

- The assessment pathway and reason for the assessment pathway
- A description of the native vegetation to be removed (partly met)
- Maps showing the native vegetation and property (partly met)
- Information about the impacts on rare or threatened species.
- The offset requirements determined in accordance with section 5 of the Guidelines that apply if approval is granted to remove native vegetation.

Additional application requirements must be met including:

- Topographical and land information
- Recent dated photographs
- Details of past native vegetation removal
- An avoid and minimise statement
- A copy of any Property Vegetation Plan that applies
- A defensible space statement as applicable
- A statement about the Native Vegetation Precinct Plan as applicable
- A site assessment report including a habitat hectare assessment of any patches of native vegetation and details of trees
- An offset statement that explains that an offset has been identified and how it will be secured.

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Appendix 1: Description of native vegetation to be removed

The species-general offset test was applied to your proposal. This test determines if the proposed removal of native vegetation has a proportional impact on any rare or threatened species habitats above the species offset threshold. The threshold is set at 0.005 per cent of the mapped habitat value for a species. When the proportional impact is above the species offset threshold a species offset is required. This test is done for all species mapped at the site. Multiple species offsets will be required if the species offset threshold is exceeded for multiple species.

Where a zone requires species offset(s), the species habitat units for each species in that zone is calculated by the following equation in accordance with the Guidelines:

$$\text{Species habitat units} = \text{extent} \times \text{condition} \times \text{species landscape factor} \times 2, \text{ where the species landscape factor} = 0.5 + (\text{habitat importance score}/2)$$

The species offset amount(s) required is the sum of all species habitat units per zone

Where a zone does not require a species offset, the general habitat units in that zone is calculated by the following equation in accordance with the Guidelines:

$$\text{General habitat units} = \text{extent} \times \text{condition} \times \text{general landscape factor} \times 1.5, \text{ where the general landscape factor} = 0.5 + (\text{strategic biodiversity value score}/2)$$

The general offset amount required is the sum of all general habitat units per zone.

Native vegetation to be removed

Information provided by or on behalf of the applicant in a GIS file					Information calculated by ENSym							
Zone	Type	BioEVC	BioEVC conservation status	Large tree(s)	Partial removal	Condition score	Polygon Extent	Extent without overlap	SBV score	HI score	Habitat units	Offset type
1-X	Patch	cvu_0803	Endangered	1	no	0.430	0.049	0.049	0.566		0.025	General
1-22a	Scattered Tree	cvu_0803	Endangered	1	no	0.200	0.070	0.057	0.580		0.013	General

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Appendix 2: Information about impacts to rare or threatened species' habitats

This table lists all rare or threatened species' habitats mapped at the site.

Species common name	Species scientific name	Species number	Conservation status	Group	Habitat importance map	% habitat value affected
Euroa Guinea-flower	<i>Hibbertia humifusa</i> subsp. <i>erigens</i>	505083	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0005
Mugga	<i>Eucalyptus sideroxylon</i> subsp. <i>sideroxylon</i>	504493	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0004
Western Silver Wattle	<i>Acacia decora</i>	500027	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0003
Yarran Wattle	<i>Acacia omalophylla</i>	500069	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0002
Narrow Goodenia	<i>Goodenia macbarronii</i>	501513	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0002
Northern Sandalwood	<i>Santalum lanceolatum</i>	503005	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Jericho Wire-grass	<i>Aristida jentchoensis</i> var. <i>subspinulifera</i>	504631	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Bent-leaf Wattle	<i>Acacia flexifolia</i>	500035	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Cottony Cassinia	<i>Cassinia ozothamnoides</i>	501560	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Dookie Daisy	<i>Brachyscome gracilis</i>	505494	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Small-leaf Bush-pea	<i>Pultenaea foliolosa</i>	502848	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Ausfeld's Wattle	<i>Acacia ausfeldii</i>	500013	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Squirrel Glider	<i>Petaurus norfolcensis</i>	11137	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Velvet Daisy-bush	<i>Olearia pannosa</i> subsp. <i>cardiophylla</i>	502317	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Umbrella Grass	<i>Digitaria divaricatissima</i> var. <i>divaricatissima</i>	501045	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Grey-crowned Babbler	<i>Pomatostonus temporalis</i>	10443	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map ; special site	0.0001
Western Golden-tip	<i>Goodia medicaginea</i>	501518	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Broom Bitter-pea	<i>Daviesia genitifolia</i> s.s.	503813	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001

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Dark Wire-grass	<i>Aristida calycina</i> var. <i>calycina</i>	503630	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Purple Diuris	<i>Diuris punctata</i>	501084	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Rosemary Grevillea	<i>Grevillea rosmarinifolia</i> subsp. <i>rosmarinifolia</i>	504066	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Bush Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus grallarius</i>	10174	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Grey Grass-tree	<i>Xanthorrhoea glauca</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>	507229	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Late-flower Flax-lily	<i>Dianella tarda</i>	505085	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0001
Slender Club-sedge	<i>Isolepis congrua</i>	501773	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Painted Honeyeater	<i>Grantiella picta</i>	10598	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Bearded Dragon	<i>Pogona barbata</i>	12177	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Fuzzy New Holland Daisy	<i>Vittadinia cuneata</i> var. <i>morrisoni</i>	505060	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Delicate Crane's-bill	<i>Geranium</i> sp. 6	505347	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Barking Owl	<i>Ninox connivens connivens</i>	10246	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Silky Umbrella-grass	<i>Digitaria ammophila</i>	501041	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Dwarf Brooklime	<i>Gratiola pumilo</i>	503753	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Waterbush	<i>Myoporum montanum</i>	502240	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Floodplain Fireweed	<i>Senecio campylocarpus</i>	507136	Rare	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Long Eryngium	<i>Eryngium paludosum</i>	501238	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Clover Glycine	<i>Glycine latrobeana</i>	501456	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Lanky Buttons	<i>Leptorhynchos elongatus</i>	501941	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Speckled Warbler	<i>Chthonicola sagittatus</i>	10504	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Golden Cowslips	<i>Diuris behrii</i>	501061	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Buloke	<i>Allocasuarina luehmannii</i>	500678	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Hairy Tails	<i>Ptilictus rubescens</i>	502825	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
Black Falcon	<i>Falco subniger</i>	10238	Vulnerable	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000

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Lace Monitor	<i>Varanus varius</i>	12283	Endangered	Dispersed	Habitat importance map	0.0000
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Habitat group

- Highly localised habitat means there is 2000 hectares or less mapped habitat for the species
- Dispersed habitat means there is more than 2000 hectares of mapped habitat for the species

Habitat impacted

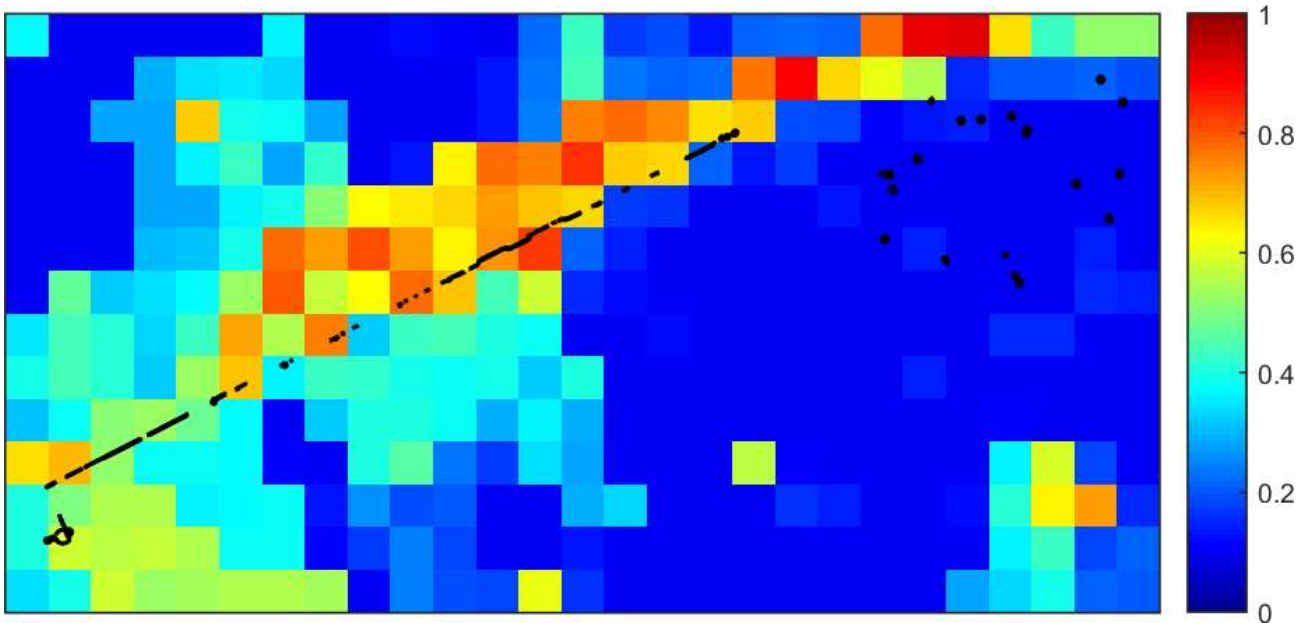
- Habitat importance maps are the maps defined in the Guidelines that include all the mapped habitat for a rare or threatened species
- Top ranking maps are the maps defined in the Guidelines that depict the important areas of a dispersed species habitat, developed from the highest habitat importance scores in dispersed species habitat maps and selected VBA records
- Selected VBA record is an area in Victoria that represents a large population, roosting or breeding site etc.

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Appendix 3 – Images of mapped native vegetation

2. Strategic biodiversity values map



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3. Aerial photograph showing mapped native vegetation



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4. Map of the property in context



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Yellow boundaries denote areas of proposed native vegetation removal.

Red boundaries denote areas of past removal.

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