



Biological Surveys for Shire of Narembeen NVCP Application

Flora, Vegetation, Basic Fauna, and Black Cockatoo Habitat Surveys Biological Report

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Executive Summary

The Shire of Narembeen commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR Consulting) to undertake a biological (reconnaissance flora and vegetation survey, basic vertebrate fauna) survey and Black Cockatoo Habitat assessment for the proposed Native Vegetation Clearing Permit (NVCP) application of two areas within the Shire of Narembeen (the Project Area). The Project Area is made up of the following two Survey Areas:

- Kondinin – Narembeen Road SLK 19.5 to SLK 23 (Northern Survey Area); and
- The intersection of Kondinin – Narembeen Road, Cheethams Road, and South Kuminin Road (Southern Survey Area)

The proposed developments within the Project Area includes the widening of an existing road network in each location that may have potential to impact on native vegetation in the immediate area. The purpose of the survey was to delineate key flora and fauna values within the Project Area. This report presents results of the survey undertaken.

Flora and Vegetation

The flora desktop assessment for the Northern Survey Area identified 70 significant flora taxa occurring within 40 km of the Project Area. A pre-survey likelihood of occurrence assessment was undertaken and determined seven taxa as having a high likelihood of occurrence, 22 taxa as having a medium likelihood of occurrence and 41 taxa as having a low likelihood of occurrence.

The flora desktop assessment for the Southern Survey Area identified 67 significant flora taxa occurring within 40 km of the Project Area. A pre-survey likelihood of occurrence assessment was undertaken and determined four taxa as having a high likelihood of occurrence, 23 taxa as having a medium likelihood of occurrence and 40 taxa as having a low likelihood of occurrence.

The reconnaissance flora and vegetation survey recorded the floristic composition and vegetation types using relevés, mapping notes and opportunistic observations. A total of 51 taxa were recorded from 33 genera across 14 families for the Project Area.

No Threatened flora species pursuant to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and/or gazetted as Threatened Flora pursuant to the *Biodiversity and Conservation Act 2016* were recorded during the survey.

No Priority species as listed by DBCA were recorded during the survey.

Seven introduced species were recorded in the Survey Area. None of these species represent a Weed of National Significance, as listed by the Department of Energy and Environment, or a Declared Pest by the State Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development.

Within the Northern Survey Area, five natural and two modified vegetation types were described and mapped for the area. Remnant patches of the the EsEsCh and EmEuEw vegetation types were considered to be representative of the Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt (DBCA: Priority 3) (EPBC: Critically Endangered) Threatened Ecological Community, totalling 0.27 ha.

The Southern Survey Area contained two natural and two modified vegetation types, which were described and mapped for the area. Remnant patches of the the EsEsCh vegetation type were considered to be representative of the Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt (DBCA: Priority 3) (EPBC: Critically Endangered) Threatened Ecological Community, totalling 0.12 ha.



Across the Project Area, vegetation condition ranged from Completely Degraded to Very Good-Good, with the majority of natural vegetation types assessed as in Good condition. Evidence of disturbance included historical clearing for roads, infrastructure and agricultural activities, as well as weeds.

Vertebrate Fauna and Black Cockatoo Assessment

The fauna desktop assessment for the Northern Survey Area identified 40 terrestrial vertebrate fauna species potentially occurring within the Survey Area. A likelihood of occurrence assessment was undertaken and determined three significant species to have a high likelihood of occurrence, two significant species to have a medium likelihood of occurrence and 18 significant species to have a low likelihood of occurrence.

The fauna desktop assessment for the Southern Survey Area identified 40 terrestrial vertebrate fauna species potentially occurring within the Survey Area. A likelihood of occurrence assessment was undertaken and determined two significant species to have a high likelihood of occurrence and 21 significant species to have a low likelihood of occurrence. There were no significant species with a medium likelihood of occurrence.

Fauna habitat mapping was based on a combination of field observations and fauna habitat assessment data. The Northern Survey Area contained three fauna habitats (excluding cleared) which were mapped within the Survey Area, including:

- Heathland/scrubland
- Trees over paddock
- Eucalyptus woodland

The Southern Survey Area contained one fauna habitat (excluding cleared); this was 'Trees over paddock'.

The basic terrestrial vertebrate fauna and black cockatoo survey identified a total of eight species from seven families, comprising seven birds and one mammal occurring within the Northern Survey Area. A total of five species from four families, comprising four birds and one reptile were recorded within the Southern Survey Area. No significant fauna were recorded at both the Northern or Southern Survey Areas.

The black cockatoo habitat assessment identified 26 potential nesting trees with a Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) greater than 500 mm occurring within the Northern Survey Area, including:

- Nine Black Morrel (*Eucalyptus melanoxydon*)
- Four Merrit (*Eucalyptus urna*)
- Five Salmon Gums (*Eucalyptus salmonophloia*)
- Two Wandoo (*Eucalyptus wandoo* subsp. *wandoo*)
- Six Yorrel (*Eucalyptus yilgarnensis*).

One tree was found to contain two hollows which were suitable for black cockatoo roosting. A total of 20.5 ha of Low-Quality foraging habitat for the Carnaby's Cockatoo was identified from the Foraging Habitat Scoring Tool (DAWE, 2022b).



The black cockatoo habitat assessment identified six potential nesting trees with a Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) greater than 500 mm occurring within the Southern Survey Area, including:

- Three Salmon Gums (*Eucalyptus salmonophloia*)
- Two Wandoo (*Eucalyptus wandoo subsp. wandoo*)
- One Merrit (*Eucalyptus urna*).

Two trees were found to contain multiple hollows (six total, three hollows per tree) which were suitable for black cockatoo nesting. A total of 0.192 ha of low-quality foraging habitat for the Carnaby's Cockatoo as identified from the Foraging Habitat Scoring Tool (DAWE, 2022b).

The survey was undertaken in July 2023 which is within the recommended period as per the Fauna Technical Guidance (Environmental Protection Authority, 2020a) for autumn-winter breeding amphibians, however, falls outside the recommended timing for reptiles, birds and mammals. As this is not a detailed survey it does not constitute a limitation and is considered suitable for the NVCP application.



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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
BAM Act	Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007
BC Act	Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016
BoM	Bureau of Meteorology
°C	Degree Celsius
CD	Conservation Dependent Fauna
CR	Critically Endangered
DAFF	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
DCCEEW	Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
DP	Declared Pest
DWER	Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EN	Endangered
EP Act	Environmental Protection Act 1986
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
EPBC Act	Environment Protection Biodiversity and Conservation Act 1999
ESA	Environmentally Sensitive Area
GIS	Geographic Information System
Ha	Hectare
IBRA	Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia
IBSA	Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments
Km	Kilometres
M	Metres
Mm	Millimetres
MA	Marine
MI	Migratory
MNES	Matters of National Environmental Significance
NVIS	National Vegetation Information System
OS	Other Specially Protected Fauna
P	Priority
Project Area	The combined Kondinin – Narembreen Road SLK 19.5 to SLK 23 Survey Area and Kondinin – Narembreen Road, Cheethams Road, and South Kuminin Road intersection Survey Area



Abbreviation	Description
PEC	Priority Ecological Community
PMST	Protected Matters Search Tool
SLR Consulting	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
Desktop Study Area	The database search area (varied according to each parameter)
Northern Survey Area	The Kondinin – Narembeen Road SLK 19.5 to SLK 23 Survey Area
Southern Survey Area	The Kondinin – Narembeen Road, Cheethams Road, and South Kuminin Road intersection Survey Area
T	Threatened
TEC	Threatened Ecological Community
TPFL	Threatened and Priority Flora Database
TPFRF	Threatened and Priority Flora Report Forms
VU	Vulnerable
WA	Western Australia
WAH	Western Australian Herbarium
WAM	Western Australian Museum
WoNS	Weeds of National Significance



1.0 Introduction

1.1 The Project

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The Project Area is made up of the following Survey Areas:

- Kondinin – Narembeen Road SLK 19.5 to SLK 23 (herein referred to as the Northern Survey Area) which covers 9.1 ha and is located four km south of Narembeen in the Avon Wheatbelt bioregion of Western Australia (Figure 1).
- The intersection of Kondinin – Narembeen Road, Cheethams Road, and South Kuminin Road (herein referred to as the Southern Survey Area) which covers 1 ha and is located 17 km south of Narembeen in the Mallee bioregion of Western Australia (Figure 1).

The proposed developments within the Project Area include the widening of an existing road network in each location that may have potential to impact on native vegetation in the immediate area. The results and discussion of each Survey Area will be presented independently to avoid confusion and better highlight specific areas of significance within the Project Area.

1.2 Objectives and Scope

The purpose of the survey was to delineate key flora and fauna values within the Project Area and identify potential environmental sensitivities that may impact the NVCP.

The scope of works includes:

- Undertake a Desktop Assessment including relevant database searches and a literature review to compile and summarise existing records of flora, vegetation, and fauna (including significant species and communities) in the vicinity of the Project Area.
- Undertake a reconnaissance flora and vegetation survey using relevés to identify and describe the vegetation and flora occurring within the Project Area, including in-field TEC assessment.
- Undertake targeted searching for flora of significance within the Project Area.
- Undertake a basic terrestrial vertebrate fauna survey.
- Undertake a black cockatoo habitat assessment.
- Post Survey Debrief Email.
- Biological Report.
- Supply a geospatial data package prepared in accordance with IBSA requirements.

This report presents the results of the surveys undertaken to support the above objectives.



2.0 Background

2.1 Protection of Flora, Vegetation and Fauna

Western Australian flora and fauna is protected formally by the following legislative measures:

- *Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act)
- *WA Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* (BC Act)
- *WA Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act)
- *WA Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007* (BAM Act).

In addition to these legislative measures, the following non-legislative lists are considered on a case-by-case basis:

- WA Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) Priority lists for fauna, flora and ecological communities.
- Weeds of National Significance (WoNS).
- Recognition of locally significant populations by DBCA.

The EIA process is supported by guidance documents published by the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), DBCA, and the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW):

- *Carnaby's Cockatoo (*Calyptorhynchus latirostris*) Recovery Plan* (DPAW, 2013)
- *Matters of National Environmental Significance Impact Guidelines 1.1 Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (DoE, 2013)
- *Referral Guideline for 3 WA Threatened Black Cockatoo Species* (DAWE, 2022b)
- *Survey Guidelines for Australia's Threatened Birds* (DCCEEW, 2010)
- *Survey Guidelines for Australia's Threatened Mammals* (Department of Sustainability Environment Population and Communities, 1999)
- *Survey Guidelines for Australia's Threatened Reptiles* (DCCEEW, 2011)
- *Technical Guidance – Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment* (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016b)
- *Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Vertebrate Fauna Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment* (Environmental Protection Authority, 2020b).



2.2 Existing Environment

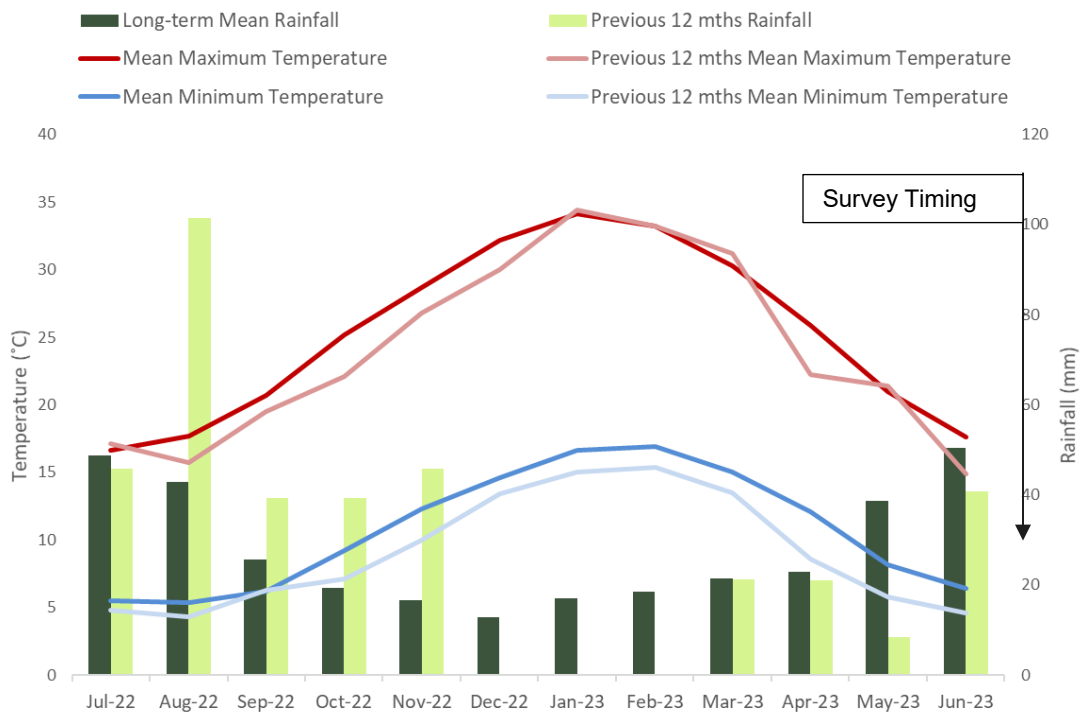
2.2.1 Climate

The closest long-term Bureau of Meteorology weather station with a complete dataset is Narembeen Weather Station (Station 010612), located approximately 17 km north of the Project Area.

Climate statistics were calculated utilising data from the most current climate normal, which is defined as a 30-year interval (BoM, 2007), where possible. A climate normal is a period long enough to include year-to-year variations while avoiding the influence of longer-term changes in climate (BoM, 2007).

The long-term mean minimum temperature for Narembeen Weather Station ranges from 16.9°C (February) to 5.4°C (August) (1965 to 2023) and the long-term mean maximum temperature ranges from 34.1°C (January) to 16.6°C (July) (Graph 1) (BoM, 2022).

The Narembeen weather station recorded 363 mm of rainfall in the 12 months prior to the survey (July 2022 to June 2023), which is 30.9 mm above the long-term average of 332.1 mm (BoM, 2022). In the three months prior to the survey (June 2023 to April 2023), 70.2 mm of rainfall was recorded, which is 41.7 mm below the long-term average of 111.9 mm for the same time period (BoM, 2022). May was an exceptionally dry month for the year of 2023, recording only 8.4 mm of rain during the entire period which is 30 mm below the long-term average of 38.6 mm. Whilst less rain was received in the months preceding the survey compared to the long-term average, the survey timing was considered adequate for the collection of ephemeral and perennial flora.



Graph 1: Long term mean rainfall, mean maximum, and mean minimum temperatures and previous 12 months rainfall, mean maximum, and mean minimum temperatures for Narembeen Weather Station (010612).



2.2.2 Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia

The Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia (IBRA) divides Australia into 89 bioregions based on major biological, geographical, and geological attributes. These bioregions are subdivided into 419 subregions as part of a refinement of the IBRA framework (DEE, 2016). The Northern Survey Area occurs within the Avon Wheatbelt bioregion and the Merredin (AVW01) subregion. The Southern Survey Area occurs within the Mallee bioregion and the Western Mallee (MAL02) subregion (Figure 2).

The Merredin (AVW01) subregion is characterised by active drainage dissecting a Tertiary plateau on the Yilgarn Craton. It has a gently undulating landscape of low relief. Proteaceous scrub heaths, rich in endemics, on residual lateritic uplands and derived sandplains; mixed eucalypts, *Allocasuarina huegeliana* and Jam-York Gum woodlands on Quaternary alluvial and colluvial soils. Within this bioregion, the AVW01 is an ancient peneplain with low relief, gently undulating landscape. There is no connected drainage; salt lake chains occur as remnants of ancient drainage systems that now only function in very wet years. Lateritic uplands are dominated by yellow sandplain. The dominant land uses are dry land agriculture, grazing, mining and rural residential (Beecham, 2001).

The Western Mallee (MAL02) subregion is characterised as gently undulating, with partially occluded drainage. Mallee over myrtaceous-proteaceous heaths on duplex (sand over clay) soils are common. *Melaleuca* shrublands characterise alluvia, and *Halosarcia* low shrublands occur on saline alluvium. A mosaic of mixed eucalypt woodlands and mallee occur on calcareous earth plains and sandplains overlying Eocene limestone strata in the east. The landscape is fragmented with particular surface-types almost completely cleared as wheat fields. The dominant land use is dry land agriculture (Beecham & Danks, 2001).

2.2.3 Soil Landscapes and Land Systems

Soil landscapes and land system mapping of Western Australia describes broad soil and landscape characteristics from regional to local scales, ranging from 1:20,000 to 1:250,000 (Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 2018). The Project Area occurs within two land systems (Table 1).

Table 1: Land systems within the Survey Area.

Land Systems		Description (Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 2018)
Name	Code	
Kellerberrin System	258Kb	Valley floors, in the central Zone of Ancient Drainage, with alkaline red shallow loamy duplex, alkaline grey sandy duplexes mainly in branch valleys (shallow and deep), calcareous loamy earth and hard cracking clay.
Bendering System	258Bn	Gently and irregularly undulating gneissic terrain with extensive areas of red and brown loams and clays on mafic substrate, duplexes on colluvial slopes and occasional breakaways with extensive sandplain backslopes.



2.2.4 Hydrography

Hydrographic features intersecting and in the vicinity of the Project Area are described in Table 2 (Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, 2018).

Table 2: Hydrographic features nearby the Survey Area

Hydrographical Feature	Description
Wakeman Creek	A major river flowing in the vicinity of the Survey Area. Wakeman Creek flows in a westerly direction before joining the Lockhart River approximately 18.1 km southwest of the Survey Area.

2.2.5 Broad Vegetation Types

Mapping of pre-European vegetation in Western Australia was completed on a broad scale (1:1,000,000) by Beard (1976). These vegetation types were later refined by Shepherd *et al.* (Shepherd, Beeston and Hopkins, 2002) resulting in 819 vegetation types.

Three broad vegetation system associations were encountered over the Project Area. Representation of the system associations at a local, regional and state level is shown in Table 3:

- **Hyden 131:** Woodland / Mallee:.
- **Muntadgin 1023:** Woodland other: Wheatbelt; York gum, salmon gum etc. Eucalyptus loxophleba, E. salmonophloia. Goldfields; gimlet, redwood etc. E. salubris, E. oleosa. Riverine; rivergum E. camaldulensis. Tropical; messmate, woolyb.
- **Muntadgin 961:** Scrub-heath / thicket:.

Table 3: Broad vegetation types within the Survey Area and their representation at the state, regional, and local levels (DBCA, 2019).

Vegetation Association	Extent			
	Pre-European (ha)	Current (ha)	Remaining (%)	Managed in DBCA Lands (%)*
Representation across Western Australia				
131	181,154.83	14,875.75	8.21	11.81
1023	1,601,605.76	172,875.16	10.79	10.95
961	27,799.68	5,006.65	18.01	57.23
Representation across the Mallee Bioregion				
131	111,511.96	10,027.08	8.99	14.54
Representation across the Western Mallee (MAL02) Subregion				
131	111,511.96	10,027.08	8.99	14.54



Vegetation Association	Extent			
	Pre-European (ha)	Current (ha)	Remaining (%)	Managed in DBCA Lands (%)*
Representation across the Avon Wheatbelt Bioregion				
1023	398,944.17	26,714.63	6.70	11.11
961	1,676.30	330.44	19.71	22.24
Representation across the Merredin (AVW01) Subregion				
1023	398,944.17	26,714.63	6.70	11.11
961	1,676.30	330.44	19.71	22.24
Representation across the Shire of Narembreen				
131	93,637.38	6,409.95	6.85	4.19
1023	35,978.71	2,446.12	6.80	1.93
961	6,927.58	907.98	13.11	14.04

2.2.6 Environmentally Sensitive and Conservation Areas

Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs) are declared by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to prevent the degradation of important environmental values such as Threatened flora, Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) or significant wetlands.

The Project Area does not occur within a mapped ESA (Figure 3). The nearest ESA is a defined Nature Reserve (North Kargarin Nature Reserve), located approximately 18 km south of the Southern Survey Area (Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, 2020).

Two conservation areas were identified as occurring within the locality of the Project Area (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2021) (Figure 3):

- Emu Hill Nature Reserve located immediately adjacent to the southeast of the Northern Survey Area and is vested under the Shire of Narembreen.
- South Kuminin Nature Reserve, located 400 m north of the Southern Survey Area and is vested under the Shire of Narembreen.

2.2.7 Land Use

The Project Area is located on the road reserve maintained by the Shire of Narembreen. It is a major road that connects the townsite to its neighbouring towns and shires and is used frequently by various vehicles and farming machinery as a major arterial roadway.



3.0 Methods

The biological surveys documented by this report were undertaken in accordance with relevant EPA and DCCEEW guidelines (see **Section 2**).

3.1 Desktop Assessment

3.1.1 Literature Review

Background information on the Project Area and surrounds was compiled prior to the field survey (see Section 2). Historical vegetation mapping (Beard, 1976; Shepherd et al., 2002), land systems mapping (Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 2018), and the IBRA classification system (Beecham, 2001) were consulted to provide broad contextual knowledge of the vegetation units and habitat likely to be encountered within the Project Area.

The literature review also considered a selection of biological reports detailing assessments undertaken in the region, that were either publicly available or provided by the Shire of Narembeen.

3.1.2 Database Searches

Database searches were undertaken to compile a list of potential flora and fauna and identify potential significant flora, fauna, and ecological communities within or surrounding the Survey Areas (Table 5). In addition, an EPBC Protected Matters Search (PMST) was undertaken to identify the potential for Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES) to occur within or surrounding the Survey Area (DCCEEW, 2022).

The search area for each parameter was varied to reflect distances recommended by DBCA. The search areas are herein referred to collectively as the Study Area.

Table 4: List of database searches.

Database Name	Date Received	Search Target	Buffer around the Survey Area
Threatened and Priority Ecological Communities database search (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2023)	19/06/2023	TECs and PECs	30 km
Threatened and Priority Flora (TPFL) database search (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2023)	16/06/2023	Threatened and Priority Flora	40 km
Western Australian Herbarium flora database search (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2023)	16/06/2023	Threatened and Priority Flora	40 km
DBCA Threatened and Priority Fauna database search (Department of Biodiversity	14/06/2023	Threatened and Priority Fauna	80 km



Database Name	Date Received	Search Target	Buffer around the Survey Area
Conservation and Attractions, 2022c)			
DBCA Black Cockatoo database search (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2023)	27/06/2023	Black Cockatoo breeding and roosting locations	80 km
Protected Matters Search Tool (Department of Agriculture Water and the Environment, 2023)	22/6/2023	Commonwealth listed Threatened flora and fauna and TECs	50 km

3.1.3 Likelihood of Occurrence

Significant flora and fauna species identified from the desktop assessment were assessed to determine the likelihood of their occurrence within the Survey Area, both prior to and post field survey. The assessment was completed based on the likelihood of occurrence criteria presented in Table 5.

Only species either recorded within the Survey Area or considered as having a high or medium likelihood of occurrence will be discussed in detail. Species classified as having a low likelihood of occurrence based on the above criteria will not be discussed unless a justification for this classification is required.

For fauna, taxa listed as Marine only under the EPBC Act were not included as significant taxa because the Marine only listed taxa identified by the desktop assessment and field survey were common and widespread, taxa listed as Marine only do not constitute MNES under the EPBC Act, and the Survey Area does not contain any marine habitat. Additionally, taxa that rely exclusively on marine habitats or erroneous records (ie records of extinct or locally extinct taxa, or records that occur obviously outside a taxon’s known distribution) have been excluded from consideration.

Table 5: Likelihood of Occurrence Criteria

Rank	Criteria
Previously Recorded	The species has been previously recorded in the Survey Area
High (Likely to occur)	There are existing records of the species in close proximity to the Survey Area (within 5 km), and for fauna has been recorded in the Survey Area in the last 15 years, and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The species is strongly linked to a specific habitat, which is present in the Survey Area; or The species has more general habitat preferences, and suitable habitat is present.
Medium (May occur)	There is suitable habitat in the Survey Area, but the species is recorded infrequently in the locality; or There are existing records of the species from the locality (between 5-20 km), however: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The species is strongly linked to a specific habitat, of which only a small amount is present in the Survey Area; or



Rank	Criteria
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The species has more general habitat preferences, but only some suitable habitat is present.
Low (Unlikely to occur)	The species is linked to a specific habitat, which is absent from the Survey Area; or Suitable habitat is present, however there are no existing records of the species from the locality despite reasonable previous search effort in suitable habitat; or There is some suitable habitat in the Survey Area, however the species is very infrequently recorded in the locality.

3.2 Flora and Vegetation

3.2.1 Field Survey

The flora and vegetation surveys were led by Associate Botanist Rebecca Mason, who has 10+ experience conducting surveys of similar scope throughout Western Australia. The survey was conducted from 04 – 05 July 2023. Survey effort is demonstrated in Figure 4a for the Northern Area and Figure 4b for the Southern Area. The Project Area was traversed on foot to verify the accuracy of the desktop assessment and to further delineate and characterise the flora and vegetation.

3.2.2 Establishment of Flora Sites

Indicative flora sites were identified prior to the survey using aerial photography, and adjacent available vegetation mapping, to estimate broad vegetation patterns within the Survey Areas. The location and number of flora sites completed were adjusted on site to achieve sites most representative of the vegetation present.

Due to the linear nature of the Survey Areas, patches of remnant vegetation were generally not large enough to accommodate three flora sites per vegetation type.

Flora sites were relevés, which comprised unbounded sites of approximately 10 x 10 m where possible, or alternate configurations approximately equating to 100 m². A comprehensive record of the flora present at the time of sampling was recorded.

Flora site location was recorded using a handheld Garmin GPS unit, with points recorded at each corner of a quadrat, the start and finish point of linear relevés, and the central point of circular relevés. At each flora site, the following was recorded using a Fulcrum mobile data collection device:

- Site code
- Date and personnel
- Landform and soil description
- Relevant site descriptors including, slope, aspect, litter cover, bare ground cover and fire history
- Inventory of vascular flora including the approximate average height and percentage foliar cover for each taxon recorded



- Vegetation description in accordance with the National Vegetation Information System (NVIS), Level 5 'association', whereby the dominant growth form, height, cover and species (three species) for the three traditional strata (upper, mid and ground) are described / Level 6 'sub-association', whereby the dominant growth form, height, cover, and species (up to five species) for the three traditional strata (upper, mid, and ground) are described
- Vegetation condition in accordance with the South West and Interzone Botanical Province vegetation condition scale (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016a), and evidence of disturbance (for example clearing, rubbish, feral animals, weed incursion and evidence of feral animals and dieback) where present
- Photograph of the vegetation occurring within the site.

A total of 6 relevés were established within the Survey Area. An additional 33 mapping notes were completed to aid vegetation mapping delineation.

3.2.3 Opportunistic Flora

Additional flora taxa observed opportunistically around flora sites or while traversing on foot within the Survey Area were also recorded. Where populations of significant flora taxa, Declared Pests (DPs) or WoNS were encountered, a GPS location and a count of the individuals present was recorded.

3.2.4 Targeted Searching

Prior to the survey significant flora with the likelihood or potential to occur within the Survey Area was compiled (see Section 3.1.3). Field personnel familiarised themselves with photographs, reference samples and descriptions of these taxa before conducting the survey.

The entirety of each Survey Area was not systematically searched. Rather, targeted searching focussed on habitat suitable for significant flora identified by the database searches.

Specimens of any potential significant flora that could not be identified in the field were collected for identification and lodgement at the Western Australian Herbarium (WAH).

3.2.5 Taxonomy and Nomenclature

Where field identification of plant taxa was not possible, specimens were collected for identification using resources of the WAH. Identification of flora collections was completed by experienced Taxonomist Beth Loudon.

The finalised species list was checked against FloraBase (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2023) to determine the conservation status and known distribution of each taxon. Introduced species were compared against the current BAM Act Declared Plants list the WoNS list to determine their control status (Department of Agriculture Water and the Environment, 2023; Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 2023).

Any significant flora taxa, including potential Threatened and Priority species, range extensions and potential new taxa were submitted to the WAH for verification and lodgement. Where relevant, Threatened and Priority Flora Report Forms (TPFRFs) were submitted to DBCA.



3.2.6 Vegetation Unit and Condition Mapping

Broad vegetation and condition mapping was conducted in the field, with boundaries delineated over aerial photography, at a scale of 1:5,000. Vegetation units were refined based on taxonomic identification of flora collections, statistical analysis of data collected from the quadrats and relevés, and mapping notes taken during the field survey. Vegetation condition mapping was refined based on site data and mapping notes. Finalised polygons were digitised and produced as electronic mapping data using GIS software.

3.2.7 Eucalypt Woodlands TEC Diagnostic Criteria

The Commonwealth ‘Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt’ was listed as a Critically Endangered TEC (Eucalypt Woodlands TEC) under the EPBC Act on the 4 December 2015. The DCCEEW provides guidance through the Approved Conservation Advice for the Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt document (DEE, 2015), which was used to determine the presence of this TEC within the survey areas.

Areas of mapped vegetation within both the Northern Survey Area and Southern Survey Area that were considered to potentially align with the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC were assessed in the field against the key diagnostic characteristics, contra-indicators and condition thresholds presented in Table 6 below.

A summary of this assessment for the Northern and Southern Survey Areas are provided in Appendix F and Appendix M respectively.

Table 6: Assessment against the key diagnostic criteria for the ‘Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt’ TEC

Key Diagnostics	Criteria
Location	The distribution of the ecological community is limited to these IBRA bioregions and subregions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avon Wheatbelt (subregions AVW01 or AVW02) • Western Mallee subregion (MAL02); and • Jarrah Forest – outlying patches in the eastern parts of the JAH01 Northern Jarrah forests and JAH02 Jarrah forests adjacent to the Avon Wheatbelt.
Structure	The structure of the Ecological community is a woodland in which minimum crown cover of the tree canopy in a mature woodland is 10%. The maximum tree canopy cover is up to 40%.
Key species	The key species of the tree canopy are species of Eucalyptus as identified in Table 2a of the Approved Conservation Advice (DEE, 2015). These are species that typically have a single trunk. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One or more of the tree species in Table 2a are dominant or co-dominant within a patch of the ecological community. If other species are present in the tree canopy (eg species in Table 2b or other taxa) then these collectively do not occur as dominants in the tree canopy.
Composition	A native understorey is present but is of variable composition, being a combination of grasses, other herbs and shrubs, as specified in section 2.3.2 and in Table A1 of Appendix B of the Approved Conservation Advice Document (DEE, 2015).



Key Diagnostics	Criteria				
Presence of contra indicators	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A dominant presence of eucalypts with a mallee growth form. (However, mallee species can occur as an understorey or minor canopy component of the ecological community). 2. A dominant presence of non-eucalypt species in the tree canopy, eg. <i>Acacia acuminata</i> or <i>Allocasuarina huegeliana</i>. These non-eucalypts species can be present as an understorey or minor canopy component of the ecological community. 3. Shrublands or herblands in which the tree canopy layer is very sparse to absent, either naturally or maintained so through long-term disturbance. 4. Woodlands that have the same key eucalypt species but occur in adjacent bioregions, notably the Coolgardie, Esperance Sandplains, Yalgoo and Geraldton Sandplains bioregions. 5. Woodlands dominated by eucalypts that are restricted to granite outcrops and rocky rises, for instance <i>Eucalyptus caesia</i>. 				
Condition thresholds (used for non-roadside patches only)	Category and Vegetation Condition (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016b)	Weed Cover	Mature Trees	Min Patch Size (non-roadside patches)	Min Patch Width (roadsides only)
	A:Pristine/Excellent/Very Good	0-30%	Present or Absent.	>2h	>5m
	B: Good	30-50%	Present with >5 trees per 0.5 ha.	>2h	>5m
	C: Good	30-50%	Absent OR <5 trees per 0.5 ha.	>5ha	>5m
	D: Good/Degraded	50-70%	Present with >5 trees per 0.5 ha.	>5ha	>5m



3.3 Vertebrate Fauna

3.3.1 Field Survey

The basic vertebrate fauna survey was conducted by Senior Ecologist Simon Girando who has five years of experience conducting surveys of similar scope throughout Western Australia. The survey was conducted from 04 – 05 July 2023. Survey effort is demonstrated in Figure 4a and Figure 4b. The Project Area was traversed on foot to verify the accuracy of the desktop assessment and to further delineate and characterise fauna habitats in the Survey Area.

3.3.2 Fauna Habitat Assessment

Fauna habitat assessments were undertaken throughout the Survey Area to identify fauna habitat values. Habitat assessment locations are shown in Figure 4a and Figure 4b. The following information was collected at each site using Fulcrum, a mobile data collection app:

- Site photo
- Landform
- Soil type and colour
- Rock types, surface stone cover and size classes
- Key habitat and microhabitat features including leaf litter, logs, burrows, rocky outcrops, rock crevices, hollows, water sources
- Habitat quality, fire history and evidence of disturbance
- General description of vegetation structure.

Fauna habitat mapping was based on a combination of field observations, fauna habitat assessment data and vegetation mapping undertaken by SLR Consulting staff.

3.3.3 Opportunistic Observations

Opportunistic observations of fauna were recorded throughout the Survey Area. Observations of primary evidence (direct sightings, calls) and secondary evidence (tracks, scats, diggings etc.) were recorded using the mobile data collection application Fulcrum.

3.3.4 Identification and Taxonomy

Where there was doubt on a species name (through subsequent name changes or taxonomic reviews), an effort was made to determine the current scientific name for each taxon. Taxonomy and nomenclature in this report follows the WA Museum checklist 2022 (WAM, 2022) where relevant.

3.4 Black Cockatoos

3.4.1 Field Survey

The Black Cockatoo assessment was undertaken alongside the Vertebrate Fauna Survey and involved traversing the Survey Area by foot. The survey was conducted in accordance with the “Referral Guidelines for 3 Threatened Black Cockatoo Species: Carnaby’s Cockatoo, Baudin’s Cockatoo and Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo” (DAWE, 2022b).



3.4.2 Nesting Habitat

Nesting tree species with the potential to form suitable hollows, including eucalypt species endemic to southwest Western Australia (eg Jarrah, Tuart, Marri, Wandoo, and Salmon Gum) and non-endemic eucalypt species that meet the following criteria were recorded using the Fulcrum mobile data-collection application:

- Trees with a diameter at breast height (DBH) of greater than 500 mm (greater than 300 mm for Wandoo and Salmon Gum) that do not contain hollows or contain hollows that are unsuitable for black cockatoo nesting, for example hollows with an estimated opening diameter of less than 100 mm or downwards-facing hollows, will be recorded as potential nesting trees.
- Trees that contain hollows that are potentially suitable for black cockatoo nesting, for example upwards or sideways-facing hollows with an estimated opening diameter of greater than 100 mm (Saunders et al., 1982), will be recorded as suitable nesting trees.

DBH was measured approximately 1.3 m from the ground. Hollows (if present) were observed from the ground. In instances where trees had multiple stems, the largest stem was measured. In instances where trees had swellings or forking/branching at breast height, the diameter was measured as close as possible to breast height, above or below the swelling/forking, to gain a more accurate measurement of diameter.

Nesting tree locations were recorded using a Differential GPS with a ± 30 mm accuracy. The tree location was taken from a 2 m height above the base of the tree at the point closest to the road.

3.4.3 Night Roosting Habitat

Potential night roosting habitat within the Survey Area was identified and mapped based on tree species present and height.

3.4.4 Foraging Habitat

Habitat was assessed for tree and shrub species known to be important dietary items such as Marri and *Banksia* spp. as outlined within the referral guidelines. It also included looking for:

- Evidence of feeding (chewed cones, seed and nut material).
- Opportunistic observations of black cockatoos foraging or utilising the Survey Area
- Evidence of significant plant disease in the area (eg *Phytophthora*, Marri canker etc.).

Foraging habitat was mapped and classified as per the foraging quality scoring tool from the *Referral guideline for 3 WA threatened black cockatoo species* (DAWE, 2022b) and the scoring system developed by Bamford Consulting Ecologists (2020).



4.0 Limitations

Limitations and constraints of the flora, vegetation and fauna surveys are detailed below Table 7. Despite the limitations identified the biological assessment is suitable to support the NVCP application for the proposed road widening within the Survey Area.

Table 7: Limitations and Constraints associated with the Survey.

Variable	Degree of Limitation	Potential Constraints on Survey Outcomes
Survey Scope	No limitation	<p>The reconnaissance flora and vegetation survey was undertaken in accordance with EPA (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016b) and was considered appropriate to support the NVCP application.</p> <p>Targeted searching for flora of significance was undertaken on foot over the entire Survey Area.</p> <p>The basic terrestrial vertebrate fauna survey was undertaken as per EPA guidelines (Environmental Protection Authority, 2020b), and the black cockatoo assessment was undertaken as per relevant guidelines (Department of Agriculture Water and the Environment, 2022b).</p>
Availability of Data	No limitation	All data required to complete the scope of works including regional and local contextual information was available.
Site Access	No limitation	The Survey Area was able to be accessed by vehicle and on foot.
Survey Intensity and Resources	No limitation	<p>Six flora sites (relevés) were sampled across the Survey Area. An additional 33 mapping notes were undertaken to aid vegetation mapping and delineation.</p> <p>Sufficient time was allocated to the flora and vegetation survey, given the size of each Survey Area, and the expected level of survey intensity.</p> <p>The survey effort was considered adequate to assess the flora and vegetation values of the Survey Area and provide information required to support the NVCP application.</p> <p>The basic fauna survey comprised five fauna habitat assessments and 33 black cockatoo habitat trees which adequately captured the fauna habitats and black cockatoo foraging habitats present in the Survey Area.</p> <p>Sufficient time and resources were allocated to the biological survey.</p>
Experience	No limitation	<p>The flora and vegetation survey was undertaken by Associate Botanist Rebecca Mason. Rebecca has 10+ years experience conducting surveys of similar scope throughout Western Australia.</p> <p>Identification of flora collections were completed by Rebecca Mason and experienced taxonomist Beth Loudon at the WAH.</p> <p>The fauna survey was undertaken by Senior Ecologist Simon Girando. Simon has two years of consulting experience and over five years of field experience conducting surveys of similar scope throughout Western Australia and the Avon Wheatbelt bioregion.</p>



Variable	Degree of Limitation	Potential Constraints on Survey Outcomes
Timing, weather, season	No limitation	<p>The recommended primary survey period for the region as per the EPA Technical Guidance occurs within the spring season (September - November). However, given the scope of the assessment, it is not required to survey during the primary survey period and is still considered suitable timing for the NVCP application.</p> <p>The timing for the basic vertebrate fauna survey and black cockatoo habitat assessment was not a limitation for autumn-winter breeding amphibians as per the Technical Guidance (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016c) but was outside the primary survey periods for reptiles, birds, and mammals. As this is not a detailed survey it does not constitute a limitation and is considered suitable for the NVCP application.</p>
Life Forms Sampled	No limitation	<p>Both Survey Areas were accessed via vehicle and traversed on foot. Representative sites of all remnant vegetation was sampled. All native flora species encountered within the Survey Area were recorded.</p> <p><u>Northern Survey Area:</u> A total of 47 vascular flora taxa were recorded, comprising 85.1% native flora taxa and 14.9% introduced flora taxa.</p> <p>Of the 47 flora taxa recorded, seven taxa (14.9%), could not be identified to species level because they were sterile at the time of the survey. This was not considered a constraint as it represented a small portion of the flora sampled, and was expected given the agricultural setting. None of the unknown flora taxa collected were analogous to Threatened or Priority flora taxa.</p> <p><u>Southern Survey Area:</u> A total of 23 vascular flora taxa were recorded, comprising 78.3 % native flora taxa and 21.7% introduced flora taxa.</p> <p>Of the 23 flora taxa recorded, two taxa (8.7%), could not be identified to species level because they were sterile at the time of the survey. This was not considered a constraint as it represented a small portion of the flora sampled. None of the unknown flora taxa collected were analogous to Threatened or Priority flora taxa.</p> <p>The basic vertebrate fauna and black cockatoo surveys used a wide range of detection techniques to detect fauna taxa within the Survey Areas. All vertebrate fauna species were readily identified in the field.</p>
Mapping Reliability	No limitation	<p>Vegetation types were described and mapped based on relevé data and additional mapping notes taken during the field survey. High resolution aerial mapping current at the time of the survey was used to differentiate vegetation patches.</p> <p>The greatest effort was expended ground truthing vegetation boundaries within and near the proposed development footprint. Fauna habitat mapping was based largely on vegetation mapping and there were no constraints on mapping reliability.</p>



Variable	Degree of Limitation	Potential Constraints on Survey Outcomes
Disturbances (fire, flood etc.)	No limitation	No disturbances occurred during the survey. Areas of disturbance associated with agricultural activities and clearing of roadside reserves containing high weed coverage, were observed but were not a constraint to the results of the survey.
Completeness	No limitation	The survey is considered complete for a reconnaissance flora and vegetation survey, all vegetation types were surveyed and delineated within both Survey Areas. The survey is considered complete for a basic vertebrate fauna and black cockatoo habitat assessment, all fauna habitats were assessed and delineated within both Survey Areas.



5.0 Results for Northern Survey Area

5.1 Flora and Vegetation

5.1.1 Literature Review

The key findings of the flora and vegetation reports reviewed are summarised in Appendix B.

5.1.2 Database Results

Database and literature review searches identified 70 significant flora species occurring within 40 km of the Survey Area (Figure 5), comprising:

- 4 Threatened species
- 10 Priority 1 species
- 13 Priority 2 species
- 34 Priority 3 species
- 9 Priority 4 species

No State or Commonwealth listed TECs were identified within the Survey Area by the database searches.

One Commonwealth TEC, which is also a State-listed Priority PEC, has been identified as occurring within 5.8km south-east of the Survey Area (Figure 6):

- Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt (DBCA: Priority 3) (EPBC: Critically Endangered).

5.1.3 Likelihood of Occurrence

The pre-survey likelihood of occurrence assessment identified that of the 70 significant flora species identified by the desktop assessment:

- None had previously been recorded within the Survey Area
- Seven were considered to have a high likelihood of occurrence
- 22 were considered to have a medium likelihood of occurrence
- 41 were considered to have a low likelihood of occurrence.

Following the survey, the likelihood of occurrence assessment identified that:

- No significant flora taxa were recorded within the Survey Area
- No taxa were considered to have a high likelihood of occurrence
- One taxa was considered to have a medium likelihood of occurrence
- All remaining 69 taxa were considered to have a low likelihood of occurrence.

The likelihood of occurrence assessment for the Northern Area is provided in Appendix C.



5.1.4 Flora Composition

The survey recorded a total of 47 taxa from 31 genera across 14 families (Appendix D). The dominant families were Myrtaceae (16 species), Poaceae (5 species) and Fabaceae (5 species). The most dominant genera was *Eucalyptus* (11 species).

5.1.5 Flora of Significance

5.1.5.1 Threatened or Priority Flora

No Threatened flora species pursuant to the EPBC Act 1999 and/or gazetted as Threatened pursuant to the BC Act 2016 were recorded during the survey.

No Priority species as listed by DBCA were recorded within the Survey Area.

5.1.5.2 Flora of Other Significance

Flora may be considered of other significance if it represents a range extension, novel taxon, species that play a keystone role in a community, has relic status, is locally endemic, or represents the extent of a species range. No taxa recorded from the Survey Area were considered to represent flora of other significance.

5.1.6 Introduced Flora

A total of seven introduced species were recorded within the Survey Area, representing 14.9% of the total taxa recorded (Table 8). None of these seven species are listed as either Declared Pests under the BAM Act (Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 2021), or as WoNS (Department of Agriculture Water and the Environment, 2021).

Introduced species are allocated an 'Ecological Impact' and an 'Invasiveness' ranking under the DBCA Weed Prioritisation Process for the Wheatbelt Region (DBCA, 2016). Of the seven introduced species encountered in the survey area, two species are ranked High for Ecological Impact and Rapid for Invasiveness.

Introduced flora were common throughout modified areas, however no attempt was made to capture every taxa encountered, due to the extensive nature of these areas within the Survey Area, and its agricultural setting.

Table 8: Introduced Flora Recorded in the Survey Area and their ranking under the DBCA Weed Prioritization Process (DBCA, 2016).

Taxon	Common Name	Ecological Impact	Invasiveness	Declared BAM Act	WONS
* <i>Bromus rubens</i>	Red Brome	H	R	Permitted - s11	No
* <i>Ehrharta calycina</i>	Perennial Veldtgrass	H	M	Permitted - s11	No
* <i>Erigeron bonariensis</i>	Flax-leaf Fleabane	-	-	Permitted - s11	No
* <i>Poa annua</i>	Winter Grass	U	U	Permitted - s11	No



Taxon	Common Name	Ecological Impact	Invasiveness	Declared BAM Act	WONS
* <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	Wild Radish	U	R	Permitted - s11	No
* <i>Romulea rosea</i>	Guildford Grass	H	R	Permitted - s11	No
* <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Common Sowthistle	U	R	Permitted - s11	No

5.1.7 Unconfirmed Flora

Seven specimens (14.9% of the taxa recorded) could not be identified to species level because the taxa were sterile at the time of the survey (Appendix D). All seven species have been assigned a confirmed genus and six have been tentatively identified to species level.

None of the unconfirmed flora taxa were analogous to Priority flora taxa identified by the database searches.

5.1.8 Vegetation Types

The natural and modified vegetation remnants identified during the survey accounted for 5.77 ha (63.5%) of the total Survey Area. Five natural vegetation types, and two modified vegetation types, were described and mapped across one broad landform (Table 9, Figure 7). One additional mapping unit representing the bitumen road (RD).

Detailed site sheets for each relevé are provided in Appendix E.

5.1.9 Vegetation Condition

Vegetation condition within the Survey Area predominantly ranged from Completely Degraded to Very Good-Good, of the 5.77ha of natural and modified vegetation remnants assessed within the Survey Area (Figure 8), comprising:



- Very Good-Good (0.21 ha / 3.7%)
- Good (1.49 ha / 25.8%)
- Degraded (0.35 ha / 6.0%)
- Completely Degraded (3.72 ha / 64.5%).

The remaining 3.32ha of the Survey Area represented the Kondinin -Narembeen Rd, which was automatically exempt from a vegetation condition assessment.



Evidence of disturbance included historical clearing for roads, infrastructure and agricultural activities, as well as weeds.





Table 9: Natural vegetation types recorded in the Northern Survey Area.

Vegetation Unit and Description*	Local Landform	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Sites	Vegetation Condition	Photograph
<p>EsEsCh: Eucalyptus <i>salmonophloia</i>, <i>E. salubris</i> woodland over <i>Marieana brevifolia</i> and <i>Sclerolaena diacantha</i> low sparse shrubland over <i>Eriachne ?ovata</i> and <i>*Poa annua</i> low sparse grassland.</p>	<p>Gravelly Plain</p>	<p>0.11 ha (1.22%)</p>	<p>Map Notes</p>	<p>Good</p>	
<p>EyCh: Eucalyptus <i>yilgarnensis</i> low woodland over <i>*Poa annua</i> grassland.</p>	<p>Gravelly Plain</p>	<p>0.06ha (0.61%)</p>	<p>Map Notes</p>	<p>Degraded</p>	




Vegetation Unit and Description*	Local Landform	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Sites	Vegetation Condition	Photograph
<p>EICH: <i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> subsp. <i>lissophloia</i> low woodland over <i>Santalum acuminatum</i> mid sparse shrubland over <i>Marieana brevifolia</i>, <i>M. suadifolia</i> and <i>Daviesia aphylla</i> low sparse shrubland over <i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>, <i>Eriachne ?ovata</i> low sparse grassland over <i>Dianella revoluta</i> low sparse forbs.</p>	Gravelly Plain	0.41 ha (4.53%)	NARR03, NARR06	Degraded to Very Good-Good	
<p>EmEuEw: <i>Eucalyptus melanoxyton</i>, <i>E. urna</i>, <i>E. wandoo</i> open woodland over mixed <i>Chenopodiaceae</i> isolated shrubs over *<i>Poa annua</i> sparse low grassland.</p>	Gravelly Plain	0.17 ha (1.85%)	Map Notes	Degraded - Good	



Vegetation Unit and Description*	Local Landform	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Sites	Vegetation Condition	Photograph
<p>MyHe: Mixed Myrtaceous heathland</p>	<p>Gravelly Plain</p>	<p>0.19 ha (2.07%)</p>	<p>Map Notes</p>	<p>Degraded - Good</p>	
<p>RE: <i>Eucalyptus ?astringens</i>, <i>E. ?cylindriflora</i> and <i>E. torquata</i> woodland over <i>Acacia acuminata</i> tall sparse shrubland over <i>Melaleuca ?lanceolata</i> mid sparse shrubland over <i>A. hemiteles</i>, <i>Marieana brevifolia</i> and <i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i> low sparse shrubland over <i>*Poa annua</i> sparse low grassland.</p>	<p>Gravelly Plain</p>	<p>1.11 ha (12.23%)</p>	<p>NARR02, NARR05</p>	<p>Degraded - Good</p>	



Vegetation Unit and Description*	Local Landform	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Sites	Vegetation Condition	Photograph
<p>PC: Vegetation no longer intact and the area is completely or almost completely without native species. Flora comprised of crop species, mixed introduced flora with some isolated native trees and shrubs.</p>	<p>Gravelly Plain</p>	<p>3.72 ha (40.96%)</p>	<p>Map notes</p>	<p>Completely Degraded</p>	



5.1.10 Vegetation of Significance

No State or Commonwealth listed TECs were previously identified within the Survey Area by the database searches. The nearest previously recorded occurrence of the Eucalypt Woodland TEC, is located 5.8km south-east of the Survey Area (see Section 5.1.2, Figure 9):

However, the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC and its equivalent DBCA-listed PEC was confirmed as occurring at several locations of remnant vegetation within the Survey Area, as a result of in situ field patch assessments and consideration against key diagnostic criteria (see Figure 9, and Appendix F for patch assessment).

A total of 6 remnant vegetation patches represented by the EsEsCh and EmEuEw vegetation types were considered to be representative of the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC, totalling 0.27 ha (2.97%) of the Survey Area.

5.1.11 Vegetation of Other Significance

Vegetation may be of significance for a range of reasons, other than a listing as a TEC or a PEC, including (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016a):

- Vegetation extent being below a threshold level
- Scarcity
- Unusual species
- Novel combinations of species
- A role as a refuge
- A role as a key habitat for threatened species or large populations representing a significant proportion of the local to regional total population of a species
- Being representative of the range of a unit (particularly a good local and/or regional example of a unit in 'prime' habitat, at the extremes of range, recently discovered range extensions, or isolated outliers of the main range); and/or
- A restricted distribution.

No vegetation identified within the Survey Area was considered to represent vegetation of other significance.

5.2 Vertebrate Fauna

5.2.1 Literature Review

The key findings of the literature review are summarised in Appendix G.

5.2.2 Database Searches

Database searches identified 40 terrestrial vertebrate fauna species potentially occurring within the Survey Area, comprising:

- 21 bird species
- 18 mammal species
- One reptile species



The results of the DBCA Threatened and Priority Fauna database search are presented in Figure 10. Database searches are displayed in their entirety in Appendix H.

Species listed as Marine only under the EPBC Act, such as the Rainbow Bee-eater, as well as marine dependent species including the have been excluded from the likelihood of occurrence list as there is no marine habitat present within the Survey Area.


5.2.3 Fauna Habitat

Three broad fauna habitats (excluding cleared areas) were identified and mapped within the Survey Area (Figure 11). Habitat condition remained consistent throughout the Survey Area, with the most prolific disturbances being historic clearing for road networks and paddocks, and weeds.



A description, extent within the Survey Area and a representative photo is provided for each fauna habitat in Table 10. Small discrepancies in fauna habitat extents (ie not adding up to the exact area extent of the Survey Area) are due to rounding. Fauna habitat mapping is presented in Figure 11 and site sheets for each habitat assessment are shown in Appendix I.



Table 10: Fauna Habitats Within the Survey Area

Fauna Habitat	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Habitat Description	Representative Photo
Heathland/scrubland	0.07 ha, 0.82%	<p>Deep sandy loam plains interspersed with sandstone pebbles throughout the majority of the landscape. Granite outcropping occurs occasionally in the broader landscape but not within the Survey Area. The vegetation is dominated by native <i>kwongan</i> heath of the Wheatbelt region characterised by various <i>Myrtaceae</i>, <i>Proteaceae</i>, and <i>Fabaceae</i> shrub species. <i>Microhabitats</i> include dense leaf litter and woody debris which provide shelter for small mammals and reptiles. The density of the vegetation also provides suitable habitat for larger, more cryptic fauna species including <i>macropods</i> and medium-to-large <i>avifauna</i> (eg <i>Malleefowl</i> and <i>Emu</i>). Mild disturbances were observed, mainly old clearing, vehicle tracks, and litter.</p>	



Fauna Habitat	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Habitat Description	Representative Photo
Trees over paddock	1.51 ha, 16.6%	Deep sandy loam plains throughout the landscape with remnant or planted eucalypt species over cleared paddock. Microhabitats include tree hollows, leaf litter, peeling bark, and woody debris that provide shelter for a wide range of various fauna species. The most important habitats are the various tree hollows which may provide suitable nesting habitat for black cockatoos. The largest disturbance was the clearing of native understorey for paddock that is still prolific throughout large portions of the Survey Area, as well as litter and weeds.	
Eucalyptus Woodland	0.46 ha, 5.08%	Deep sandy loam plains throughout the landscape with remnant <i>eucalyptus</i> woodland vegetation with intact native understorey with full vegetative structure. Vegetation species include various eucalypt trees over a shrubland of various <i>Proteaceae</i> , <i>Myrtaceae</i> , and <i>Fabaceae</i> species, and an understorey of native grasses and sedges. Microhabitats include tree hollows, hollow logs, dense leaf litter, peeling bark, and woody debris. This habitat is likely to be the most utilised habitat within the Survey Area by a variety of fauna species including black cockatoos. The most prolific disturbances were old clearing, vehicle tracks, litter, and weeds.	
Cleared	7.04 ha, 77.5%		



5.2.4 Fauna Records

The basic terrestrial vertebrate fauna survey recorded a total of eight fauna species from seven families, comprising seven birds, and one mammal.

A list of fauna species recorded during the field survey is presented in Table 11, including the number of times each species was recorded. Fauna record locations are shown in Figure 11.

A full list of fauna species recorded for the Project Area is present in Appendix J.

Table 11: Vertebrate fauna species recorded during the survey effort.

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Abundance
Birds			
Artamidae	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	1
Cacatuidae	<i>Eolophus roseicapilla</i>	Galah	5
Campephagidae	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Black-faced Cuckooshrike	3
Corvidae	<i>Corvus bennettii</i>	Little Crow	3
	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	Australian Raven	1
Psittaculidae	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Australian Ringneck	13
Rhipiduridae	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>	Grey Fantail	3
Mammals			
Canidae	<i>Canis Lupis*</i>	Dingo / Dog*	1

5.2.5 Significant Fauna

No fauna species of significance (Threatened or Priority), or evidence of these species such as tracks, scats, nest, diggings, burrows or direct sightings were recorded within or directly surrounding the Survey Area.

The post survey results identified three significant taxa as having a high likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area:

- Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), listed as Other Specially protected under the BC Act.
- Carnaby's Cockatoo (*Calyptorhynchus latirostris*), listed as Endangered under the BC Act and EPBC Act.
- Malleefowl (*Leipoa ocellata*), Listed as Vulnerable under the BC Act and EPBC Act.

Two significant taxa were identified as having a medium likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area:

- Red-tailed Phascogale (*Phascogale calura*), Listed as Conservation Dependent under the BC Act and Vulnerable under the EPBC Act.
- Western Brush Wallaby (*Notamacropus irma*), DBCA listed as Priority 4.



A further 18 significant taxa were assessed as having a low likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area. Further detail regarding recorded and potential significant fauna is provided below in Table 12.

Table 12: Likelihood of Occurrence Within the Survey Area

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
AVIAN											
Anatidae	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	P4	-			X			Low	The DBCA database identified three records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including two 30 km west in 2000 and one 80 km west in 1980 ¹ . No suitable habitat present in the Survey Area (densely vegetated freshwater lakes, swamps, dams) ² .
Ardeidae	<i>Ixobrychus dubius</i>	Australian Little Bittern, Black-backed Bittern	P4	-			X			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 70 km west the Survey Area in 1981 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (freshwater swamps, lakes, and rivers with dense beds of <i>Baumea</i> , <i>Typha</i> and other tall rushes) ³ .
Cacatuidae	<i>Cacatua pastinator pastinator</i>	Muir's Corella	CD	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified three records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 42 km southwest in 1973 and 1977 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (wheat and sheep farming country, with



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NIM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
											remnant native forest, woodland, scrub, sandplain heath) ⁴ .
Cacatuidae	<i>Zanda baudinii</i>	Baudin's Cockatoo	EN	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 47 km northwest of the Survey Area in 2004. This was a vouchered specimen and can be considered a confirmed ID ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests, farm trees; feeds on Marri and wood-boring insects) ² .
Cacatuidae	<i>Zanda latirostris</i>	Carnaby's Cockatoo	EN	EN		x	x			High	The DBCA database identified 31 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 2013 and 80 km north in 2018 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests, woodlands, heathlands, farms; feeds on <i>Banksias</i> , <i>Hakeas</i> , and pine plantations) ² .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon	OS	-			x			High	The DBCA database identified 31 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 24 km southeast in 2011 and 68 km south in 2015 ¹ . No suitable nesting habitat is present within the Survey Area (most environments with suitable nest sites: cliff faces preferred, including man-made ones, commonly uses stick nests built by other species) ⁵ . Will likely use the Survey Area for hunting.
Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU		X	x			High	The DBCA database identified 436 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 2 km north at an unspecified date and 12 km east in 2017 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (unburned mallee and woodland with abundant litter and low scrub) ² .
Psittaculidae	<i>Pezoporus wallicus flaviventris</i>	Western Ground Parrot	CR	CR			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one historic record 80 km north of the Survey Area ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area - It occurs mostly in coastal heathland or sedgeland with very dense cover and a high density of the parrot's food plants ⁶ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
Psittaculidae	<i>Platycercus icterotis xanthogenys</i>	Western Rosella	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified four records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 20 km southeast in 2008 and 22 km southeast in 1982 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (salmon gum and wandoo woodlands, farmlands; less common in heavy wet Karri and Jarrah; scarce on sandy west coastal plain) ⁵ .
Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Curlew Sandpiper	CR	CR, MI, MA (overfly marine area)		X	x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 35 km south of the Survey Area in 2001 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (inter-tidal mudflats of estuaries, lagoons, mangrove channels, dams, floodwaters, flooded saltbush surrounds of inland lakes) ² .
Strigidae	<i>Ninox connivens connivens</i>	Barking Owl	P3 (southwest subpop.)	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record within 65 km east of the Survey Area in 1968 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests and woodlands with large old hollow bearing trees for nesting) ⁵ . This Subspecies is isolated from the eastern and northern populations and there are currently no sound recordings or photographs of wild populations ⁷ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
MAMMALIAN											
Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi fortis</i>	Western Quoll, Chuditch	VU	VU		x	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 13 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 22 km southeast in 1972 and 58 km northeast in 2016 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (sclerophyll forest or drier woodland, heath and mallee shrubland) ⁸ .
Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed Phascogale, Kenngoor	CD	VU		x	x			Medium	The DBCA database identified 96 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 1990 and 12 km north in 2015 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary and does not accurately represent the abundance of this species within the Survey Area. Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (<i>Allocasuarina</i> woodlands with hollow-containing eucalypts (eg <i>Eucalyptus wandoo</i>) and <i>Gastrolobium</i> spp.; prefers vegetation not burnt for at least 20 years) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
Macropodidae	<i>Lagostrophus fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Banded Hare-wallaby, Mernine	VU	VU			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 10 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 12 km north in 2015 and 14 km north in 2018 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within this landscape anymore. Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area - Common among dense thickets of <i>Acacia</i> and <i>Alectryon</i> scrub on the sandplains, and <i>Diplolaena</i> and <i>Acacia</i> on the dunes ⁵ .
Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar Wallaby	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 28 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 40 km north in 2013 and 55 km southwest in 1999 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (coastal scrub, heath, dry sclerophyll forest and thickets in mallee and woodland) ⁸ .
Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	Western Brush Wallaby	P4	-			x			Medium	The DBCA database identified 13 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 19 km south in 1977 and 67 km southeast in 2011 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
											Area (open forest and woodland, open seasonally wet flats) ⁸ .
Macropodidae	<i>Petrogale lateralis lateralis</i>	Black-footed Rock-wallaby	EN	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 520 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 44 km west in 1969 and 69 km west in 2014 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (shelters in rock crevices and caves; feeds on grasses and forbs) ⁹ . Not often found far from rocky outcrops, of which there are none close to the Survey Area.
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western Mouse	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 48 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 20 km south in 1975 and 21 km southeast in 1993 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (patches of extremely dense vegetation within sparse low shrubland, tall dense shrubland, sparse to dense shrub mallee and mid-dense woodland; prefers long unburnt habitat (between 30 and 50 years) on sandy clay loam or sandy loam) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys shortridgei</i>	Heath Mouse, Dayang	VU	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 68 km southeast of the Survey Area in 2018 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (taller scrubland associated with mallee trees and climax heath assemblages in undisturbed areas) ⁹ .
Myrmecobiidae	<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Numbat, Walpurti	EN	EN			X			Low	The DBCA database identified 18 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 45 km southwest in 1970 and 66 km south in 1983 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (Jarrah forests, Wandoo woodlands; requires hollow logs and branches for shelter and termites for food) ⁸ .
Peramelidae	<i>Isoodon fusciventer</i>	Quenda	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 18 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 12 km north in 2018 and 14 km north in 2011 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within the landscape anymore. Suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (sandy soils with dense heathy vegetation) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15 yrs	Field Survey		
Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Brush-tailed Bettong, Woylie	CR	EN (as <i>B. penicillata ogilbyi</i>)			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 26 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 2018 and 14 km north in 2016 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within this landscape anymore. No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (areas dominated by <i>Gastrolobium</i> thickets) ⁸ .
Thylacomyidae	<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>	Bilby, Dalgyte	VU	VU			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 21 historic records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 15 km southeast in 1957 and 32 km south in 1967 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (Mitchell grass and stony downs country of cracking clays, desert sandplains and dune fields sometimes containing laterite, hummock grassland and massive red earths with <i>Acacia</i> shrubland) ⁸ .

1 – Department of Biodiversity, Conservation, and Attractions, 2023. 2 – Morcombe, 2003. 3 – Johnstone & Storr, 1998. 4 – Pizzey & Knight, 2001. 5 – Menkhorst, et al., 2017. 6 – Higgins, 1999. 7 – Davis, et al., 2022. 8 – Van Dyck & Strahan, 2008. 9 – Menkhorst & Knight, 2011.



5.2.6 Black Cockatoo Assessment

5.2.6.1 Desktop Assessment

The Survey Area occurs within the modelled distribution of the Carnaby's Cockatoo but is outside the modelled distribution of the Baudin's Cockatoo and Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo (DAWE, 2022b). The DBCA database search identified 31 Carnaby's Cockatoos and 11 'White-tailed Black Cockatoos', which we can assume are Carnaby's Cockatoos, were recorded within a 80 km radius of the Survey Area (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2022a). One Baudin's Cockatoo was identified, but given it is unlikely to occur within this area it is likely a mistaken Carnaby's Cockatoo.

The DBCA database search identified one confirmed white-tailed black cockatoo nesting site 60 km from the Survey Area (Figure 10) (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2022a).

The DBCA database search results show no confirmed Carnaby's Cockatoo roost sites within an 80 km radius of the Survey Area (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2022a).

5.2.6.2 Black Cockatoo Observations

No black cockatoos, or evidence of, were recorded either inside the Survey Area or flying overhead during the field survey.

5.2.6.3 Nesting Habitat

The black cockatoo habitat assessment identified 26 potential nesting trees with a DBH greater than 500 mm present in the Survey Area (Figure 12), comprising:

- Nine Black Morrel (*Eucalyptus melanoxydon*)
- Four Merrit (*Eucalyptus urna*)
- Five Salmon Gums (*Eucalyptus salmonophloia*)
- Two Wandoo (*Eucalyptus wandoo subsp. wandoo*)
- Six Yorrel (*Eucalyptus yilgarnensis*).

One tree was found to contain two hollows which were suitable for black cockatoo nesting (Figure 12). Internal hollow inspections to determine occupancy or previous use by black cockatoos was not included in the scope of works for project.

5.2.6.4 Night Roosting Habitat

No direct sightings of roosting black cockatoos were made during the survey. All 26 trees recorded as potential nesting trees may also be suitable for roosting (Figure 12). Foraging Habitat



A total of approximately 20.5 ha of low quality Carnaby’s Cockatoo foraging habitat was recorded, comprising native shrubland dominated by proteaceous plant species (*Banksia*, *Hakea*, and *Grevillea* species) as well as native eucalypt species (*E. wandoo*, *E. patens*, *E. loxophleba*, *E. salmonophloia*) (Figure 10). The results of the foraging quality scores are calculated using criteria from the *Referral guideline for 3 WA threatened black cockatoo species* (DAWE, 2022b) and are summarised in Table 13.

Table 13: Foraging habitat scoring tool.

Species	Starting Habitat Score	Foraging Potential	Connectivity	Proximity to Breeding	Proximity to Roosting	Impact from Disease	Total Score	Quality
Carnaby's Cockatoo	10	-2	0	-2	-2	0	4	Low

6.0 Discussion for the Northern Survey Area

6.1 Flora and Vegetation

6.1.1 Flora Composition

The suite of flora taxa recorded during the survey is considered typical for the Merredin (AVW01) subregion and aligns with the database search results obtained.

Despite the below-average rainfall recorded for the three months prior to commencing the survey, and a particularly dry May, the perennial floristic diversity was considered within the expected range for the bioregion for the timing of the survey undertaken. The lower than average rainfall preceding the survey is likely to have reduced the annual and ephemeral flora observed.

6.1.2 Survey Adequacy

The flora and vegetation survey effort was completed in accordance with the EPA Technical Guidance (EPA, 2016) for a reconnaissance level flora and vegetation survey within the South-West Botanical Province, and was appropriate for the scope of works given the level of disturbance and the linear nature of the Survey Area. The inventory of vascular flora was compiled using site data and opportunistic observations while traversing the Survey Area and undertaking the assessment of 4 relevés and 22 map notes. The entire Survey Area was not systematically searched, and therefore additional flora taxa, and records of significant flora and weed species may be recorded with additional survey effort.

6.1.3 Flora of Significance

No Threatened flora species pursuant to the EPBC Act 1999 and/or gazetted as Threatened Flora pursuant to the BC Act 2016 were identified by the database searches or recorded within the Survey Area. No Priority species as listed by DBCA were recorded within the Survey Area.



The review of the database searches identified 70 significant flora as potentially occurring within 40km of the Survey Area. Of these, four are classed as Threatened by the State and also listed under the EBPC Act, 10 are listed as Priority 1, 13 as Priority 2, 34 as Priority 3 and 9 as Priority 4.

Prior to the survey, seven species were considered to have a high likelihood of occurrence, and 22 additional species were considered to have a medium likelihood of occurrence. Following the survey, *Daviesia nudiflora* subsp. *drummondii* was considered to have a 'medium' likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area, and all 22 additional species were downgraded to 'low', based on the intensity of survey applied, and close inspection of suitable habitats.

6.1.4 Introduced Flora

Seven weed species were recorded in the Survey Area; however, none are listed as WoNS or DPs. All weed species recorded have a legal status of Permitted – s11, and do not have an assigned control category.

Weed species richness and abundance was greatest along roadsides and in previously cleared areas. The survey was undertaken after a period of below average rainfall, and the Survey Area was not systematically grid searched. Additional weed species and abundance could be recorded following significant rainfall and with greater survey effort.

6.1.5 Vegetation Types

Mapping reliability was high as the Survey Area was able to be walked in its entirety.

Five natural vegetation types, and two modified vegetation types, were described and mapped across one broad landform (plains).

Four of the five vegetation types (EsEsCh, EyCh, EICH and EmEuEw) were dominated by *Eucalyptus* woodlands over a mixture of Chenopod shrubs and native and introduced grass species, with EICH being the most common within the Survey Area (0.41 ha, 4.53%).

The MyHe vegetation type was encountered on the extremities of the Survey Area boundary and represented a heathland of various shrub species from the Myrtaceae family.

A significant portion of the survey area (1.11 ha, 12.23%) was mapped as the RE vegetation type, which represented planted, revegetated, or naturally regenerated patches of vegetation, particularly along roadsides.

The Parkland Cleared (PC) vegetation type represented roadside areas where native vegetation structure was absent, however occasional native shrubs and grasses were present. These areas were dominated by common agricultural weeds and represented 40.96% (3.72 ha) of the Survey Area.

6.1.6 Vegetation Condition

Within the entirety of the survey area, vegetation condition ranged from Completely Degraded to Very Good-Good, with the majority (3.72 ha) of vegetation considered to be in Completely Degraded condition, reflecting the modified nature of the roadside landscape, represented by the Parkland Cleared (PC) vegetation type.

The five natural vegetation types ranged in vegetation condition from Degraded to Very Good-Good, with the majority classified as Good condition.



No vegetation within the survey area was considered to have a 'Pristine' condition ranking, and areas mapped as the 'RD' vegetation type (representing Bitumen Roads) were automatically assigned the 'Cleared' vegetation condition ranking.

Dense patches of herbaceous weed species occurred through the entirety of the survey area along roadsides and cleared areas, and no attempt was made to catalogue the full suite of introduced species encountered.

6.1.7 Vegetation of Significance

No State or Commonwealth listed TECs were previously identified within the Survey Area by the database searches. The nearest previously recorded occurrence of the Eucalypt Woodland TEC, is located 5.8km south-east of the Survey Area (see Section 5.1.2, Figure 9):

The Eucalypt Woodlands TEC and its equivalent DBCA-listed PEC was confirmed as occurring at several locations of remnant vegetation within the Survey Area, as a result of 10 in situ field patch assessments and consideration against key diagnostic criteria (see Appendix F).

A patch is a discrete and mostly continuous area of the ecological community, which may include small-scale gaps (<50 m), given the generally open nature of the tree canopy. As the vegetation occurred along roadsides, a minimum patch width of 5m is applied. The width is based on the native understorey component rather than width of the tree canopy (DEE, 2015).

A total of 6 remnant vegetation patches represented by the EsEsCh and EmEuEw vegetation types were considered to be representative of the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC, totalling 0.27 ha (2.97%) of the Survey Area.

Four of the 10 patches did not fit the criteria and/or possessed one or more of the contra-indicators outlined in the Approved Conservation Advice (see Table 5):

- Patches 7 and 8, represented by the EyCh vegetation type, did not meet the criteria for assessment against condition thresholds due to *Eucalyptus yilgamensis* being the dominant Eucalypt species. This taxa occurs as a mallee growth form and is not considered part of the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC (DEE, 2015).
- Patches 9 and 10, represented by the EICh vegetation type, did not meet the criteria for assessment against condition thresholds due to *Eucalyptus loxophleba* subsp. *lissophloia* being the dominant Eucalypt species. This taxa occurs as a mallee growth form and is not considered part of the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC. Only stands dominated by subspecies *loxophleba* are included in the WA Wheatbelt Woodlands ecological community (DEE, 2015).

6.2 Vertebrate Fauna

6.2.1 Fauna Habitat

The fauna habitats identified in the Survey Area appears to be common in the immediate vicinity of the Survey Area and is typical of the vegetation within the Avon Wheatbelt and Mallee bioregions and the Merredin (AVW01) and Western Mallee (MAL02) subregions. The Merredin (AVW01) subregion is characterised as having mixed eucalypts, *Allocasuarina huegeliana*, and Jam-York Gum woodlands on quaternary alluvial and colluvial soils. The Western Mallee (MAL02) subregion is characterised as having mallee over myrtaceous-proteaceous heaths on duplex soils.



It is possible that significant fauna species such as the Red-tailed Phascogale and Malleefowl occur within the Survey Area, but it is unlikely that they are reliant on these habitats as they are found in the broader region outside the Survey Area. Significant bird species such as Carnaby's Cockatoo may also use the Survey Area for foraging and are likely to use it for breeding as there are suitable nesting hollows present. Peregrine Falcon may also use the Survey Area for hunting.

6.2.2 Significant Fauna

6.2.2.1 High Likelihood of Occurrence Within the Survey Area

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*)

The Peregrine Falcon is an uncommon but wide-ranging bird across Australia (Barrett et al., 2003). It occurs mainly along rivers and ranges as well as wooded watercourses and lakes. It nests primarily on cliffs, granite outcrops and quarries, although is also known to occupy existing raptor and corvid stick nests (Menkhorst et al., 2017). The diet of the Peregrine Falcon has been well studied and primarily includes flocking species such as parrots, pigeons and on the east coast, European Starlings (Olsen & Fuentes, 2008).

The Peregrine Falcon was not recorded within the Survey Area, however, there are 31 DBCA records nearby. The Peregrine Falcon typically nests on cliff ledges or in refurbished nests built by other raptors or corvids (Pizzey & Knight, 2013) which are not present within the Survey Area. All habitats within the Survey Area may be used for hunting and are likely contain preferred prey species.

Malleefowl (*Leipoa ocellata*)

The Malleefowl is found in semi-arid to arid shrublands and low woodlands, especially those dominated by mallee and/or Acacia. A sandy substrate and abundance of leaf litter are required for breeding (DEE, 2018). Densities of the birds are generally greatest in areas of higher rainfall and on more fertile soils where habitats tend to be thicker and there is an abundance of food plants. Much of the best habitat for Malleefowl has already been cleared or has been modified by grazing via Sheep, Cattle, Rabbits and Goats (Benshemesh, 2007). The species nests in large mounds of dirt and leaf litter, up to five metres wide and one metre tall (Menkhorst et al., 2017).

The Malleefowl was not recorded within the Survey Area, however, there are 436 DBCA records nearby. The Malleefowl typically builds large mound nests in dense heathland habitats, which is present in a small area within the middle of the Survey Area. As this habitat is also found in large areas outside the Survey Area this species is not likely to be dependent on the habitats within the Survey Area.

6.2.2.2 Medium Likelihood of Occurrence Within the Survey Area

Red-tailed Phascogale (*Phascogale calura*)

The red-tailed Phascogale was previously found in woodland habitats throughout inland and central Australia but is now restricted to remnants of mature Wandoo or Rock oak woodlands in the southern Western Australian wheatbelt region where annual rainfall is 300 – 600 mm (Menkhorst & Knight, 2010).

The Red-tailed Phascogale was not recorded within the Survey Area, however, there are 96 DBCA records nearby. Most of these records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary and should



not be considered actual records, however, this is a species that is not easily contained by fences and some individuals may be prevalent in the surrounding area. The preferred habitat of this species is found within the Survey Area.

Western Brush Wallaby (*Notamacropus irma*)

The Western Brush Wallaby occurs only in the south-west of Western Australia and closely resembles a larger kangaroo (Van Dyck & Strahan, 2008). It has an optimum habitat of open forest or woodland, particularly favoring open and seasonally wet flats with low grasses and open scrubby thickets (Van Dyck & Strahan, 2008). The Western Brush Wallaby was a common species during the early days of settlement, however, ongoing clearing and fragmentation of bushland in the Wheatbelt as well as the dramatic increase in fox numbers within the south-west of Western Australia has led to this species' decline (Van Dyck & Strahan, 2008).

The Western Brush Wallaby was not recorded within the Survey Area, however, there are 13 records nearby. This species prefers open forest woodland habitats which are present within the Survey Area.

6.3 Black Cockatoo Assessment

The Survey Area occurs within the modelled breeding range of the Carnaby's Cockatoo but is outside the occurrence range of the Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo and Baudin's Cockatoo. The Carnaby's Cockatoo has multiple records nearby which means there is a high likelihood that this species may use the foraging and nesting habitats within the Survey Area.

6.3.1 Nesting Habitat

The field survey recorded a total of 26 potential nesting trees, one of which had two hollows that are potentially suitable for black cockatoo nesting. Hollow inspections were not included in the scope of works and were not carried out to confirm or rule out whether there was any current or previous use by black cockatoos. Given the presence of a confirmed Carnaby's Cockatoo breeding area within 60 km of the Survey Area, these hollows have the potential to be used by Carnaby's Cockatoos in the future (DAWE, 2022b).

6.3.2 Night Roosting Habitat

A total of 26 roosting trees (tall trees regardless of species) were recorded within the Survey Area. The DBCA database search results indicate that no known Carnaby's Cockatoo roosting site occurs within 80 km of the Survey Area. There are also several watering points around the Survey Area which may be utilised by black cockatoos during roosting.

6.3.3 Foraging Habitat

The foraging habitat within the Survey Area was identified as Banksia and Eucalypt woodland and was calculated to be of low-quality for both Carnaby's Cockatoo using the foraging habitat scoring tool in the Referral guideline for 3 WA threatened black cockatoo species (DAWE, 2022b). Evidence of foraging (feeding debris) was not found inside the Survey Area.



7.0 Results for the Southern Survey Area

7.1 Flora and Vegetation

7.1.1 Literature Review

The key findings of the flora and vegetation reports reviewed are summarised in Appendix B.

7.1.2 Database Searches

Database and literature review searches identified 130 significant flora species occurring within 40 km of the Survey Area (Figure 9), comprising:

- 16 Threatened species
- 14 Priority 1 species
- 20 Priority 2 species
- 64 Priority 3 species
- 16 Priority 4 species

One Commonwealth TEC, which is also a State-listed Priority PEC, has been identified as occurring within the Survey Area (Figure 6):

- Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt (DBCA: Priority 3) (EPBC: Critically Endangered).

7.1.3 Likelihood of Occurrence

The pre-survey likelihood of occurrence assessment identified that of the 67 significant flora species identified by the desktop assessment:

- None had previously been recorded within the Survey Area
- Four were considered to have a high likelihood of occurrence
- 23 were considered to have a medium likelihood of occurrence
- 40 were considered to have a low likelihood of occurrence.

Following the survey, the likelihood of occurrence assessment identified that:

- No significant flora taxa were recorded within the Survey Area
- No taxa were considered to have a high likelihood of occurrence
- No taxa were considered to have a medium likelihood of occurrence
- All 67 taxa were considered to have a low likelihood of occurrence.

The likelihood of occurrence assessment is provided in Appendix K.

7.1.4 Flora Composition

The survey recorded a total of 23 taxa from 18 genera across 9 families (Appendix D). The dominant families were Chenopodiaceae (6 species), Myrtaceae (5 species) and Poaceae (4 species). The most dominant genera was Eucalyptus (5 species).



7.1.5 Flora of Significance

7.1.5.1 Threatened or Priority Flora

No Threatened flora species pursuant to the EPBC Act 1999 and/or gazetted as Threatened pursuant to the BC Act 2016 were recorded during the survey.

No Priority species as listed by DBCA were recorded within the Survey Area

7.1.5.2 Flora of Other Significance

Flora may be considered of other significance if it represents a range extension, novel taxon, species that play a keystone role in a community, has relic status, is locally endemic, or represents the extent of a species range. No taxa recorded from the Survey Area were considered to represent flora of other significance.

7.1.6 Introduced Flora

A total of five introduced species were recorded within the natural and modified vegetation remnants within the Survey Area, representing 21.7% of the total taxa recorded (Table 6). None of these five species are listed as either Declared Pests under the BAM Act (Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 2021), or as WoNS (Department of Agriculture Water and the Environment, 2021).

Introduced species are allocated an 'Ecological Impact' and an 'Invasiveness' ranking under the DBCA Weed Prioritisation Process for the Wheatbelt Region (DBCA, 2016). Of the five introduced species encountered in the survey area, two species are ranked High for Ecological Impact and Rapid for Invasiveness.

Introduced flora were common throughout modified areas, however no attempt was made to capture every taxa encountered, due to the extensive nature of these areas within the Survey Area, and its agricultural setting.

Table 14: Introduced Flora Recorded in the Survey Area and their ranking under the DBCA Weed Prioritization Process (DBCA, 2016).

Taxon	Common Name	Ecological Impact	Invasiveness	Declared BAM Act	WONS
<i>*Bromus rubens</i>	Red Brome	H	R	Permitted - s11	No
<i>*Erigeron bonariensis</i>	Flax-leaf Fleabane	-	-	Permitted - s11	No
<i>*Poa annua</i>	Winter Grass	U	U	Permitted - s11	No
<i>*Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	Wild Radish	U	R	Permitted - s11	No
<i>*Romulea rosea</i>	Guildford Grass	H	R	Permitted - s11	No



7.1.7 Unconfirmed Flora

The majority (91.3%) of specimens recorded were identified to the lowest taxonomic level (Appendix D). Only two taxa were unconfirmed, but tentatively identified to species level: *Eriachne ?ovata* and *Eucalyptus ?eremophila*.

None of the unconfirmed flora taxa were analogous to Priority flora taxa identified by the database searches.

7.1.8 Vegetation Types

The natural and modified vegetation remnants identified during the survey accounted for 0.47 ha (48.6%) of the total Survey Area. Two natural vegetation types, and two modified vegetation types, were described and mapped across one broad landform (Table 14, Figure 13). Two additional mapping units were identified:

- **CL:** Cleared Areas; and
- **RD:** Bitumen Roads.

Detailed site sheets for each relevé are provided in Appendix L.

7.1.9 Vegetation Condition

Vegetation condition within the Survey Area predominantly ranged from Completely Degraded to Good, of the 0.47ha of natural and modified vegetation remnants assessed within the Survey Area (Figure 14), comprising:



- Good (0.18 ha / 39.15%)
- Degraded (0.01 ha / 1.91%)
- Completely Degraded (0.28 ha / 58.94%)

The remaining 0.5ha of the Survey Area comprised previously cleared or modified areas (eg roads and/or infrastructure) that were not assessed for vegetation condition (0.50 ha / 51.4%).



Evidence of disturbance included historical clearing for roads, infrastructure and agricultural activities, as well as weeds.



Table 15: Natural vegetation types recorded in the Southern Survey Area.

Vegetation Unit and Description*	Local Landform	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Sites	Vegetation Condition	Photograph
<p>EsEsCh: <i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>, <i>E. ?eremophila</i>, <i>E. salubris</i> (<i>E. wandoo</i> subsp. <i>wandoo</i>) woodland over <i>Marieana brevifolia</i>, <i>Daviesia aphylla</i> and <i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i> low sparse shrubland over <i>Eriachne ?ovata</i> and <i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i> low sparse grassland.</p>	Gravelly Plain	0.12ha (12.62%)	NARR01	Good to Degraded	
<p>EyCh: <i>Eucalyptus yilgarnensis</i> low woodland over <i>Santalum acuminatum</i> mid sparse shrubland over <i>Marieana brevifolia</i>, <i>M. suadifolia</i> and <i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i> low sparse shrubland over <i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i> and <i>Eriachne ?ovata</i> low sparse grassland.</p>	Gravelly Plain	0.07ha (6.72%)	NARR04	Good to Degraded	



Vegetation Unit and Description*	Local Landform	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Sites	Vegetation Condition	Photograph
<p>RE: <i>Eucalyptus ?astringens</i>, <i>E. ?cylindriflora</i> and <i>E. torquata</i> woodland over <i>Acacia acuminata</i> tall sparse shrubland over <i>Melaleuca ?lanceolata</i> mid sparse shrubland over <i>A. hemiteles</i>, <i>Marieana brevifolia</i> and <i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i> low sparse shrubland over <i>*Poa annua</i> sparse low grassland.</p>	Gravelly Plain	0.01ha (0.62%)	Map notes	Good	
<p>PC: Vegetation no longer intact and the area is completely or almost completely without native species. Flora comprised of crop species, mixed introduced flora with some isolated native trees and shrubs.</p>	Gravelly Plain	0.28ha (28.65%)	Map notes	Completely Degraded	



7.1.10 Vegetation of Significance

The Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt Commonwealth TEC (Eucalypt Woodlands TEC) and its equivalent DBCA-listed PEC, was expected to occur within the survey area, as previously identified by the DBCA database searches (see Section 7.1.2).

The Eucalypt Woodlands TEC was confirmed as occurring at several locations of remnant vegetation within the Survey Area, as a result of in situ field patch assessments and consideration against key diagnostic criteria (see Figure 15, and Appendix M for patch assessment).

A total of 5 remnant vegetation patches represented by the EsEsCh vegetation type were considered to be analogous to the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC, totalling 0.12 ha (12.37%) of the Survey Area.

7.1.11 Vegetation of Other Significance

Vegetation may be of significance for a range of reasons, other than a listing as a TEC or a PEC, including (Environmental Protection Authority, 2016a):

- Vegetation extent being below a threshold level
- Scarcity
- Unusual species
- Novel combinations of species
- A role as a refuge
- A role as a key habitat for threatened species or large populations representing a significant proportion of the local to regional total population of a species
- Being representative of the range of a unit (particularly a good local and/or regional example of a unit in 'prime' habitat, at the extremes of range, recently discovered range extensions, or isolated outliers of the main range); and/or
- A restricted distribution.

No vegetation of other significance was recorded during the survey.



7.2 Vertebrate Fauna

7.2.1 Literature Review

The key findings of the literature review are summarised in Appendix G.

7.2.2 Database Searches

Database searches identified 40 terrestrial vertebrate fauna species potentially occurring within the Survey Area, comprising:

- 21 bird species
- 18 mammal species
- One reptile species

The results of the DBCA Threatened and Priority Fauna database search are mapped in Figure 10. Database searches are displayed in their entirety in Appendix H.

Species listed as Marine only under the EPBC Act, such as the as well as marine dependent species including the have been excluded from the likelihood of occurrence list as there is no marine habitat present within the Survey Area.


7.2.3 Fauna Habitat

One broad fauna habitat (excluding cleared areas) was identified and mapped within the Southern Survey Area (Figure 16). Habitat condition remained consistent throughout the Survey Area, with the most prolific disturbances being clearing for road verge and paddocks.

A description, extent within the Survey Area and a representative photo is provided for each fauna habitat in Table 16. Small discrepancies in fauna habitat extents (ie not adding up to the exact area extent of the Survey Area) are due to rounding. Fauna habitat mapping is presented in Figure 16 and site sheets for each habitat assessment are shown in Appendix I.



Table 16: Fauna Habitats Within the Survey Area

Fauna Habitat	Total Area, Proportion of the Survey Area	Habitat Description	Representative Photo
Trees over paddock	0.19 ha, 20%	<p>Deep sandy loam plains throughout the landscape with remnant or planted eucalypt species over cleared paddock. Microhabitats include tree hollows, leaf litter, peeling bark, and woody debris that provide shelter for a wide range of various fauna species. The most important habitats are the various tree hollows which may provide suitable nesting habitat for black cockatoos. The largest disturbance was the clearing of native understorey for paddock that is still prolific throughout large portions of the Survey Area, as well as litter and weeds.</p>	
Cleared	0.77 ha, 80%		



7.2.4 Fauna Records

The basic terrestrial vertebrate fauna survey recorded a total of five fauna species from four families, comprising four birds, and one reptile.

A list of fauna species recorded during the field survey is presented in Table 17, including the number of times each species was recorded. Fauna record locations are shown in Figure 16.

A full list of fauna species recorded for the Project Area is present in Appendix J.

Table 17: Vertebrate fauna species recorded during the survey effort.

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Abundance
Birds			
Acanthizidae	<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	Yellow-rumped Thornbill	5
	<i>Smicromis brevirostris</i>	Weebill	10
Falconidae	<i>Falco cenchroides</i>	Nankeen Kestrel	1
Psittaculidae	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Australian Ringneck	1
Reptiles			
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra variegata</i>	Variegated Gehyra	1

7.2.5 Significant Fauna

No fauna species of significance (Threatened or Priority), or evidence of these species such as tracks, scats, nest, diggings, burrows or direct sightings were recorded within or directly surrounding the Survey Area.

The post survey results identified Two significant taxa as having a high likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area:

- Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), listed as Other Specially protected under the BC Act.
- Carnaby's Cockatoo (*Calyptorhynchus latirostris*), listed as Endangered under the BC Act and EPBC Act.

No significant taxa were identified as having a medium likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area, and a further 21 significant taxa were assessed as having a low likelihood of occurrence within the Southern Survey Area. Further detail regarding recorded and potential significant fauna is provided below in Table 18.



Table 18: Likelihood of Occurrence Within the Survey Area

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
AVIAN											
Anatidae	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	P4	-			X			Low	The DBCA database identified three records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including two 30 km west in 2000 and one 80 km west in 1980 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (densely vegetated freshwater lakes, swamps, dams) ² .
Ardeidae	<i>Ixobrychus dubius</i>	Australian Little Bittern, Black-backed Bittern	P4	-			X			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 70 km west the Survey Area in 1981 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (freshwater swamps, lakes and rivers with dense beds of <i>Baumea</i> , <i>Typha</i> and other tall rushes) ³ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Cacatuidae	<i>Cacatua pastinator pastinator</i>	Muir's Corella	CD	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified three records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 42 km southwest in 1973 and 1977 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (wheat and sheep farming country, with remnant native forest, woodland, scrub, sandplain heath) ⁴ .
Cacatuidae	<i>Zanda baudinii</i>	Baudin's Cockatoo	EN	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 47 km northwest of the Survey Area in 2004. This was a vouchered specimen and can be considered a confirmed ID ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests, farm trees; feeds on Marri and wood-boring insects) ² .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Cacatuidae	<i>Zanda latirostris</i>	Carnaby's Cockatoo	EN	EN		x	x			High	The DBCA database identified 31 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 2013 and 80 km north in 2018 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests, woodlands, heathlands, farms; feeds on <i>Banksias</i> , <i>Hakeas</i> , and pine plantations) ² .
Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon	OS	-			x			High	The DBCA database identified 31 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 24 km southeast in 2011 and 68 km south in 2015 ¹ . No suitable nesting habitat is present within the Survey Area (most environments with suitable nest sites: cliff faces preferred, including man-made ones, commonly uses stick nests built by other species) ⁵ . Will likely use the Survey Area for hunting.



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU		X	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 436 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 18 km north at an unspecified date and 12 km east in 2017 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (unburned mallee and woodland with abundant litter and low scrub) ² .
Psittaculidae	<i>Pezoporus wallicus flaviventris</i>	Western Ground Parrot	CR	CR			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one historic record 80 km north of the Survey Area ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area - It occurs mostly in coastal heathland or sedgeland with very dense cover and a high density of the parrot's food plants ⁶ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Psittaculidae	<i>Platycercus icterotis xanthogenys</i>	Western Rosella	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified four records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 20 km southeast in 2008 and 22 km southeast in 1982 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (salmon gum and wandoo woodlands, farmlands; less common in heavy wet Karri and Jarrah; scarce on sandy west coastal plain) ⁵ .
Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Curlew Sandpiper	CR	CR, MI, MA (overfly marine area)		X	x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 35 km south of the Survey Area in 2001 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (inter-tidal mudflats of estuaries, lagoons, mangrove channels, dams, floodwaters, flooded saltbush surrounds of inland lakes) ² .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Strigidae	<i>Ninox connivens connivens</i>	Barking Owl	P3 (southwest subpop.)	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record within 65 km east of the Survey Area in 1968 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests and woodlands with large old hollow bearing trees for nesting) ⁵ . This Subspecies is isolated from the eastern and northern populations and there are currently no sound recordings or photographs of wild populations ⁷ .
MAMMALIAN											
Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroii fortis</i>	Western Quoll, Chuditch	VU	VU		x	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 13 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 22 km southeast in 1972 and 58 km northeast in 2016 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (sclerophyll forest or drier



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
											woodland, heath, and mallee shrubland) ⁸ .
Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed Phascogale , Kenngoor	CD	VU		x	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 96 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 30 km north in 1990 and 12 km north in 2015 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary and does not accurately represent the abundance of this species within the Survey Area. No suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (Allocasuarina woodlands with hollow-containing eucalypts (eg <i>Eucalyptus wandoo</i>) and <i>Gastrolobium</i> spp.; prefers vegetation not burnt for at least 20 years) ⁸ .
Macropodidae	<i>Lagostrophus fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Banded Hare-	VU	VU			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 10 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 12 km



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
		wallaby, Mernine									north in 2015 and 14 km north in 2018 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within this landscape anymore. Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area - Common among dense thickets of Acacia and Alectryon scrub on the sandplains, and Diplolaena and Acacia on the dunes ⁵ .
Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar Wallaby	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 28 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 40 km north in 2013 and 55 km southwest in 1999 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (coastal scrub, heath, dry sclerophyll forest and thickets in mallee and woodland) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	Western Brush Wallaby	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 13 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 19 km south in 1977 and 67 km southeast in 2011 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (open forest and woodland, open seasonally wet flats) ⁸ .
Macropodidae	<i>Petrogale lateralis lateralis</i>	Black-footed Rock-wallaby	EN	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 520 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 44 km west in 1969 and 69 km west in 2014 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (shelters in rock crevices and caves; feeds on grasses and forbs) ⁹ . Not often found far from rocky outcrops, of which there are none close to the Survey Area.



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western Mouse	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 48 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 20 km south in 1975 and 21 km southeast in 1993 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (patches of extremely dense vegetation within sparse low shrubland, tall dense shrubland, sparse to dense shrub mallee and mid-dense woodland; prefers long unburnt habitat (between 30 and 50 years) on sandy clay loam or sandy loam) ⁸ .
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys shortridgei</i>	Heath Mouse, Dayang	VU	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 68 km southeast of the Survey Area in 2018 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (taller scrubland associated with mallee trees and climax heath assemblages in undisturbed areas) ⁹ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Myrmecobiidae	<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Numbat, Walpurti	EN	EN			X			Low	The DBCA database identified 18 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 45 km southwest in 1970 and 66 km south in 1983 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (Jarrah forests, Wandoo woodlands; requires hollow logs and branches for shelter and termites for food) ⁸ .
Peramelidae	<i>Isoodon fusciventer</i>	Quenda	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 18 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 12 km north in 2018 and 14 km north in 2011 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within the landscape anymore. Suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (sandy soils with dense heathy vegetation) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Brush-tailed Bettong, Woylie	CR	EN (as <i>B. penicillata ogilbyi</i>)			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 26 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 2018 and 14 km north in 2016 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within this landscape anymore. No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (areas dominated by <i>Gastrolobium</i> thickets) ⁸ .
Thylacomyidae	<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>	Bilby, Dalgyte	VU	VU			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 21 historic records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 15 km southeast in 1957 and 32 km south in 1967 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (Mitchell grass and stony downs country of cracking clays, desert sandplains and dune fields sometimes containing laterite, hummock grassland and



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
											massive red earths with <i>Acacia</i> shrubland) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
AVIAN											
Anatidae	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	P4	-			X			Low	The DBCA database identified three records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including two 30 km west in 2000 and one 80 km west in 1980 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (densely vegetated freshwater lakes, swamps, dams) ² .
Ardeidae	<i>Ixobrychus dubius</i>	Australian Little Bittern, Black-backed Bittern	P4	-			X			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 70 km west the Survey Area in 1981 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (freshwater swamps, lakes and rivers with dense beds of <i>Baumea</i> , <i>Typha</i> and other tall rushes) ³ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Cacatuidae	<i>Cacatua pastinator pastinator</i>	Muir's Corella	CD	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified three records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 42 km southwest in 1973 and 1977 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (wheat and sheep farming country, with remnant native forest, woodland, scrub, sandplain heath) ⁴ .
Cacatuidae	<i>Zanda baudinii</i>	Baudin's Cockatoo	EN	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 47 km northwest of the Survey Area in 2004. This was a vouchered specimen and can be considered a confirmed ID ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests, farm trees; feeds on Marri and wood-boring insects) ² .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Cacatuidae	<i>Zanda latirostris</i>	Carnaby's Cockatoo	EN	EN		x	x			High	The DBCA database identified 31 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 2013 and 80 km north in 2018 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests, woodlands, heathlands, farms; feeds on <i>Banksias</i> , <i>Hakeas</i> , and pine plantations) ² .
Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon	OS	-			x			High	The DBCA database identified 31 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 24 km southeast in 2011 and 68 km south in 2015 ¹ . No suitable nesting habitat is present within the Survey Area (most environments with suitable nest sites: cliff faces preferred, including man-made ones, commonly uses stick nests built by other species) ⁵ . Will likely use the Survey Area for hunting.



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU		X	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 436 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 18 km north at an unspecified date and 12 km east in 2017 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (unburned mallee and woodland with abundant litter and low scrub) ² .
Psittaculidae	<i>Pezoporus wallicus flaviventris</i>	Western Ground Parrot	CR	CR			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one historic record 80 km north of the Survey Area ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area - It occurs mostly in coastal heathland or sedgeland with very dense cover and a high density of the parrot's food plants ⁶ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Psittaculidae	<i>Platycercus icterotis xanthogenys</i>	Western Rosella	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified four records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 20 km southeast in 2008 and 22 km southeast in 1982 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (salmon gum and wandoo woodlands, farmlands; less common in heavy wet Karri and Jarrah; scarce on sandy west coastal plain) ⁵ .
Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Curlew Sandpiper	CR	CR, MI, MA (overfly marine area)		X	x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 35 km south of the Survey Area in 2001 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (inter-tidal mudflats of estuaries, lagoons, mangrove channels, dams, floodwaters, flooded saltbush surrounds of inland lakes) ² .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Strigidae	<i>Ninox connivens connivens</i>	Barking Owl	P3 (southwest subpop.)	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record within 65 km east of the Survey Area in 1968 ¹ . Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (forests and woodlands with large old hollow bearing trees for nesting) ⁵ . This Subspecies is isolated from the eastern and northern populations and there are currently no sound recordings or photographs of wild populations ⁷ .
MAMMALIAN											
Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroii fortis</i>	Western Quoll, Chuditch	VU	VU		x	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 13 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 22 km southeast in 1972 and 58 km northeast in 2016 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (sclerophyll forest or drier



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
											woodland, heath, and mallee shrubland) ⁸ .
Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed Phascogale , Kenngoor	CD	VU		x	x			Low	The DBCA database identified 96 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 30 km north in 1990 and 12 km north in 2015 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary and does not accurately represent the abundance of this species within the Survey Area. No suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (Allocasuarina woodlands with hollow-containing eucalypts (eg <i>Eucalyptus wandoo</i>) and <i>Gastrolobium</i> spp.; prefers vegetation not burnt for at least 20 years) ⁸ .
Macropodidae	<i>Lagostrophus fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Banded Hare-	VU	VU			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 10 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 12 km



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
		wallaby, Mernine									north in 2015 and 14 km north in 2018 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within this landscape anymore. Suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area - Common among dense thickets of Acacia and Alectryon scrub on the sandplains, and Diplolaena and Acacia on the dunes ⁵ .
Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar Wallaby	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 28 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 40 km north in 2013 and 55 km southwest in 1999 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (coastal scrub, heath, dry sclerophyll forest and thickets in mallee and woodland) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	Western Brush Wallaby	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 13 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 19 km south in 1977 and 67 km southeast in 2011 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present within the Survey Area (open forest and woodland, open seasonally wet flats) ⁸ .
Macropodidae	<i>Petrogale lateralis lateralis</i>	Black-footed Rock-wallaby	EN	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 520 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 44 km west in 1969 and 69 km west in 2014 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (shelters in rock crevices and caves; feeds on grasses and forbs) ⁹ . Not often found far from rocky outcrops, of which there are none close to the Survey Area.



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western Mouse	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 48 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 20 km south in 1975 and 21 km southeast in 1993 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (patches of extremely dense vegetation within sparse low shrubland, tall dense shrubland, sparse to dense shrub mallee and mid-dense woodland; prefers long unburnt habitat (between 30 and 50 years) on sandy clay loam or sandy loam) ⁸ .
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys shortridgei</i>	Heath Mouse, Dayang	VU	EN			x			Low	The DBCA database identified one record 68 km southeast of the Survey Area in 2018 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (taller scrubland associated with mallee trees and climax heath assemblages in undisturbed areas) ⁹ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Myrmecobiidae	<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Numbat, Walpurti	EN	EN			X			Low	The DBCA database identified 18 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 45 km southwest in 1970 and 66 km south in 1983 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (Jarrah forests, Wandoo woodlands; requires hollow logs and branches for shelter and termites for food) ⁸ .
Peramelidae	<i>Isoodon fusciventer</i>	Quenda	P4	-			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 18 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 12 km north in 2018 and 14 km north in 2011 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within the landscape anymore. Suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (sandy soils with dense heathy vegetation) ⁸ .



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Brush-tailed Bettong, Woylie	CR	EN (as <i>B. penicillata ogilbyi</i>)			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 26 records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 14 km north in 2018 and 14 km north in 2016 ¹ . These records are from Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary, this species does not naturally occur within this landscape anymore. No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (areas dominated by <i>Gastrolobium</i> thickets) ⁸ .
Thylacomyidae	<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>	Bilby, Dalgyte	VU	VU			x			Low	The DBCA database identified 21 historic records within 80 km of the Survey Area, including 15 km southeast in 1957 and 32 km south in 1967 ¹ . No suitable habitat is present in the Survey Area (Mitchell grass and stony downs country of cracking clays, desert sandplains and dune fields sometimes containing laterite, hummock grassland and



Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Source					Likelihood of Occurrence	Justification
			State	Federal	NM	PMST	DBCA	DBCA 15	Field Survey		
											massive red earths with <i>Acacia</i> shrubland) ⁸ .

1 – Department of Biodiversity, Conservation, and Attractions, 2023. 2 – Morcombe, 2003. 3 – Johnstone & Storr, 1998. 4 – Pizzey & Knight, 2001. 5 – Menkhorst, et al., 2017. 6 – Higgins, 1999. 7 – Davis, et al., 2022. 8 – Van Dyck & Strahan, 2008. 9 – Menkhorst & Knight, 2011.



7.3 Black Cockatoo Assessment

7.3.1 Desktop Assessment

The Survey Area occurs within the modelled distribution of the Carnaby's Cockatoo but is outside the modelled distribution of the Baudin's Cockatoo and Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo (DAWE, 2022b). The DBCA database search identified 31 Carnaby's Cockatoos and 11 'White-tailed Black Cockatoos', which we can assume are Carnaby's Cockatoos, were recorded within a 80 km radius of the Survey Area (Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, 2022a). One Baudin's Cockatoo was identified, but given it is unlikely to occur within this area it is likely a mistaken Carnaby's Cockatoo.

7.3.2 Black Cockatoo Observations

No black cockatoos, or evidence of, were recorded either inside the Survey Area or flying overhead during the field survey.

7.3.3 Nesting Habitat

The black cockatoo habitat assessment identified six potential nesting trees with a DBH greater than 500 mm which constitute potential nesting trees (Figure 17), comprising:

- Three Salmon Gums (*Eucalyptus salmonophloia*)
- Two Wandoo (*Eucalyptus wandoo subsp. wandoo*)
- One Merrit (*Eucalyptus urna*).

Two trees were found to contain multiple hollows (six total, three in each tree) which were suitable for black cockatoo nesting (Figure 17). Internal hollow inspections to determine occupancy or previous use by black cockatoos was not included in the scope of works for project.

7.3.4 Night Roosting Habitat

No direct sightings of roosting black cockatoos were made during the survey. All six trees recorded as potential nesting trees may also be suitable for roosting (Figure 17).

7.3.5 Foraging Habitat

A total of approximately 0.192 ha of low quality Carnaby's Cockatoo foraging habitat was recorded, comprising native eucalypt species (*E. salmonophloia*, *E. capillosa*, *E. urna*) (Figure 17). The results of the foraging quality scoring tool are calculated using criteria from the *Referral guideline for 3 WA threatened black cockatoo species* (DAWE, 2022b) and are summarised in Table 19.



Table 19: Foraging Habitat Scoring Tool

Species	Starting Habitat Score	Foraging Potential	Connectivity	Proximity to Breeding	Proximity to Roosting	Impact from Disease	Total Score	Quality
Carnaby's Cockatoo	10	-2	0	-2	-2	0	4	Low

8.0 Discussion for the Southern Survey Area

8.1 Flora and Vegetation

8.1.1 Flora Composition

The suite of flora taxa recorded during the survey is considered typical for the Western Mallee (MAL02) subregion and aligns with the database search results obtained.

Despite the below-average rainfall recorded for the three months prior to commencing the survey, and a particularly dry May, the perennial floristic diversity was considered within the expected range for the bioregion for the timing of the survey undertaken. The lower than average rainfall preceding the survey is likely to have reduced the annual and ephemeral flora observed.

8.1.2 Survey Adequacy

The flora and vegetation survey effort was completed in accordance with the EPA Technical Guidance (EPA, 2016) for a reconnaissance level flora and vegetation survey within the South-West Botanical Province, and was appropriate for the scope of works given the level of disturbance and the linear nature of the Survey Area. The inventory of vascular flora was compiled using site data and opportunistic observations while traversing the Survey Area and undertaking the assessment of 2 relevés and 11 map notes. The entire Survey Area was not systematically searched, and therefore additional flora taxa, and records of significant flora and weed species may be recorded with additional survey effort.

8.1.3 Flora of Significance

No Threatened flora species pursuant to the EPBC Act 1999 and/or gazetted as Threatened Flora pursuant to the BC Act 2016 were identified by the database searches or recorded within the Survey Area. No Priority species as listed by DBCA were recorded within the Survey Area.

The review of the database searches identified 67 significant flora as potentially occurring within 40km of the Survey Area. Of these, 16 are classed as Threatened by the State and also listed under the EBPC Act, 14 as Priority 1, 20 as Priority 2, 64 as Priority 3 and 16 as Priority 4.

Prior to the survey, four species were considered to have a high likelihood of occurrence, and 23 additional species were considered to have a medium likelihood of occurrence. A post



likelihood of occurrence survey assessment resulted in all species being downgraded to low, based on the intensity of survey applied, and close inspection of suitable habitats.

8.1.4 Introduced Flora

Five weed species were recorded in the Survey Area; however, none are listed as WoNS or DPs. All weed species recorded have a legal status of Permitted – s11, and do not have an assigned control category.

Weed species richness and abundance was greatest along roadsides and in previously cleared areas. The survey was undertaken after a period of below average rainfall, and the Survey Area was not systematically grid searched. Additional weed species and abundance could be recorded following significant rainfall and with greater survey effort.

8.1.5 Vegetation Types

Mapping reliability was high as the Survey Area was able to be walked in its entirety.

Two natural vegetation types, and two modified vegetation types, were described and mapped across one broad landform (plains).

The EsEsCh vegetation type was the most common within the Survey Area (0.12 ha, 12.62%), and is dominated by *Eucalyptus salmonophloia*, *E. salubris* and/or *E. wandoo* subsp. *wandoo* woodlands over Chenopodiaceae shrubs and sparse native grasses.

The EyCh vegetation type was represented by *Eucalyptus yilgarnensis* woodlands over *Santalum acuminatum* mid sparse shrublands, with Chenopodiaceae shrubs and sparse native grasses, and 0.07 ha (6.72%) was mapped for the Survey Area.

A small portion of the survey area (0.01 ha, 0.62%) was mapped as the RE vegetation type, which represented planted, revegetated or naturally regenerated patches of vegetation, particularly along roadsides.

The Parkland Cleared (PC) vegetation type represented roadside areas where native vegetation structure was absent, however occasional native shrubs and grasses were present. These areas were dominated by common agricultural weeds and represented 28.65% (0.28 ha) of the Survey Area.

8.1.6 Vegetation Condition

Within the entirety of the survey area, vegetation condition ranged from Completely Degraded to Good, with the majority (0.28 ha) of assessed vegetation considered to be in Completely Degraded condition, reflecting the modified nature of the roadside landscape, represented by the Parkland Cleared (PC) vegetation type.

The two natural vegetation types ranged in vegetation condition from Degraded to Good, with the majority classified as Good condition.

No vegetation within the survey area was considered to have a 'Pristine' condition ranking, and areas mapped as the 'RD' vegetation type (representing Bitumen Roads) were automatically assigned the 'Cleared' vegetation condition ranking.



Dense patches of herbaceous weed species occurred through the entirety of the survey area along roadsides and cleared areas, and no attempt was made to catalogue the full suite of introduced species encountered.

8.1.7 Vegetation of Significance

The Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt Commonwealth TEC (Eucalypt Woodlands TEC) and its equivalent DBCA-listed PEC, was expected to occur within the survey area, as previously identified by the DBCA database searches (see Section 7.1.2).

The Eucalypt Woodlands TEC and its equivalent DBCA-listed PEC was confirmed as occurring at several locations of remnant vegetation within the Survey Area, as a result of 8 in situ field patch assessments and consideration against key diagnostic criteria (see Appendix M).

A patch is a discrete and mostly continuous area of the ecological community, which may include small-scale gaps (<50 m), given the generally open nature of the tree canopy. As the vegetation occurred along roadsides, a minimum patch width of 5m is applied. The width is based on the native understorey component rather than width of the tree canopy (DEE, 2015).

A total of 5 remnant vegetation patches represented by the EsEsCh vegetation type was considered to be representative of the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC, totalling 0.12 ha (12.37%) of the Survey Area.

Three of the eight patches did not fit the criteria and/or possessed one or more of the contra-indicators outlined in the Approved Conservation Advice (see Table 5):

- Patches 6, 7 and 8, represented by the EyCh vegetation type, did not meet the criteria for assessment against condition thresholds due to *Eucalyptus yilgarnensis* being the dominant Eucalypt species. This taxa occurs as a mallee growth form and is not considered part of the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC (DEE, 2015).

8.2 Vertebrate Fauna

8.2.1 Fauna Habitat

The fauna habitats identified in the Survey Area appears to be common in the immediate vicinity of the Survey Area and is typical of the vegetation within the Avon Wheatbelt and Mallee bioregions and the Merredin (AVW01) and Western Mallee (MAL02) subregions. The Merredin (AVW01) subregion is characterised as having mixed eucalypts, Allocasuarina huegeliana, and Jam-York Gum woodlands on quaternary alluvial and colluvial soils. The Western Mallee (MAL02) subregion is characterised as having mallee over myrtaceous-proteaceous heaths on duplex soils.

The significant bird species Carnaby's Cockatoo may use the Survey Area for foraging and are likely to use it for nesting as there are suitable nesting hollows present. Peregrine Falcon may also use the Survey Area for hunting.

8.2.2 Significant Fauna

8.2.2.1 High Likelihood of Occurring Within the Survey Area

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*)



The Peregrine Falcon is an uncommon but wide-ranging bird across Australia (Barrett et al., 2003). It occurs mainly along rivers and ranges as well as wooded watercourses and lakes. It nests primarily on cliffs, granite outcrops and quarries, although is also known to occupy existing raptor and corvid stick nests. The diet of the Peregrine Falcon has been well studied and primarily includes flocking species such as parrots, pigeons and on the east coast, European Starlings (Olsen & Fuentes, 2008).

The Peregrine Falcon was not recorded within the Survey Area, however, there are 31 DBCA records nearby. The Peregrine Falcon typically nests on cliff ledges or in refurbished nests built by other raptors or corvids (Pizzey & Knight, 2013) which are not present within the Survey Area. All habitats within the Survey Area may be used for hunting and are likely contain preferred prey species.

8.3 Black Cockatoo Assessment

The Survey Area occurs within the modelled breeding range of the Carnaby's Cockatoo but is outside the occurrence range of the Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo and Baudin's Cockatoo. The Carnaby's Cockatoo has multiple records nearby which means there is a high likelihood that this species may use the foraging and nesting habitats within the Survey Area.

8.3.1 Nesting Habitat

The field survey recorded a total of six potential nesting trees, two of which had multiple hollows (six total, three per tree) that are potentially suitable for black cockatoo nesting. Hollow inspections were not included in the scope of works and were not carried out to confirm or rule out whether there was any current or previous use by black cockatoos. Given the presence of a confirmed Carnaby's Cockatoo breeding area within 80 km of the Survey Area, these hollows have the potential to be used by Carnaby's Cockatoos in the future (DAWE, 2022b).

8.3.2 Night Roosting Habitat

A total of six roosting trees (tall trees regardless of species) were recorded within the Survey Area. The DBCA database search results indicate that no known Carnaby's Cockatoo roosting site occurs within 80 km of the Survey Area. There are also several watering points around the Survey Area which may be utilised by black cockatoos during roosting.

8.3.3 Foraging Habitat

The foraging habitat (0.192 ha) within the Survey Area was identified as Eucalypt woodland and was calculated to be of low-quality for Carnaby's Cockatoo using the foraging habitat scoring tool in the *Referral guideline for 3 WA threatened black cockatoo species* (DAWE, 2022b). Evidence of foraging (feeding debris) was not found inside the Survey Area.



9.0 Conclusion

9.1 Northern Survey Area (Kondinin – Narembeen Road SLK 19 to SLK 23)

Flora and Vegetation

- No Threatened flora species pursuant to the EPBC Act 1999 and/or gazetted as Threatened/Declared Rare Flora pursuant to the BC Act 2016 were recorded during the survey
- No DBCA listed Priority flora were recorded.
- Seven introduced species were recorded during the survey. None of these represented WoNS or Declared Pests
- Five natural vegetation types were mapped within the Survey Area.
- Six remnant vegetation patches represented by the EsEsCh and EmEuEw vegetation types were considered to be analogous with the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC, totalling 0.27 ha.

Vertebrate Fauna

- Three fauna habitats were mapped, of which Eucalyptus Woodland represents the most value to significant fauna and overall fauna assemblages
- No significant fauna species were recorded during the fauna surveys
- Three significant species were recorded as having a high likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area, Carnaby's Cockatoo (*Zanda latirostris*), Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), and Malleefowl (*Leipoa ocellata*).
- One introduced species was recorded during the survey, Dingo / Dog (*Canis lupis*).

Black Cockatoo

- A total of 26 trees with a DBH of greater than 500 mm were recorded
- One tree was found to contain two hollows that are potentially suitable for black cockatoo nesting
- A total of 20.5 ha of low-quality Carnaby's Cockatoo foraging habitat was recorded, which also constitutes roosting habitat.

9.2 Southern Survey Area (Kondinin – Narembeen Rd, Cheethams Rd, and South Kuminin Rd Intersection)

Flora and Vegetation

- No Threatened flora species pursuant to the EPBC Act 1999 and/or gazetted as Threatened/Declared Rare Flora pursuant to the BC Act 2016 were recorded during the survey
- No DBCA listed Priority flora were recorded.



- Five introduced species were recorded during the survey. None of these represented WoNS or Declared Pests
- Two natural vegetation types were identified within the Survey Area.
- Six mapped areas representing five remnant vegetation patches represented by the EsEsCh vegetation type were considered to be analogous with the Eucalypt Woodlands TEC, totalling 0.12 ha.

Vertebrate Fauna

- One fauna habitat was mapped over the whole Survey Area, Trees Over Paddock
- No significant fauna species were recorded during the fauna surveys
- Two significant species were recorded as having a high likelihood of occurrence within the Survey Area, Carnaby's Cockatoo (*Zanda latirostris*), Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*)
- No introduced species were recorded during the survey

Black Cockatoo

- A total of six trees with a DBH of greater than 500 mm were recorded
- Two trees were found to contain six hollows (three hollows in each tree) that are potentially suitable for black cockatoo nesting
- A total of 0.192 ha of low-quality Carnaby's Cockatoo foraging habitat was recorded, which also constitutes roosting habitat.



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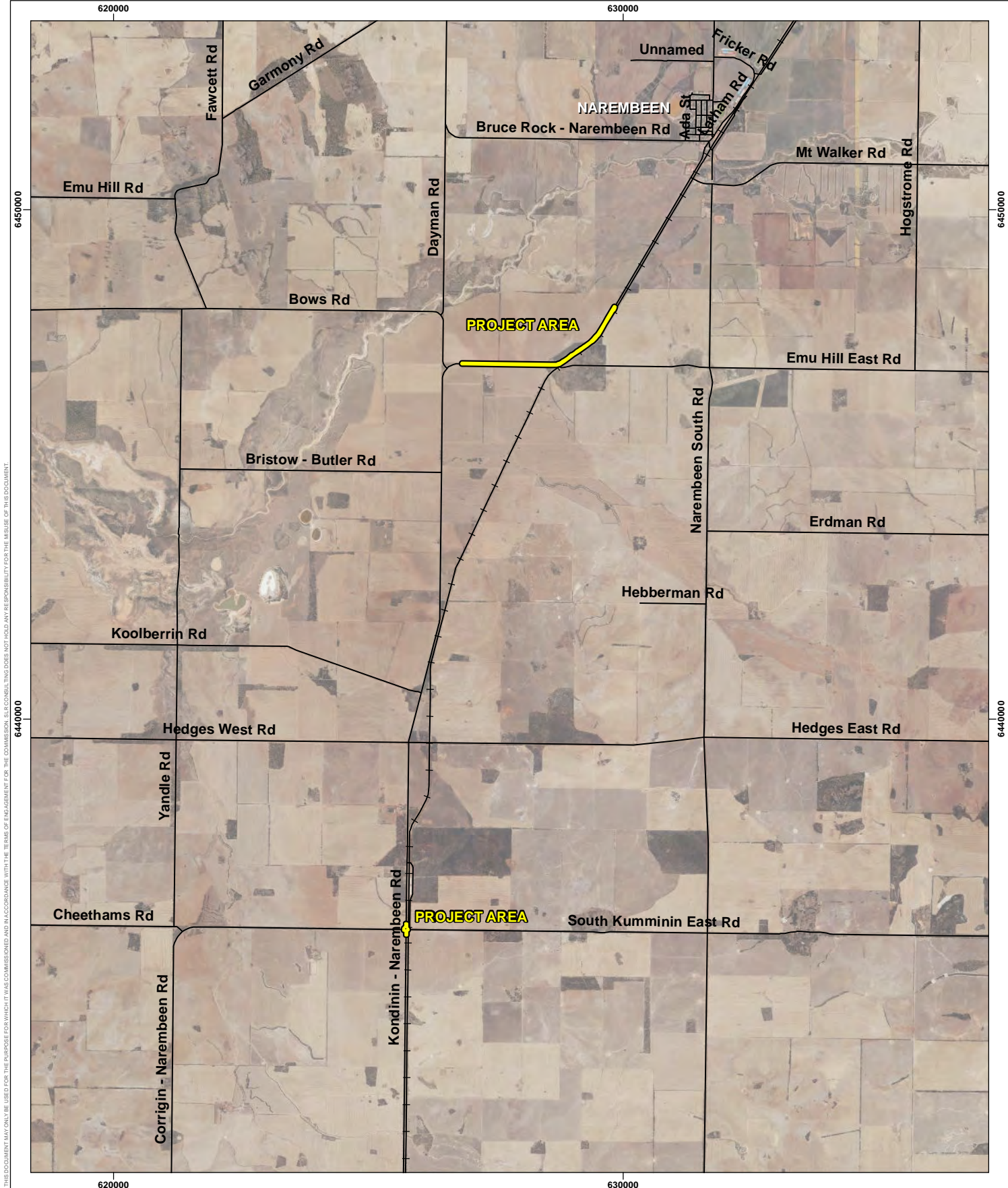
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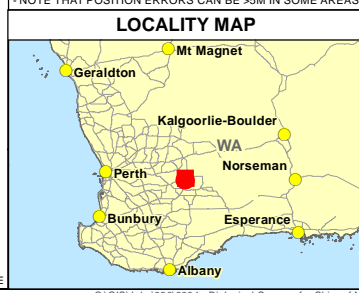


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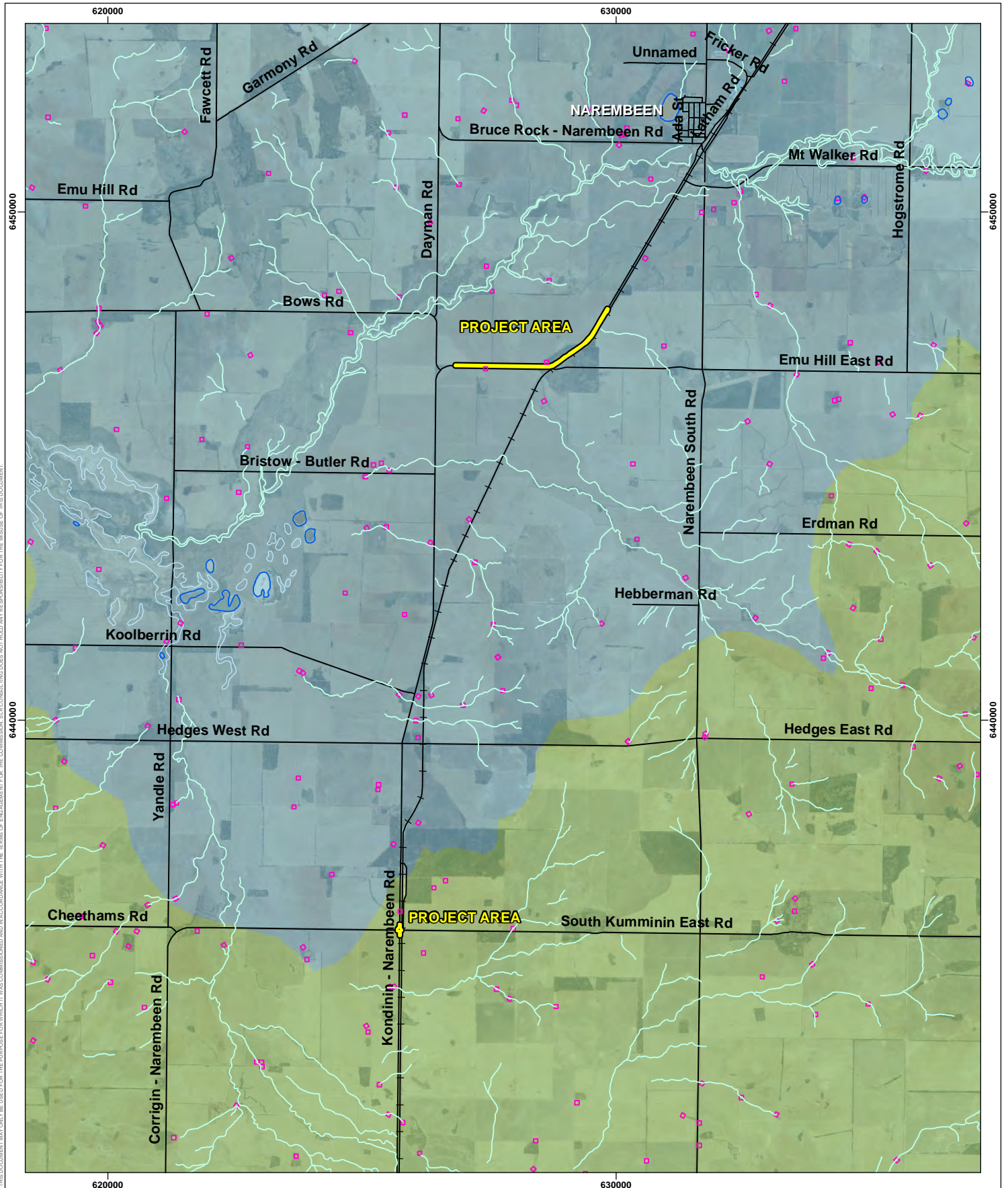
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Figure 1
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- Project Area
- Road
- Railway
- Watercourse - minor, non-perennial
- Lake - non-perennial
- Area Subject to Inundation
- Earth Dam

IBRA7 Regions

- Avon Wheatbelt
- Mallee

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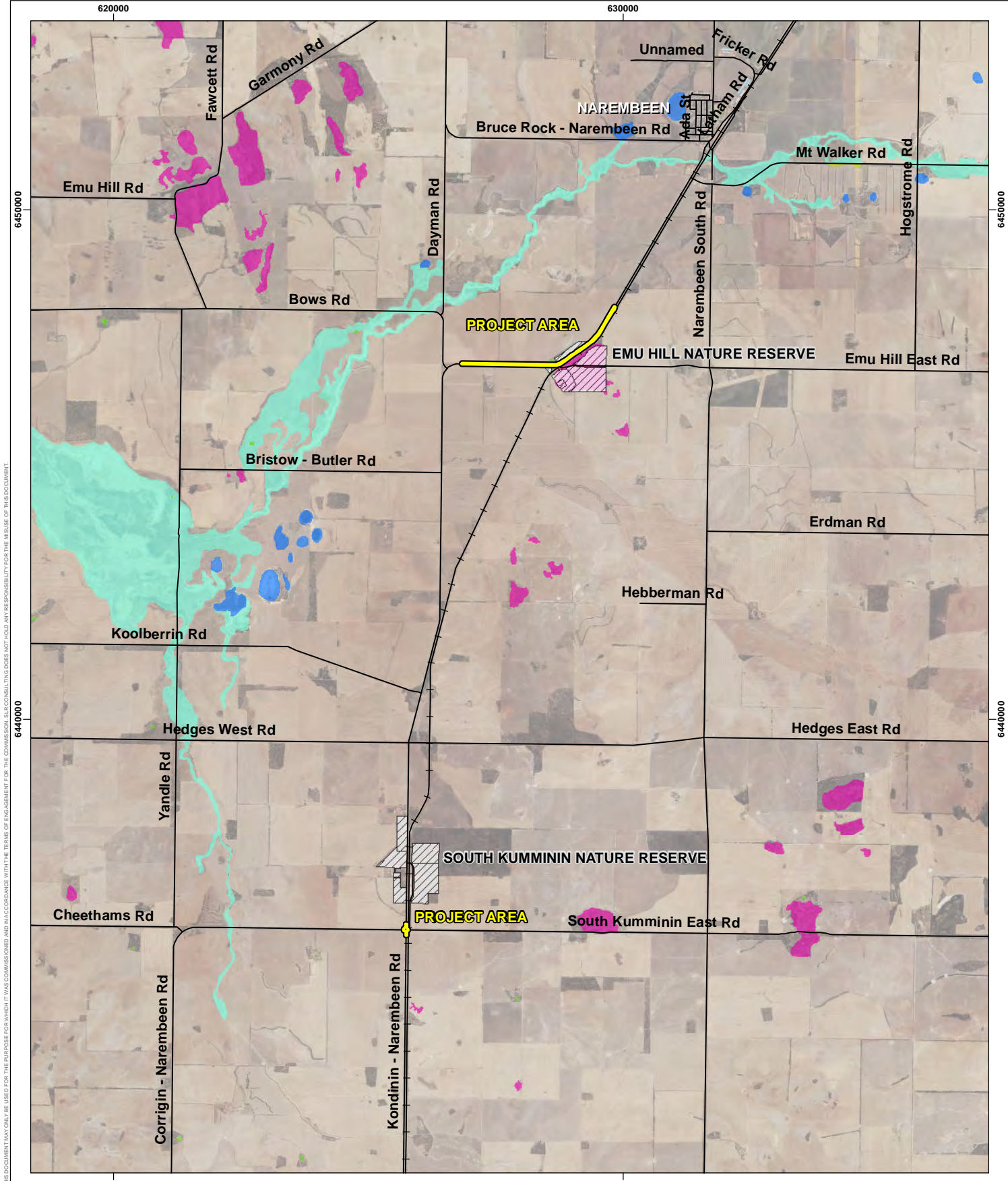
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IBRA Regions and Hydrography

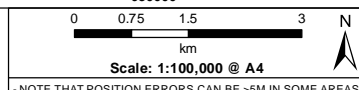
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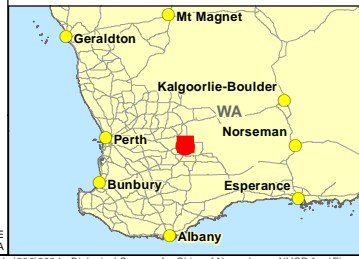


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- Project Area
- Road
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- Legislated Lands and Waters
- Nature Reserve
- Basin
- Channel
- Flat
- Granite outcrop
- Reservoir



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Figure 3
Conservation and Environmentally Sensitive Areas

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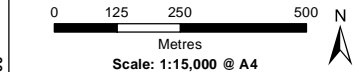
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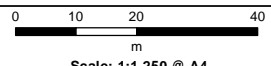
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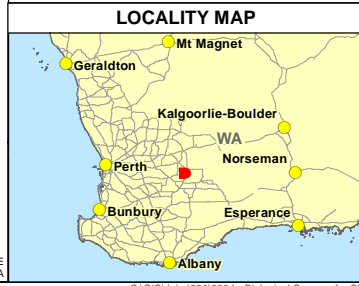
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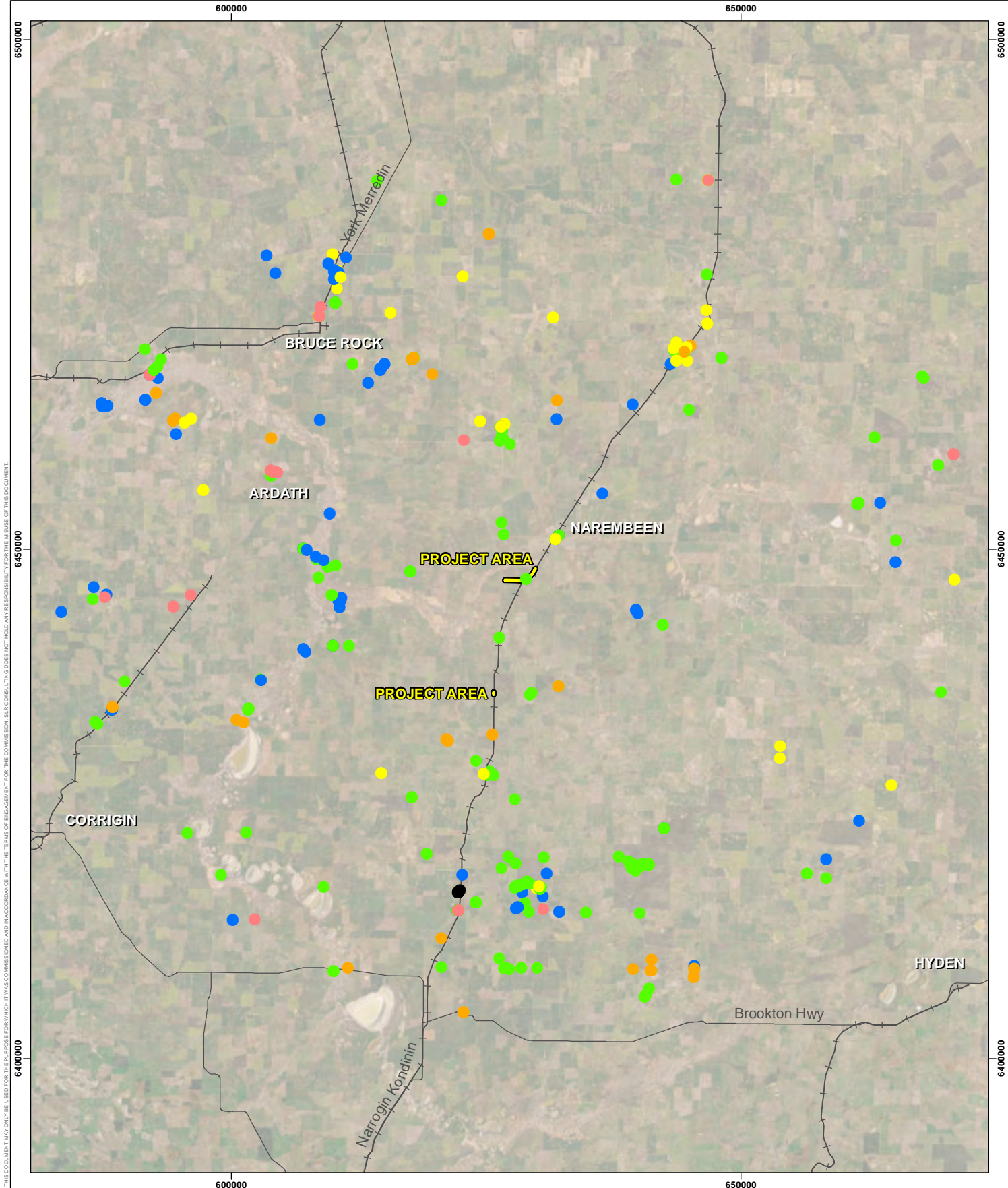
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Figure 4b
Survey Effort

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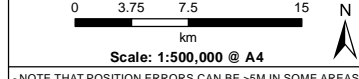
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Project Area

Railway

DBCAs Threatened and Priority Flora Locations

- Extinct
- Threatened
- Priority 1
- Priority 2
- Priority 3
- Priority 4



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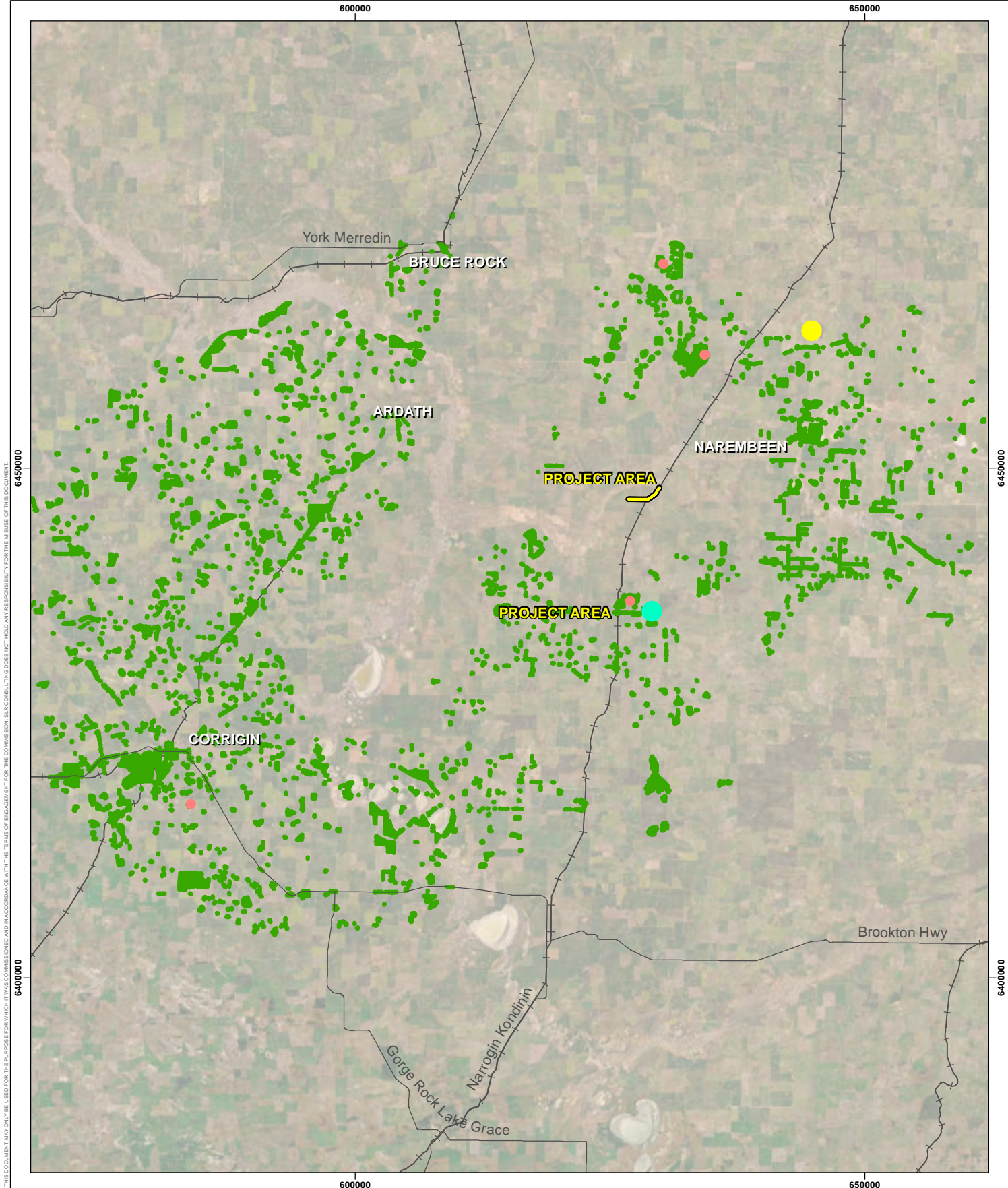
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Figure 5
Threatened and Priority Flora Locations Identified by DBCA Database Searches

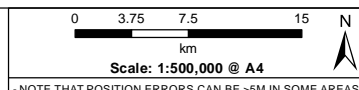
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Legend

- Project Area
- Railway
- DBCA Threatened and Priority Ecological Communities
 - Gimlet Woodlands
 - Salmon Gum Woodlands
 - Wheatbelt Woodlands
 - York Gum Woodlands



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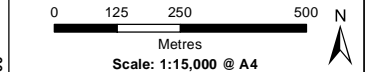
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- Legend**
- Project Area
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- Vegetation Types**
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 - EmEuEw
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 - PC
 - RE
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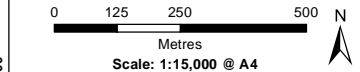
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Figure 7
Vegetation Types and Significant Flora Recorded in the Northern Area



- Legend**
- Project Area
 - Railway
- Vegetation Condition**
- Very Good - Good
 - Good
 - Degraded
 - Completely Degraded
 - Road

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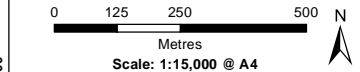
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 Vegetation Condition Mapping of the Northern Area



- Legend**
- Project Area
 - Railway
 - Threatened Ecological Communities Patch

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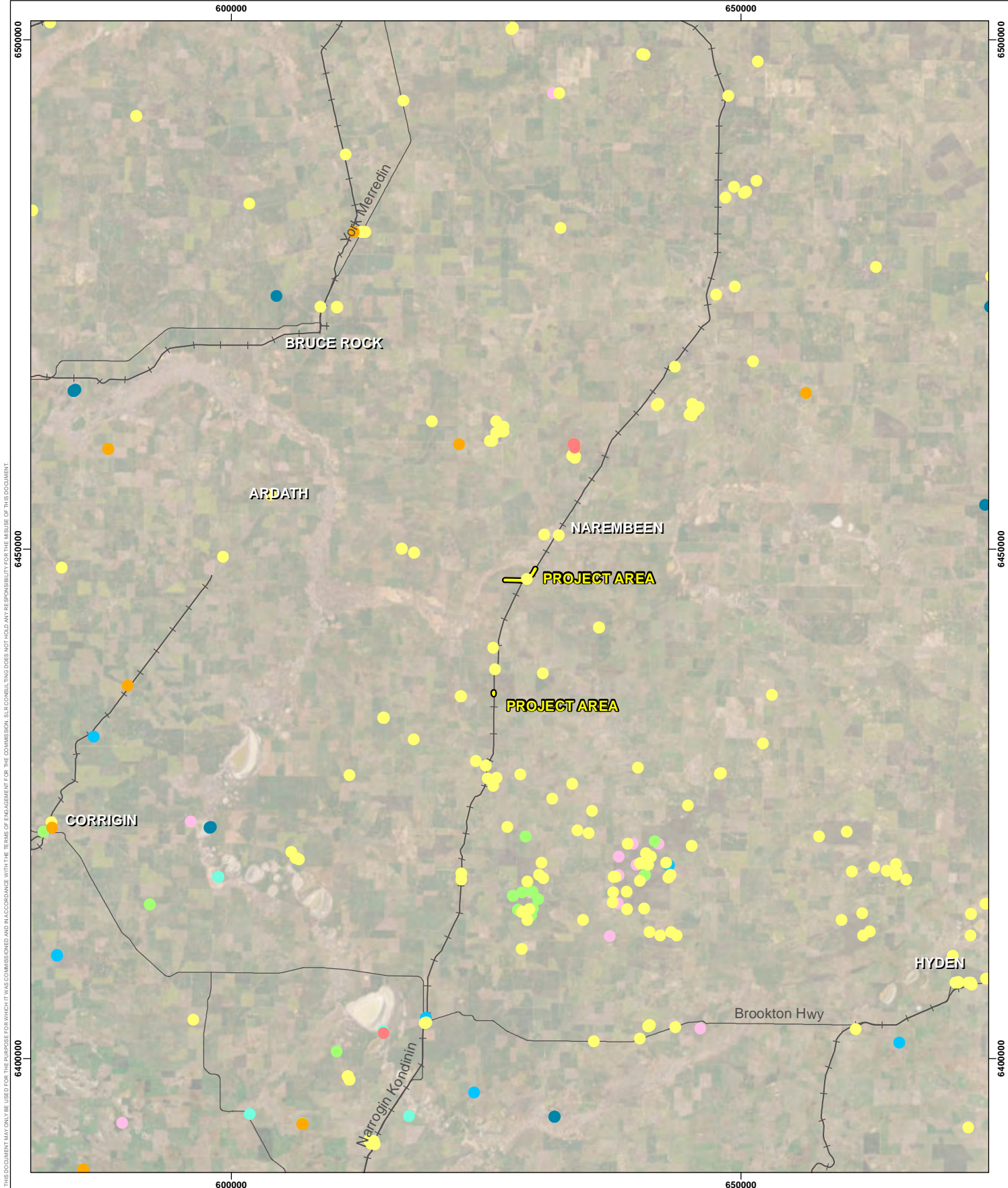


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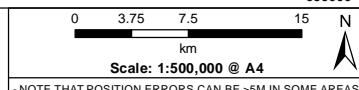
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Figure 9
 Threatened Ecological Communities Patch Mapping of the Northern Area



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- Project Area
- Railway
- DBCA Threatened and Priority Fauna Locations
- Extinct
- Threatened - Critically Endangered
- Threatened - Endangered
- Threatened - Vulnerable
- Specially Protected - Conservation Dependent
- Specially Protected - Migratory
- Specially Protected - Other Specially Protected
- Priority 1
- Priority 3
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Threatened and Priority Fauna Locations Identified by DBCA Database Searches

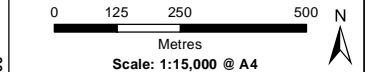
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- Legend**
- Project Area
 - Railway
- Fauna Habitat**
- Trees over native understorey
 - Trees over paddock
 - Heathland/scrubland
 - Cleared
- Terrestrial Vertebrate**
- Barnardius zonarius
 - Canis lupus
 - Coracina novaehollandiae
 - Corvus bennetti
 - Corvus coronoides
 - Eolophus roseicapilla
 - Gymnorhina tibicen
 - Rhipidura albiscapa

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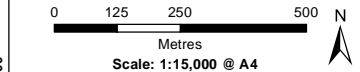
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Figure 11
Fauna Habitats and Fauna Records Within the Northern Survey Area



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- Project Area
 - Railway
- Black Cockatoo Assessment**
- Low Quality Black Cockatoo Foraging Habitat
 - + Black Morrel (*Eucalyptus melanoxylon*)
 - + Merrit (*Eucalyptus urna*)
 - + Salmon Gum (*Eucalyptus Salmonophloia*)
 - + Wheatbelt Wandoo (*Eucalyptus capillosa*)
 - + Yorrel (*Eucalyptus yilgarnensis*)

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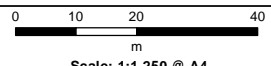
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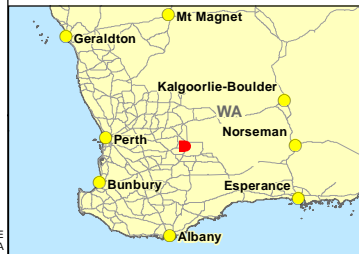


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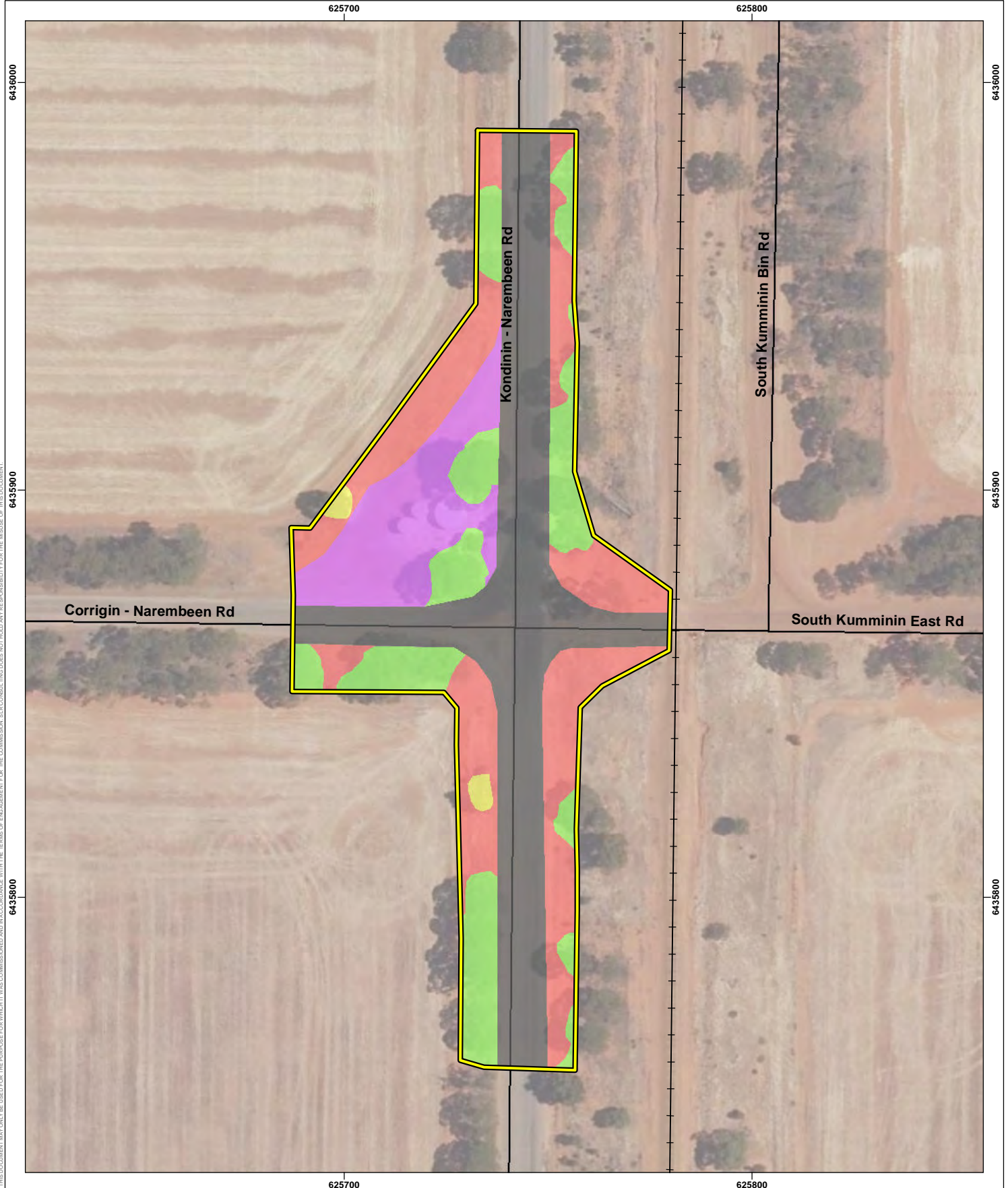


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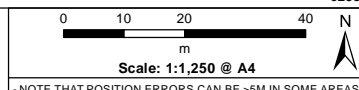
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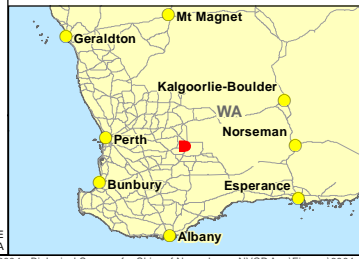
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Vegetation Condition Mapping of the Southern Survey Area

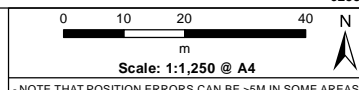
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Legend

- Project Area
- Road
- Railway
- Threatened Ecological Communities Patch



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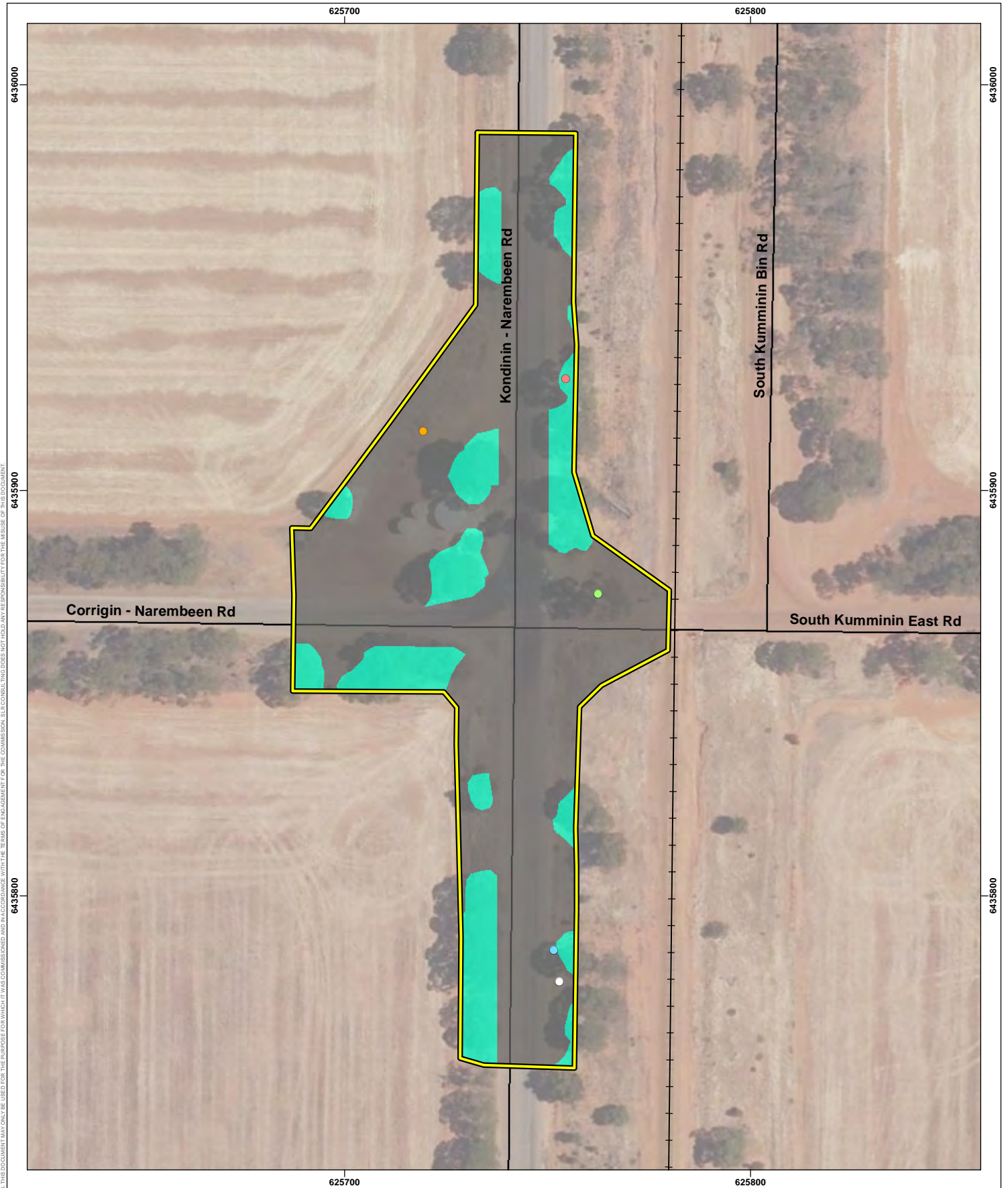
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Figure 15
Threatened Ecological Communities Patch Mapping of the Northern Area

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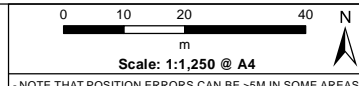


Legend

- Project Area
- Road
- Railway
- Fauna Habitat**
- Trees over paddock
- Cleared

Terrestrial Vertebrate

- Acanthiza chrysorrhoa*
- Barnardius zonarius*
- Falco cenchroides*
- Gehyra variegata*
- Smincornis brevirostris*



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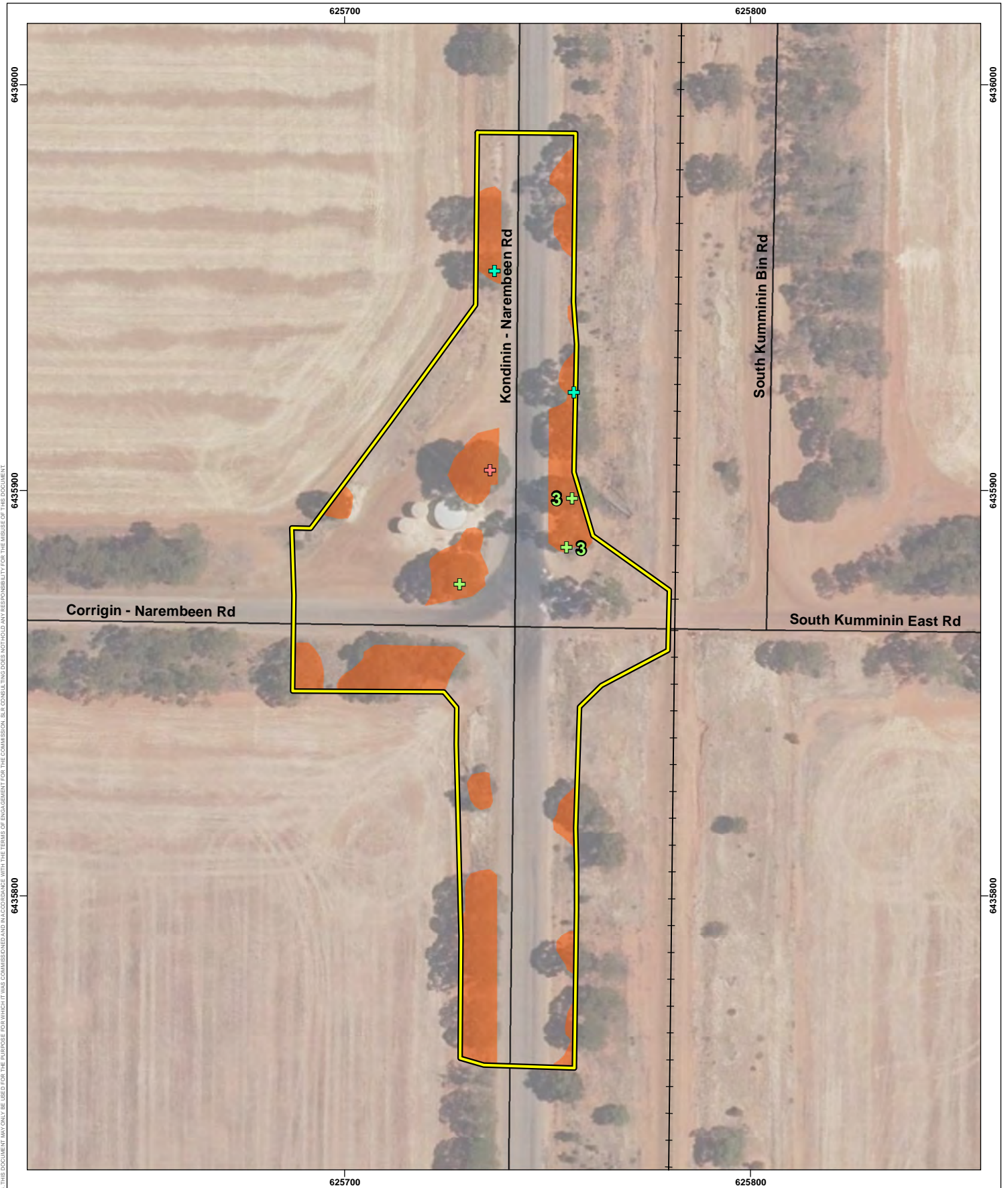
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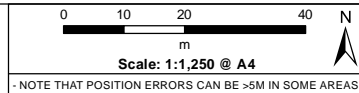
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Figure 16
Fauna Habitats and Fauna Records Within the Southern Survey Area

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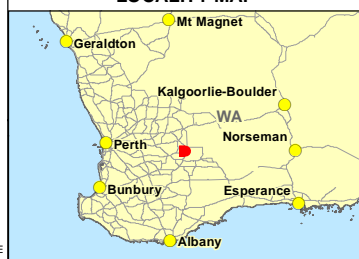


Legend

- Project Area
- Road
- Low Quality Black Cockatoo Foraging Habitat
- + Railway
- + Merrit (*Eucalyptus urna*)
- + Wheatbelt Wandoo (*Eucalyptus capillosa*)
- + Salmon Gum (*Eucalyptus Salmonophloia*)
- ⊕ Indicates the amount of hollows



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Figure 17
Black Cockatoo Assessment for the Southern Survey Area



Appendix B Flora Literature Review

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Report	Project Area	Survey Timing	Survey Effort	Significant Ecological Communities	Significant Flora	Introduced Flora
Reconnaissance and Targeted Flora and Vegetation Survey Hyden-Norseman Road 55.8SLK, Forrestania by Ecoedge	Hyden-Norseman Road. from Forbes Road, Forrestania	11th Sep 2018	Reconnaissance and Targeted flora and vegetation survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
Hyden Flora, Vegetation and Fauna Surveys, by Ecoscape	Western edge of the of Hyden within the Shire of Kondinin	Sep and Nov 2019	Detailed flora and vegetation survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 26 introduced flora One Declared Pest, <i>Morea flaccida</i> No WoNS
King Rocks Wind Farm Flora, Vegetation and Fauna Assessment by 360 Environmental	Approximately 40 km northeast of Hyden	3rd – 7th Nov 2021	Reconnaissance and targeted flora and vegetation survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 introduced flora No Declared Pests or WoNS
Vegetation Survey Baandee North Road, Shire of Kellerberrin, by Santaleuca Consulting	Hearle Road to nearly 3km north of Beresford Road, SLK 10.54 to SLK 23).	Oct 2018	Targeted Flora Survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Aluta aspera</i> subsp. <i>localis</i> (P2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None





Appendix C Flora Likelihood of Occurrence, Northern Area

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Appendix/Table x: Assessment of the Likelihood of Occurrence of Threatened and Priority Flora as per Desktop Assessment Database Searches surrounding the Survey Area

Distance to Nearest Record from the Survey Area is based on a distance analysis undertaken against 2022 DBCA database. High = Suitable habitat present and records less than 5 km from the Survey Area, Medium = Suitable habitat present and records between 5 km and 20 km from the Survey Area, and Low = No suitable habitat present and/or records greater than 15 km from the Survey Area, Unknown = Insufficient information available to classify. CR= Listed as Critically Endangered under the EPBC Act, EN = Listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act, VU = listed as Vulnerable under the EPBC Act. T = Threatened under the BC Act, P = Priority Listed, Ranked and Listed by the DBCA. Likelihoods are assessed both pre and post survey based on knowledge of the Survey Area, nearest known records, known flowering period of flora taxa and knowledge gained from the survey effort during ground truthing. 1: Department of the Environment (2021). SPRAT EPBC Threatened Flora in Species Profile and Threats Database, Department of the Environment, Canberra. Available from: <http://www.environment.gov.au/sprat>. 2: Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (2021). FloraBase - The Western Australian Flora. <https://florabase.dpaw.wa.gov.au/>

Species	Conservation Status		Source			Distance to Nearest Record (km)	Flowering Period	Preferred Habitat	Pre-Survey Likelihood of Occurrence	Habitat occurs within the Survey Area	Post-Survey Likelihood of Occurrence
	DBCA	EPBC	NatureMap	PMST	DBCA						
Threatened											
<i>Boronia capitata subsp. capitata</i>	T	EN	X		X	29.3 km	Aug - Feb	This species grows below a lateritic breakaway in a white sandplain. ¹	Low	No	Low
<i>Conospermum galeatum</i>	T	CR	X		X	13.0 km	Aug - Sep	Yellow sand.	Medium	No	Low
<i>Rhizanthella gardneri</i>	T	CR	X		X	32.7 km	May - Jul	Sand. Grows in association with <i>Melaleuca uncinata</i> . ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Symonanthus bancroftii</i>	T	EN	X	X	X	25.5 km	Jul - Sep	Moist, grey clay over granite. Mid-lower slope, edges of ephemeral wetland. Disturbed areas. ²	Low	No	Low
Priority 1											
<i>Acacia sclerophylla var. teretiuscula</i>	P1				X	29.9 km	Sep - Oct	Clay and loamy soils. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia tetraeneura</i>	P1				X	15.4 km	May - Jul	Clay & lateritic gravel. Ridges & low rises. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Acacia torticarpa</i>	P1				X	10.1 km	Aug	Grey/brown sand/gravel. Plains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Dampiera scaevolina</i>	P1				X	13.7 km	Sep - Nov	Sandy & gravelly soils. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Gastrolobium tenue</i>	P1				X	13.1 km	Sep - Oct	Yellow sand or sandy clay. Undulating dunes, stony outcrops. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Hibbertia sp. Bending (J.W. Horn 4101)</i>	P1				X	32.4 km	Sep	Laterite over duricrust. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Melaleuca grieviana</i>	P1				X	24.6 km	Jul	Well-drained orange-brown loam, brown clay. Plains, gentle slopes, edge of crop paddocks. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Melaleuca manglesii</i>	P1				X	30.0 km	Sep	White sand. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Melichrus sp. Bruce Rock (J. Buegge D 36)</i>	P1				X	30.0 km	Unkown	Gentle slope, dry, bare brown-red gravel. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Scaevola tortuosa</i>	P1				X	39.9km	Oct	Sandy clay. Margins of salt lakes. ²	Low	No	Low

¹ Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment (2023) ²Western Australian Herbarium (2023)

Priority 2											
<i>Acacia arcuatis</i>	P2				X	17.3 km	Jun - Aug	Sand or sandy loam, sometimes with lateritic gravel. Undulating plains, rises. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Acacia lirellata</i> subsp. <i>compressa</i>	P2				X	23.5 km	Jun - Aug	Yellow sand, clayey loam. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Austrobaeckea narembeen</i>	P2		X		X	13.1 km	Nov - Mar	Light brown silty to clayey fine to coarse sand over granite (outcropping in places). ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Banksia splendida</i> subsp. <i>splendida</i>	P2				X	3.3 km	Jul - Sep	Sandy and loamy soils with lateritic gravel. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Calytrix sagei</i>	P2				X	3.3 km	Dec	Low plain - gently undulating plain. Grey brown sandy clay soil with underlying granite. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Conostylis albescens</i>	P2				X	24.5 km	Aug	Yellow sand. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eutaxia hirsuta</i>	P2				X	24.1 km	Oct	Dry, white/brown sandy clay plains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Hibbertia chartacea</i>	P2				X	22.3 km	Sep	Sand, laterite. Sandplain with breakaways. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Microcorys</i> sp. <i>Tarin Rock</i> (E.J. Croxford 52)	P2				X	30.5 km	Oct	Sandy gravel, sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Ricinocarpos tuberculatus</i>	P2				X	14.2 km	Sep - Oct	White/grey sand. Coastal dunes. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Thysanotus</i> sp. <i>Yellowdine</i> (A.S. George 60)	P2				X	28.0 km	Mar or Dec	Yellow sand, sandy clay. Sandplains, undulating ridges. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Verticordia multiflora</i> subsp. <i>solox</i>	P2				X	24.1 km	Oct - Jan	Yellow sand over gravel, sand over granite. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Verticordia pulchella</i>	P2				X	30.3 km	Oct - Nov	Sandy soils over granite. Massive granite areas. ²	Low	No	Low
Priority 3											
<i>Acacia ancistrophylla</i> var. <i>perarcuata</i>	P3		X			24.8 km	Aug - Sep	Red sand, clay loam, loam. Undulating plains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia deflexa</i>	P3				X	17.2 km	Aug - Sep	Yellow, gravelly lateritic sand, gravelly sandy loam, plains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Acacia dissona</i> var. <i>indoloria</i>	P3				X	30.2 km	Aug - Sep	Sand, sandy loam. Undulating plains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia eremophila</i> var. <i>variabilis</i>	P3				X	26.0 km	Sep	Sand, sandy loam. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia inophloia</i>	P3				X	4.0 km	Aug - Oct	Yellow sand, gravelly granitic soils. ²	Low	No	Low

<i>Anticoryne melanosperma</i>	P3				X	29.7 km	Sep - Dec	Brown sand/loam, gravel. Undulating plains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Austrostipa nunaginis</i>	P3				X	30.2 km	Unkown	Yellow brown sands. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Balaustion exsertum</i>	P3		X			14.2 km	Sep	Brown sand/loam/clay. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Banksia horrida</i>	P3				X	3.8 km	Apr - Jun or Aug	Sand, sometimes with gravel. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Banksia rufa subsp. chelomacarpa</i>	P3				X	40 km	Jul -Oct	Sandy loam over gravel. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Banksia rufa subsp. obliquiloba</i>	P3				X	27 km	Sep - Oct	Gravelly loam. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Banksia xylothemelia</i>	P3				X	28.3 km	Sep - Oct	Sandy loam, usually over laterite. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Calytrix nematoclada</i>	P3				X	26.9 km	Sep - Jan	Yellow or grey sand. Sandplains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Cryptandra dielsii</i>	P3				X	24.6 km	Jul - Sep	Sand, often over laterite. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Daviesia nudiflora subsp. drummondii</i>	P3				X	6.0 m	Jul - Aug	White or grey sand. Undulating low rises. ²	High	No	Medium
<i>Dicrastylis reticulata</i>	P3				X	3.3 km	Sep - Dec	Sandy soils, often over granite. Amongst granite rock, hills, flats. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Dielsiodoxa leucantha subsp. leucantha</i>	P3				X	26.4 km	May - Sep	Dry, rocky, brown loam over quartzite. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus erythronema subsp. inornata</i>	P3				X	19.4 km	Aug - Dec	Flat, white sand. Gravelly, grey-brown sandy loam. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus exigua</i>	P3				X	17.3 km	Mar - Apr or Oct or	Sandy loam, white sand. Sandplains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus ornata</i>	P3				X	27.9 km	Jan	Laterite. Ridges. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus spathulata subsp. salina</i>	P3				X	18 km	Unkown	Grey-white sand, pale brown sandy clay over granite, saline soils. Flats, broad valley floors, saline depressions, edges salt lakes, rises. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus subangusta subsp. virescens</i>	P3				X	11.3 km	Apr	Yellow sand, white clay. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eutaxia actinophylla</i>	P3				X	18.5 km	Sep to Oct.	Red-brown clay loam, red clay loam over granite, gravel. Small depressions.	Medium	No	Low
<i>Frankenia drummondii</i>	P3				X	19.6 km	Oct - Nov	Sand, lake edges. ²	Medium	No	Low

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Appendix D Flora Inventory

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Taxon	Northern Survey Area (SLK 19.5-23)	Southern Survey Area (Cheetams)
Amaranthaceae		
<i>Ptilotus polystachyus</i>	✓	✓
Asteraceae		
* <i>Erigeron bonariensis</i>	✓	✓
* <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	✓	
<i>Siemssenia capillaris</i>	✓	
<i>Vittadinia gracilis</i>		✓
Brassicaceae		
* <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	✓	✓
Chenopodiaceae		
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	✓	✓
<i>Maireana suadifolia</i>	✓	✓
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	✓	✓
<i>Rhagodia drummondii</i>	✓	✓
<i>Salsola australis</i>		✓
<i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i>		✓
Cyperaceae		
<i>Lepidosperma ?apricola</i>	✓	
<i>Lepidosperma gladiatum</i>	✓	
Fabaceae		
<i>Acacia acuminata</i>	✓	
<i>Acacia hemiteles</i>	✓	
<i>Acacia merrallii</i>	✓	✓
<i>Daviesia aphylla</i>	✓	✓
<i>Senna artemisioides</i> subsp. <i>Filifolia</i>	✓	
Hemerocallidaceae		
<i>Dianella revoluta</i>	✓	
Iradaceae		
* <i>Romulea rosea</i>	✓	
<i>Salsola australis</i>	✓	
<i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i>	✓	
Iridaceae		
* <i>Romulea rosea</i>		✓
Myrtaceae		
<i>Calothamnus quadrifidus</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus ?astringens</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus ?cylindriflora</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus ?eremophila</i>		✓
<i>Eucalyptus ?platypus</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> subsp. <i>lissophloia</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus melanoxylon</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>	✓	✓
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>	✓	✓
<i>Eucalyptus</i> sp.	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus torquata</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus urna</i>	✓	
<i>Eucalyptus wandoo</i> subsp. <i>wandoo</i>	✓	✓
<i>Eucalyptus yilgarnensis</i>		✓
<i>Leptospermopsis erubescens</i>	✓	

Melaleuca ?lanceolata	✓	
Melaleuca hamata	✓	
Melaleuca hamulosa	✓	
Melaleuca lateriflora	✓	
Poaceae		
*Bromus rubens	✓	✓
*Ehrharta calycina	✓	
*Poa annua	✓	✓
Austrostipa elegantissima	✓	✓
Eriachne ? ovata	✓	✓
Proteaceae		
Grevillea hakeoides	✓	
Hakea lissocarpha	✓	
Restionaceae		
Desmocladus asper	✓	
Rubiaceae		
Opercularia vaginata	✓	
Santalaceae		
Santalum acuminatum	✓	✓
Grand Total		23



Appendix E Flora Site Sheets, Northern Area

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FLORA SITE SHEET

Project Name Narembeen Biological
Site: NARR02
Location MGA 50 626968 mE 6446986 mN
Described by: RM
Date: 5-07-2023
Type: Revele
Landform: Plain
Slope: Flat
Rock Type: Gravel
Soil Type: Loam,Sand
Soil Colour: Orange



Vegetation: *Eucalyptus ?astringens, E. ?cylindriflora and E. torquata woodland over Acacia acuminata tall sparse shrubland over Melaleuca ?lanceolata mid sparse shrubland over A. hemiteles, Marieana brevifolia and Sclerolaena diacantha low sparse shrubland over *Poa annua sparse low grassland.*

Condition: Good **Disturbance Type:**
Fire Age: Long unburnt

SPECIES LIST

Taxon	Height (cm)	Cover (%)	Notes
<i>Acacia acuminata</i>	250	10	
<i>Acacia hemiteles</i>	90	5	NARR02-3
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Eriachne ? ovata</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Eucalyptus ?astringens</i>	650	10	NARR02-1
<i>Eucalyptus ?cylindriflora</i>	400	10	NARR02-2
<i>Eucalyptus ?platypus</i>	210	5	NARR02-5
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>	400	5	
<i>Eucalyptus torquata</i>	400	5	NARR02-6
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	70	0.5	NARR01-7=
<i>Melaleuca ?lanceolata</i>	150	10	NARR02-4
<i>*Poa annua</i>	20	5	
<i>*Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Rhagodia drummondii</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Salsola australis</i>	50	0.5	
<i>Sclerolaena diacantha</i>	30	0.5	
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	5	0.1	

FLORA SITE SHEET

Project Name Narembeen Biological
Site: NARR03
Location MGA 50 629256 mE 6447319 mN
Described by: RM
Date: 5-07-2023
Type: Revele
Landform: Plain
Slope: Flat
Rock Type: Gravel
Soil Type: Loam,Sand
Soil Colour: Grey,Orange



Vegetation: *Eucalyptus loxophleba* subsp. *lissophloia* low woodland over *Santalum acuminatum* mid sparse shrubland over *Marieana brevifolia*, *M. suadifolia* and *Daviesia aphylla* low sparse shrubland over *Austrostipa elegantissima*, *Eriachne ?ovata* low sparse grassland over *Dianella revoluta* low sparse forbs.

Condition: Very Good **Disturbance Type:**
Fire Age: Long unburnt

SPECIES LIST

Taxon	Height (cm)	Cover (%)	Notes
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	5	0.1	NARR01-6=
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	40	0.5	NARR01-5=
<i>Daviesia aphylla</i>	60	1	NARR01-10=
<i>Desmodium asper</i>	20	0.1	NARR03-4
<i>Dianella revoluta</i>	50	1	
* <i>Ehrharta calycina</i>	70	10	
<i>Eriachne ?ovata</i>	30	0.5	NARR01-3=
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> subsp. <i>lissophloia</i>	700	45	NARR03-2
<i>Lepidosperma gladiatum</i>	50	0.1	NARR03-1
<i>Maireana suadifolia</i>	70	0.5	NARR01-8
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	70	1.5	NARR01-7=
<i>Salsola australis</i>	30	0.1	
<i>Santalum acuminatum</i>	140	5	
<i>Sclerolaena diacantha</i>	15	1	NARR01-2=
<i>Siemssenia capillaris</i>	5	0.1	NARR03-3

FLORA SITE SHEET

Project Name Narembeen Biological
Site: NARR05
Location MGA 50 627750 mE 6446970 mN
Described by: RM
Date: 4-07-2023
Type: Releve
Landform: Plain
Slope: Flat
Rock Type: Gravel
Soil Type:
Soil Colour: Orange



Vegetation: *Eucalyptus ?cylindriflora*, *E. torquata* and *E. ?platypus* low open woodland over *Acacia acuminata* tall sparse shrubland over *Melaleuca lateriflora*, *Senna artemisioides* subsp. *filifolia* and *Calothamnus quadrifidus* mid sparse shrubland over *Acacia hemiteles*, *Marieana brevifolia* and *Sclerolaeana diacantha* low sparse shrubland over **Poa*

Condition: Good **Disturbance Type:**
Fire Age: Long unburnt

SPECIES LIST

Taxon	Height (cm)	Cover (%)	Notes
<i>Acacia acuminata</i>	250	10	
<i>Acacia hemiteles</i>	90	5	NARR02-3=
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Calothamnus quadrifidus</i>	130	6	RMOPP-13=
<i>Eriachne ? ovata</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Eucalyptus ?cylindriflora</i>	400	10	NARR02-2=
<i>Eucalyptus ?platypus</i>	210	5	NARR02-5=
<i>Eucalyptus torquata</i>	400	5	NARR02-6=
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	70	0.5	NARR01-7=
<i>Melaleuca ?lanceolata</i>	150	10	NARR02-4=
<i>Melaleuca hamata</i>	140	5	RMOPP-12=
<i>Melaleuca lateriflora</i>	180	3	RMOPP-11=
* <i>Poa annua</i>	20	5	
* <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Rhagodia drummondii</i>	70	0.1	
<i>Salsola australis</i>	50	0.5	
<i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i>	30	0.5	
<i>Senna artemisioides</i> subsp. <i>filifolia</i>	160	5	RMOPP-14=
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	5	0.1	

FLORA SITE SHEET

Project Name Narembeen Biological
Site: NARR06
Location MGA 50 628479 mE 6446946 mN
Described by: RM
Date: 4-07-2023
Type: Revele
Landform: Plain
Slope: Flat
Rock Type: Gravel
Soil Type: Loam,Sand
Soil Colour: Orange



Vegetation: *Eucalyptus loxophleba* subsp. *lissophloia* low woodland over *Santalum acuminatum* mid sparse shrubland over *Marieana brevifolia*, *M. suadifolia* and *Sclerolaeana diacantha* low sparse shrubland over **Ehrharta calycina*, *Eriachne ?ovata* and **Poa annua* low sparse grassland.

Condition: Very Good - Good **Disturbance Type:**
Fire Age: Long unburnt

SPECIES LIST

Taxon	Height (cm)	Cover (%)	Notes
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	5	0.1	NARR01-6=
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	5	0.1	NARR01-6=
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	40	1	NARR01-5=
<i>Daviesia aphylla</i>	60	1	NARR01-10=
<i>Desmocladius asper</i>	20	0.1	NARR03-4=
<i>*Ehrharta calycina</i>	70	15	
<i>Eriachne ? ovata</i>	30	2	NARR01-3=
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> subsp. <i>lissophloia</i>	600	45	NARR03-2=
<i>Lepidosperma gladiatum</i>	50	0.1	NARR03-1=
<i>Maireana suadifolia</i>	70	0.5	NARR01-8=
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	70	1.5	NARR01-7=
<i>*Poa annua</i>	10	2	
<i>Salsola australis</i>	30	0.1	
<i>Santalum acuminatum</i>	140	5	
<i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i>	15	1	NARR01-2=



Appendix F TEC Assessment

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Key Diagnostic characteristics for the ecological community

TEC Patch #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1. The distribution of the ecological community is limited to these IBRA bioregions and subregions:										
Avon Wheatbelt - subregions AVW01 Merredin and AVW02 Katanning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
or										
Mallee - MAL02 Western Mallee only;										
or										
Eastern parts of JAF01 Northern Jarrah Forests and JAF02 Jarrah Forests adjacent to the Avon Wheatbelt										
2. The structure of the ecological community is a woodland in which the minimum crown cover of the tree canopy in a mature woodland is 10%.										
>10%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<10%										
3. The key species of the tree canopy are species of Eucalyptus as identified in Table 2a of the Approved Conservation Advice:										
<i>Eucalyptus accedens</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus aequioperta</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus alipes</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus astringens</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus capillosa</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus densa subsp. densa</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus extensa</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus falcata</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus gardneri</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus goniocarpa</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus kondininensis</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus longicornis</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba subsp. loxophleba</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus melanoxylon</i>			✓	✓		✓				
<i>Eucalyptus mimica subsp. continens</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus mimica subsp. mimica</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus myriadena</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus occidentalis</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus ornata</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus recta</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus rudis subsp. rudis</i>										

<i>Eucalyptus salicola</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>	✓	✓								
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>		✓								
<i>Eucalyptus sargentii</i> subsp. <i>sargentii</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus singularis</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus spathulata</i> subsp. <i>spathulata</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus spathulata</i> subsp. <i>salina</i> Salt										
<i>Eucalyptus urna</i>							✓			
<i>Eucalyptus wandoo</i> subsp. <i>pulverea</i>										
<i>Eucalyptus wandoo</i> subsp. <i>wandoo</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓				

4. A native understorey is present but is of variable composition, being a combination of grasses, other herbs and shrubs, as specified in Table A1 of Appendix A of the Approved Conservation Advice.

Species present as listed in Table A1?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Species absent as listed in Table A1?										

5. Contra-indicators: The presence of the following features in the vegetation indicates that the ecological community is not likely to be present.

A dominant presence of eucalypts with a mallee growth form. However, mallee species can occur as an understorey or minor canopy component of the ecological community, as noted in the diagnostic features, above	x	x	x	x	x	x	✓	✓	✓	✓
A dominant presence of non-eucalypt species in the tree canopy, for instance <i>Acacia acuminata</i> (jam) or <i>Allocasuarina huegeliana</i> (rock sheoak). However, these non-eucalypt species can be present as an understorey or minor canopy component of the ecological community.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Shrublands or herblands in which the tree canopy layer is very sparse to absent, either naturally or maintained so through long-term disturbance. Native vegetation where a tree canopy was formerly present is often referred to as 'derived' or 'secondary' vegetation. These sites would fall below the 10 per cent minimum canopy cover threshold for a woodland, noted in the diagnostic features, above.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Woodlands that have the same key eucalypt species but occur in adjacent bioregions	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Woodlands dominated by eucalypts that are restricted to granite outcrops and rocky rises, for instance <i>Eucalyptus caesia</i> .	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

6. Condition Thresholds

Category A:

1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Pristine / Excellent / Very good (Keighery, 1994).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Exotic plant species account for 0 to 30% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Mature trees (dbh >30cm) may be present or absent.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Category B:										
1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Good (Keighery, 1994).	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	-
2. Exotic plant species account for more than 30, to 50% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	-
3. Mature trees are present with at least 5 trees per 0.5 ha.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	-
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	-
Category C:										
1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Good (Keighery, 1994)	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓
2. Exotic plant species account for more than 30, to 50% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓
3. Mature trees either absent or less than 5 trees per 0.5 ha present.	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Category D:										
1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Degraded to Good (Keighery, 1994)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Exotic plant species account for more than 50 to 70% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Mature trees are present with at least 5 trees per 0.5 ha.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Outcome										
Criteria met for TEC status? (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No



Appendix G Fauna Literature Review

Biological Surveys for Shire of Narembeen NVCP Application

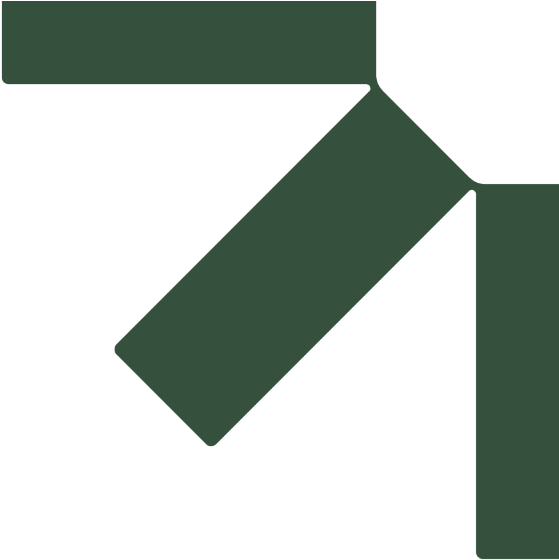
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Report	Project Area	Survey Timing	Survey Effort	Significant Fauna Recorded Onsite	Fauna Habitats
Fauna Habitat Assessment – Proposed Borrow Pit King Rocks Road West	King Rocks	October 2018	Fauna Habitat Assessment Targeted BC Assessment	• Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mallee shrubland/woodland • Mixed Shrubland
Proposed Car Park Upgrade – Wave Rock-Hyden	Wave Rock	October 2018	Fauna Habitat Assessment Targeted BC Assessment	• Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eucalyptus Woodland
Fauna Assessment at the Proposed Borrow Pit West Hyden-Norseman Road	Kondinin	October 2018	Fauna Habitat Assessment Targeted BC Assessment	• Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low Open Eucalyptus Woodland • Low Open Shrubland
Hyden Flora, Vegetation, and Fauna Surveys	Hyden	September 2019	Fauna Habitat Assessment Targeted BC Assessment	• Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shrubland • Chenopod Shrubland
Preliminary Report, King Rocks Wind Farm Feasibility Project	King Rocks	November 2012	Fauna Habitat Assessment Targeted BC Assessment	• Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleared Cropland • Low Mallee Woodland
Earl Grey Lithium Project – Level 2 vertebrate fauna survey with targeted Chuditch and Malleefowl surveys	Southern Cross	Oct 2016 – Feb 2017 Sept – Nove 2017	Level 2 Fauna Assessment Targeted Chuditch and Malleefowl Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malleefowl • Peregrine Falcon • Rainbow Bee-eater • Chuditch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mallee Woodland • Salmon Gum Woodland • Shrubland



Appendix H Fauna Database Search Results

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CLASS	FAMILY	SCI_NAME	COM_NAME	WA_status	EPBCstatus
BIRD	Threskiornithidae	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Glossy ibis	MI	MI
BIRD	Threskiornithidae	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Glossy ibis	MI	MI
INVERTEBRATE	Branchipodidae	<i>Parartemia contracta</i>	a brine shrimp (Wheatbelt)	P1	
INVERTEBRATE	Branchipodidae	<i>Parartemia contracta</i>	a brine shrimp (Wheatbelt)	P1	
INVERTEBRATE	Daphniidae	<i>Daphnia jollyi</i>	a water flea (inland south west)	P1	
INVERTEBRATE	Thamnocephalidae	<i>Branchinella simplex</i>	a fairy shrimp (inland WA)	P1	
INVERTEBRATE	Thamnocephalidae	<i>Branchinella simplex</i>	a fairy shrimp (inland WA)	P1	
INVERTEBRATE	Branchipodidae	<i>Parartemia contracta</i>	a brine shrimp (Wheatbelt)	P1	
INVERTEBRATE	Branchipodidae	<i>Parartemia contracta</i>	a brine shrimp (Wheatbelt)	P1	
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	Red-necked stint	MI	MI
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus latirostris</i>	Carnaby's cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo</i>	White-tailed black cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Apodidae	<i>Apus pacificus</i>	Fork-tailed swift	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Anatidae	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed duck	P4	
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo</i>	White-tailed black cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo</i>	White-tailed black cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo</i>	White-tailed black cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo</i>	White-tailed black cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sharp-tailed sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	Red-necked stint	MI	MI
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo</i>	White-tailed black cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Threskiornithidae	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Glossy ibis	MI	MI
BIRD	Anatidae	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed duck	P4	
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
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BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	curlew sandpiper	CR	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	Red-necked stint	MI	MI
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
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BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
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BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
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BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Charadriidae	<i>Thinornis rubricollis</i>	Hooded plover, hooded dotterel	P4	
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus latirostris</i>	Carnaby's cockatoo	EN	EN
BIRD	Laridae	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	Long-tailed jaeger, long-tailed skua	MI	MI
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	Red-necked stint	MI	MI
BIRD	Scolopacidae	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Common greenshank	MI	MI
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BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	
BIRD	Falconidae	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	OS	

CLASS	FAMILY	SCI_NAME	COM_NAME	WA_status	EPBCstatus
INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	tree-stem trapdoor spider	P4	
INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	tree-stem trapdoor spider	P4	
INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	tree-stem trapdoor spider	P4	
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INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	tree-stem trapdoor spider	P4	
INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Idiosoma nigrum</i>	shield-backed trapdoor spider	EN	VU
INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	tree-stem trapdoor spider	P4	
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INVERTEBRATE	Idiopidae	<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	tree-stem trapdoor spider	P4	
BIRD	Ardeidae	<i>Ixobrychus dubius</i>	Australian little bittern	P4	
BIRD	Cacatuidae	<i>Calyptorhynchus baudinii</i>	Baudin's cockatoo	EN	EN
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi</i>	Chuditch, western quoll	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
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MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Myrmecobiidae	<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus</i>	Numbat, walpurti	EN	EN
MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Woylie, brush-tailed bettong	CR	EN
MAMMAL	Peramelidae	<i>Isodon fusciventer</i>	Quenda, southwestern brown bandicoot	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi</i>	Chuditch, western quoll	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Woylie, brush-tailed bettong	CR	EN
MAMMAL	Myrmecobiidae	<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus</i>	Numbat, walpurti	EN	EN
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	Western brush wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Peramelidae	<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>	Bilby, dalgyte, ninu	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
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MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi</i>	Chuditch, western quoll	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
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MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Woylie, brush-tailed bettong	CR	EN
MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Woylie, brush-tailed bettong	CR	EN
MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi</i>	Woylie, brush-tailed bettong	CR	EN
MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia lesueur graii</i>	Burrowing bettong (inland), boodie (inland)	EX	EX
MAMMAL	Potoroidae	<i>Bettongia lesueur graii</i>	Burrowing bettong (inland), boodie (inland)	EX	EX
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Lagostrophus fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Banded hare-wallaby, memine	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi</i>	Chuditch, western quoll	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	Western brush wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	Western brush wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi</i>	Chuditch, western quoll	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Peramelidae	<i>Isodon fusciventer</i>	Quenda, southwestern brown bandicoot	P4	
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Petrogale lateralis lateralis</i>	black-flanked rock-wallaby, black-footed rock-wallaby, moororong	EN	EN
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus geoffroi</i>	Chuditch, western quoll	VU	VU
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoos	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Peramelidae	<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>	Bilby, dalgyte, ninu	VU	VU

CLASS	FAMILY	SCI_NAME	COM_NAME	WA_status	EPBCstatus
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Myrmecobiidae	<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus</i>	Numbat, walpurti	EN	EN
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Notamacropus eugenii derbianus</i>	Tammar wallaby	P4	
MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
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MAMMAL	Muridae	<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	Western mouse	P4	
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoor	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale calura</i>	Red-tailed phascogale, kenngoor	CD	VU
MAMMAL	Dasyuridae	<i>Phascogale tapoatafa wambenger</i>	South-western brush-tailed phascogale, wambenger	CD	
REPTILE	Scincidae	<i>Egernia stokesii badia</i>	Western spiny-tailed skink	VU	EN
MAMMAL	Macropodidae	<i>Lagostrophus fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Banded hare-wallaby, memine	VU	VU
BIRD	Megapodiidae	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	Malleefowl	VU	VU

Appendix:DBCA Black Cockatoo Roosting Data

SITE_CODE	WT_2010_C	WT_2011_C	WT_2012_C	WT_2013_C	WT_2014_C	WT_2015_C	WT_2016_C	WT_2017_C	WT_2018_C	WT_2019_C	WT_TOT_C	WT_MAX_C	FRT_2014_C	FRT_2015_C	FRT_2016_C	FRT_2017_C	FRT_2018_C	FRT_2019_C	FRT_TOT_C	FRT_MAX_C	N_SURVEYS
MERMERR001	0	.	.	.	.	0	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	0	0	1

Appendix:DBCA White Tailed Black Cockatoo Breeding Data

WT_ID	HOL_TYPE	TREE_CAT	YRFIRSTBR	YRLASTBR	SCE_ID_FLD	SCE_ID_VAL
57	natural	confirmed	2000	2000	DBNO	9751

Appendix: NatureMap Database Search Results

TAXON	CLASS	WA CONS
<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Acanthiza apicalis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Acanthiza inornata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Acanthiza uropygialis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Acanthorhynchus superciliosus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Accipiter cirrocephalus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Accipiter cirrocephalus</i> subsp. <i>cirrocephalus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Acritoscincus trilineatum</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Acritoscincus trilineatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Acrocephalus australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Aegotheles cristatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Aegotheles cristatus</i> subsp. <i>cristatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> subsp. <i>domesticus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anas rhynchotis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anous tenuirostris</i> subsp. <i>melanops</i>	BIRD	EN
<i>Anser anser</i>	BIRD	
<i>Antaresia stimsoni</i> subsp. <i>stimsoni</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anthochaera lunulata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anthus australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Anthus australis</i> subsp. <i>australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Aprasia repens</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Apus pacificus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Aquila audax</i>	BIRD	
<i>Aquila morphnoides</i>	BIRD	
<i>Aquila morphnoides</i> subsp. <i>morphnoides</i>	BIRD	
<i>Arctocephalus tropicalis</i>	MAMMAL	VU
<i>Ardea ibis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ardea ibis</i> subsp. <i>coromanda</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ardea intermedia</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ardea modesta</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ardea novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ardea pacifica</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ardeotis australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Artamus cinereus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Artamus cyanopterus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Artamus personatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Aspidites ramsayi</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Aythya australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi ogilbyi</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Bettongia penicillata</i> subsp. <i>ogilbyi</i>	MAMMAL	CR

<i>Biziura lobata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Botaurus poiciloptilus</i>	BIRD	EN
<i>Brachyurophis fasciolatus</i> subsp. <i>fasciolatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Brachyurophis semifasciatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Burhinus grallarius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i> subsp. <i>galerita</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua pastinator</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua pastinator</i> subsp. <i>butleri</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua roseicapilla</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i> subsp. <i>westralensis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacatua tenuirostris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i> subsp. <i>flabelliformis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cacomantis pallidus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Calamanthus campestris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Calamanthus campestris</i> subsp. <i>montanellus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Calamanthus cautus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Calidris canutus</i>	BIRD	EN
<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	BIRD	CR
<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>	BIRD	
<i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i> subsp. <i>naso</i>	BIRD	VU
<i>Calyptorhynchus baudinii</i>	BIRD	EN
<i>Calyptorhynchus latirostris</i>	BIRD	EN
<i>Calyptorhynchus latirostris</i> (Carnaby's Cockatoo (short-billed black-cockatoo))	BIRD	
<i>Calyptorhynchus</i> sp.	BIRD	
<i>Calyptorhynchus</i> sp. 'white-tailed black cockatoo'	BIRD	
<i>Canis lupus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Canis lupus</i> subsp. <i>dingo</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Canis lupus</i> subsp. <i>familiaris</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Caretta caretta</i>	REPTILE	EN
<i>Carlia munda</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Catharacta antarctica</i> subsp. <i>lonnbergi</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cercartetus concinnus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Certhionyx variegatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Chalinolobus gouldii</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Charadrius ruficapillus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Chelodina colliei</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Chelodina collieri</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Chelodina oblonga</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	REPTILE	VU
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cheramoeca leucosterna</i>	BIRD	
<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Christinus marmoratus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Chrysococcyx basalis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus</i> subsp. <i>plagosus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cincloramphus cruralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cincloramphus mathewsi</i>	BIRD	
<i>Circus approximans</i>	BIRD	

<i>Circus assimilis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cladorhynchus leucocephalus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Climacteris rufa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	BIRD	
<i>Colluricincla harmonica subsp. rufiventris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Columba livia</i>	BIRD	
<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Corvus bennetti</i>	BIRD	
<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	BIRD	
<i>Corvus coronoides subsp. perplexus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Coturnix pectoralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Coturnix ypsilophora</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cracticus nigrogularis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	BIRD	
<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Crenadactylus ocellatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Crenadactylus ocellatus subsp. ocellatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Crinia glauerti</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Crinia pseudinsignifera</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Cryptoblepharus buchanani</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Cryptoblepharus plagiocephalus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus adelaidensis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus caudicinctus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus cristatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus maculatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus maculatus subsp. griseus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus ornatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus reticulatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenophorus salinarum</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus australis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus fallens</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus impar</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus impar</i> Storr, 1969	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus pantherinus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus pantherinus subsp. pantherinus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus saxatilis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ctenotus schomburgkii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Cyclodomorphus celatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>	BIRD	
<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera subsp. pileata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Daption capense</i>	BIRD	
<i>Dasyurus geoffroii</i>	MAMMAL	VU
<i>Delma australis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Delma australis</i> Kluge, 1974	REPTILE	
<i>Delma concinna subsp. concinna</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Delma fraseri</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Delma fraseri</i> Gray, 1831	REPTILE	
<i>Delma grayii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Delma pax</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Demansia psammophis subsp. cupreiceps</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Demansia psammophis subsp. reticulata</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>	BIRD	
<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>	REPTILE	VU

<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>	BIRD	
<i>Diomedea chlororhynchos</i>	BIRD	
<i>Diomedea chlororhynchos</i> subsp. <i>carteri</i>	BIRD	
<i>Diomedea chrysostoma</i>	BIRD	
<i>Diplodactylus calcicolus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Diplodactylus granariensis</i> Storr, 1979	REPTILE	
<i>Diplodactylus granariensis</i> subsp. <i>granariensis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Diplodactylus polyophthalmus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Diplodactylus pulcher</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Diplodactylus savagei</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Diplodactylus</i> sp.	REPTILE	
<i>Diporiphora valens</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Drymodes brunneopygia</i>	BIRD	
<i>Echiopsis curta</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Egernia kingii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Egernia napoleonis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	BIRD	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Egretta sacra</i>	BIRD	
<i>Elanus axillaris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Elanus caeruleus</i> subsp. <i>axillaris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Elapognathus coronatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Elseornis melanops</i>	BIRD	
<i>Eolophus roseicapillus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Eopsaltria georgiana</i>	BIRD	
<i>Eopsaltria griseogularis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Epthianura albifrons</i>	BIRD	
<i>Epthianura tricolor</i>	BIRD	
<i>Erythronyctis cinctus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Eubalaena australis</i>	MAMMAL	VU
<i>Eurostopodus argus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Falco berigora</i>	BIRD	
<i>Falco cenchroides</i>	BIRD	
<i>Falco cenchroides</i> subsp. <i>cenchrus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Falco longipennis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	BIRD	OS
<i>Falco peregrinus</i> subsp. <i>macropus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Falcunculus frontatus</i> subsp. <i>leucogaster</i>	BIRD	
<i>Felis catus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	BIRD	
<i>Fulica atra</i> subsp. <i>australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i> subsp. <i>tenebrosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gallinula ventralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gallirallus philippensis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gallirallus philippensis</i> subsp. <i>mellori</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gavicalis virescens</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gehyra variegata</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Gerygone fusca</i>	BIRD	
<i>Gerygone fusca</i> subsp. <i>fusca</i>	BIRD	
<i>Glossopsitta porphyrocephala</i>	BIRD	
<i>Glycyphila melanops</i>	BIRD	
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	BIRD	

Haematopus fuliginosus	BIRD	
Haliaeetus leucogaster	BIRD	
Haliastur sphenurus	BIRD	
Halobaena caerulea	BIRD	
Hamirostra isura	BIRD	
Heleioporus albopunctatus	AMPHI	
Heleioporus albopunctatus Gray, 1841	AMPHI	
Hemiergus peronii	REPTILE	
Hemiergus quadrilineata	REPTILE	
Hesperoedura reticulata	REPTILE	
Heteronotia binoei	REPTILE	
Hieraaetus morphnoides	BIRD	
Himantopus himantopus	BIRD	
Hirundo neoxena	BIRD	
Hirundo nigricans	BIRD	
Hydromys chrysogaster	MAMMAL	P4
Hydrophis platurus	REPTILE	
Hydroprogne caspia	BIRD	MI
Hydrurga leptonyx	MAMMAL	
Hylacola cauta	BIRD	
Hylacola cauta subsp. whitlocki	BIRD	
Isodon fusciventer	MAMMAL	P4
Isodon fusciventer (Quenda)	MAMMAL	
Isodon obesulus	MAMMAL	
Isodon obesulus fusciventer	MAMMAL	
Isodon obesulus fusciventer fusciventer	MAMMAL	
Isodon obesulus subsp. fusciventer	MAMMAL	
Ixobrychus dubius	BIRD	P4
Ixobrychus flavicollis subsp. australis (southwest subpop.)	BIRD	
Ixobrychus minutus	BIRD	
Ixobrychus minutus subsp. dubius	BIRD	
Kogia breviceps	MAMMAL	
Lagostrophus fasciatus	MAMMAL	
Lagostrophus fasciatus subsp. fasciatus	MAMMAL	VU
Larus novaehollandiae	BIRD	
Larus novaehollandiae subsp. novaehollandiae	BIRD	
Larus pacificus	BIRD	
Leipoa ocellata	BIRD	VU
Lerista distinguenda	REPTILE	
Lerista elegans	REPTILE	
Lerista jacksoni	REPTILE	
Lerista lineopunctulata	REPTILE	
Lerista macropisthopus subsp. macropisthopus	REPTILE	
Lerista praepedita	REPTILE	
Lialis burtonis	REPTILE	
Lichenostomus cratitius	BIRD	
Lichenostomus leucotis	BIRD	
Lichenostomus leucotis subsp. novaenorciae	BIRD	
Lichenostomus ornatus	BIRD	
Lichenostomus virescens	BIRD	
Lichmera indistincta	BIRD	
Limosa haemastica	BIRD	
Limosa lapponica	BIRD	MI
Limosa limosa	BIRD	MI
Liopholis multiscutata	REPTILE	

<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>	BIRD	
<i>Lophoictinia isura</i>	BIRD	
<i>Lucasium maini</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Lucasium stenodactylum</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Lucasium wombeyi</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Macronectes giganteus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Macropus eugenii</i> subsp. <i>derbianus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Macropus eugenii</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Macropus fuliginosus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Macropus irma</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>	MAMMAL	VU
<i>Malacorhynchus membranaceus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Malurus elegans</i>	BIRD	
<i>Malurus lamberti</i>	BIRD	
<i>Malurus leucopterus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Malurus pulcherrimus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Malurus</i> sp.	BIRD	
<i>Malurus splendens</i>	BIRD	
<i>Manorina flavigula</i>	BIRD	
<i>Megalurus cruralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Megalurus gramineus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	MAMMAL	CD
<i>Melanodryas cucullata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i> subsp. <i>leucogenys</i>	BIRD	
<i>Melithreptus lunatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Menetia greyii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Menetia greyii</i> Gray, 1845	REPTILE	
<i>Merops ornatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Mesoplodon densirostris</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	BIRD	
<i>Microeca fascinans</i>	BIRD	
<i>Mirounga leonina</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Moloch horridus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Morelia spilota</i> subsp. <i>imbricata</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Morethia butleri</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Morethia lineocellata</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Morethia obscura</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Morethia obscura</i> Storr, 1973	REPTILE	
<i>Morethia ruficauda</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Morus serrator</i>	BIRD	
<i>Motacilla alba</i>	BIRD	
<i>Mus musculus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Mus musculus</i> Linnaeus, 1758	MAMMAL	
<i>Myiagra inquieta</i>	BIRD	
<i>Myobatrachus gouldii</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Myrmecobius fasciatus</i>	MAMMAL	EN
<i>Natator depressus</i>	REPTILE	VU
<i>Neelaps bimaculatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Neelaps calonotos</i>	REPTILE	P3
<i>Neobatrachus albipes</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Neobatrachus albipes</i> Roberts, Mahony, Kendrick and Majors, 1991	AMPHI	
<i>Neobatrachus kunapalari</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Neobatrachus kunapalari</i> Mahony and Roberts, 1986	AMPHI	

<i>Neobatrachus pelobatoides</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Neophema elegans</i>	BIRD	
<i>Neophoca cinerea</i>	MAMMAL	VU
<i>Ningauai timealeyi</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Ninox connivens</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ninox novaeseelandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ninox novaeseelandiae</i> subsp. <i>boobook</i>	BIRD	
<i>Notamacropus eugenii</i> subsp. <i>derbianus</i>	MAMMAL	P4
<i>Notamacropus irma</i>	MAMMAL	P4
<i>Notechis scutatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Notomys mitchellii</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Notoscincus ornatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Nyctophilus geoffroyi</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Nymphicus hollandicus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Oceanites marinus</i> subsp. <i>dulciae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Oceanites oceanicus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	BIRD	
<i>Oedura obscura</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Oreoica gutturalis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Oreoica gutturalis</i> subsp. <i>gutturalis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	BIRD	P4
<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i> subsp. <i>fuliginosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i> subsp. <i>rufiventris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pachyptila belcheri</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pachyptila desolata</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pachyptila salvini</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pandion cristatus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i> subsp. <i>cristatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Parasuta gouldii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Parasuta nigriceps</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pardalotus striatus</i> subsp. <i>westraliensis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Passer domesticus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Passer domesticus</i> subsp. <i>domesticus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Petrochelidon ariel</i>	BIRD	
<i>Petrochelidon nigricans</i>	BIRD	
<i>Petrogale lateralis</i> subsp. <i>lateralis</i>	MAMMAL	EN
<i>Petroica boodang</i>	BIRD	
<i>Petroica goodenovii</i>	BIRD	
<i>Petroica multicolor</i> subsp. <i>campbelli</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucos</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phascogale calura</i>	MAMMAL	CD
<i>Phoebetria</i> sp.	BIRD	
<i>Phylidonyris niger</i>	BIRD	

<i>Phylidonyris nigra</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phylidonyris nigra</i> subsp. <i>gouldii</i>	BIRD	
<i>Phylidonyris novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Planigale ingrami</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Planigale maculata</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Platalea flavipes</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platalea regia</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platycercus icterotis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platycercus icterotis</i> subsp. <i>xanthogenys</i>	BIRD	P4
<i>Platycercus spurius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platycercus varius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platycercus zonarius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platycercus zonarius</i> subsp. <i>semitorquatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Platycercus zonarius</i> subsp. <i>zonarius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Pletholax gracilis</i> subsp. <i>gracilis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	BIRD	
<i>Podargus strigoides</i> subsp. <i>brachypterus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Podiceps cristatus</i> subsp. <i>australis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pogona minor</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pogona minor</i> subsp. <i>minima</i>	REPTILE	VU
<i>Pogona minor</i> subsp. <i>minor</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Poliocephalus poliocephalus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Polytelis anthopeplus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Polytelis swainsonii</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pomatostomus superciliosus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pomatostomus superciliosus</i> subsp. <i>ashbyi</i>	BIRD	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	BIRD	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i> subsp. <i>bellus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Porzana fluminea</i>	BIRD	
<i>Porzana pusilla</i>	BIRD	
<i>Porzana tabuensis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Procellaria aequinoctialis</i>	BIRD	VU
<i>Pseudechis australis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pseudomys albocinereus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Pseudomys delicatulus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Pseudomys desertor</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Pseudomys occidentalis</i>	MAMMAL	P4
<i>Pseudonaja affinis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pseudonaja affinis</i> (Dugite)	REPTILE	
<i>Pseudonaja affinis</i> subsp. <i>affinis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pseudonaja affinis</i> subsp. <i>exilis</i>	REPTILE	P4
<i>Pseudonaja mengdeni</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pseudonaja modesta</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pseudophryne guentheri</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Pseudophryne guentheri</i> Boulenger, 1882	AMPHI	
<i>Pseudophryne occidentalis</i>	AMPHI	
<i>Pterodroma brevirostris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pterodroma lessonii</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pterodroma macroptera</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ptilotula ornatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Puffinus assimilis</i> subsp. <i>assimilis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Purnella albifrons</i>	BIRD	

<i>Purpureicephalus spurius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Pygopus lepidopodus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Pyrrholaemus brunneus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Ramphotyphlops australis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ramphotyphlops bituberculatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ramphotyphlops hamatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ramphotyphlops pinguis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Ramphotyphlops waitii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Rattus fuscipes</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Rattus rattus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Recurvirostra novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Rhipidura fuliginosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	BIRD	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys subsp. leucophrys</i>	BIRD	
<i>Rhynchoedura ornata</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sericornis frontalis subsp. maculatus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Simoselaps bertholdi</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Simoselaps bertholdii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Smicrornis brevirostris</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sminthopsis crassicaudata</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Sminthopsis dolichura</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Sminthopsis dolichura</i> Kitchener, Stoddart and Henry, 1984	MAMMAL	
<i>Sminthopsis gilberti</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Sminthopsis granulipes</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Sminthopsis granulipes</i> Troughton, 1932	MAMMAL	
<i>Sminthopsis macroura</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Stercorarius antarcticus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Sterna anaethetus subsp. anaethetus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sterna bergii</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sterna fuscata subsp. nubilosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sterna nereis subsp. nereis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	BIRD	
<i>Sternula nereis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Stictonetta naevosa</i>	BIRD	
<i>Strepera versicolor</i>	BIRD	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Strophurus michaelsoni</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Strophurus spinigerus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Strophurus spinigerus subsp. inornatus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Strophurus spinigerus subsp. spinigerus</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Suta fasciata</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	
<i>Tachyglossus aculeatus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Tadarida australis</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Tadorna tadornoides</i>	BIRD	
<i>Tarsipes rostratus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Tarsipes rostratus</i> Gervais and Verraux, 1842	MAMMAL	
<i>Thalassarche cauta</i>	BIRD	
<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	BIRD	
<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	BIRD	

<i>Tiliqua occipitalis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Tiliqua rugosa</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Tiliqua rugosa rugosa</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Tiliqua rugosa subsp. aspera</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Tiliqua rugosa subsp. rugosa</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Todiramphus sanctus subsp. sanctus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Tribonyx ventralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus subsp. moluccanus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Trichoglossus moluccanus</i>	BIRD	
<i>Trichosurus vulpecula</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Trichosurus vulpecula subsp. vulpecula</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Tringa glareola</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Turnix varius</i>	BIRD	
<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Tyto alba subsp. delicatula</i>	BIRD	
<i>Tyto novaehollandiae subsp. novaehollandiae</i>	BIRD	P3
<i>Underwoodisaurus milii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	BIRD	
<i>Vanellus tricolor</i>	BIRD	
<i>Varanus gouldii</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Varanus rosenbergi</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Varanus tristis</i>	REPTILE	
<i>Vespadelus regulus</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Vulpes vulpes (Red Fox)</i>	MAMMAL	
<i>Xenus cinereus</i>	BIRD	MI
<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	BIRD	
<i>Zosterops lateralis subsp. gouldi</i>	BIRD	



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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 [Administrative Guidelines on Significance](#).

World Heritage Properties:	None
National Heritage Places:	None
Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar)	None
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park:	None
Commonwealth Marine Area:	None
Listed Threatened Ecological Communities:	1
Listed Threatened Species:	13
Listed Migratory Species:	6

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 [permit](#) 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:	9
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:	2
Regional Forest Agreements:	None
Nationally Important Wetlands:	None
EPBC Act Referrals:	3
Key Ecological Features (Marine):	None
Biologically Important Areas:	None
Bioregional Assessments:	None
Geological and Bioregional Assessments:	None

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

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
Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt	Critically Endangered	Community likely to occur within 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
BIRD		
Aphelocephala leucopsis Southern Whiteface [529]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Falco hypoleucos Grey Falcon [929]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Leipoa ocellata Malleefowl [934]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Zanda latirostris listed as Calyptorhynchus latirostris Carnaby's Black Cockatoo, Short-billed Black-cockatoo [87737]	Endangered	Breeding likely to occur within area
MAMMAL		
Dasyurus geoffroi Chuditch, Western Quoll [330]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
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Phascogale calura Red-tailed Phascogale, Red-tailed Wambenger, Kenngoor [316]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Banksia sphaerocarpa var. dolichostyla Ironcaps Banksia, Ironcap Banksia [10518]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Eremophila resinosa Resinous Eremophila [11735]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Eremophila viscida Varnish Bush [2394]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Gastrolobium diabolophyllum Bodallin Poison [78384]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Roycea pycnophylloides Saltmat [21161]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Symonanthus bancroftii Bancrofts Symonanthus [12837]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Listed Migratory Species	[Resource Information]
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Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
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Migratory Marine Birds

Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Migratory Terrestrial Species

Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Migratory Wetlands Species

Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
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

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Listed Marine Species		[Resource Information]
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Bird		
Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area
Bubulcus ibis as Ardea ibis Cattle Egret [66521]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine 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 overfly marine area
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Chalcites osculans as Chrysococcyx osculans Black-eared Cuckoo [83425]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area
Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area

Extra Information

State and Territory Reserves			[Resource Information]
Protected Area Name	Reserve Type	State	
Emu Hill	Nature Reserve	WA	
South Kumminin	Nature Reserve	WA	

EPBC Act Referrals				[Resource Information]
Title of referral	Reference	Referral Outcome	Assessment Status	
Not controlled action				
Improving rabbit biocontrol: releasing another strain of RHDV, sthrn two thirds of Australia	2015/7522	Not Controlled Action	Completed	
INDIGO Central Submarine Telecommunications Cable	2017/8127	Not Controlled Action	Completed	
Not controlled action (particular manner)				
INDIGO Marine Cable Route Survey (INDIGO)	2017/7996	Not Controlled Action (Particular Manner)	Post-Approval	

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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- [-Museum Victoria](#)
- [-Australian Museum](#)
- [-South Australian Museum](#)
- [-Queensland Museum](#)
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- [-National Herbarium of NSW](#)
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- [-Australian Government National Environmental Science Program](#)
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- Other groups and individuals

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Appendix I Fauna Habitat Assessment

Biological Surveys for Shire of Narembeen NVCP Application

Flora, Vegetation, Basic Fauna, and Black Cockatoo Habitat Surveys Biological Report

Shire of Narembeen

SLR Project No.: 675.VX5781.00001

October 31, 2024

6004-HAB-01-SG

Project:		6004			
Date		4-07-2023		Sample Type	
Zone	50	Easting	625756	Northing	6435920
Landform and Soil			Rock		
Landform	Plain		Rock type/s	Unknown	
Aspect	Negligible		Surface stone cover	0 - 5%	
Soil type	Sandy loam		Surface stone size classes present		
Soil colour	Orange,Red				
Condition			Habitat Features		
Quality	Disturbed		Water Source	Absent	
Fire History	Little or no fire evidence (>5 years)		Microhabitats	Hollows - logs,Hollows - trees,Leaf litter,Peeling bark,Woody debris	
Disturbance	Clearing,Infrastructure,Weeds		Ground Cover	<10%	
Introduced fauna	None observed		Vegetation		
Upper stratum	Low (<10 m)	Isolated trees (<0.25%)		<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>	
Mid stratum	Absent				
Ground stratum	Low (>0.5 m)	Isolated grasses (<0.25%)			



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6004-HAB-02-SG

Project:		6004			
Date		5-07-2023		Sample Type	
Zone	50	Easting	629842	Northing	6448107.1
Landform and Soil			Rock		
Landform	Plain		Rock type/s	Unknown	
Aspect	Negligible		Surface stone cover	0 - 5%	
Soil type	Sandy loam		Surface stone size classes present		
Soil colour	Brown,Orange				
Condition			Habitat Features		
Quality	Disturbed		Water Source	Absent	
Fire History	Unknown		Microhabitats	Hollows - trees,Leaf litter,Logs > 10 cm,Peeling bark,Woody debris	
Disturbance	Clearing,Litter,Vehicle tracks,Weeds		Ground Cover	<10%	
Introduced fauna	None observed		Vegetation		
Upper stratum	Mid (10-30 m)	Isolated trees (<0.25%)		<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>	
Mid stratum	Absent				
Ground stratum	Low (>0.5 m)	Open grassland (20-50%)		<i>Poaceae spp.</i>	



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6004-HAB-03-SG

Project:		6004			
Date		5-07-2023		Sample Type	
Zone	50	Easting	629478	Northing	6447529
Landform and Soil			Rock		
Landform	Plain		Rock type/s	Unknown	
Aspect	Negligible		Surface stone cover	0 - 5%	
Soil type	Sandy loam		Surface stone size classes present		
Soil colour	Brown,Orange				
Condition			Habitat Features		
Quality	Highly degraded		Water Source	Absent	
Fire History	Unknown		Microhabitats	tussocks	
Disturbance	Clearing,Erosion,Litter,Overgrazing,vehicle tracks,Weeds				
Introduced fauna	Sheep		Ground Cover	26-50%	
Vegetation					
Upper stratum	Absent				
Mid stratum	Absent				
Ground stratum	Low (>0.5 m)	Sparse tussock grassland (0.25-20%)			



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6004-HAB-04-SG

Project:		6004			
Date		5-07-2023		Sample Type	
Zone	50	Easting	629324	Northing	6447363.8
Landform and Soil			Rock		
Landform	Plain		Rock type/s	Unknown	
Aspect	Negligible		Surface stone cover	0 - 5%	
Soil type	Sandy loam		Surface stone size classes present		
Soil colour	Brown,Orange				
Condition			Habitat Features		
Quality	Good		Water Source	Absent	
Fire History	Unknown		Microhabitats	Hollows - logs,Hollows - trees,Leaf litter,Logs > 10 cm,Peeling bark,Woody debris	
Disturbance	Clearing,Litter,Vehicle tracks,Weeds				
Introduced fauna	None observed		Ground Cover	<10%	
Vegetation					
Upper stratum	Low (<10 m)	Open woodland (0.25-20%)		<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>	
Mid stratum	Mid (1-2 m)	Sparse shrubland and/or heathland (0.25-20%)		<i>Santalum acuminatum, teatree, melaleuca sp., young euc spp.</i>	
Ground stratum	Mid (0.5-1 m)	Sparse rushland and/or sedgeland (0.25-20%)		<i>Dianella revoluta, lepidosperma sp., sedges and grasses</i>	



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6004-HAB-05-SG

Project:		6004	
Date		5-07-2023	
Sample Type			
Zone	50	Easting	629121
Northing		6447221	
Landform and Soil		Rock	
Landform	Plain	Rock type/s	Sandstone
Aspect	Negligible	Surface stone cover	0 - 5%
Soil type	Sandy loam	Surface stone size classes present	Stones (2 - 6 cm)
Soil colour	Brown		
Condition		Habitat Features	
Quality	Disturbed	Water Source	Absent
Fire History	Unknown	Microhabitats	Leaf litter, Woody debris
Disturbance	Clearing, Litter, Vehicle tracks, Weeds	Ground Cover	<10%
Introduced fauna	None observed	Vegetation	
Upper stratum	Absent		
Mid stratum	Mid (1-2 m)	Shrubland and/or heathland (50-80%)	<i>Teatree, Santalum acuminatum, Grevillea spp. Acacia spp.</i>
Ground stratum	Mid (0.5-1 m)	Sparse rushland and/or sedgeland (0.25-20%)	<i>Dianella revoluta, Endopogon spp., sedges and grasses</i>



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Appendix J Fauna Inventory

Biological Surveys for Shire of Narembeen NVCP Application

Flora, Vegetation, Basic Fauna, and Black Cockatoo Habitat Surveys Biological Report

Shire of Narembeen

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October 31, 2024

Conservation Status: State - Listed under Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, Federal - Listed under Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999. CR - Critically Endangered, EN - Endangered, VU - Vulnerable, MI/IA - Migratory, CD - Conservation Dependent fauna, OS - Other Specially Protected fauna, MA - Marine, P - Listed as Priority by DBCA. * - Introduced species

Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Conservation Status		Method					
			State	Federal	Call	Sighting	Scat	Sighting - Overhead	Total	
Aves										
Corvidae	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	Australian Raven				1				1
	<i>Corvus bennetti</i>	Little Crow				3				3
Campephagidae	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Black-faced Cuckooshrike		MA		3				3
Psittaculidae	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Australian Ringneck			3	11				14
Rhipiduridae	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>	Grey Fantail			3					3
Artamidae	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie			1					1
Cacatuidae	<i>Eolophus roseicapilla</i>	Galah						5		5
Acanthizidae	<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	Yellow-rumped Thornbill				5				5
	<i>Smicrornis brevirostris</i>	Weebill				10				10
Falconidae	<i>Falco cenchroides</i>	Nankeen Kestrel		MA				1		1
Mammalia										
Canidae	<i>Canis lupus</i>	Dingo / Dog*					1			1
Reptilia										
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra variegata</i>	Variegated Gehyra				1				1



Appendix K Flora Likelihood, Southern Area

Biological Surveys for Shire of Narembeen NVCP Application

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Appendix/Table x: Assessment of the Likelihood of Occurrence of Threatened and Priority Flora as per Desktop Assessment Database Searches surrounding the Survey Area

Distance to Nearest Record from the Survey Area is based on a distance analysis undertaken against 2022 DBCA database. High = Suitable habitat present and records less than 5 km from the Survey Area, Medium = Suitable habitat present and records between 5 km and 20 km from the Survey Area, and Low = No suitable habitat present and/or records greater than 15 km from the Survey Area, Unknown = Insufficient information available to classify. CR= Listed as Critically Endangered under the EPBC Act, EN = Listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act, VU = listed as Vulnerable under the EPBC Act. T = Threatened under the BC Act, P = Priority Listed, Ranked and Listed by the DBCA. Likelihoods are assessed both pre and post survey based on knowledge of the Survey Area, nearest known records, known flowering period of flora taxa and knowledge gained from the survey effort during ground truthing. 1: Department of the Environment (2021). SPRAT EPBC Threatened Flora in Species Profile and Threats Database, Department of the Environment, Canberra. Available from: <http://www.environment.gov.au/sprat>. 2: Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (2021). FloraBase - The Western Australian Flora. <https://florabase.dpaw.wa.gov.au/>

Species	Conservation Status		Source			Distance to Nearest Record (km)	Flowering Period	Preferred Habitat	Pre-Survey Likelihood of Occurrence	Habitat occurs within the Survey Area	Post-Survey Likelihood of Occurrence
	DBCA	EPBC	NatureMap	PMST	DBCA						
Threatened											
<i>Boronia capitata subsp. capitata</i>	T	EN	X		X	19.8 km	Aug - Feb	Below lateritic breakaways in a white sandplain. ¹	Low	No	Low
<i>Conospermum galeatum</i>	T	CR	X		X	22.5 km	Aug - Sep	Yellow sand.	Low	No	Low
<i>Rhizanthella gardneri</i>	T	CR	X		X	32.7 km	May - Jul	Sand. Grows in association with <i>Melaleuca uncinata</i> . ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Symonanthus bancroftii</i>	T	EN	X	X	X	19.5 km	Jul - Sep	Moist, grey clay over granite. Mid-lower slope, edges of ephemeral wetland. Disturbed areas. ²	Low	No	Low
Priority 1											
<i>Acacia sclerophylla var. teretiuscula</i>	P1				X	26.1 km	Sep - Oct	Clay and loamy soils. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia tetraurea</i>	P1				X	6.3 km	May - Jul	Clay & lateritic gravel. Ridges & low rises. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Acacia torticarpa</i>	P1				X	6.7 km	Aug	Grey/brown sand/gravel. Plains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Dampiera scaevolina</i>	P1				X	3.6 km	Sep - Nov	Sandy & gravelly soils. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Gastrolobium tenue</i>	P1				X	23.5 km	Sep - Oct	Yellow sand or sandy clay. Undulating dunes, stony outcrops. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Hibbertia sp. Bending (J.W. Hom 4101)</i>	P1				X	22.2 km	Sep	Laterite over duricrust. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Melaleuca grieviana</i>	P1				X	32.1 km	Jul	Well-drained orange-brown loam, brown clay. Plains, gentle slopes, edge of crop paddocks. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Melaleuca manglesii</i>	P1				X	36.0 km	Sep	White sand. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Melichrus sp. Bruce Rock (J. Buegge D 36)</i>	P1				X	28.4 km	Unkown	Gentle slope, dry, bare brown-red gravel. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Scaevola tortuosa</i>	P1				X	39.9 km	Oct	Sandy clay. Margins of salt lakes. ²	Low	No	Low

¹ Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment (2023) ²Western Australian Herbarium (2023)

Priority 2											
<i>Acacia lirellata</i> subsp. <i>compressa</i>	P2				X	34.9 km	Jun - Aug	Yellow sand, clayey loam. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Austrobaecka naremben</i>	P2		X		X	23.5 km	Nov - Mar	Light brown silty to clayey fine to coarse sand over granite (outcropping in places). ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Banksia splendida</i> subsp. <i>splendida</i>	P2				X	14.9 km	Jul - Sep	Sandy and loamy soils with lateritic gravel. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Calytrix sagei</i>	P2				X	14.9 km	Dec	Low plain - gently undulating plain. Grey brown sandy clay soil with underlying granite. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Conostylis albescens</i>	P2				X	36.0 km	Aug	Yellow sand. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eutaxia hirsuta</i>	P2				X	35.6 km	Oct	Dry, white/brown sandy clay plains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Hibbertia chartacea</i>	P2				X	33.7 km	Sep	Sand, laterite. Sandplain with breakaways. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Microcorys</i> sp. <i>Tarin Rock</i> (E.J. Croxford 525)	P2				X	30.3 km	Oct	Sandy gravel, sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Ricinocarpos tuberculatus</i>	P2				X	24.0 km	Sep - Oct	White/grey sand. Coastal dunes. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Verticordia multiflora</i> subsp. <i>solox</i>	P2				X	35.5 km	Oct - Jan	Yellow sand over gravel, sand over granite. ²	Low	No	Low
Priority 3											
<i>Acacia ancistrophylla</i> var. <i>perarcuata</i>	P3		X			32.6 km	Aug - Sep	Red sand, clay loam, loam. Undulating plains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia deflexa</i>	P3				X	12.5 km	Aug - Sep	Yellow, gravelly lateritic sand, gravelly sandy loam, plains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Acacia eremophila</i> var. <i>variabilis</i>	P3				X	30.1 km	Sep	Sand, sandy loam. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Acacia inophloia</i>	P3				X	4.9 km	Aug - Oct	Yellow sand, gravelly granitic soils. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Anticoryne melanosperma</i>	P3				X	19.5 km	Sep - Dec	Brown sand/loam, gravel. Undulating plains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Austrostipa nunaginis</i>	P3				X	18.5 km	Unkown	Yellow brown sands. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Balaustion exsertum</i>	P3		X			32.5 km	Sep	Brown sand/loam/clay. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Banksia horrida</i>	P3				X	15.4 km	Apr - Jun or Aug	Sand, sometimes with gravel. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Banksia rufa</i> subsp. <i>chelomacarpa</i>	P3				X	38.4 km	Jul -Oct	Sandy loam over gravel. ²	Low	No	Low

<i>Banksia rufa</i> subsp. <i>obliquiloba</i>	P3				X	17.1 km	Sep - Oct	Gravelly loam. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Banksia xylothemelia</i>	P3				X	22.1 km	Sep - Oct	Sandy loam, usually over laterite. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Calytrix nematoclada</i>	P3				X	17.1 km	Sep - Jan	Yellow or grey sand. Sandplains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Cryptandra dielsii</i>	P3				X	36.0 km	Jul - Sep	Sand, often over laterite. Sandplains. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Daviesia nudiflora</i> subsp. <i>drummondii</i>	P3				X	10.5 km	Jul - Aug	White or grey sand. Undulating low rises. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Dicrastylis reticulata</i>	P3				X	3.7 km	Sep - Dec	Sandy soils, often over granite. Amongst granite rock, hills, flats. ²	High	No	Low
<i>Dielsiodoxa leucantha</i> subsp. <i>leucantha</i>	P3				X	21.4 km	May - Sep	Dry, rocky, brown loam over quartzite. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus erythronema</i> subsp. <i>inornata</i>	P3				X	9.6 km	Aug - Dec	Flat, white sand. Gravelly, grey-brown sandy loam. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus exigua</i>	P3				X	7.1 km	Mar - Apr or Oct or	Sandy loam, white sand. Sandplains. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus ornata</i>	P3				X	21.6 km	Jan	Laterite. Ridges. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus spathulata</i> subsp. <i>salina</i>	P3				X	18.9 km	Unkown	Grey-white sand, pale brown sandy clay over granite, saline soils. Flats, broad valley floors, saline depressions, edges salt lakes, rises. ²	Medium	No	Low
<i>Eucalyptus subangusta</i> subsp. <i>virescens</i>	P3				X	22.0 km	Apr	Yellow sand, white clay. ²	Low	No	Low
<i>Eutaxia actinophylla</i>	P3				X	20.5 km	Sep to Oct.	Red-brown clay loam, red clay loam over granite, gravel. Small depressions.	Low	No	Low
<i>Frankenia drummondii</i>	P3				X	21.8 km	Oct - Nov	Sand, lake edges. ²	Low	No	Low



Appendix L Flora Site Sheets, Southern Area

Biological Surveys for Shire of Narembeen NVCP Application

Flora, Vegetation, Basic Fauna, and Black Cockatoo Habitat Surveys Biological Report

Shire of Narembeen

SLR Project No.: 675.VX5781.00001

October 31, 2024

FLORA SITE SHEET

Project Name Narembeen Biological
Site: NARR01
Location MGA 50 625720 mE 6435876 mN
Described by: RM
Date: 4-07-2023
Type: Revele
Landform: Plain
Slope: Flat
Rock Type: Gravel
Soil Type: Clay Loam, Sand
Soil Colour: Orange



Vegetation: *Eucalyptus salmonophloia*, *E. ?eremophila*, *E. salubris* woodland over *Marieana brevifolia*, *Daviesia aphylla* and *Sclerolaeana diacantha* low sparse shrubland over *Eriachne ?ovata* and *Austrostipa elegantissima* low sparse grassland.

Condition: Good **Disturbance Type:**
Fire Age: Long unburnt

SPECIES LIST

Taxon	Height (cm)	Cover (%)	Notes
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	5	0.1	NARR01-6
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	40	0.5	NARR01-5
<i>Daviesia aphylla</i>	60	1	NARR01-10
<i>Eriachne ? ovata</i>	30	0.5	NARR01-3
<i>Eucalyptus ?eremophila</i>	500	3	NARR01-11
<i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>	700	40	NARR01-1
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>	450	3	NARR01-9
<i>Maireana suadifolia</i>	70	0.5	NARR01-8
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	70	1.5	NARR01-7
* <i>Poa annua</i>	10	0.1	NARR01-4
** <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	40	0.1	
<i>Salsola australis</i>	30	0.1	
<i>Sclerolaeana diacantha</i>	15	1	NARR01-2

FLORA SITE SHEET

Project Name Narembeen Biological
Site: NARR04
Location MGA 50 625709 mE 6435867 mN
Described by: RM
Date: 4-07-2023
Type: Releve
Landform: Plain
Slope: Flat
Rock Type: Gravel
Soil Type: Loam,Sand
Soil Colour: Orange



Vegetation: *Eucalyptus yilgarnensis* low woodland over *Santalum acuminatum* mid sparse shrubland over *Marieana brevifolia*, *M. suadifolia* and *Sclerolaena diacantha* low sparse shrubland over *Austrostipa elegantissima* and *Eriachne ?ovata* low sparse grassland.

Condition: Good **Disturbance Type:**
Fire Age: Long unburnt

SPECIES LIST

Taxon	Height (cm)	Cover (%)	Notes
<i>Acacia merrallii</i>	70	0.1	RMOPP-5=
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	5	0.1	NARR01-6=
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	40	0.5	NARR01-5=
<i>Daviesia aphylla</i>	60	1	NARR01-10=
<i>Eriachne ? ovata</i>	30	0.5	NARR01-3=
<i>Eucalyptus yilgarnensis</i>	650	45	RMOPP-6=
<i>Maireana suadifolia</i>	70	0.5	NARR01-8=
<i>Marieana brevifolia</i>	70	1.5	NARR01-7=
* <i>Poa annua</i>	10	0.1	NARR01-4=
* <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	40	0.1	
<i>Rhagodia drummondii</i>	60	0.1	
<i>Salsola australis</i>	30	0.1	
<i>Santalum acuminatum</i>	150	5	
<i>Sclerolaena diacantha</i>	15	1	NARR01-2



Appendix M **TEC Assessment** **Southern Area**

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Key Diagnostic characteristics for the ecological community

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1. The distribution of the ecological community is limited to these IBRA bioregions and subregions:

Avon Wheatbelt - subregions AVW01 Merredin and AVW02 Katanning

or

Mallee - MAL02 Western Mallee only;

or

Eastern parts of JAF01 Northern Jarrah Forests and JAF02 Jarrah Forests adjacent to the Avon Wheatbelt

2. The structure of the ecological community is a woodland in which the minimum crown cover of the tree canopy in a mature woodland is 10%.

>10%

<10%

3. The key species of the tree canopy are species of *Eucalyptus* as identified in Table 2a of the Approved Conservation Advice:

Eucalyptus accedens

Eucalyptus aequioperta

Eucalyptus alipes

Eucalyptus astringens

Eucalyptus capillosa

Eucalyptus densa subsp. *densa*

Eucalyptus extensa

Eucalyptus falcata

Eucalyptus gardneri

Eucalyptus goniocarpa

Eucalyptus kondininensis

Eucalyptus longicornis

Eucalyptus loxophleba subsp. *loxophleba*

Eucalyptus melanoxylon

Eucalyptus mimica subsp. *continens*

Eucalyptus mimica subsp. *mimica*

<i>Eucalyptus myriadena</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus occidentalis</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus ornata</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus recta</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus rudis subsp. rudis</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus salicola</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>	✓								
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
<i>Eucalyptus sargentii subsp. sargentii</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus singularis</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus spathulata subsp. spathulata</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus spathulata subsp. salina Salt</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus urna</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus wandoo subsp. pulverea</i>									
<i>Eucalyptus wandoo subsp. wandoo</i>					✓				

4. A native understorey is present but is of variable composition, being a combination of grasses, other herbs and shrubs, as specified in Table A1 of Appendix A of the Approved Conservation Advice.

Species present as listed in Table A1?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Species absent as listed in Table A1?									

5. Contra-indicators: The presence of the following features in the vegetation indicates that the ecological community is not likely to be present.

A dominant presence of eucalypts with a mallee growth form. However, mallee species can occur as an understorey or minor canopy component of the ecological community, as noted in the diagnostic features, above	x	x	x	x	x	✓	✓	✓
A dominant presence of non-eucalypt species in the tree canopy, for instance <i>Acacia acuminata</i> (jam) or <i>Allocasuarina huegeliana</i> (rock sheoak). However, these non-eucalypt species can be present as an understorey or minor canopy component of the ecological community.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

Shrublands or herblands in which the tree canopy layer is very sparse to absent, either naturally or maintained so through long-term disturbance. Native vegetation where a tree canopy was formerly present is often referred to as 'derived' or 'secondary' vegetation. These sites would fall below the 10 per cent minimum canopy cover threshold for a woodland, noted in the diagnostic features, above.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Woodlands that have the same key eucalypt species but occur in adjacent bioregions	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Woodlands dominated by eucalypts that are restricted to granite outcrops and rocky rises, for instance Eucalyptus caesia.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

6. Condition Thresholds

Category A:

1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Pristine / Excellent / Very good (Keighery, 1994).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Exotic plant species account for 0 to 30% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Mature trees (dbh >30cm) may be present or absent.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Category B:

1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Good (Keighery, 1994).	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2. Exotic plant species account for more than 30, to 50% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3. Mature trees are present with at least 5 trees per 0.5 ha.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Category C:

1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Good (Keighery, 1994)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Exotic plant species account for more than 30, to 50% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Mature trees either absent or less than 5 trees per 0.5 ha present.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Category D:								
1. Patches likely to correspond to a condition of Degraded to Good (Keighery, 1994)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Exotic plant species account for more than 50 to 70% of total vegetation cover in the understorey layers (i.e. below the tree canopy).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Mature trees are present with at least 5 trees per 0.5 ha.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Minimum patch width (Roadsides only): 5 metres or more.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Outcome								
Criteria met for TEC status? (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No



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