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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed Hammond Park School site (project area) underwent a Level 1 flora and fauna assessment in 2013. Since that time the project area footprint changed and part of the original extent was not surveyed.

The initial 2013 assessment identified the presence of threatened Black-cockatoo habitat and the development of the school would involve clearing native vegetation. To progress the environmental approvals for the project, a subsequent flora, vegetation and threatened Black-cockatoo assessment of the areas not surveyed during the 2013 assessment was undertaken by Anders Environmental Consulting in March 2016.

The key ecological findings from the assessments of the project area included:

- 9.5 ha of threatened Black-cockatoo foraging habitat
- Potential breeding habitat; 24 potential breeding trees, seven of which contain suitable hollows for cockatoo occupancy
- No evidence of cockatoo use within the project area
- Fauna habitat linkages within 4 km of the project area
- One occurrence of two cockatoo individuals flying over the project area in 2013
- The occurrence of one Priority Ecological Community within the project area
- One Priority 4 flora species, Stylidium striatum, recorded during the 2013 assessment
- One Declared Pest plant, Bridal creeper, recorded at one location within the project area.

The assessment of the project against the Environmental Protection Authority's (EPA's) 10 Clearing Principles considered the project is:

- likely to be at variance with Clearing Principle (b)
- may be at variance with Clearing Principle (a).

It is recommended that the proposed clearing be referred to the Commonwealth Department of the Environment (DotE) due to the potential localised impact on threatened Black-cockatoo habitat (foraging and potential breeding).

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1 Introduction

1.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Department of Treasury is planning to develop a number of potential new schools within the Perth metropolitan area. One of the proposed school sites is the proposed new Hammond Park High School (the project area) located in the south metropolitan region. The project area is located approximately 25 km south of Perth within the City of Cockburn (Figure 1).

The project area is approximately 10 hectares (ha) and consists of four semi-rural lots containing remnant vegetation (Lots 31, 32, 33 and 47 Barfield Road).

In 2013 a Level 1 flora, fauna and vegetation assessment was undertaken by GHD (GHD 2014) for the project area (2013 assessment). Due to access issues to the southern-most lot (Lot 47), this area was unable to be surveyed. In addition, the edge of the western boundary was not surveyed.

The project area alignment has changed since the 2013 survey. It originally included a fifth lot, Lot 14 Barfield Road, however this lot has been excluded as it forms part of a separate *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Act* (EPBC Act) referral (EPBC 2012/6524). An entry road to the site from Barfield Road has been included in the project area plan.

The 2013 assessment identified that native vegetation and EPBC listed threatened Black-cockatoo habitat was likely to be cleared (GHD 2014). The environmental approvals for the project is expected to be undertaken as a bilateral approvals process, where an EPBC referral for the impacts on Commonwealth listed Black-cockatoo species and a Native Vegetation Clearing Permit under Part V, Division 2 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) would be required.

1.2 OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF WORKS

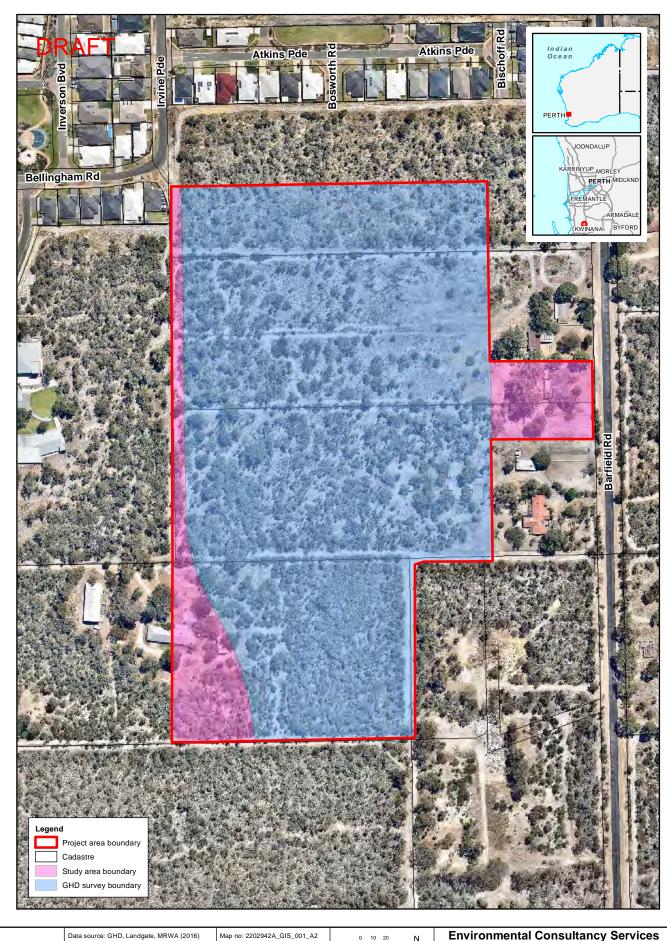
The objective of the 2016 assessment was to undertake a flora, vegetation and threatened Black-cockatoo survey of areas not included in the 2013 assessment, resulting in a complete assessment of relevant ecological values of the project area. The areas surveyed in the 2016 assessment included the:

- western boundary of the project area
- south-western corner of Lot 47
- new entry road from Barfield Road.

To ensure sufficient information was collected to progress the bilateral referrals, the following scope of works was undertaken:

- a desktop assessment and gap analysis of the 2013 assessment (GHD 2014)
- Level 1 flora and vegetation survey of the areas not surveyed in the 2013 assessment
- threatened Black-cockatoo habitat assessment.

The assessment addressed in this report includes the assessment of flora, vegetation and threatened Black-cockatoo values of areas not surveyed during 2013 assessment as well as the consolidated results from the 2013 assessment. This report should be read in conjunction with the 2013 assessment (GHD 2014).





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2 METHODOLOGY

2.1 DESKTOP ASSESSMENT AND GAP ANALYSIS

The gap analysis involved reviewing the 2013 assessment (GHD 2014) and associated mapping against the updated project area footprint to determine outstanding areas which required assessment.

The desktop assessment was conducted prior to the field survey which involved reviewing previous flora and fauna reports to determine the likelihood of any conservation significant species and ecological communities occurring within the project area. Environmental values identified in the reports were reviewed with particular emphasis on any identified Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES). The reports reviewed included:

- Hammond Park High School Flora Fauna and Vegetation Assessment (GHD 2014)
- Lot 31 Barfield Road, Hammond Park Flora and Fauna Assessment (Bayley Environmental Services 2013).

2.2 FIELD SURVEY

2.2.1 Flora and vegetation

The Level 1 flora and vegetation survey was conducted in accordance with the guidelines specified in Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) Guidance Statement 51, Terrestrial Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment in Western Australia (EPA 2004) and the new EPA Technical Guide – Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment (EPA & DPaW 2015). A survey methodology similar to the 2013 assessment was followed to ensure consistency.

The survey involved mapping vegetation types based on the National Vegetation Information System (NVIS) classification framework (NVIS 2003), to Level 5. The NVIS Framework provides a comprehensive means of describing and classifying vegetation based on vegetation structure, floristic composition and landform.

Quadrats were established within areas of mature native vegetation of best available quality, where possible, which were removed from vegetation unit transition zones and disturbed areas. A minimum of two 10 x 10 m quadrats were established within each vegetation type. Additional quadrats were established within previously mapped (2013 assessment) vegetation types to ensure an overall minimum of two quadrats per vegetation type. One of the quadrats, Q7, was located outside of the project area but is indicative of the vegetation in the northern portion of the project area. The following information was recorded within each quadrat:

- location with GPS coordinates
- photograph taken from north-west corner
- landform and soil description
- dominant growth form, height, cover and species for the three traditional strata (upper, mid and ground) compatible with NVIS Level 5 (description of NVIS categories provided in Appendix A)
- percentage of litter, bare ground and rocks
- fire history
- assessment of vegetation condition and description of disturbances
- species present (including weeds) and the estimated average height and percentage foliage cover.

Species that were unable to be identified in the field were collected and pressed for identification at the Western Australian Herbarium (WA Herbarium) using a combination of taxonomic keys and comparison with the WA Herbarium specimens. Nomenclature of the species recorded follows the protocol of the WA Herbarium.

Vegetation condition was mapped throughout the survey area based on the Keighery (1994) scale. Both the 2013 and 2016 assessments used the Keighery scale to ensure consistency and comparison of vegetation condition across the project area. The Keighery scale has been superseded by the vegetation condition scale within the new flora and vegetation technical guidelines (EPA & DPaW 2015). A description of the vegetation condition categories of the Keighery scale and the new technical guidelines vegetation condition scale is provided in Appendix B.

2.2.2 Threatened Black-cockatoo assessment

The threatened Black-cockatoo habitat assessment was conducted using a similar methodology to the 2013 assessment to maintain consistency, and was conducted in accordance with the assessment methods outlined in the *EPBC Act Referral guidelines for three threatened black cockatoo species: Carnaby's cockatoo, Baudin's cockatoo and Forest red-tailed black cockatoo* (DotE 2012).

The assessment involved mapping the amount of foraging and breeding habitat for threatened Black-cockatoos. For breeding habitat, trees of species known to support breeding were recorded. Data collected for breeding habitat (suitable trees) included:

- categorising suitable trees into:
 - actual nesting trees: confirmed nesting with evidence of cockatoos
 - potential nesting trees with available hollows: hollows of size large enough to be used
 by Black-cockatoos
 - potential nesting trees that may form hollows in the future: trees with diameter at breast height (DBH) of 500 mm or greater
- identification, description and recording of size and height from ground of existing tree
 hollows and evidence of use by Black-cockatoos
- identification, description and mapping of potential night roosting habitat
- identification, description and mapping of potential foraging habitat.

2.3 LIMITATIONS

A number of limitations relating to the survey methods and ecological assessment of the project area as outlined in EPA Guidance Statement 51 (EPA 2004) were identified. The limitations and constraints for the survey are addressed in Table 1.

Table 1 Limitations and constraints for the survey

Limitation	Constraint	Description
Sources of information and availability of contextual information	No	Sufficient information was available prior to conducting the survey including two reports (Bayley Environmental Services 2013, GHD 2014) of surveys undertaken within the project area.
Scope - what life forms were sampled	No	All terrestrial flora species present at the time of survey were recorded.
Proportion of flora collected and identified	Maybe	Some flora taxa could not be identified to species level due to insufficient fruiting and flowering characteristics present. The indeterminate taxa were not considered to be either Threatened or Priority listed species.
Completeness and further surveys required	No	The project area was fully surveyed and no further work is required.
Mapping reliability	No	Current and high resolution aerial imagery was available and field mapping was conducted to a high level of detail and at high resolution.
Timing, weather, season, cycle	Maybe	The survey was conducted outside the peak flowering period in Autumn (March) and several taxa could not be identified to species level. The 2013 assessment was conducted in spring (October 2013).
Disturbances	No	No disturbances were present which prevented the survey being undertaken.
Intensity of survey	No	A minimum of two quadrats were established within remnant vegetation types of 'good' condition or better, which is the standard specified in EPA Guidance Statement 51. Vegetation type VT3 was degraded and only one quadrat was able to be established.
Resources	No	All resources required to conduct the survey were available.
Access problems	No	The project area was accessible by vehicle and foot.
Experience levels	No	A senior botanist with over nine years experience conducted the assessment.

3 RESULTS

3.1 DESKTOP ASSESSMENT

The significant environmental values identified in the 2013 assessment of the project area were the presence of threatened Black-cockatoo habitat and clearing of native vegetation.

Threatened Black-cockatoo habitat

Threatened Black-cockatoo habitat was determined to be present within the project area. Approximately 9.3 ha of foraging habitat and 13 potential breeding trees, one with hollows of suitable size for threatened Black-cockatoo occupancy were recorded.

Native vegetation clearing

The development of the school would require clearing of native vegetation. An assessment against the EPA's Clearing Principles determined the project was considered to:

- may be at variance with Clearing Principle (a)
- likely to be at variance with Clearing Principle (b)
- may be at variance with Clearing Principle (f).

A summary of the existing environmental values of the project area are detailed below in Table 2.

Table 2 Summary of environmental values of the project area and surrounds

Environmental value	Details					
Bioregion	Swan Coastal Plain IBRA					
	Perth sub-region					
Environmentally Sensitive	None within the project area					
Areas	Four ESAs within 2 km of the project area					
Conservation estates and	Five reserves were identified within 5 km of the project area:					
reserves	- Harry Waring Marsupial Reserve (0.74 km west)					
	- Thompson Lake Nature Reserve (1.38 km north-west)					
	- Conservation Park R48291 (1.9 km north-west)					
	- Wandi Nature Reserve (3 km south-east)					
	- Conservation Park R49561 (3 km north-west)					
Bush Forever sites	Four Bush Forever sites occur within 2 km of the project area:					
	- Site 392, Harry Waring Marsupial Reserve (0.74 km west)					
	- Site 492, Lyon Road Bushland (1.3 km north-east)					
	- Site 391, Thomsons Lake Nature Reserve (1.38 km north-west)					
	- Site 268, Mandogalup Road Reserve (1.75 km south-west)					
Geomorphology and soils	The project area occurs within the Bassendean Dune System.					
	Broad scale soil mapping by Tille (1996) identified two soil sub-units or phases occur within the project area:					
	- 212Bs_B1 – Extremely low to very low relief dunes, undulating					
	sandplain and discrete sand rises with deep bleached grey sands					
	sometimes with a pale yellow B horizon or a weak iron-organic					
	hardpan at depths generally greater than 2 m; banksia					
	dominant.					
	212Bs_B2 – Flat to very gently undulating sandplain with well to					
	moderately well-drained deep bleached grey sands with a pale					
	yellow B horizon or a weak iron-organic hardpan 12 m.					

Environmental value	Details
Hydrology	No Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914 (RIWI) groundwater areas present No RIWI surfacewater areas present No RIWI irrigation districts present No RIWI rivers present No public drinking water source areas present No waterway management areas present
Wetlands	Two Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar) occur within 5 km of the project area: - Forestdale and Thomsons lakes (within Ramsar site). - Peel-Yalgorup system (upstream from Ramsar). No Lakes covered under the Environmental Protection (Swan Coastal Plain Lakes) Policy 1992 (EPP Lakes) occur within the project area. Thirty six EPP Lakes occur within 5 km of the project area. No geomorphic wetlands occur within the project area. Twenty three geomorphic wetlands occur within approximately 2 km of the project area.
Broad scale vegetation	Broad scale mapping by Beard (1979) indicates one vegetation association within the project area: - Association 1001, Bassendean – Medium very sparse woodland; jarrah, with low woodland; banksia & casuarinas; the extent of pre-European association 1001 remaining at the state level is 24.65% - below the 30% threshold. Regional vegetation mapping of the Swan Coastal Plain by Heddle (1980) indicates one vegetation complex within the project area: - Bassendean complex – Central and south: Vegetation ranges from woodland of <i>E. marginata</i> – <i>C. fraseriana</i> – <i>Banksia</i> spp. to low woodland of <i>Melaleuca</i> species, and sedgelands on the moister sites. This area includes the transition of <i>E. marginata</i> to <i>E. todtiana</i> in the vicinity of Perth; the extent of the pre-
	European Bassendean complex remaining is 27.7% - below the 30% threshold.

3.2 VEGETATION AND FLORA SURVEY

3.2.1 Vegetation types

Four vegetation types were mapped within the project area:

- VT1: Low Open Forest of Banksia spp. and Allocasuarina fraseriana
- VT2: Low Woodland of Banksia spp. over Open Low Heath of Scholtzia involucrata
- VT3: Low Open Woodland of Melaleuca rhaphiophylla
- VT4: Low Open Forest of Eucalyptus marginata and Banksia spp.

The 2013 assessment described and mapped the first three vegetation types, VT1, VT2 and VT3. Three additional quadrats (Q6, Q7 and Q8) were established during the 2016 survey. Two quadrats were sampled within the unmapped western boundary (new area) and one within VT2 representing the second quadrat for this vegetation type. A second quadrat was not established for VT3 as the majority of this vegetation type was highly degraded. The quadrat (Q5, 2013 assessment) for this vegetation type was established in a section representing the best condition.

The fourth vegetation type, VT4, was mapped in the southern section of the project area. This was found to be a similar vegetation type to VT1; however it is denser and dominated by Jarrah (*Eucalyptus marginata*) and *Banksia* species overstorey rather than *Allocasuarina fraseriana* and *Banksia* species overstorey.

Several sections of the Study area no longer support any remnant vegetation. The south-west corner within Lot 47 has been cleared. The new access road from Barfield Road is within existing urban infrastructure (house and gardens) and consists of planted non-native or non-endemic species. These areas were mapped as 'urban – planted/cleared' and represent 0.7 ha of the project area.

A summary of the four vegetation types is provided in Table 3 and their spatial extent is illustrated in Figure 2.

3.2.2 Conservation significant vegetation

The 2013 assessment identified five Priority Ecological Communities (PECs) within 5 km of the project area:

- SCP21c Low lying *Banksia attenuata* woodlands or shrublands (Priority 3)
- SCP22 Banksia ilicifolia woodlands (Priority 3)
- SCP24 Northern Spearwood shrublands and woodlands (Priority 3)
- Banksia dominated woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain IBRA region (Priority 3).

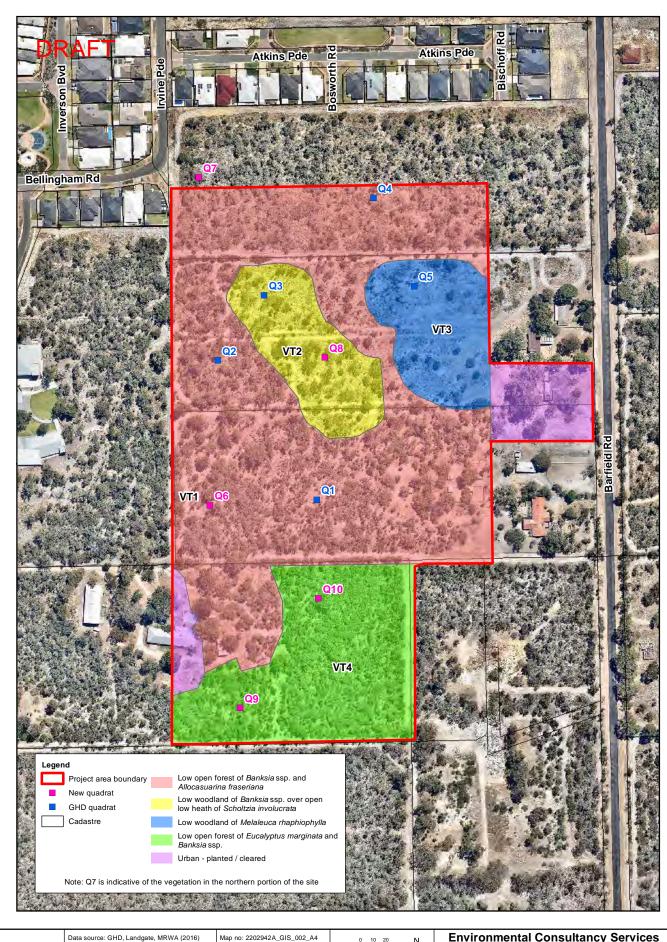
It is likely that Vegetation types VT1 - Low Open Forest of *Banksia* spp. and *Allocasuarina fraseriana* and VT2 – Low Woodland of *Banksia* spp. over Open Low Heath of *Scholtzia involucrata* represent the fourth PEC, Banksia dominated woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain IBRA region. Vegetation type VT4 is not likely to represent any of the PECs relevant to the area.

No Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) are known to occur within 5 km of the project area. None of the vegetation types within the project area are considered to align with any TEC.

Table 3 Vegetation types within the project area

Vegetation type and description	Area of project area	Potential corresponding Gibson <i>et al</i> . (1994) Floristic Community Type	Photograph
VT1: Low Open Forest of Banksia spp. and Allocasuarina fraseriana. Low Open Forest of Banksia attenuata, Banksia menziesii and Allocasuarina fraseriana over Tall Shrubland of Kunzea glabrescens over Shrubland of Xanthorrhoea preissii and Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora over Open Low Heath of Hibbertia racemosa, Calytrix fraseri and Leucopogon polymorphus over Sedgeland of Lepidosperma pubisquameum and Schoenus curvifolius over a Herbland of Phlebocarya ciliata, Desmocladus flexuosus, Dasypogon bromeliifolius and assorted herbs and weedy grass spp.		SCP23a – Central Banksia attenuata – B. menziesii woodlands.	
VT2: Low Woodland of Banksia spp. over Open Low Heath of Scholtzia involucrata. Low Woodland of Banksia menziesii and Banksia illicifolia over Tall Open Shrubland of Kunzea glabrescens over Open Low Heath of Scholtzia involucrata, Conostephium pendulum and Calytrix fraseri over Open Herbland of Dasypogon bromeliifolius, Phlebocarya ciliata and Desmocladus flexuosus.	0.9 ha	SCP23a – Central Banksia attenuata – B. menziesii woodlands.	

Vegetation type and description	Area of project area	Potential corresponding Gibson <i>et al</i> . (1994) Floristic Community Type	Photograph
VT3: Low Open Woodland of <i>Melaleuca</i> rhaphiophylla.	0.9 ha	SCP4 – <i>Melaleuca preissiana</i> damplands.	
Low Open Woodland of Melaleuca rhaphiophylla over Tall Open Scrub of Kunzea glabrescens and Astartea scoparia over Open Low Heath of Hypocalymma angustifolium over Grassland of *Ehrharta calycina and herbaceous weed species.			
VT4: Low Open Forest of Eucalyptus marginata and Banksia spp. Low Open Forest of Eucalytpus marginata over Low Woodland of Banksia attenuata, B. menziesii and B. illicifolia over Tall Shrubland of Kunzea glaberescens over Mid Shrubland of Stirlingia latifolia and Xanthorrhoea preissii.	2.0 ha	SCP21a – Central Banksia attenuata - Eucalyptus marginata woodlands	





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Vegetation type in the project study area

3.2.3 Vegetation condition

The majority of the project area is in 'good-very good condition' (6.0 ha). The best condition was found to be in the southern section of the project area where it was rated as 'very good – excellent'condition. Disturbance was greatest in areas close to existing houses and tracks and consisted of rubbish dumping, weeds, lopped *Banksia's*, clearing and grazing (goats, sheep). In areas further away from tracks, more than 20 metres, very low weed coverage was present (<2%).

The vegetation condition of the project area is summarised in Table 3. Both the 2016 and 2013 condition ratings are provided for comparison. The vegetation condition for the project area is illustrated in figure 3.

Table 3 Vegetation condition for the project area

Condition (Keighery 1994)	2016 assessment Total area (ha)	2013 assessment Total area (ha)
Excellent	-	2.5
Very good – excellent	1.5	2.17
Very good	0.5	-
Good – very good	6.0	-
Good	0.9	3.15
Degraded	1.9	2.14
Completely degraded	-	0.26

3.2.4 Flora diversity

A total of 139 species were recorded during the 2013 and 2016 survey. This was represented by 38 families and 95 genera. The most dominant families were Fabaceae (19 taxa), Myrtaceae (13 taxa), Poaceae (12 taxa) and Proteaceae (11 taxa).

Six taxa could not be identified to species level as there was insufficient fruiting and flowering material available. The six specimens were confirmed at the WA Herbarium to not be either Threatened or Priority flora and are likely to be a common species of the region.

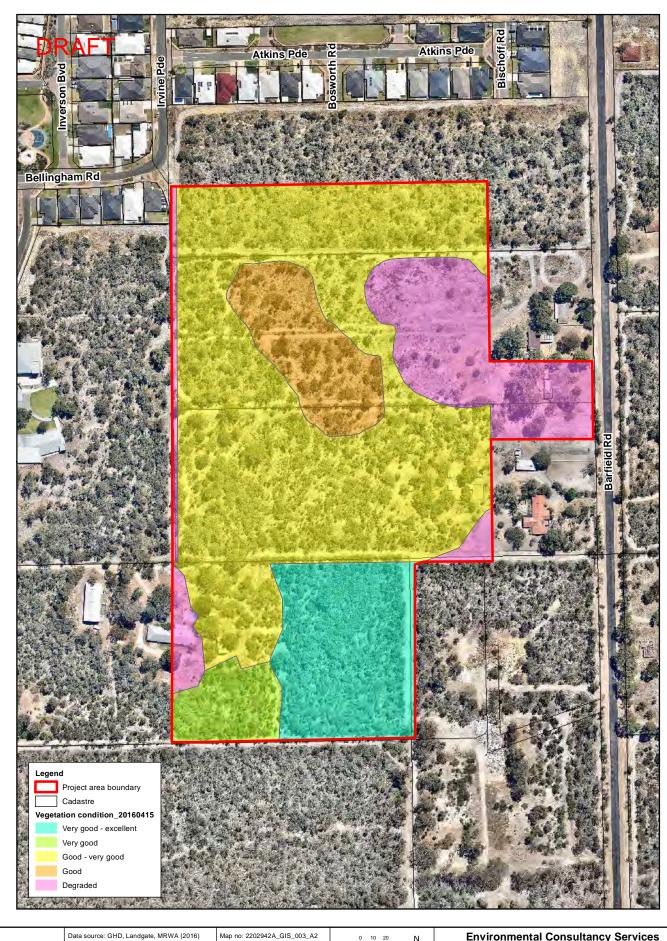
3.2.5 Conservation significant flora

The 2013 assessment identified 16 conservation significant species previously recorded within 5 km of the project area. This included nine Commonwealth and State listed Threatened species and seven Priority listed species.

No Threatened or Priority flora species were recorded during the 2016 survey. The one Priority 4 species, *Stylidium striatum*, recorded during the 2013 survey was not recovered. This is an annual species and may not have been present at the time of the survey (in March). All Stylidiums observed during the survey were collected for identification at the WA herbarium. None of the samples collected were confirmed to be *Stylidium striatum*.

3.2.6 Introduced flora

A total of 20 weeds were recorded during the 2013 and 2016 surveys. One of the weeds, Bridal Creeper (*Asparagus asparagoides*), is a declared pest plant (weed) under the *Biosecurity and Agricultural Management Act 2007* (BAM Act). Bridal creeper was recorded in one location during the 2013 survey. It was not recorded during the 2016 survey in any of the quadrats or during opportunistic searches.





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Figure 3
Vegetation condition in the project study area

3.3 THREATENED BLACK-COCKATOO HABITAT ASSESSMENT

3.3.1 Threatened Black-cockatoo occurrence

During the 2013 survey, two individual Carnaby's Black-cockatoos were observed flying over the project area.

No sightings of any threatened Black-cockatoo individuals or flocks were observed within or flying over the project area during the time of the 2016 survey. No evidence of use was recorded including chewed nuts, feathers or scratchings.

3.3.2 Foraging habitat

A total of 9.5 ha of threatened Black-cockatoo foraging habitat were mapped during the 2016 survey.

The fauna habitat suitable for threatened Black-cockatoo foraging within the project area is *Banksia* woodland and aligns with vegetation communities VT1, VT2 and VT4. The *Banksia* woodland fauna habitat consists of a range of species in which the cockatoo's are able to feed. Suitable foraging species include *Banksia*, *Euclayptus* (Jarrah) and *Allocasuarina*.

The extent of suitable foraging habitat within the project area is shown in Figure 4.

3.3.3 Breeding habitat

Suitable potential breeding habitat was recorded within the project area and includes 24 potential breeding trees of suitable DBH. Thirteen of the trees were recorded during the 2013 assessment and a further 11 were recorded during the 2016 assessment. All of the trees are Jarrah or dead stags likely to have been Jarrah. Of the 24 potential breeding trees, seven contain hollows of suitable size for cockatoo occupancy. There was no evidence of use by cockatoos at the time of the survey. Bees were recorded to be occupying one of the trees, however not within the hollow that was present.

A summary of the potential breeding trees recorded during the 2016 assessment is provided in Table 4. The location of all potential breeding trees recorded within the project area (2013 and 2016), are shown in Figure 4.

3.3.4 Fauna linkages

There are a number of reserves also with suitable foraging habitat within 5 km of the project area. These areas could provide a corridor or linkages where the project area provides a stepping stone or a rest area for cockatoos between the other reserves.

The largest reserve is also the closest, the Harry Waring Marsupial Reserve, which is less than 1 km west of the project area and contains similar habitat (*Banksia* woodland) to that of the project area. The reserves within 4 km of the project area are shown in Figure 5.

Table 4 Potential Threatened Black-cockatoo breeding trees recorded during the 2016 assessment

Species	Location	DBH (mm)	Height (m)		Holl	ows		Comments	Photograph
				Т	В	F	S		
Jarrah	Easting — 391550 Northing — 6439702	1 000	12	1	1			Fire scarring	
Jarrah	Easting – 391565 Northing – 6439712	600	10			1		Fire scarring	

Species	Location	DBH (mm)	Height (m)		Holl	ows		Comments	Photograph
				Т	В	F	S		
Jarrah	Easting – 391566 Northing – 6439721	950	15	2				Fire scarring	
Jarrah	Easting – 391569 Northing – 6439615	1,600	10						

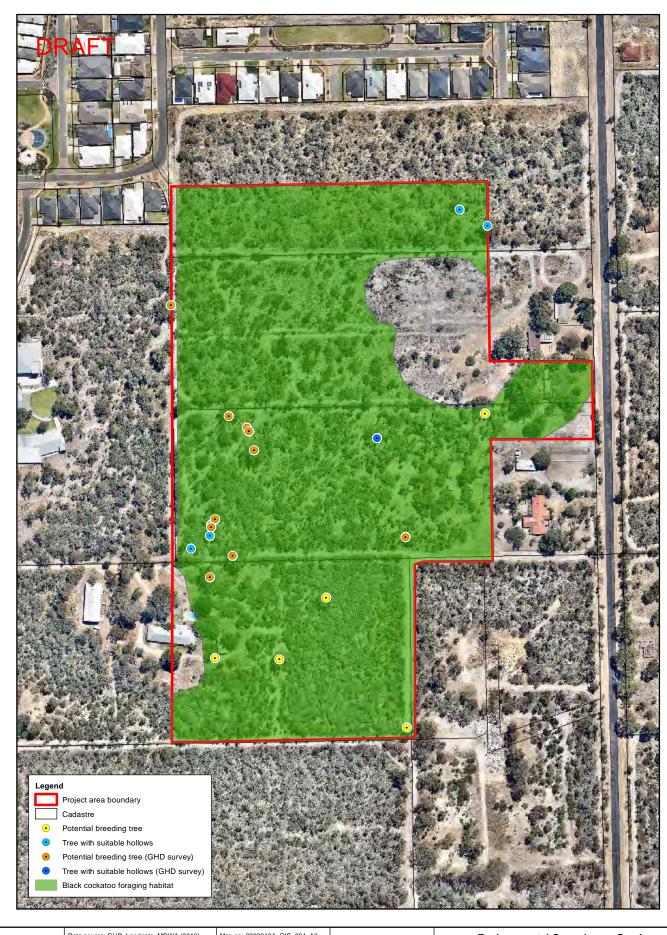
Species	Location	DBH (mm)	Height (m)		Holl	ows		Comments	Photograph
				Т	В	F	S		
Jarrah	Easting – 391620 Northing – 6439614	1800	15						
Jarrah	Easting — 391783 Northing — 6439809	1,400	80						

Species	Location	DBH (mm)	Height (m)		Hollows		Hollows		Comments	Photograph
				Т	В	F	S			
Jarrah	Easting – 391785 Northing – 6439958	1,900	15	1	1			Fire scarring		
Stag	Easting – 391805 Northing – 6439970	700	10				1	Fire scarring, bees present		

Species	Location	DBH (mm)	Height (m)		Hollows		Comments	Photograph	
				Т	В	F	S		
Jarrah	Easting – 391763 Northing – 6439971	1,900	12		6	1		Fire scarring	
Jarrah	Easting – 391657 Northing – 6439663	1,500	15					Fire scarring	

Species	Location	DBH (mm)	Height (m)	Hollows				Comments	Photograph
				Т	В	F	S		
Jarrah	Easting – 391721 Northing – 6439560	600	8						

Hollow codes: T – trunk hollow, B – branch hollow, F – fissure hollow, S – sprout hollow.





Data source: GHD, Landgate, MRWA (2016)

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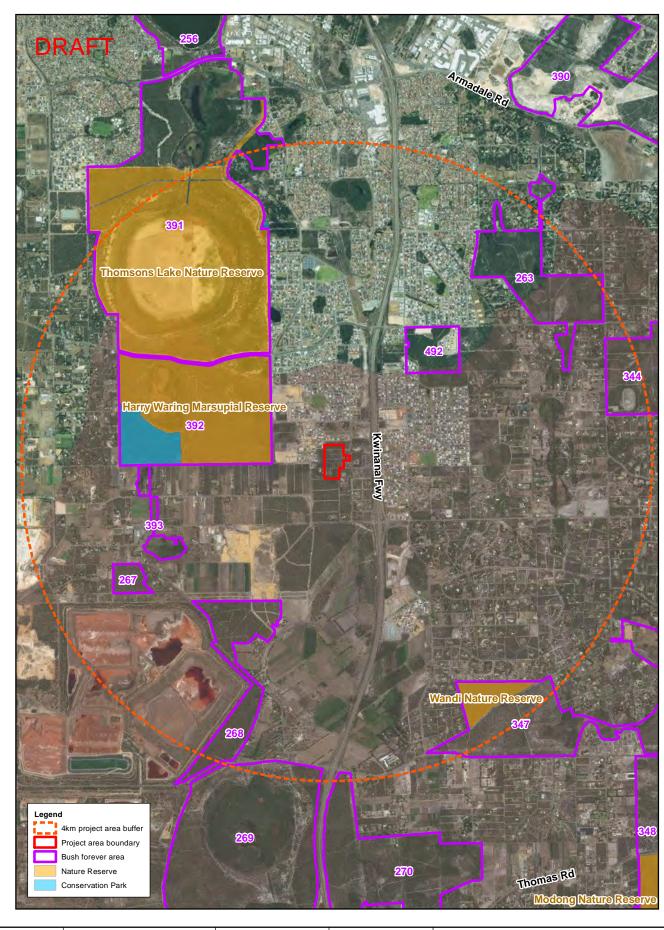
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Projection: Transverse Mercator
Coord sys: GDA 1994 MGA Zone 50

Environmental Consultancy Services Hammond Park Figure 4 Significant fauna habitat in the project study area





Data source: Landgate, MRWA, DOP, DPAW, ESRI (2016)

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Environmental Consultancy Services Hammond Park Figure 5 Black cockatoo connectivity

4 ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVALS

4.1 COMMONWEALTH

An assessment of the impacts on Matter of National Environmental Significance (MNES) by the development of the school (the project) was undertaken during the 2013 assessment. Referral to the Department of the Environment (DotE) under the EPBC Act is triggered if there are any significant impacts on MNES resulting in the project considered a Controlled Action.

The project is likely impact on one MNES; threatened Black-cockatoo habitat. A summary of the project's potential impacts on MNES is provided in Table 5.

MNES	Present	Impact	
World Heritage Places	No	None	
National Heritage Places	No	None	
Wetlands	No	None	
Threatened species and/or ecological communities	Yes	Localised impact on Black- cockatoo foraging habitat and potential breeding habitat	
Migratory species	Maybe	Not significant	
Commonwealth marine area	No	None	
Great Barrier Reef	No	None	

No

No

None

None

Table 5 Project impacts on MNES

4.2 STATE

Nuclear actions

Water reserves

Assessment against the 10 clearing principles

An assessment of the proposed project against the "10 Clearing Principles" was undertaken in the 2013 assessment to determine whether the project is likely to be at variance to the Principles. The Principles aim to ensure that all potential impacts resulting from removal of native vegetation can be assessed in an integrated way.

The 2013 assessment identified that the project was

- likely to be at variance with Clearing Principle (b); comprises the whole or part of a significant habitat for fauna (threatened Black-cockatoo's)
- may be at variance with Clearing Principle (a); comprises a high level of biological diversity
- may be at variance with Clearing Principle (f); native vegetation is growing in, or in association with, an environment associated with a watercourse or wetland.

Following the 2016 assessment, it is considered that project is not likely to be at variance with Clearing Principle (f). This Principle aims to conserve vegetation associated with watercourses and wetlands including damplands. There are no known wetlands, watercourse or associated buffers within the project area. Vegetation type VT3 is likely to be a dampland based on it consisting of species associated with a dampland. Vegetation type VT3 is highly degraded and has a low wetland functional value based on the biophysical criteria outlined in Department of Environment Regulation's A guide to the assessment applications to clear native vegetation (DER 2014). Clearing native

vegetation associated with the dampland (VT3) is not likely to alter surface water or groundwater regimes.

5 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 CONCLUSIONS

5.1.1 Flora and vegetation

The assessment of the 2013 and 2016 survey identified the following key aspects:

- one PEC occurs within the project area
- one Priority 4 flora species, Stylidium striatum, was recorded within the project area
- four vegetation types occur within the project area
- one Declared Pest plant, Asparagus asparagoides, was recorded.

5.1.2 Fauna

The assessment of the 2013 and 2016 survey identified the following key aspects:

- approximately 9.5 ha of threatened Black-cockatoo foraging habitat
- twenty-four potential breeding trees, seven of which have suitable hollows
- one fly over sighting of two threatened Black-cockatoos during the 2013 assessment
- no evidence of use within the site by threatened Black-cockatoo's
- potential habitat linkages between several reserves within 5 km of the project area.

5.1.3 Environmental approvals

Based on the potential impact on threatened Black-cockatoos, the project is likely to be required to be referred to the Commonwealth DotE due to the presence of potential breeding habitat (24 trees) and 9.5 ha of foraging habitat.

It is anticipated that this project will require a Native Vegetation Clearing Permit due to the project at variance with the 10 Clearing Principles.

5.2 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Department of Treasury initiate consultation with DotE and refer the project if development of the school requires clearing of threatened Black-cockatoo foraging and potential breeding habitat.

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Appendix A NVIS (2003) vegetation community structure classifications

Growth form	Height range (m)	Structural formation classes					
Foliage cover %		70–100%	30–70%	10–30%	<10%	0–5%	≈0%
tree, palm	<10,10-30,>30	open forest	woodland	open woodland	isolated trees	isolated clumps of trees	tree, palm
tree mallee	<3, <10, 10–30	closed mallee forest	open mallee forest	mallee woodland	open mallee woodland	isolated mallee trees	isolated clumps of mallee trees
shrub, cycad, grass-tree, tree- fern	<1,1-2,>2	closed shrubland	shrubland	open shrubland	sparse shrubland	isolated shrubs	isolated clumps of shrubs
mallee shrub	<3, <10, 10–30	closed mallee shrubland	mallee shrubland	open mallee shrubland	sparse mallee shrubland	isolated mallee shrubs	isolated clumps of mallee shrubs
heath shrub	<1,1-2,>2	closed heathland	heathland	open heathland	sparse heathland	isolated heath shrubs	isolated clumps of heath shrubs
chenopod shrub	<1,1-2,>2	closed chenopod shrubland	chenopod shrubland	open chenopod shrubland	sparse chenopod shrubland	isolated chenopod shrubs	isolated clumps of chenopod shrubs
samphire shrub	<0.5,>0.5	closed samphire shrubland	samphire shrubland	open samphire shrubland	sparse samphire shrubland	isolated samphire shrubs	isolated clumps of samphire shrubs
hummock grass	<2,>2	closed hummock grassland	hummock grassland	open hummock grassland	sparse hummock grassland	isolated hummock grasses	isolated clumps of hummock grasses
tussock grass	<0.5,>0.5	closed tussock grassland	tussock grassland	open tussock grassland	sparse tussock grassland	isolated tussock grasses	isolated clumps of tussock grasses
other grass	<0.5,>0.5	closed grassland	grassland	open grassland	sparse grassland	isolated grasses	isolated clumps of grasses
sedge	<0.5,>0.5	closed sedgeland	sedgeland	open sedgeland	sparse sedgeland	isolated sedges	isolated clumps of sedges
rush	<0.5,>0.5	closed rushland	rushland	open rushland	sparse rushland	isolated rushes	isolated clumps of rushes

Growth form	Height range (m)		Structural formation classes							
Foliage cover %		70–100%	30–70%	10–30%	<10%	0–5%	≈0%			
forb	<0.5,>0.5	closed forbland	forbland	open forbland	sparse forbland	isolated forbs	isolated clumps of forbs			
fern	<1,1-2,>2	closed fernland	fernland	open fernland	sparse fernland	isolated ferns	isolated clumps of ferns			
bryophyte	<0.5	closed bryophyteland	bryophyteland	open bryophyteland	sparse bryophyteland	isolated bryophytes	isolated clumps of bryophytes			
lichen	<0.5	closed lichenland	lichenland	open lichenland	sparse lichenland	isolated lichens	isolated clumps of lichens			

Appendix B Vegetation condition categories

Keighery vegetation condition scale

Vegetation condition	Description
Pristine	No obvious signs of disturbance.
Excellent	Vegetation structure intact, disturbance affecting individual species, and weeds are non-aggressive species.
Very good	Vegetation structure altered, obvious signs of disturbance.
Good	Vegetation structure significantly altered by very obvious signs of multiple disturbances retains basic vegetation structure or ability to regenerate it.
Degraded	Basic vegetation structure severely impacted by disturbance. Scope for regeneration but not in a state approaching good condition without intensive management.
Completely degraded	The structure of the vegetation is no longer intact and the area is completely or almost without native species.

Vegetation condition scale from the *Technical Guide – Terrestrial Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment* (EPA & DPaW 2015)

Vegetation condition	South West and Interzone Botanical Provinces	Eremaean and Northern Botanical Provinces
1	Pristine or nearly so, no obvious signs of disturbance or damage caused by human activities since European settlement.	NA
2	Vegetation structure intact, disturbance affecting individual species and weeds are non-aggressive species. Damage to trees caused by fire, the presence of non-aggressive weeds and occasional vehicle tracks.	Pristine or nearly so, no obvious signs of damage caused by human activities since European settlement.
3	Vegetation structure altered, obvious signs of disturbance. Disturbance to vegetation structure caused by repeated fires, the presence of some more aggressive weeds, dieback, logging and grazing.	Some relatively slight signs of damage caused by human activities since European settlement. For example, some signs of damage to tree trunks caused by repeated fire, the presence of some relatively nonaggressive weeds, or occasional vehicle tracks.
4	Vegetation structure significantly altered by very obvious signs of multiple disturbances. Retains basic vegetation structure or ability to regenerate it. Disturbance to vegetation structure caused by very frequent fires, the presence of very aggressive weeds, partial clearing, dieback and grazing.	More obvious signs of damage caused by human activity since European settlement, including some obvious impact on the vegetation structure such as that caused by low levels of grazing or slightly aggressive weeds.
5	-	Still retains basic vegetation structure or ability to regenerate it after very obvious impacts of human activities since European settlement, such as grazing, partial clearing, frequent fires or aggressive weeds.
6	Basic vegetation structure severely impacted by disturbance. Scope for regeneration but not to a state approaching good condition without intensive management. Disturbance to vegetation structure caused by very frequent fires, the presence of very aggressive weeds at high density, partial clearing, dieback and grazing.	Severely impacted by grazing, very frequent fires, clearing or a combination of these activities. Scope for some regeneration but not to a state approaching good condition without intensive management. Usually with a number of weed species present including very aggressive species.
7	The structure of the vegetation is no longer intact and the area is completely or almost completely without native species. These areas are often described as 'parkland cleared' with the flora comprising weed or crop species with isolated native trees and shrubs.	Areas that are completely or almost completely without native species in the structure of their vegetation; i.e. areas that are cleared or 'parkland cleared' with their flora comprising weed or crop species with isolated native trees or shrubs.

Appendix C Species recorded within the project area

Family	Species				
Aizoaceae	*Carpobrotus edulis				
Anarthriaceae	Lyginia barbata				
Anarthriaceae	Lyginia imberbis				
Apiaceae	Homalosciadium homalocarpum				
Araliaceae	Trachymene pilosa				
Asparagaceae	*Asparagus asparagoides				
	Laxmannia squarrosa				
	Lomandra caespitosa				
	Lomandra maritima				
	Lomandra preissii				
	Thysanotus sp.				
Asteraceae	*Arctotheca calendula				
	*Conyza bonariensis				
	*Conyza sumatrensis				
	*Hypochaeris sp.				
	Pithocarpa pulchella var. pulchella				
	Podolepis gracilis				
	Podotheca gnaphalioides				
	*Ursinia anthemoides				
Casuarinaceae	Allocasuarina fraseriana				
Colchicaceae	Burchardia congesta				
Cyperaceae	Cyperaceae sp. A				
	Cyperaceae sp. B				
	Mesomelaena pseudostygia				
	Schoenus brevisetis				
	Schoenus curvifolius				
	Baumea juncea				
	Lepidosperma pubisquameum				
Dasypogonaceae	Dasypogon bromeliifolius				
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia hypericoides				
	Hibbertia racemosa				
	Hibbertia subvaginata				
Droseraceae	Drosera erythrorhiza				
	Drosera menziesii				

Family	Species						
Ericaceae	Astroloma pallidum						
	Conostephium pendulum						
	Leucopogon conostephioides						
	Leucopogon polymorphus						
	Leucopogon sp.						
Euphorbiaceae	*Euphorbia terracina						
Fabaceae	Acacia alata						
	Acacia cyclops						
	Acacia huegelii						
	Acacia pulchella						
	Acacia saligna						
	Acacia sp.						
	Acacia stenoptera						
	Bossiaea eriocarpa						
	Daviesia physodes						
	Daviesia triflora						
	Daviesia nudiflora subsp. nudiflora						
	Gastrolobium capitatum						
	Gompholobium tomentosum						
	Hovea pungens						
	Hovea trisperma						
	Jacksonia floribunda						
	Jacksonia sternbergiana						
	Jacksonia furcellata						
	Kennedia sp.						
Goodeniaceae	Dampiera linearis						
	Scaevola canescens						
	Scaevola sp.						
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis setosa						
	Conostylis aculeata subsp. aculeata						
	Conostylis setigera subsp. setigera						
	Phlebocarya ciliata						
Haloragaceae	Gonocarpus paniculatus						
Hemerocallidaceae	Caesia micrantha						
	Dianella revoluta						
	Agrostocrinum hirsutum						

Family	Species
Hemerocallidaceae cont.	Tricoryne elatior
Iridaceae	*Gladiolus caryophyllaceus
	Patersonia occidentalis
Lamiaceae	Hemiandra pungens
Loranthaceae	Nuytsia floribunda
Molluginaceae	Macarthuria australis
Myrtaceae	Calothamnus sp.
	Calytrix fraseri
	Calytrix sp.
	Eremaea asterocarpa
	Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora
	Eucalyptus marginata
	Kunzea glabrescens
	Melaleuca rhaphiophylla
	Melaleuca thymoides
	Astartea scoparia
	Hypocalymma angustifolium
	Hypocalymma robustum
	Scholtzia involucrata
Orchidaceae	Caladenia flava
	Caladenia paludosa
	Caladenia sp.
	Elythranthera brunonis
	Leptoceras menziesii
	Microtis media
	Pyrorchis nigricans
	Thelymitra crinita
	Thelymitra sp.
Orobanchaceae	*Orobanche minor
Papaveraceae	*Fumaria sp.
Poaceae	Amphipogon turbinatus
	Austrostipa compressa
	*Avena barbata
	*Briza maxima
	*Bromus diandrus
	*Bromus hordeaceus

Family	Species
Poaceae cont.	*Ehrharta calycina
	Ehrharta sp.
	*Eragrostis curvula
	*Lolium sp.
	Poaceae sp.
	*Vulpia bromoides
Proteaceae	Adenanthos cygnorum
	Persoonia saccata
	Petrophile linearis
	Petrophile macrostachya
	Petrophile striata
	Stirlingia latifolia
	Banksia attenuata
	Banksia grandis
	Banksia menziesii
	Banksia ilicifolia
	Banksia littoralis
Restionaceae	Desmocladus fasciculatus
	Desmocladus flexuosus
	Hypolaena exsulca
Rubiaceae	Opercularia vaginata
Rutaceae	Boronia crenulata
	Philotheca spicata
Solanaceae	*Solanum nigrum
Stylidiaceae	Stylidium piliferum
	Stylidium repens
	Stylidium schoenoides
	Stylidium sp.
	Stylidium striatum
Thymelaeaceae	Pimelea lehmanniana
Violaceae	Hybanthus calycinus
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Xanthorrhoea preissii
Zamiaceae	Macrozamia riedlei

^{*} Denotes an introduced species

Appendix D Species recorded within each quadrat

		2013	3 Survey (GHD)			2016	Survey	(Anders)		Opportunistic
Species	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	
Acacia alata						+	+		+	+	
Acacia cyclops									+		
Acacia huegelii								+			
Acacia pulchella									+		
Acacia saligna											+
Acacia stenoptera									+	+	
Acacia sp.											+
Adenanthos cygnorum								+			
Agrostocrinum hirsutum	+										
Allocasuarina fraseriana	+					+	+		+	+	
Amphipogon turbinatus							+	+			
*Arctotheca calendula	+				+				+		
*Asparagus asparagoides				+							
Astartea scoparia					+						
Astroloma pallidum										+	
Austrostipa compressa			+								
Boronia crenulata											+
*Avena barbata				+	+						
Banksia attenuata	+	+		+		+	+	+	+	+	
Banksia grandis								+			
Banksia ilicifolia		+	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	
Banksia littoralis	+		+						+	+	

		2013	Survey ((GHD)			2016	Survey	(Anders)		
Species	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Opportunistic
Banksia menziesii	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	
Baumea juncea											+
Bossiaea eriocarpa		+	+	+		+	+		+	+	
*Briza maxima		+	+	+		+	+	+	+		
*Bromus diandrus											+
*Bromus hordeaceus	+										
Burchardia congesta		+	+	+			+		+	+	
Caesia micrantha		+		+		+					
Caladenia flava	+										
Caladenia paludosa											+
Caladenia sp.		+									
Calothamnus sp.										+	
Calytrix fraseri			+	+			+	+			
Calytrix sp.		+									
*Carpobrotus edulis							+	+	+		
Conostephium pendulum			+				+			+	
Conostylis aculeata subsp. aculeata		+		+			+	+	+	+	
Conostylis setigera subsp. setigera							+	+			
Conostylis setosa						+	+			+	
*Conyza bonariensis								+			
*Conyza sumatrensis								+			
Cyperaceae sp. A						+					
Cyperaceae sp. B								+			
Dampiera linearis			+				+			+	

		2013	3 Survey (GHD)			2016	Survey	(Anders)		
Species	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Opportunistic
Dasypogon bromeliifolius	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+		
Daviesia nudiflora subsp. nudiflora										+	
Daviesia physodes						+				+	
Daviesia triflora							+				
Desmocladus flexuosus	+		+	+		+	+	+	+	+	
Desmocladus fasciculatus									+	+	
Dianella revoluta								+			
Drosera erythrorhiza		+		+							
Drosera menziesii	+										
*Ehrharta calycina			+	+	+		+	+	+		
Ehrharta sp.		+									
Elythranthera brunonis											+
*Eragrostis curvula											+
Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora				+			+	+	+	+	
Eremaea asterocarpa							+			+	
Eucalyptus marginata						+	+	+		+	
*Euphorbia terracina											+
*Fumaria sp.											+
Gastrolobium capitatum									+		
*Gladiolus caryophyllaceus		+	+	+	+		+	+		+	
Gompholobium tomentosum		+	+			+				+	
Gonocarpus paniculatus		+									
Hemiandra pungens											+
Hibbertia hypericoides	+					+		+		+	

		201	3 Survey	(GHD)		2016 Survey (Anders)					
Species	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Opportunistic
Hibbertia racemosa		+	+			+		+	+		
Hibbertia subvaginata								+			
Homalosciadium homalocarpum								+			
Hovea pungens											+
Hovea trisperma		+				+	+			+	
Hybanthus calycinus										+	
*Hypochaeris sp.		+	+		+						
Hypocalymma angustifolium					+						
Hypocalymma robustum											+
Hypolaena exsulca		+		+					+		
Jacksonia floribunda			+					+			
Jacksonia sternbergiana								+	+	+	
Jacksonia furcellata								+	+	+	
Kennedia sp.											+
Kunzea glabrescens	+	+	+		+	+		+	+	+	
Lepidosperma pubisquameum			+	+		+	+	+	+	+	
Leptoceras menziesii	+	+									
Leucopogon conostephioides								+			
Leucopogon polymorphus		+									
Leucopogon sp.		+									
Laxmannia squarrosa											+
*Lolium sp.											+
Lomandra caespitosa	+			+	+	+			+	+	
Lomandra maritima								+			

		2013	Survey (GHD)			2016	Survey	(Anders)		
Species	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Opportunistic
Lomandra preissii		+	+								
Lyginia barbata											+
Lyginia imberbis			+	+			+	+	+		
Macarthuria australis											+
Macrozamia riedlei							+	+			
Melaleuca rhaphiophylla					+						
Melaleuca thymoides		+					+				
Mesomelaena pseudostygia									+		
Microtis media				+							
Nuytsia floribunda									+		
Opercularia vaginata				+							
*Orobanche minor		+							+		
Patersonia occidentalis			+	+	+		+	+	+	+	
Persoonia saccata											+
Petrophile linearis		+	+				+	+	+	+	
Petrophile macrostachya									+		
Petrophile striata								+			
Philotheca spicata											+
Phlebocarya ciliata		+	+	+							
Pimelea lehmanniana											+
Pithocarpa pulchella var. pulchella								+			
Poaceae sp.									+		
Podolepis gracilis											+
Podotheca gnaphalioides			+					+			

		2013	Survey (GHD)		2016 Survey (Anders)					
Species	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Opportunistic
Pyrorchis nigricans		+	+	+							
Scaevola canescens										+	
Scaevola sp.											+
Schoenus brevisetis							+			+	
Schoenus curvifolius	+		+	+		+	+	+	+	+	
Scholtzia involucrata			+					+			
*Solanum nigrum				+							
Stirlingia latifolia							+		+	+	
Stylidium piliferum								+		+	
Stylidium repens		+								+	
Stylidium schoenoides		+		+							
Stylidium striatum			+								
Stylidium sp.											+
Thelymitra crinita											+
Thelymitra sp.		+		+							
Thysanotus sp.		+									
Trachymene pilosa	+	+	+	+		+	+				
Tricoryne elatior				+			+				
*Ursinia anthemoides		+	+			+		+			
*Vulpia bromoides	+		+					+			
Xanthorrhoea preissii	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	

^{*}Denotes an introduced species

Appendix E Quadrat data

Site	Q6	Project	Hammond Park						
Туре:	Quadrat	Size:	10 x 10 m						
Date:	24/03/2016	Described by:	CK & DK						
Co-ordinates:	MGA 50	mE 391565	mN 6439738						
Location:	Hammond Park								
Landform:	Flat								
Drainage:	Good drainage								
Soil colour and type:	Grey sand	Grey sand							
Vegetation type:	Banksia woodland								
Fire age and intensity:	> 5 years								
Condition:	Good – very good	Disturbances:	Weeds, rubbish dumping, adjacent to track						
Bare ground (%):	2-10 Litter (%): >90								
Logs (%):	2-10	Rocks (%):	0						



Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
Casuarinaceae	Allocasuarina fraseriana		U1	10 to 30	10.0
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus marginata		U1	30 to 70	12.0
Proteaceae	Banksia attenuata		U2	30 to 70	4.5
Proteaceae	Banksia menziesii (Juvenile)		U2	<2	0.5
Proteaceae	Banksia ilicifolia		U2	2 to 10	4.0
Myrtaceae	Kunzea glabrescens		M1	<2	3.5
Araliaceae	Trachymene pilosa		G1	<2	0.3
Asparagaceae	Lomandra caespitosa		G1	<2	0.1
Asteraceae	Ursinia anthemoides	*	G1	<2	0.05
Cyperaceae	Cyperaceae sp.		G1	<2	0.1
Cyperaceae	Schoenus curvifolius		G1	<2	0.1
Cyperaceae	Lepidosperma pubisquameum		G1	<2	0.2
Dasypogonaceae	Dasypogon bromeliifolius		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia hypericoides		G1	<2	0.2
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia racemosa		G1	<2	0.3
Fabaceae	Acacia alata		G1	<2	0.1
Fabaceae	Bossiaea eriocarpa		G1	<2	0.1
Fabaceae	Daviesia physodes		G1	<2	0.05
Fabaceae	Gompholobium tomentosum		G1	<2	0.1
Fabaceae	Hovea trisperma		G1	<2	0.1
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis setosa		G1	<2	0.1
Hemerocallidaceae	Caesia micrantha		G1	<2	0.05
Poaceae	Briza maxima	*	G1	<2	0.1
Poaceae	Bromus diandrus	*	G1	<2	0.1
Poaceae	Ehrharta calycina	*	G1	<2	0.3
Restionaceae	Desmocladus flexuosus		G1	<2	0.1
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Xanthorrhoea preissii		G1	30 to 70	1.0

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Site	Q7	Project	Hammond Park					
Type:	Quadrat	Size:	10 x 10 m					
Date:	24/03/2016	CK & DK						
Co-ordinates:	MGA 50	mE 391556	mN 6439998					
Location:	Hammond Park							
Landform:	Flat							
Drainage:	Good drainage							
Soil colour and type:	Grey sand							
Vegetation type:	Jarrah / Banksia woodlar	nd						
Fire age and intensity:	> 5 years							
Condition:	Good – very good Disturbances: Weeds, rubbish dumping, near track							
Bare ground (%):	5 Litter (%): >90							
Logs (%):	<2	` '						



Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus marginata		U1	<2	10.0
Casuarinaceae	Allocasuarina fraseriana		U2	2 to 10	4.5
Proteaceae	Banksia attenuata		U2	30 to 70	4.5
Proteaceae	Banksia menziesii		U2	<2	4.5
Proteaceae	Banksia ilicifolia		U2	<2	5.0
Myrtaceae	Melaleuca thymoides		M1	2 to 10	1.2
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Xanthorrhoea preissii		M1	30 to 70	1.8
Aizoaceae	Carpobrotus edulis	*	G1	<2	0.2
Anarthriaceae	Lyginia imberbis		G1	<2	0.4
Araliaceae	Trachymene pilosa		G1	<2	0.3
Colchicaceae	Burchardia congesta		G1	<2	0.4
Cyperaceae	Schoenus brevisetis		G1	2 to 10	0.6
Cyperaceae	Schoenus curvifolius		G1	<2	0.1
Cyperaceae	Lepidosperma pubisquameum		G1	<2	0.4
Dasypogonaceae	Dasypogon bromeliifolius		G1	2 to 10	0.6
Ericaceae	Conostephium pendulum		G1	<2	0.3
Fabaceae	Acacia alata		G1	<2	0.3
Fabaceae	Bossiaea eriocarpa		G1	10 to 30	0.2
Fabaceae	Daviesia triflora		G1	<2	0.7
Fabaceae	Hovea trisperma		G1	<2	0.2
Goodeniaceae	Dampiera linearis		G1	<2	0.1
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis setosa		G1	<2	0.1
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis aculeata subsp. aculeata		G1	2 to 10	0.3
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis setigera subsp. setigera		G1	<2	0.3
Hemerocallidaceae	Tricoryne elatior		G1	<2	0.5
Iridaceae	Gladiolus caryophyllaceus	*	G1	<2	0.6
Iridaceae	Patersonia occidentalis		G1	<2	0.5
Myrtaceae	Calytrix fraseri		G1	<2	0.4
Myrtaceae	Eremaea asterocarpa		G1	2 to 10	0.5
Myrtaceae	Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora		G1	<2	0.3
Poaceae	Amphipogon turbinatus		G1	30 to 70	0.5
Poaceae	Briza maxima	*	G1	<2	0.1
Poaceae	Ehrharta calycina	*	G1	<2	0.5
Proteaceae	Petrophile linearis		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Proteaceae	Stirlingia latifolia		G1	<2	0.4
Restionaceae	Desmocladus flexuosus		G1	30 to 70	0.2
Zamiaceae	Macrozamia riedlei		G1	<2	0.4

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Site	Q8	Project	Hammond Park
Type:	Quadrat	Size:	10 x 10 m
Date:	24/03/2016	Described by:	CK & DK
Co-ordinates:	MGA 50	mE 391656	mN 6439855
Location:	Hammond Park		
Landform:	Flat		
Drainage:	Good drainage		
Soil colour and type:	Grey sand		
Vegetation type:	Banksia woodland		
Fire age and intensity:	> 5 years		
Condition:	Good	Disturbances:	Tracks, lopped Banksias, weeds, rubbish
Bare ground (%):	60	Litter (%):	40
Logs (%):	10-20	Rocks (%):	0



Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus marginata		U1	<2	10.0
Proteaceae	Banksia attenuata		U2	2 to 10	5.0
Proteaceae	Banksia grandis		U2	<2	4.0
Proteaceae	Banksia menziesii		U2	30 to 70	6.0
Proteaceae	Banksia ilicifolia		U2	30 to 70	5.0
Myrtaceae	Kunzea glabrescens		M1	<2	2.0
Proteaceae	Adenanthos cygnorum		M1	2 to 10	3.5
Fabaceae	Jacksonia sternbergiana		M2	<2	1.2
Fabaceae	Jacksonia furcellata		M2	<2	1.2
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Xanthorrhoea preissii		M2	2 to 10	1.0
Zamiaceae	Macrozamia riedlei		M2	<2	1.2
Aizoaceae	Carpobrotus edulis	*	G1	<2	0.2
Anarthriaceae	Lyginia imberbis		G1	<2	0.3
Apiaceae	Homalosciadium homalocarpum		G1	<2	0.05
Asparagaceae	Lomandra maritima		G1	<2	0.1
Asteraceae	Conyza bonariensis	*	G1	<2	0.1
Asteraceae	Conyza sumatrensis	*	G1	<2	0.1
Asteraceae	Pithocarpa pulchella var. pulchella		G1	<2	0.4
Asteraceae	Podotheca gnaphalioides		G1	<2	0.1
Asteraceae	Ursinia anthemoides	*	G1	<2	0.3
Cyperaceae	Cyperaceae sp.		G1	<2	0.05
Cyperaceae	Schoenus curvifolius		G1	<2	0.2
Cyperaceae	Lepidosperma pubisquameum		G1	<2	0.3
Dasypogonaceae	Dasypogon bromeliifolius		G1	10 to 30	0.4
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia hypericoides		G1	<2	0.2
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia racemosa		G1	2 to 10	0.3
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia subvaginata		G1	2 to 10	0.3
Ericaceae	Leucopogon conostephioides		G1	2 to 10	0.2
Fabaceae	Acacia huegelii		G1	<2	0.3
Fabaceae	Jacksonia floribunda		G1	<2	0.3
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis aculeata subsp. aculeata		G1	2 to 10	0.3
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis setigera subsp. setigera		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Hemerocallidaceae	Dianella revoluta		G1	<2	0.4
Iridaceae	Gladiolus caryophyllaceus	*	G1	<2	0.6
Iridaceae	Patersonia occidentalis		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Myrtaceae	Calytrix fraseri		G1	<2	0.4
Myrtaceae	Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora		G1	<2	0.4
Myrtaceae	Scholtzia involucrata		G1	30 to 70	0.4
Poaceae	Amphipogon turbinatus		G1	<2	0.4
Poaceae	Briza maxima	*	G1	<2	0.1

Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
Poaceae	Ehrharta calycina	*	G1	2 to 10	0.4
Poaceae	Vulpia bromoides	*	G1	<2	0.4
Proteaceae	Petrophile linearis		G1	<2	0.4
Proteaceae	Petrophile striata		G1	<2	0.5
Restionaceae	Desmocladus flexuosus		G1	<2	0.1
Stylidiaceae	Stylidium piliferum		G1	<2	0.05

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Site	Q9	Project	Hammond Park
Type:	Quadrat	Size:	10 x 10 m
Date:	30/03/2016	Described by:	CK & DK
Co-ordinates:	MGA 50	mE 391589	mN 6439577
Location:	Hammond Park		
Landform:	Lower slope		
Drainage:	Good drainage		
Soil colour and type:	Grey sand		
Vegetation type:	Jarrah / Banksia forest		
Fire age and intensity:	> 5 years		
Condition:	Very good	Disturbances:	Weeds
Bare ground (%):	2	Litter (%):	>90
Logs (%):	<2	Rocks (%):	0



Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus marginata		U1	2 to 10	12.0
Casuarinaceae	Allocasuarina fraseriana		U2	<2	4.0
Loranthaceae	Nuytsia floribunda		U2	2 to 10	4.5
Proteaceae	Banksia attenuata		U2	30 to 70	6.0
Proteaceae	Banksia menziesii		U2	10 to 30	5.0
Proteaceae	Banksia ilicifolia		U2	10 to 30	7.0
Proteaceae	Banksia littoralis		U2	<2	2.0
Myrtaceae	Kunzea glabrescens		M1	30 to 70	4.5
Fabaceae	Acacia cyclops		M2	<2	1.0
Fabaceae	Jacksonia sternbergiana		M2	<2	1.2
Fabaceae	Jacksonia furcellata		M2	<2	1.2
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Xanthorrhoea preissii		M2	30 to 70	1.5
Aizoaceae	Carpobrotus edulis	*	G1	<2	0.2
Anarthriaceae	Lyginia imberbis		G1	<2	0.5
Asparagaceae	Lomandra caespitosa		G1	<2	0.1
Asteraceae	Arctotheca calendula	*	G1	<2	0.1
Colchicaceae	Burchardia congesta		G1	<2	0.5
Cyperaceae	Mesomelaena pseudostygia		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Cyperaceae	Schoenus curvifolius		G1	<2	0.2
Cyperaceae	Lepidosperma pubisquameum		G1	<2	0.2
Dasypogonaceae	Dasypogon bromeliifolius		G1	<2	0.3
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia racemosa		G1	<2	0.3
Fabaceae	Acacia alata		G1	<2	0.2
Fabaceae	Acacia pulchella		G1	<2	0.5
Fabaceae	Acacia stenoptera		G1	<2	0.4
Fabaceae	Bossiaea eriocarpa		G1	<2	0.2
Fabaceae	Gastrolobium capitatum		G1	<2	0.05
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis aculeata subsp. aculeata		G1	<2	0.2
Iridaceae	Patersonia occidentalis		G1	<2	0.3
Myrtaceae	Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora		G1	<2	0.5
Orobanchaceae	Orobanche minor	*	G1	<2	0.1
Poaceae	Briza maxima	*	G1	<2	0.1
Poaceae	Ehrharta calycina	*	G1	2 to 10	0.5
Poaceae	Poaceae sp.		G1	<2	0.2
Proteaceae	Petrophile linearis		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Proteaceae	Petrophile macrostachya		G1	<2	0.5
Proteaceae	Stirlingia latifolia		G1	10 to 30	0.8
Restionaceae	Desmocladus fasciculatus		G1	2 to 10	0.2
Restionaceae	Desmocladus flexuosus		G1	<2	0.1
Restionaceae	Hypolaena exsulca		G1	<2	0.4

Site	Q10	Project	Hammond Park
Type:	Quadrat	Size:	10 x 10 m
Date:	30/03/2016	Described by:	CK & DK
Co-ordinates:	MGA 50	mE 391651	mN 6439664
Location:	Hammond Park		
Landform:	Lower slope		
Drainage:	Good drainage		
Soil colour and type:	Grey sand		
Vegetation type:	Jarrah / Banksia forest		
Fire age and intensity:	> 5 years		
Condition:	Very good – excellent	Disturbances:	
Bare ground (%):	5	Litter (%):	>90
Logs (%):	<2	Rocks (%):	0



Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus marginata		U1	>70	15.0
Casuarinaceae	Allocasuarina fraseriana		U2	2 to 10	6.0
Proteaceae	Banksia attenuata		U2	10 to 30	5.0
Proteaceae	Banksia menziesii		U2	30 to 70	5.0
Proteaceae	Banksia ilicifolia		U2	30 to 70	6.0
Proteaceae	Banksia littoralis		U2	<2	1.5
Fabaceae	Jacksonia sternbergiana		M1	<2	3.0
Myrtaceae	Kunzea glabrescens		M1	30 to 70	4.0
Fabaceae	Jacksonia furcellata		M2	<2	1.5
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Xanthorrhoea preissii		M2	10 to 30	1.5
Asparagaceae	Lomandra caespitosa		G1	<2	0.2
Colchicaceae	Burchardia congesta		G1	<2	0.4
Cyperaceae	Schoenus brevisetis		G1	2 to 10	0.5
Cyperaceae	Schoenus curvifolius		G1	<2	0.1
Cyperaceae	Lepidosperma pubisquameum		G1	<2	0.5
Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia hypericoides		G1	<2	0.4
Ericaceae	Astroloma pallidum		G1	<2	0.1
Ericaceae	Conostephium pendulum		G1	2 to 10	0.3
Fabaceae	Acacia alata		G1	<2	0.2
Fabaceae	Acacia stenoptera		G1	<2	0.2
Fabaceae	Bossiaea eriocarpa		G1	<2	0.3
Fabaceae	Daviesia physodes		G1	<2	0.5
Fabaceae	Daviesia nudiflora subsp. nudiflora		G1	<2	0.4
Fabaceae	Gompholobium tomentosum		G1	2 to 10	0.4
Fabaceae	Hovea trisperma		G1	<2	0.05
Goodeniaceae	Dampiera linearis		G1	<2	0.1
Goodeniaceae	Scaevola canescens		G1	<2	0.1
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis setosa		G1	<2	0.1
Haemodoraceae	Conostylis aculeata subsp. aculeata		G1	<2	0.3
Iridaceae	Gladiolus caryophyllaceus	*	G1	<2	0.7
Iridaceae	Patersonia occidentalis		G1	2 to 10	0.5
Myrtaceae	Calothamnus sp.		G1	<2	0.5
Myrtaceae	Eremaea asterocarpa		G1	<2	0.4
Myrtaceae	Eremaea pauciflora var. pauciflora		G1	<2	0.2
Proteaceae	Petrophile linearis		G1	<2	0.3
Proteaceae	Stirlingia latifolia		G1	2 to 10	0.5
Restionaceae	Desmocladus fasciculatus		G1	<2	0.1
Restionaceae	Desmocladus flexuosus		G1	<2	0.1
Stylidiaceae	Stylidium piliferum		G1	<2	0.3
Stylidiaceae	Stylidium repens		G1	<2	0.05

	Family	Species	Status	Stratum	Cover (%)	Height (m)
٧	'iolaceae	Hybanthus calycinus		G1	<2	0.2

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