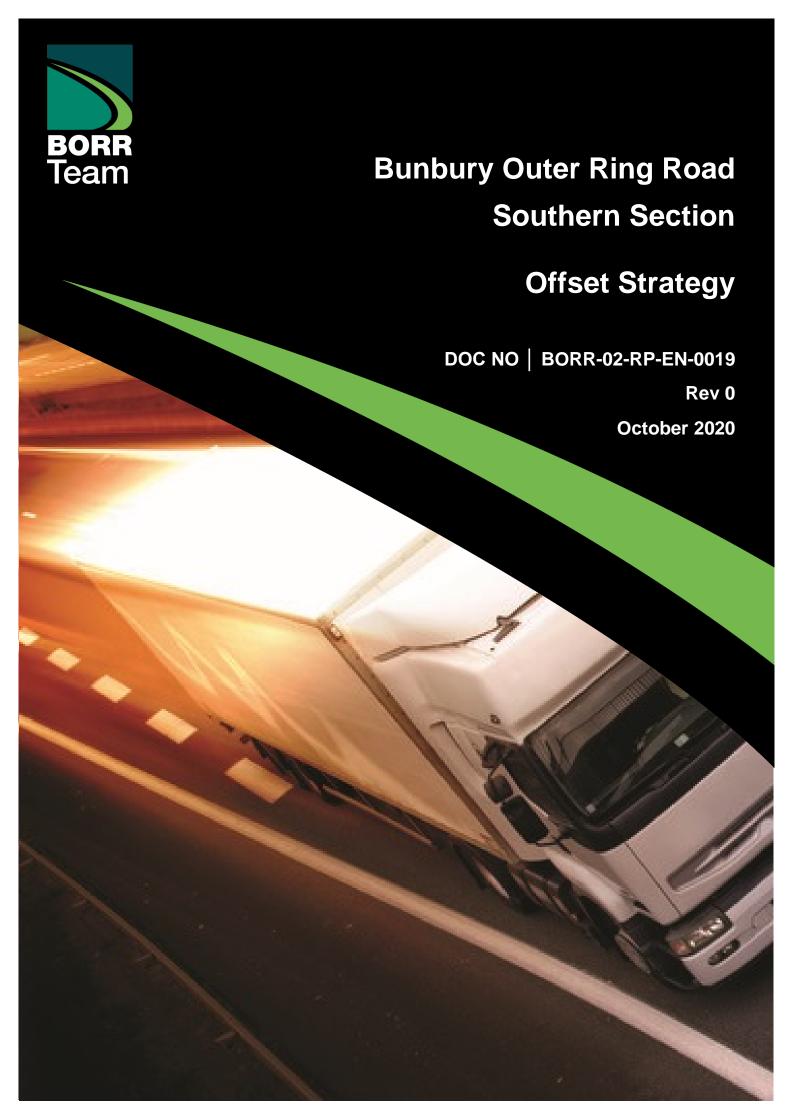




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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Proposal background

The Commissioner of Main Roads Western Australia (Main Roads) is proposing to construct and operate the Southern Section of the Bunbury Outer Ring Road (BORR) project. BORR is a planned Controlled Access Highway linking the Forrest Highway and Bussell Highway. The completed project will provide a high standard route for access to the Bunbury Port, improve road user safety and facilitate proposed development to the east of the City of Bunbury. BORR also provides an effective bypass of Bunbury for inter-regional traffic. The proposed BORR comprises three sections:

- 'BORR Northern Section' Forrest Highway to Boyanup-Picton Road
- 'BORR Central Section' Boyanup-Picton Road to South Western Highway
- 'BORR Southern Section' South Western Highway (near Bunbury Airport) to Bussell Highway.

This Offset Strategy relates to the residual environmental impacts of the BORR Southern Section (the Proposal).

1.2 Proposal description

The Proposal includes the construction and operation of 10.5 km of new freeway standard dual carriageway, associated bridges, interchanges and other road infrastructure including, but not limited to, culverts, lighting, noise barriers, fencing, landscaping, road safety barriers and signs.

The Proposal is located approximately 200 km south of Perth and, at its closest point, approximately six km south-east of Bunbury. The 200 ha Proposal Area is within the City of Bunbury and Shire of Capel. Approximately 62 % of land within the Proposal Area is cleared for agriculture. The Proposal Area comprises 76 ha of native vegetation and 124 ha of cleared agricultural land. Construction of the Proposal is anticipated to commence in quarter four 2021 and continue for a period of 2-3 years. The Proposal Area is shown in Figure 1 (Appendix A).

1.3 Purpose of this strategy

In September 2019, Main Roads referred the Proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment under Section 38 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA) (EP Act). The Proposal information submitted included an Environmental Referral Supporting Document (BORR IPT, 2019a) which described the Proposal, the local environmental values present, the potential environmental impacts of the Proposal, and the management and mitigation strategies to address the identified impacts. In October 2019, the EPA determined that the Proposal would be subject to an environmental assessment under the EP Act at the level of 'Referral Information'.

In October 2019, in accordance with s40(2)(a) of the EP Act, the EPA requested Main Roads provide additional information to inform the environmental assessment of the Proposal, including the provision of an Offsets Strategy.

This Offset Strategy has been prepared to address the EPA's Section 40(2)(a) request and will:

 Identify, describe and quantify the potential residual impacts (direct, indirect and cumulative) on the identified key environmental factors (Flora and Vegetation and Terrestrial Fauna) that will occur following implementation of the Proposal after consideration and applying avoidance and minimisation measures



- Determine the significance of any residual impacts on the identified key environmental factors using the WA Environmental Offsets Guidelines and application of the Residual Impact Assessment Model
- Where significant residual impacts remain, propose an offset strategy to counterbalance the residual impacts of the proposal that is consistent with the WA Environmental Offsets Policy (GoWA, 2011) and WA Environmental Offset Guidelines (GoWA, 2014) and where residual impacts relate to threatened species or communities the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Environmental Offsets Policy (DSEWPaC, 2012).

1.4 Impact avoidance

The WA Environmental Offsets Policy notes that environmental offsets will only be considered after avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued. Since the referral of the Proposal in September 2019, Main Roads has undertaken a comprehensive review of the design and amended the Proposal Area to reduce the potential impacts on key environmental features including:

- Western Ringtail Possum
- South-western Brush-tailed Phascogale
- Black Cockatoos
- Banksia Woodland Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) / Priority Ecological Community (PEC)
 (Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC)
- Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC
- Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.

Following referral of the Proposal to the EPA under s38 of the EP Act in September 2019 (BORR IPT, 2019a), Main Roads undertook a comprehensive review of the design and revised the infrastructure components and the Proposal Area with the objective of further reducing the potential impacts to key environmental values, including:

- Conservation significant fauna taxa, specifically WRP, BSM and BTP
- TECs and PECs, specifically Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC, and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC

Table 1-1 provides a summary of the design improvements to the Proposal. These improvements resulted in a reduction in the potential environmental impact to native vegetation, ecological communities, flora taxa and fauna taxa. The extent to which the design improvements to the Proposal has reduced potential impacts is further outlined in Sections 2 and 3.

In March 2020, Main Roads (2020) submitted an application to the EPA under s43A of the EP Act to amend the Proposal in light of the design improvements. On 28 April 2020, the EPA (2020) granted its consent to Main Roads to amend the Proposal. This document provides an assessment of the environmental impact of the Proposal, as amended.



Table 1-1 Summary of design changes and benefits

DESIGN CHANGE		FAUNA SPECIES AND COMMUNITIES REDUCED IMPACT			
	ВС	WRP	ВТР	BSM	TEC & PEC
Whole of alignment					
A combination of permanent and temporary fauna fences will be installed adjacent to known habitat areas to limit WRP access to the Proposal Area. The fence will be 1.5 - 1.8 m high and constructed to prevent WRP being able to climb it or dig under it.	X	X	X		Х
The median widths have been reduced where the BORR alignment is on high fill embankments to mitigate the environmental impacts	X	X	X		X
All bridge designs have been modified to avoid the need for piers or abutments within the watercourse, mitigating environmental and heritage impacts					
Install 22 fauna crossings to maintain and enhance existing movement pathways consisting of: • Eight rope bridges • Seven fauna underpasses • Seven fauna culverts		X	X	X	
Centenary Road to Lilydale Road					
BORR main alignment amended to further minimise impacts on vegetation and fauna habitat	Х	X	X	X	Х
Reduced median width on BORR to minimise impacts on vegetation	Х	X	X		Х
Batter slopes steepened to minimise width of clearing	Χ	X	Х		Х
Access track off Centenary Road designed in a cleared area	Χ	X	X		Χ
Jules Road connection redesigned to reduce clearing impacts	Χ	X	Х		Х
Centenary Road / Lilydale Road Interchange					
BORR main alignment amended to further minimise impacts on vegetation	Х	X	X		Х
Reduced median width on BORR to minimise impacts on vegetation	Х	X	X		Х
Batter slopes steepened to minimise width of clearing		Х	Х		Х
Hasties Road to Jilley Road					
BORR main alignment amended to further minimise impacts on vegetation	Х	X	X		X
Reduced median width on BORR to minimise impacts on vegetation	Х	Х	X		Х
Batter slopes steepened to minimise width of clearing	Х	Χ	Х		Χ



DESIGN CHANGE		FAUNA SPECIES AND COMMUNITIES REDUCED IMPACT			
	ВС	WRP	ВТР	BSM	TEC & PEC
Jilley Road (Gelorup corridor)					
Design amended to reduce amount of clearing required for project by shifting footprint further into cleared areas	X	X	X	X	X
Noise wall alignment designed to mitigate environmental impacts by building the noise wall along an existing cleared tracks through the constrained Gelorup area.	X	Х	X		X
Jilley Road was redesigned closer to the main line in order to reduce the clearing footprint.	X	Х	X		X
Bussell Highway					
Design amended to reduce amount of clearing required for project by modifying connections to existing carriageways.	X	Х	X		X
Bussell Highway profile raised to accommodate fauna structures.	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Retaining walls designed at the interchange to minimise the design footprint and hence clearing impacts.	X	Х	X		X
Design of the mainline and local access roads at the southern tie in to Bussell Highway (Capel Golf Course) have been amended to decrease the extent of works and hence a reduction in clearing area.	X	Х	Х		X
Bridge designs					
Bridge designs revised to long-span to avoid the need for piers and abutments within watercourses	X	X	X		

These design improvements have resulted in a reduction the clearing area of native vegetation from 98 ha to 76 ha.

1.5 Summary of offset requirement

Offset requirements have been determined through assessment of the direct residual impacts of the Proposal based on the revised design, field survey and site assessment. Details of the residual impacts are included in the *Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section – Response to EPA Notice of Decision* (BORR IPT, 2020a) and are summarised in Sections 2 and 3 below. Table 1-2 presents a summary of the residual impacts this Offset Strategy proposes to offset.

Table 1-2 Offset Requirements

ITEM	DETAILS
Title of proposal	Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section
Proponent name	Commissioner for Main Roads Western Australia



ITEM	DETAILS
EPA Assessment No.	2225 / CMS 17691
Purpose of this strategy	This strategy is submitted to address the EPA request for additional information in respect to environmental offsets.
Environmental Offset	 To counterbalance the significant residual impacts to: 24.9 ha of vegetation representative of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC 4.4 ha of vegetation representative of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC that also comprises Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC An additional 0.1 ha of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC 65.4 ha of Western Ringtail Possum habitat comprising impacts to the home range of 53 - 79 individuals 43.7 ha of Southern Brush-tailed Phascogale habitat 65.4 ha of potential habitat for Black Cockatoo species (Baudin's Black-Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus baudinii), Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus latirostris) and Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus banksia naso).

1.6 Consultation

The proposed offset measures and approach detailed in this Offset Strategy were discussed with officers from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER), Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and Commonwealth Department of the Environment and Energy during a workshop with Main Roads on 13 November, 2019.



2 FLORA AND VEGETATION ASSESSMENT AND IMPACTS

2.1 Environmental surveys

The flora and vegetation studies and surveys undertaken within, or are relevant to, the Proposal are shown in Table 2-1. These investigations and the refinement of the Proposal design have been used to define the residual environmental impacts, and consequently used as the basis for determining the environmental offset requirements.

Table 2-1 Studies and surveys relevant to the Proposal

SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEY AREA	METHODOLOGY
Bennett Environmental Consulting Pty Ltd (2003)	Vegetation and flora assessment of selected areas along the Bunbury Outer Ring Road and Port Access Road	Vegetation and flora assessment
Bennett Environmental Consulting Pty Ltd (2008)	Assessment of significant flora along the proposed Bunbury Ring Road	Targeted significant flora assessment
Report for Bunbury Outer Ring Road (Stage 1) and Port Access Road (Stage 2) – Flora and Vegetation Spring Survey (GHD, 2009)	Flora and vegetation survey within the Bunbury Outer Ring Road (Stage 1) and Port Access Road (Stage 2) survey areas	Vegetation and flora assessment
Lot 1 Ducane Road Environmental Values Assessment (GHD, 2014)	Flora and vegetation assessment of Lot 1 Ducane Road conducted on 13 June 2013. The area assessed vegetation types and floristic diversity for Lot 1 Ducane Road, which is partly located within the Proposal Area.	The assessment described the vegetation types present and their conditions and also searched for conservation significant flora
Waterloo Urban and Industrial Expansion Flora and Fauna Survey (GHD, 2015c)	Approximately 2,700 ha between Collie River and approximately Boyanup Picton Road. The study boundaries overlap the current Surveyed Area	Two season flora survey in accordance with EPA guidelines at the time of survey (EPA, 2004b). Late winter (13 – 14 August 2014) and mid-spring (30 – 31 October 2014). Vegetation type and condition mapping based on quadrats and opportunistic records. Searches for conservation significant flora.
BORR South Flora Survey (GHD, 2015b)	Survey for BORR South Proposal Area. This occurs immediately south of the current Surveyed Area and is used to provide context. Two quadrats are within the current Surveyed Area.	Survey completed on 21 – 23 September 2011 and 16 – 18 June 2014. Level 2 flora and vegetation survey including quadrat sampling, targeted searches and vegetation type / condition mapping.



SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEY AREA	METHODOLOGY
Reassessment of Floristic Communities (Biota, 2016)	Targeted areas within BORR South alignment. Two quadrats are within the current Surveyed Area.	Additional quadrats and re-analysis of the FCTs presented in GHD (GHD, 2015b). Surveys carried out in September 2016.
Report of a Targeted Rare Flora Survey for Diuris drummondii along four sections of the Bunbury Outer Ring Road proposed alignment (Ecoedge, 2017)	Targeted assessment on 19 and 30 November 2016 of portions of the BORR South proposed alignment that provide suitable habitat for <i>Diuris drummondii</i> . A total of 18.6 ha was searched, however no <i>D. drummondii</i> plants were found.	The survey was completed in accordance with the Commonwealth's Draft Survey Guidelines for Australia's Threatened Orchids (Commonwealth of Australia, 2013). A known population of the species nearby was used as a reference to determine when flowering had commenced and optimal timing for the survey.
Banksia TEC Assessment for BORR South (Biota, 2018b)	24 target areas within BORR South area and surrounds. This report also provides context for the Banksia TEC assessment. Three target sites are located south-west of the current Surveyed Area. The closest target site is approximately 3 km south- west of the current Surveyed Area.	Walking transects and quadrats within the target sites conducted in November 2017
A Flora and Vegetation survey on Lot 104 Willinge Drive Davenport (Ecoedge, 2018)	Survey of the 83.3 ha within Lot 104 (North east of the Preston River). The study boundary intersects the Proposal Area.	Survey carried out on 30 October and 2 and 3 November 2017. Vegetation type and condition mapping and species lists presented.
Assessment for the presence of Phytophthora cinnamomi - Bunbury Outer Ring Road, Stage 2 (Glevan Consulting, 2011)	BORR Southern Section alignment	Visual diagnosis of disease within areas of assessable remnant vegetation
BORR Northern and Central Sections Vegetation and Flora Study (BORR IPT, 2020b)	Detailed flora and vegetation assessment of 1,128 ha, including the Proposal Area. This occurs immediately north of the Proposal Area and is used to provide context.	Detailed vegetation and flora survey conducted from 20 August 2018 to 19 December 2018. Targeted surveys undertaken from 19 to 30 August 2019. The survey included late winter, early spring, mid-spring, late spring and summer survey periods.
Bunbury Outer Ring Road South Alternate Section Vegetation and	Detailed flora and vegetation assessment	Detailed flora and vegetation survey and targeted survey. Surveys conducted from 22-25 October 2018 and on 18 November 2018. Surveys included

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SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEY AREA	METHODOLOGY
Flora Study (BORR IPT, 2019b)		quadrat sampling to determine vegetation types and presence of TEC / PEC, as well as targeted surveys for conservation listed flora and weeds.
Additional surveys underta Section 40(2)(a) Notice	aken for Proposal following referral,	including information requested in
Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section Vegetation and Flora Study (BORR IPT, 2020c)	Detailed flora and vegetation assessment	Detailed flora and vegetation survey and targeted survey conducted August (late winter/ early spring) and September 2018 (spring). A targeted orchid survey of selected sites was completed in August and September 2019. A targeted <i>D. drummondii</i> (Tall Donkey Orchid) survey was completed in 19 November and 30 November 2016 and 30 November 2019. A targeted survey for TEC / PEC, including Tuart TEC, and confirmation of vegetation types in previously unsurveyed gaps in the survey area, was also undertaken in September 2019.
A Review of the Regional Conservation Status of a Clay-based Wetland Community (Claypans) (Ecoedge, 2019a)	Region defined as on the SCP within Harvey, Bunbury, Capel, Dardanup and Busselton local government areas	Desktop review and targeted field assessments for Claypan TECs conducted in 26 July – 1 August 2019 to provide additional information requested in Section 40(2)(a) Notice.
Memorandum of a Targeted Rare Flora Survey for <i>Diuris</i> drummondii within and adjacent to the Bunbury Outer Ring Road South referral area (Ecoedge, 2019b)	Targeted Rare Flora Survey for <i>D. drummondii</i> within and adjacent to the Bunbury Outer Ring Road South referral area	Survey conducted in accordance with the Commonwealth's Draft Survey Guidelines for Australia's Threatened Orchids (Commonwealth of Australia, 2013).
Review of Potential Claypan Occurrences in the BORR Southern Section (Ecoedge, 2019c) – included in (BORR IPT, 2020c)	Within the locality of the BORR Southern Section alignment	Survey conducted 1 August 2019. Condition, hydrology and species diversity were assessed to confirm whether floristic and condition thresholds of the Claypan TEC were met. Results are documented in an updated revision of the Flora and Vegetation Study for the Proposal to inform avoidance, management, mitigation and monitoring actions to



SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEY AREA	METHODOLOGY
		provide additional information requested in Section 40(2)(a) Notice.
Phytophthora Dieback Survey Bunbury Outer Ring Road South (Great Southern Bio Logic Pty Ltd, 2020)	Phytophthora dieback survey of the Bunbury Outer Ring Road southern section alignment	Survey undertaken in accordance with DBCA guidelines

The assessment of the broader flora and vegetation values of the area are provided in BORR IPT (2019a) and BORR IPT (2020c), with the outcomes of these assessments, as they relate to offsets, summarised below.

2.2 Conservation significant flora

The Proposal will not impact any *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* (EPBC Act) nor *WA Biodiversity Conservation Act* (BC Act) listed flora and will have a minor impact on three DBCA-listed Priority flora.

Main Roads does not propose to provide an environmental offset for expected residual impacts on Priority flora.

2.3 Threatened and Priority ecological communities

The implementation of the Proposal will result in clearing of up to 75 hectares (ha) of vegetation and 1 ha of revegetation within the 200 ha Proposal Area. An estimated 29.4 ha of this vegetation comprises vegetation representative of TECs and / or PECs.

Occurrences of two TECs and three PECs will potentially be impacted by the Proposal, these being:

- 'Banksia Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain' TEC / PEC (Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC)
- 'Tuart (Eucalyptus gomphocephala) Woodlands and Forests of the Swan Coastal Plain ecological community' TEC / PEC (Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC)
- 'Southern Swan Coastal Plain *Eucalyptus gomphocephala Agonis flexuosa* Woodlands (Floristic Community Type 25)' PEC (Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC)

Details of the TECs and PECs within the Proposal Area and addressed by this Offset Strategy are provided in Table 2-2. The locations of these occurrences are shown in Figure 2 (Appendix A).

Table 2-2 Area and Condition of TEC / PEC within the Proposal Area

TEC / PEC	CONSERVATION STATUS	EXTENT IN PROPOSAL AREA	VEGETATION CONDITION
Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	Endangered TEC – EPBC Act Priority 3 PEC - DBCA listed	24.9 ha	Excellent: 0.49 ha Excellent – Very Good: 4.0 ha Very Good: 2.77 ha



TEC / PEC	CONSERVATION STATUS	EXTENT IN PROPOSAL AREA	VEGETATION CONDITION
			Very Good - Good: 3.27 ha Good: 1.56 ha Good – Degraded: 11.58 ha Degraded: 0.71 ha Degraded - Completely Degraded: 0.46 ha Completely Degraded: 0.07 ha
Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC	Critically Endangered TEC – EPBC Act Priority 3 PEC - DBCA listed	4.4 ha	Very Good: 0.80 ha Good – Degraded: 2.91 ha Degraded - Completely Degraded: 0.01 ha Completely Degraded: 0.68 ha
Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC	Priority 3 PEC - DBCA listed	0.1 ha	Degraded - Completely Degraded: 0.10 ha

The residual impacts, impact significance and avoidance on each of the TECs and PECs is discussed in the following sections.

2.3.1 Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC

'Banksia Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain' was listed in September 2016 as an Endangered TEC under the EPBC Act. This community is also listed as Priority 3 PEC by DBCA. Until recently, the PEC used to differ from the TEC in that it had no minimum condition and patch size thresholds. In June 2020, DBCA advised that the Banksia Woodland PEC is considered synonymous with TEC.

The Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC is largely restricted to the Perth (SWA02) and Dandaragan (SWA01) subregions of the Swan Coastal Plain (SCP) bioregion, from around Jurien Bay in the north to Dunsborough in the south. The TEC / PEC also extends into immediately adjacent areas on the Whicher and Darling escarpments (TSSC, 2016).

2.3.1.1 Impacts

24.9 ha of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation at three locations within the Proposal Area (Figure 2, Appendix A) will be cleared as a result of Proposal implementation.

The composition and condition of these occurrences are detailed in Table 2-3.



Table 2-3 Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC direct impact sites

SITE	LOCATION	TEC / PEC AREA (PATCH SIZE)	DIRECT IMPACT	VEGETATION COMPOSITION AND CONDITION
BW-S-D-1	Bussell Highway road reserve from Calinup Road and Lakes Road intersection extending north of Woods Road	23.9 ha Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	21.5 ha Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	VT1 - Open forest of <i>E. marginata</i> , <i>C. calophylla</i> and <i>Banksia attenuata</i> on Karrakatta deep sands VT3 - Scattered <i>E. marginata</i> , <i>C. calophylla</i> and +/- <i>A. flexuosa</i> over a Tall Open Shrubland of <i>B. attenuata</i> , <i>B. ilicifolia</i> , <i>Xylomelum occidentale</i> and <i>Kunzea glabrescens</i> over grassland over introduced grasses, VT4 - Open forest of <i>B. attenuata</i> and <i>A. flexuosa</i> Condition: 2-3 to 7 (Excellent-Very Good to Completely Degraded)
BW-S-D-2	North of Jilley Road	4.6 ha Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	2.9 ha Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	VT1 - Open forest of <i>E. marginata, C. calophylla</i> and <i>B. attenuata</i> on Karrakatta deep sands Condition: 2-3 (Excellent-Very Good)
BW-S-D-3	Marchetti Road	0.5 ha Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	0.5 ha Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	VT2 - Open forest of <i>E. marginata, C. calophylla, B. attenuata</i> and <i>A. flexuosa</i> on Bassendean dunes Condition: 2 (Excellent)

The clearing of up to 24.9 ha of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC associated with the Proposal would result in a reduction of up to 0.007 % of the total extent (> 335,000 ha) and < 0.01 % of the regional extent (> 253,000 ha).

Potential indirect impacts to retained Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation adjacent to the Proposal Area include:

- Increased risk of spread or introduction of weeds during construction works
- Introduction and / or spread of *Phytophthora* dieback during construction works
- Potential for fire caused by construction works (in particular, for 'hot works' such as grinding / welding of steel in bridge construction).

Indirect impact to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC from fragmentation is not expected, and accordingly, has not been listed above. The Proposal will not remove areas of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC occurrences to an extent that the remaining occurrence is no longer representative of the Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC under the TSSC (2016) criteria.

Indirect impact to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC from changes in hydrology is not expected, and accordingly, has not been listed above. Altering existing flow paths has the potential to negatively impact the hydrological regime (most notably drying) of TEC / PEC occurrences. Through implementation of the Drainage Strategy developed for the Proposal (BORR IPT, 2019c), and the management actions listed in



BORR IPT (2020a) existing drainage patterns to adjacent TEC / PEC vegetation will be maintained. Impacts from changes to flow paths are therefore not expected to result from the Proposal.

Occurrences of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC directly adjacent to the Proposal Area have been identified as part of the proposed Vegetation Monitoring Program. These are detailed in Table 2-4 and shown in Figure 3 (Appendix A).

Table 2-4 Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC potential indirect impact sites

SITE / OCCURRENCE CODE AND TENURE	TEC / PEC TYPE	LOCATION AND LOT NUMBER
BTW-S-I-3 Road reserve	Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	Road reserve along Centenary Road east of Bussell Hwy, east of Site BTW-S-I-2 (No Lot or Location number)
BTW-S-I-4 Reserve	Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	West of Bussell Hwy (two land parcels) (Reserve 23000 (land_id_nu: 3415480))
BW-S-I-6 Road reserve	Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	Jilley Road north of Woods Road (Road isolation)
BW-S-I-7 Private property	Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	East of Yalinda Drive, west of Marchetti Road Lot 156 on Plan 232768

2.3.1.2 Impact Avoidance

As discussed in Section 1.4, substantial improvements to the Proposal design have been made subsequent to referral of the Proposal to the EPA in September 2019 to reduce impacts to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation. As outlined in Table 1-1, these have included a range of refinements, such as reducing median widths and redesigning of interchanges to reduce the area of native vegetation proposed to be cleared.

Table 2-5 provides a summary of the impact of the referred Proposal, the impact of the revised Proposal (current Proposal), and the net reduction in the environmental impact to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation. Through the design changes, the area of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC that will be cleared as a result of Proposal implementation has been reduced by 1.7 ha.

Table 2-5 Detailed design changes to avoid impacts to Banksia Woodlansd TEC / PEC Vegetation

TEC / PEC TYPE			REDUCTION IN TEC / PEC CLEARING AREA
Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	Clearing of up to 26.6 ha	Clearing of up to 24.9 ha	Reduction in clearing area of 1.7 ha

2.3.1.3 Predicted Outcome

A high level of mitigation and management has been applied to the Proposal, with Main Roads making changes to the Proposal design in order to reduce the potential environmental impacts to flora and vegetation values, including the Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation. The changes have resulted in a reduction in the area of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation contained within the Proposal Area. Management and mitigation actions will be implemented to control both the direct impacts and potential



indirect impacts of the Proposal. Based on these assessments, it is unlikely that the Proposal will have a significant impact on the Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES) will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a).

Main Roads proposes to further address the residual impacts of the Proposal on Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC through the provision of environmental offsets.

2.3.2 Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC

The 'Tuart (Eucalyptus gomphocephala) Woodlands and Forests of the Swan Coastal Plain ecological community' was listed as a TEC under the EPBC Act in 2019 at the level of 'Critically Endangered' as assessed using the criteria of the IUCN (2015) and guidance of TSSC (2019). This community is also listed as Priority 3 PEC by DBCA. Until recently, the PEC used to differ from the TEC in that it had no minimum condition and patch size thresholds. In June 2020, DBCA advised that the Tuart Woodlands PEC is synonymous with Tuart Woodlands TEC.

Areas that meet the key diagnostic characteristics including the minimum size and condition thresholds comprise the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC. Areas that meet the key diagnostic characteristics but do not meet the minimum size and condition thresholds do not form part of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC, however, are acknowledged as contributing to recovering the integrity of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC. Retaining other nearby native vegetation may also be important to the integrity of the ecological community (TSSC, 2019).

The Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC has a discontinuous distribution in the west of the SCP of south-west Western Australia, with areas either heavily cleared and / or degraded across much of its range. Many remnants are small and isolated, and most have been heavily modified, and are subject to ongoing threats such as weed invasion and frequent burning.

2.3.2.1 Impacts

Within the 75 ha of remnant native vegetation to be cleared for the Proposal is one occurrence of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC totalling 4.4 ha. The composition and condition of this occurrence is detailed in Table 2-6. The clearing of up to 4.4 ha of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation associated with the Proposal would result in a reduction of up to 0.03 % of the recorded extent.

The occurrence of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC within the Proposal Area is shown in Figure 2 (Appendix A).

Table 2-6 Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC direct impact site

SITE	LOCATION	TEC / PEC AREA (PATCH SIZE)	DIRECT IMPACT	VEGETATION COMPOSITION AND CONDITION
TW-S-D-2	Eastern side of Bussell Highway at the intersection of Bussell Highway and Centenary Road	> 7.3 ha Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC Note, patch extends north and south beyond the Surveyed Area (total extent > 25 ha)	4.4 ha of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC	VT1b – Open forest of <i>Eucalyptus</i> gomphocephala with occasional <i>E.</i> marginata over <i>Agonis flexuosa</i> and <i>Banksia attenuata</i> on yellow sand over limestone. Condition: 4-6 (Majority Good to Degraded with parts Very Good and Completely Degraded)



Potential indirect impacts to retained Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation adjacent to the Proposal include:

- Increased risk of spread or introduction of weeds during construction works
- Introduction and / or spread of *Phytophthora* dieback during construction works
- Potential for fire caused by construction works (in particular, for 'hot works' such as grinding / welding of steel in bridge construction).

Indirect impact to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC from fragmentation is not expected, and accordingly, has not been listed above. The Proposal is not expected to remove areas of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC to an extent that the remaining area is no longer representative of the TEC under the TSSC (2019) criteria.

Indirect impact to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC from changes in hydrology is not expected, and accordingly, has not been listed above. Altering existing flow paths has the potential to negatively impact the hydrological regime (most notably drying) of TEC / PEC occurrences. Through implementation of the Drainage Strategy developed for the Proposal (BORR IPT, 2019c), existing drainage patterns to adjacent TEC / PEC vegetation will be maintained. Impacts from changes to flow paths are therefore not expected to result from the Proposal.

Occurrences of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC communities directly adjacent to the Proposal Area have been identified as part of the proposed Vegetation Monitoring Program. These are detailed in Table 2-7 and shown in Figure 3 (Appendix A).

Table 2-7 Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC potential indirect impact sites

SITE / OCCURRENCE CODE AND TENURE	TEC / PEC TYPE	LOCATION AND LOT NUMBER
BTW-S-I-2 Road reserve and Reserve	Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart- Peppermint Woodland PEC	Road reserve on the north side of Centenary Road east of Bussell Hwy, and extending into the adjacent reserve to the north (Road reserve, and P061603 / 9000)
TW-S-I-3 Private property		East of Bussell Highway (P023258 / 100)
TW-S-I-4 Private property		East of Jules Road (P023258 / 101)

2.3.2.2 Impact avoidance

The WA Environmental Offsets Policy (GoWA, 2011) notes that environmental offsets will only be considered after avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued. In accordance with this, substantial improvements to the Proposal design have been made subsequent to referral of the Proposal in September 2019 to reduce impacts to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation. As outlined in Table 1-1, these have included a range of refinements, such as the steepening of batter slopes along Centenary Road, where the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC occurs, in order to reduce the clearing requirement.

A summary of the impact of the referred Proposal, the impact of the revised Proposal (current Proposal), and the net reduction in the environmental impact to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation is presented in Table 2-8. Through the design changes, the area of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC that will be removed as a result of the Proposal implementation has been reduced by 0.5 ha (10 %).



Table 2-8 Detailed design changes to avoid impacts to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC Vegetation

	2019 s38		REDUCTION IN TEC / PEC CLEARING AREA
Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC	Clearing of 4.9 ha	Clearing of 4.4 ha	Reduction in clearing of 0.5 ha

2.3.2.3 Predicted Outcome

A high level of mitigation and management has been applied to the Proposal, with Main Roads making changes to the Proposal design in order to reduce the potential environmental impact to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation. These have resulted in a reduction in the area of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation contained within the Proposal Area. Management and mitigation actions will be implemented to control both the direct and potential indirect impacts of the Proposal. Based on the above assessment, it is considered unlikely that the Proposal will have a significant impact on the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a).

Main Roads proposes to further address the residual impacts of the Proposal on Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC through the provision of environmental offsets.

2.3.3 Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC

The 'Southern Swan Coastal Plain *Eucalyptus gomphocephala - Agonis flexuosa* Woodlands (Floristic Community Type 25)' ecological community has been classified by DBCA as a Priority 3 PEC (DBCA, 2019). The Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC may form a component of both the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and the Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC (both assessed above) (DBCA, 2019).

There are two occurrences of Tuart-Peppermint Woodlands PEC within the Proposal Area; one of 4.4 ha which overlaps entirely with the occurrence of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC assessed above, and one of 0.1 ha which does not meet the diagnostic criteria for the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC.

2.3.3.1 Impacts

Within the 75 ha of remnant native vegetation to be cleared for the Proposal is 4.5 ha of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation, all of which will be cleared under the Proposal. This area comprises two occurrences, as detailed in Table 2-9 and shown in Figure 2 (Appendix A).

The regional and local extent of the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC has not been mapped, however is likely to be similar to that of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC. In the absence of extent remaining data for the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC, the figures available for Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC (as provided in TSSC (2019)) are the best available alternative and are therefore used as a proxy.

The clearing of up to 4.5 ha of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation associated with the Proposal would result in a reduction of up to 0.03 % of the recorded extent of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC.



Table 2-9 Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC direct impact sites

SITE	LOCATION	PEC AREA (PATCH SIZE)	DIRECT IMPACT	VEGETATION COMPOSITION AND CONDITION
TW-S-D-1	Western side of Bussell Highway at the intersection of Bussell Highway and Centenary Road	0.1 ha Tuart- Peppermint Woodland PEC Patch extends north and south beyond the Surveyed Area (total extent > 0.5 ha)	0.1 ha of Tuart- Peppermint Woodland PEC	VT1b – Open forest of Eucalyptus gomphocephala with occasional E. marginata over Agonis flexuosa and Banksia attenuata on yellow sand over limestone. Condition: 4-6 (Majority Good to Degraded with parts Very Good and Completely Degraded)
TW-S-D-2	Eastern side of Bussell Highway at the intersection of Bussell Highway and Centenary Road	> 7.3 ha Tuart- Peppermint Woodland PEC Patch extends north and south beyond the Surveyed Area (total extent > 25 ha)	4.4 ha of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC (Also Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC, and assessed in section 2.3.2 above)	VT1b – Open forest of Eucalyptus gomphocephala with occasional E. marginata over Agonis flexuosa and Banksia attenuata on yellow sand over limestone. Condition: 4-6 (Majority Good to Degraded with parts Very Good and Completely Degraded)

Potential indirect impacts to Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation adjacent to the Proposal include:

- Increased risk of spread or introduction of weeds during construction works
- Introduction and / or spread of Phytophthora dieback during construction works
- Potential for fire caused by construction works (in particular, for 'hot works' such as grinding / welding of steel in bridge construction).

Indirect impact to Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation from fragmentation is not expected, and accordingly, has not been listed above. The Proposal is not expected to remove areas of the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC to an extent that the remaining area is no longer representative of the PEC.

Indirect impact to the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC from changes in hydrology is not expected, and accordingly, has not been listed above. Altering existing flow paths has the potential to negatively impact the hydrological regime (most notably drying) of the PEC occurrences. Through implementation of the Drainage Strategy developed for the Proposal (BORR IPT, 2019c), and the management actions listed in BORR IPT (2020a), existing drainage patterns to adjacent PEC vegetation will be maintained. Impacts from changes to flow paths are therefore not expected to result from the Proposal.

Occurrences of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC directly adjacent to the Proposal Area have been identified as part of the proposed monitoring program. These are detailed in Table 2-10 and shown in Figure 3 (Appendix A). Three of these overlap entirely with the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC sites identified in Table 2-7.



Table 2-10 Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC potential indirect impact sites

SITE / OCCURRENCE CODE AND TENURE	TEC / PEC TYPE	LOCATION AND LOT NUMBER
BTW-S-I-1 Private property	Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC	North side of Centenary Rd west of Bussell Hwy, north westernmost part of Proposal Area (P183835 / 632)
BTW-S-I-2 Road reserve and Reserve	Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC (also comprising Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC)	Road reserve on the north side of Centenary Road east of Bussell Hwy, and extending into the adjacent reserve to the north (Road reserve, and P061603 / 9000)
TW-S-I-3 Private property		East of Bussell Highway (P023258 / 100)
TW-S-I-4 Private property		East of Jules Road (P023258 / 101)

2.3.3.2 Impact avoidance

The WA Environmental Offsets Policy (GoWA, 2011) notes that environmental offsets will only be considered after avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued. In accordance with this, substantial improvements to the Proposal design have been made subsequent to referral of the Proposal in September 2019 to reduce impacts to Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation. As outlined in Table 1-1, these have included a range of refinements, such as the steepening of batter slopes along Centenary Road, where the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC occurs, in order to reduce the clearing requirement.

Design improvements to avoid part of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC occurrence, as detailed in Table 2-8, are also applicable to the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.

2.3.3.3 Predicted outcome

A high level of mitigation and management has been applied to the Proposal, with Main Roads making changes to the Proposal design in order to reduce the potential environmental impact to Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation. These have resulted in a reduction in the area of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC contained within the Proposal Area. Management and mitigation actions will be implemented to control both the direct and potential indirect impacts of the Proposal. Based on the above assessment, it is considered unlikely that the Proposal will have a significant impact on the Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a).

Main Roads proposes to further address the residual impacts of the Proposal on Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC through the provision of environmental offsets.



3 FAUNA ASSESSMENT AND IMPACTS

Six conservation significant fauna species were identified in the 2019 referral document as occurring or likely to occur within the Proposal area. These species include:

- Western Ringtail Possum (Pseudocheirus occidentalis) (Critically Endangered, Schedule 1)
- Baudin's Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus baudinii) (Endangered, Schedule 2)
- Carnaby's Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus latirostris) (Endangered, Schedule 2)
- Black-stripe Minnow (Galaxiella nigrostriata) (Endangered, Schedule 2)
- Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus banksii naso) (Vulnerable, Schedule 3)
- Brush-tailed Phascogale (Phascogale tapoatafa wambenger) (Schedule 6)

3.1 Environmental surveys

Following referral of the Proposal in September 2019, additional surveys targeting threatened fauna species identified as occurring within the Proposal area (and of key concern to stakeholders) were undertaken.

The following sections consider the results of these studies where they are relevant to those threatened fauna species.

In addition to studies undertaken to determine the sizes and densities of local WRP populations and assess habitat quality, studies were also undertaken to inform habitat clearing regimes and the design of engineered fauna movement (connectivity) structures.

Fauna field surveys and investigations undertaken relevant to the Proposal are listed in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1 Fauna investigations undertaken for the purpose of this proposal

SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEYED AREA	METHODOLOGY
Surveys undertaken for	the Proposal prior to referr	al
Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section, South Western to Bussell Highways Fauna Assessment (GHD, 2012)	Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section, between South Western Highway and Bussell Highway	Trees within the study area were assessed for their significance to Black Cockatoo species
Bunbury Outer Ring Road Western Ringtail Possum Assessment (GHD, 2013)	Survey area contained within the current BORR Southern Section alignment	Assessment of 27 ha of native vegetation within the wider 95 ha survey area, plus approx. 14 ha of WRP habitat within nearby Reserve 23000. The survey provided a WRP population density estimate using distance sampling.



SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEYED AREA	METHODOLOGY	
Lot 1 Ducane Road Environmental Values Assessment (GHD, 2014)	A portion of the survey area is contained within the current BORR Southern Section alignment	 Within the wider scope of works, in relation to fauna the assessment included: literature review of previous investigations and reports of the offset site and the surrounding areas desktop assessment of environmental attributes Level 1 fauna survey (EPA, 2004a). 	
Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section Fauna Study (GHD, 2015a)	Survey area largely contained within the current BORR Southern Section alignment	Level 1 fauna survey in accordance with EPA Guidance Statement No. 56 (EPA, 2004a) was conducted within the BORR southern section Project Area for fauna conservation significance and any likely fauna constraints and potential impacts that may arise from the Proposal's then design.	
Bunbury Outer Ring Road (Southern Section) Black Cockatoo Tree Survey. Biota Environmental Sciences (Biota) (2018a)	Bunbury Outer Ring Road (BORR) southern section extending from South Western Highway to Bussell Highway	 Updated assessment of Black cockatoo habitat values assessed by GHD in 2011 (GHD, 2012), and comparison of new data with the 2011 data. Including: Reassessment of the Black Cockatoo breeding habitat trees previously identified in 2011 by GHD (2012) and confirming whether they remain standing and intact Reassessment of trees previously identified as containing hollows reassessment of previously identified breeding habitat trees marking trees with paint, based on presence of suitable nesting hollows and Black Cockatoo use. 	
Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section Western Ringtail Possum Assessment (Biota, 2018c)	Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Section alignment.	Survey for WRP. Sampling undertaken over four nights between 10/07/2018 – 13/07/2018 and comprised walking 38 transects, totalling 7.87 km in the BORR (southern section). No transects were repeat sampled.	
Additional surveys und Section 40(2)(a) Notice	Additional surveys undertaken for Proposal following referral, including information requested in Section 40(2)(a) Notice		
Western Ringtail Possum: Pseudocheirus	Local vicinity of Northern, Central, and Southern Section alignments and buffering context area	Focussed Regional surveys from December of 2019 through December 2020. Surveys including radio tagging for home range assessments, trapping and survey of potential offset areas and other local	



SURVEY / REPORT NAME	LOCATION / EXTENT IN SURVEYED AREA	METHODOLOGY
occidentalis Regional Surveys (Biota, 2020b)		context sites to better define local movement of populations.
Bunbury Outer Ring Road South Section Targeted Fauna Assessment (Biota, 2020a)	Targeted habitat survey encompassing the 200 ha Proposal Area and approximately 97 ha buffering context area	Targeted field surveys conducted in five phases over the course of spring and summer 2018, and winter 2019 for conservation significant Black Cockatoo species, WRP and BSM survey
Bunbury Outer Ring Road Southern Investigation Area: Targeted Conservation Significant Aquatic Fauna Survey (WRM, 2020a)	Targeted aquatic fauna survey within seasonal wetlands and creeks within the Proposal Area	Winter (19 - 23 August 2019) targeted conservation significant aquatic fauna survey

The Proposal Area covers approximately 200 ha, including 76 ha (38 %) of native vegetation, comprising 75 ha of remnant native vegetation and 1 ha of revegetation. The native vegetation provides habitat for a variety of native fauna taxa. The remaining 124 ha (62 %) of the Proposal Area comprises cleared / disturbed agricultural land.

The assessment of the broader fauna values of the area are provided in BORR IPT (2019a) and BORR IPT (2020a), with the outcomes of these assessments, as they relate to offsets, summarised below.

3.2 Western Ringtail Possum

The WRP was once widely distributed across the south and south-west of the state (from north of Perth to east of Albany) but are now restricted to the southern Swan Coastal Plain, the Jarrah forests near Manjimup and the south coast between Walpole and Albany. WRP was first listed as threatened under the Western Australian *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* in 1983, and under the Commonwealth EPBC Act in 2000. Its status was reassessed to critically endangered under the BC Act in 2016 and EPBC Act in 2018.

The Proposal Area contains 65.4 ha of WRP habitat. This habitat comprises of the following Shedley and Williams (2014) habitat classes:

- 11 % of Habitat Quality Class B (High) (7.0 ha)
- 56 % of Habitat Quality Class C (Medium) (36.4 ha)
- < 1 % of Habitat Quality Class D (Low) (0.3 ha)
- 33 % of habitat not assessed (21.6 ha)

This habitat represents approximately 0.6 % of the recorded WRP habitat across the SCP management zone and 1.1 % of the local extent (within the Bunbury Management Zone of Shedley and Williams (2014).

Based on the results of their regional WRP surveys, Biota estimate the 2019 regional WRP population within the SCP management zone to be approximately 9,720 individuals (Biota, 2020b).



3.2.1 Impacts

To reflect the seasonal and transient fluctuations in population size, the potential impact of the Proposal on individual WRP home ranges is presented as a range rather than a discrete figure. Based on this data, it is estimated that between 53 and 79 WRPs within the Proposal Area will potentially have their home ranges disturbed by the Proposal (Biota, 2020a). This indicates that approximately up to 0.57 % and 0.85 % of the 2019 estimated regional population could potentially be impacted (Biota, 2020b). A summary of the potential impact is presented in Table 3-2.

Table 3-2 Summary of Potential Direct Impacts to WRP

FACTOR IMPACTED	LOSS (HA OR NUMBER)	LOSS (%)
WRP Habitat	65.4 ha	Up to 1.1 % of habitat in the Bunbury management zone of Shedley and Williams (2014)
WRP home ranges disturbed	53 to 79	0.57 % - 0.85 % of the estimated 2019 regional population

No WRP mortalities are expected as a direct result of the Proposal.

The Proposal Area is a relatively long and narrow road corridor. As such, it is highly unlikely that any entire WRP home ranges are contained within the Proposal area. Between 53 and 79 home ranges may be disturbed to some degree but WRP utilising habitat within the alignment are very likely to be familiar with adjacent habitat areas, which is likely to also be part of their home range, and with navigating between these areas. As such, the impact of the Proposal on WRP home ranges is expected to be minor.

The Proposal Area is situated in a landscape of multiple land uses including agriculture, mining, residential development, and conservation reserves. It comprises a discontinuous 'patchwork' of WRP habitats of varying sizes and with varying levels of connectivity between them. Existing obstacles to habitat connectivity in the Proposal Area include both the Bussell Highway (dual carriageway) and local roads (single carriageway). The Bussell Highway presents a wider obstacle to habitat connectivity, while local roads present a narrower obstacle, but are significantly more numerous.

The maintenance of existing movement pathways and connectivity along either side of the alignment has been a priority during Proposal planning. In order to maintain connectivity between habitat areas and across the local landscape, the Proposal design incorporates a series of underpasses / rope bridges (engineered movement structures) to maintain connection between the habitat areas.

Connectivity and suitability of cleared areas remaining within the Proposal Area will be further enhanced with targeted revegetation post construction.

The targeted fauna assessment to support the assessment of the Proposal, mapped and surveyed fauna habitats within a study area of approximately 297 ha including the current Proposal Area and adjoining remnant vegetation (Biota, 2020a).

Key information that has resulted from the additional investigations and surveys for WRP are summarised below:

- That the regional WRP population is substantially greater than previously understood
- WRP presence, population trends and movement pathways within and around the Proposal Area



- Habitat areas adjacent to the Proposal Area have been confirmed to consistently support populations of WRP
- The importance of maintaining connectivity between habitat areas
- That there are low WRP densities in habitat areas within and adjacent to the Proposal Area compared to those along the 'Holy Mile' in Busselton where possum rope bridges have been the most successful.

None of the habitat areas that are currently known to support WRP (from the surveys undertaken by Biota) are anticipated to become unviable as WRP habitat as a result of Proposal implementation.

3.2.2 Impact avoidance

In consideration of the predicted impact of the original proposal as submitted in September 2019, Main Roads has gone to significant lengths to avoid and mitigate impacts to WRP habitat and home ranges, including extensive consultation with technical experts Ms. Barbara Jones (independent consultant) and Mr. Roy Teale (Biota Environmental Sciences Pty Ltd). This has resulted in substantial changes to the Proposal design, as summarised in Table 1-1.

Through these design changes, the area of WRP habitat that will be cleared as a result of Proposal implementation has been reduced by 14.6 ha (18 %), with the retained areas comprising intact habitat and known WRP movement pathways. Based on field survey data, in regards to the number of displaced WRP, this equates to up to 20 individuals no longer likely to have their home ranges disturbed / reduced as a result of this Proposal (Table 3-3).

Table 3-3 Detailed design changes to avoid impacts to WRP

WRP	SEPTEMBER 2019 s38 REFERRAL	REVISED PROPOSAL (MARCH 2020)	REDUCTION IN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
Habitat extent (ha)	Clearing of up to 80.0 ha of WRP habitat	Clearing of up to 65.4 ha of WRP habitat	Minimum of 14.6 ha of WRP habitat or approximately 18 % of expected habitat loss saved through detailed design
Home ranges	Disturbance of up to 73 WRP individual home ranges	Disturbance of up to 53 to 79 WRP individual home ranges	Avoidance of disturbance to up to 20 WRP individual home ranges

3.2.3 Predicted outcome

A high level of mitigation and management has been applied to the Proposal, with Main Roads making changes to the Proposal design in order to reduce potential impacts to WRP.

As a result of these changes, a maximum of up to 65.4 ha of WRP habitat will be cleared and the home range of an estimated 53 to 79 individuals potentially disturbed, compared to the conservatively estimated abundance of 9,270 individuals within the SCP management zone.

No areas of WRP habitat will be cleared in their entirety and it is unlikely that any entire home range will be removed. Connectivity of WRP habitat along and across the Proposal Area will be maintained through retaining key habitat areas and installing fauna underpasses and / or rope bridges.

Proposed construction management and mitigation measures during operation of the Proposal are detailed in BORR IPT (2019a; 2020a; 2020d) and include:



- Timing of clearing
- Staging of clearing
- Shepherding of WRP from the clearing footprint
- WRP exclusion fencing and monitoring.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a; 2020d).

Main Roads proposes to further address the residual impacts of the Proposal on WRP through the provision of environmental offsets.

3.3 Black Cockatoo

Three species of threatened black cockatoo were identified as occurring (foraging evidence) within the Proposal Area during detailed fauna assessments:

- Baudin's Black-Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus baudinii)
- Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus latirostris)
- Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus banksii naso).

The Proposal Area is located in what is generally considered to be the typical breeding distribution of the Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo, however, all three cockatoo species have breeding areas overlapping the Proposal Area (Biota, 2020a).

All trees and areas of potential Black Cockatoo habitat within the Proposal Area were included in field surveys. Evidence of foraging by all three species was recorded within and adjacent to the Proposal Area, and either Baudin's or Carnaby's cockatoo were observed flying overhead during field surveys (Biota, 2020a). All three species were identified as occurring within the Proposal Area with suitable habitat for foraging and potentially breeding also identified in targeted surveys (Biota, 2020a).

Within the Proposal Area, Black Cockatoo foraging habitat was comprised of two mapped habitat types: 'Marri / Eucalyptus woodland' and 'Marri / Eucalyptus in paddocks and road reserves'.

3.3.1 Impacts

The Proposal will result in the clearing of up to 65.4 ha of Black Cockatoo foraging habitat and up to 1,111 trees with a Diameter Breast Height (DBH) of 50 cm or greater (potential nesting trees). Of these, 13 contain a hollow potentially suitable for nesting by Black Cockatoos. No trees contain known breeding hollows.

Assessment of the potential impacts on Black Cockatoo habitat using the vegetation complexes within a 12 km radius indicated that the vegetation complexes which provided the highest quality foraging habitat (e.g. Bassendean Central and South, Karrakatta Complex-Central and South and the Southern River vegetation complexes) were, in general, well represented outside of the Proposal Area (Biota, 2020a). The clearing of 65.4 ha of potential habitat represents a 0.8 % reduction in potential foraging and breeding habitat (> 8,000 ha) for the Black Cockatoo species within the local area (within 12 km of the study area).

No known breeding trees will be cleared in the Proposal Area and availability of suitable breeding hollows is not considered to be a limitation for the survival of Black Cockatoos within the Proposal Area. In surveyed areas adjacent to the Proposal Area, Biota (2020a) located 25 trees with a potentially suitable hollow(s) for Black Cockatoo nesting, none of which showed evidence of previous nesting use.



3.3.2 Impact avoidance

Substantial changes to the Proposal design have been made in order to avoid impacts to Black Cockatoos. Changes relating to the extent of Black Cockatoo habitat to be impacted are detailed in Table 3-4.

Table 3-4 Detailed design changes to avoid impacts to Black Cockatoo habitat

НАВІТАТ ТҮРЕ	SEPTEMBER 2019 538 REFERRAL	REVISED PROPOSAL (MARCH 2020)	REDUCTION IN IMPACT
Foraging habitat area	80.0 ha	65.4 ha	14.6 ha
Suitable DBH trees. ¹	538	Up to 1,098 ²	Increase due to further survey and more knowledge of the Proposal area
Trees with a Suitable Nest Hollow	Minimum of 18 large trees (DBH > 500 mm) containing a suitable hollow for breeding of Black Cockatoos	Up to 13 large trees (DBH > 500 mm) containing a suitable nest hollow for breeding of Black Cockatoos	5 large trees (DBH > 500 mm) containing a suitable nest hollow for breeding of Black Cockatoos
Known nesting trees		Two of the 13 trees within the Proposal Area indicated some evidence of previous nesting use however no direct signs of Black Cockatoo breeding were observed.	Not applicable

Changes to the Proposal have resulted in the reduction in the area of Black Cockatoo foraging habitat being cleared by 14.6 ha (18 %). Five trees with potentially suitable nest hollows will no longer be impacted.

3.3.3 Predicted outcome

A high level of mitigation and management has been applied to the Proposal, with Main Roads making substantial and costly changes to the Proposal design in order to mitigate potential impacts on terrestrial fauna including black cockatoos. The changes made have resulted in the reduction in the area of Black Cockatoo habitat impacted to 65.4 ha, and a reduction of more than 25 % in the number of trees with a potentially suitable nest hollow(s) impacted. Connectivity of habitat will be maintained and enhanced through revegetation of additional areas within the Proposal Area.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a; 2020d).

¹ Surveys conducted in response to the EPA's request for additional information confirmed and quantified the extent of Black Cockatoo habitat within the Proposal Area, including in areas previously unsurveyed. The number of suitable DBH trees has increased since the September referral because all areas have now been surveyed.

² Surveys conducted in response to DAWE's request for additional information confirmed and quantified the extent of Black Cockatoo habitat within the Proposal Area, including in areas previously unsurveyed. The number of suitable DBH trees has increased since the September referral because all areas have now been surveyed.



Main Roads intends to further counterbalance the residual impacts of the Proposal through implementation of this environmental offset strategy.

3.4 Southern-western Brush-tailed Phascogale

The BTP is a small (100 - 300g), strongly arboreal marsupial. They are carnivorous, short-lived and nocturnal and listed as Conservation Dependent (Schedule 6) under the BC Act.

3.4.1 Impacts

Based upon the environmental surveys, the Proposal will result in the clearing of up to 43.7 ha of BTP foraging / breeding habitat.

Phascogale habitat is closely correlated with both WRP habitat and Black Cockatoo habitat. Biota (2020a) estimated > 8,000 ha of suitable potential Black Cockatoo habitat with a 12 km radius of the Proposal Area. A large proportion of this habitat is also likely to comprise habitat for BTP.

No BTP mortalities are expected as a direct result of Proposal implementation.

BTP have large home ranges of up to 20 ha (Biota, 2020a). The Proposal Area is a long and narrow road corridor, generally between approximately 70 m to 180 m in width and 10.5 km in length. As such, it is highly unlikely that any entire BTP home ranges are entirely contained within the Proposal Area.

The Proposal is situated in a landscape of multiple land uses, which include lands for agriculture, mining, residential development, and conservation reserves. It comprises a discontinuous 'patchwork' of BTP habitats of varying sizes and with varying levels of connectivity between them. The potential for an impact to the movement of BTP individuals between habitat areas is expected to vary between the land use types, the distance between the habitat patches, and the size of the habitat patches.

In order to maintain connectivity between habitat areas and across the local landscape, the Proposal design incorporates a series of underpasses and rope bridges (engineered movement structures) to maintain connections between habitat areas. Whilst acknowledging the Proposal will present a new obstacle to habitat connectivity, these underpasses and rope bridges will seek to maintain connectivity between habitat areas as far as practicable.

3.4.2 Impact avoidance

Refinement to the Proposal design subsequent to referral of the Proposal in September 2019 has reduced the impact to BTP habitat. Through these design changes, the area of BTP habitat to be cleared as a result of the Proposal implementation has been reduced by 19.3 ha (31 %) (Table 3-5).

Table 3-5 Design changes to avoid BTP habitat

SEPTEMBER 2019 s38 REFERRAL		REDUCTION IN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
Clearing of up to 63.0 ha of BTP foraging / breeding habitat	Clearing of up to 43.7 ha of BTP foraging / breeding habitat	Reduction in clearing of 19.3 ha of BTP foraging / breeding habitat

3.4.3 Predicted outcome

A high level of mitigation and management has been applied to the Proposal, with Main Roads making substantial changes to the Proposal design in order to mitigate potential impacts on conservation significant fauna including the BTP. As a result of the changes made to the Proposal, a maximum of 43.7 has



of BTP habitat will be cleared. No areas of habitat will be cleared in their entirety and it is also highly unlikely that any entire home ranges will be impacted. Connectivity along and across the Proposal Area will be retained through a combination of a retention of key habitat areas where possible and through the installation of a series of fauna underpasses and / or rope bridges. Impacts of the Proposal on BTP will be minor and manageable.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a; 2020d).

Main Roads intends to further counterbalance the residual impacts of the Proposal on BTP through implementation of this environmental offset strategy.

3.5 Black-stripe Minnow

The Black-stripe Minnow (*Galaxiella nigrostriata*) (BSM) is listed as Endangered under both the EPBC Act and the BC Act.

BSM occurs predominantly in shallow, low pH, tannin stained ephemeral wetlands with peat rich soils including isolated populations on the SCP and on the south coast between Augusta and Albany. The populations on the SCP are thought to be remnants of a much wider distribution that has been impacted by widespread urban and rural development.

Due to the high mobility of the species and connectivity between wetlands in wetter years, it is possible that BSM migrate between wetlands within the local area.

3.5.1 Impacts

The Proposal will result in the clearing of up to 5.5 ha of BSM potential habitat, as identified in Table 3-6 (WRM, 2020a). Noting the number of individuals in the population of BSM is unknown (TSSC, 2018), it is not possible to estimate the number of individuals of BSM which may be affected by the Proposal.

The regional extent of BSM habitat has not been modelled. Known populations within at least a 2 km buffer include one location in a wetland within Manea Park north of the Proposal Area and six locations in wetlands to the south of the Proposal Area (WRM, 2020a; WRM, 2019). An additional three wetland locations within Manea Park are also known to contain BSM (WRM, 2020b).

3.5.2 Impact avoidance

Substantial changes to the Proposal design have been made subsequent to referral of the Proposal to the EPA in September 2019, to reduce impacts to BSM habitat. Through these design changes, the area of BSM habitat that will be removed as a result of Proposal implementation has been reduced by 4.1 ha (40 %) (Table 3-6).

Clearing and disturbance of habitat will be carefully managed throughout construction through mechanisms outlined in BORR IPT (2019a; 2020a; 2020d) and through the implementation of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP).



Table 3-6 Design changes to avoid BSM habitat

SEPTEMBER 2019 s38 REFERRAL	REVISED PROPOSAL (MARCH 2020)	REDUCTION IN IMPACT
Clearing of up to 9.6 ha of BSM habitat	Clearing of up to 5.5 ha of BSM habitat	Reduction in clearing of 4.1 ha of BSM habitat

3.5.3 Predicted outcome

In consideration of the broader distribution of BSM potential habitat at a local scale and the area of potential habitat required to be cleared for the Proposal, the impact of the Proposal to BSM habitat is not expected to be significant. Direct loss of habitat will be limited to 5.5 ha and other potential impacts will be mitigated through implementation of appropriate drainage and management. No residual impact is anticipated.

Objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal through the implementation of the management and mitigation actions detailed in BORR IPT (2020a; 2020d).

Main Roads does not propose an environmental offset for BSM.

3.6 Residual fauna impacts

The alignment selected for the Proposal minimises impacts to fauna and with implementation of the mitigation measures proposed to address the potential impacts of the Proposal, objectives for managing impacts to State environmental factors under the WA EP Act and Commonwealth MNES will be met for the Proposal. Table 3-7 provides a summary of the key residual impacts to fauna. Impacts set out in the table represent the maximum possible impacts associated with the Proposal.

Main Roads intends to further counterbalance the residual impacts of the Proposal through provision of environmental offsets addressing residual impacts to WRP, Black Cockatoos and BTP.

Table 3-7 Predicted residual impacts to fauna

ISSUE	SUMMARY DISCUSSION OF RESIDUAL / CUMULATIVE IMPACTS	OUTCOME
Western Ringtail Possums	Up to 65.4 ha of suitable Western Ringtail Possum habitat will potentially be cleared, and between 53 and 79 individual home ranges may be disturbed. Based on the results of regional surveys, this is estimated to represent 0.57 % to 0.85 % of the estimated 2019 regional population.	The clearing of Western Ringtail Possum habitat and disturbance of 0.57 % to 0.85 % of the estimated 2019 regional population will result in a minor residual impact associated with the Proposal.
Black Cockatoos	The Proposal may potentially result in loss of up to 65.4 ha of suitable Black Cockatoo habitat. The clearing of 65.4 ha of potential habitat represents a < 1 % reduction in potential foraging and breeding habitat for the Black	The reduction in foraging and potential breeding habitat for Black Cockatoo species will result in a minor residual impact associated with the Proposal.



ISSUE	SUMMARY DISCUSSION OF RESIDUAL / CUMULATIVE IMPACTS	OUTCOME
	Cockatoo species within the local area (suitable remnant vegetation within a 12 km radius).	
South-western Brush-tailed Phascogale	Up to 43.7 ha of suitable South-western Brushtailed Phascogale habitat will potentially be cleared as a result for the Proposal. Brush-tailed Phascogales maintain relatively large ranges (> 20 ha) and densities therefore tend to be low (Biota, 2020a).	The impact to the South-western Brush-tailed Phascogale are unlikely to be significant.
Black-stripe Minnow	Loss of up to 5.5 ha of BSM habitat.	The impact to the BSM is unlikely to be significant.

3.7 Cumulative impacts to fauna

The assessment of impacts for the BORR Southern Section has been considered at both local and regional levels. Additional regard to the cumulative context of the project with the BORR Northern and Central Sections has also been considered. A summary of the potential cumulative direct impacts of both proposals on fauna is included in Table 3-8.

Table 3-8 Potential cumulative impacts of BORR Proposals on fauna

FAUNA	BORR SOUTHERN SECTION	BORR NORTHERN AND CENTRAL SECTIONS	CUMULATIVE IMPACT
Western Ringtail Possum habitat extent	Clearing of up to 65.4 ha	Clearing of up to 43.9 ha	Clearing of up to 109.3 ha
% of Western Ringtail Possum habitat within Bunbury Management Zone	1.0 %	0.7 %	1.7 %
Western Ringtail Possum home ranges impacted	53 to 79 WRP individual home ranges	15 to 25 WRP individual home ranges	68 to 104 WRP individual home ranges
% of Western Ringtail Possum population within Southern SCP Management Zone	0.57-0.85 %	0.11-0.26 %	0.68-1.11 %
Black Cockatoo foraging habitat extent	Clearing of up to 65.4 ha	Clearing of up to 37.8 ha	Clearing of up to 102.3 ha
% of Black Cockatoo foraging habitat within 12 km of the Proposal(s)	0.8 %	0.5 %	0.7 %
Trees with potentially suitable hollows for Black Cockatoo	13	3	16
Brush-tailed Phascogale Habitat extent	Clearing of up to 43.7 ha	Clearing of up to 17.7 ha	Clearing of up to 61.4 ha



FAUNA			CUMULATIVE IMPACT
Black-striped Minnow habitat extent	Clearing of up to 5.5 ha	Clearing of up to 0.55 ha	Clearing of up to 6.05 ha

Cumulatively, up to 109.3 ha of WRP habitat will be cleared, approximately 0.7 % of the foraging habitat within 12 km of the Proposals (approximately 14,628.5 ha) and consistent with the individually assessed potential impacts of each proposal. Neither Proposal will impact any known nesting hollows. The removal of 16 trees containing potentially suitable hollow(s) for Black Cockatoo nesting across the cumulative 825 ha (625 ha Northern and Central Sections, 200 ha Southern Section) comprising both Proposals (including 148 ha of native vegetation) is not anticipated to be significant.



4 ENVIRONMENTAL OFFSETS

4.1 Background

Environmental offsets are conservation actions that provide environmental benefits intended to counterbalance the significant residual environmental impacts associated with a proposal (GoWA, 2014). Main Roads intend to counterbalance the residual impact of the Proposal through implementation of an environmental offset strategy. The strategy will be prepared in accordance with the WA Government's Environmental Offset Policy (GoWA, 2011), WA Offset Guideline (GoWA, 2014) and the Australian Government's EPBC Act Environmental Offset Policy (DSEWPaC, 2012). The offset will be proportionate to the level of impact and significance of the environmental impact.

Main Roads operates on a hierarchy of avoid, minimise, reduce, rehabilitate and offset environmental impacts. This hierarchy is achieved primarily through changes in scope and design, development and implementation of the EMP and finally, an offset proposal. Application of the management hierarchy has been summarised in this Offset Strategy and is detailed in BORR IPT (2019a).

The proposed environmental offsets detailed in this Offset Strategy will form the basis of an Environmental Offset Plan to be submitted for approval by the EPA.

4.2 EPBC Act Environmental Offsets Policy (DSEWPaC, 2012)

The EPBC Environmental Offsets Policy (DSEWPaC, 2012) requires the following Principles are met by an offset:

- Suitable offsets must deliver an overall conservation outcome that improves or maintains the viability of the protected matter
- Suitable offsets must be built around direct offsets but may include other compensatory measures
- Suitable offsets must be in proportion to the level of statutory protection that applies to the protected matter
- Suitable offsets must be of a size and scale proportionate to the residual impacts on the protected matter
- Suitable offsets must effectively account for and manage the risks of the offset not succeeding
- Suitable offsets must be additional to what is already required, determined by law or planning regulations, or agreed to under other schemes or programs
- Suitable offsets must be efficient, effective, timely, transparent, scientifically robust and reasonable
- Suitable offsets must have transparent governance arrangements including being able to be readily measured, monitored, audited and enforced.

4.3 WA Environmental Offset Policy (GoWA, 2011)

The WA Environmental Offsets Policy (GoWA, 2011) requires the following Principles are considered when developing an offset proposal:

- Environmental offsets will only be considered after avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued
- Environmental offsets are not appropriate for all projects
- Environmental offsets will be cost-effective, as well as relevant and proportionate to the significance of the environmental value being impacted
- Environmental offsets will be based on sound environmental information and knowledge
- Environmental offsets will be applied within a framework of adaptive management
- Environmental offsets will be focussed on longer term strategic outcomes.



4.4 Residual Impact

Residual impacts associated with the Proposal have been determined through application of the residual impact significance model detailed in the WA Environmental Offsets Guidelines (GoWA, 2014). Residual impacts for which Main Roads proposes environmental offsets are detailed in Table 4-1.



Table 4-1 Residual impact significance model

Part IV Environmental	Vegetation and Flora							
Factors							anean Fauna	
	Marine Faun Benthic Habitat and Communities Benthic Habitat and Communitie							
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	Rare flora	Threatened ecological communities	Remnant vegetation	Wetlands & waterways	Conservation areas	High biological diversity	Habitat for fauna	Other
Residual impact that is environmentally unacceptable or cannot be offset	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Significant residual impacts that will require an offset – All significant residual impacts to species and ecosystems protected by statute or where the cumulative impact is already at a critical level	N/A	Loss of 24.9 ha of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC Loss of 4.4 ha of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC (also comprising Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC) Loss of 0.1 ha of Tuart- Peppermint Woodland PEC (not also comprising Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Loss of 65.4 ha of WRP habitat Loss of 65.4 ha of Bllack Cockatoo habitat The loss of 43.7 ha of Brush-tailed Phascogale habitat Loss of 76 ha habitat for Quenda (Priority 4).	N/A
Significant residual impacts that may require an offset – Any significant residual impact to potentially threatened species and ecosystems, areas of high environmental value or where the cumulative impact	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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may reach critical levels if not managed								
Residual impacts that are not significant	No impacts to conservation significant flora are associated within the Proposal.	N/A	The implementation of the Proposal will result in the loss of up to 76 ha of vegetation within the 200 ha Proposal area. No significant residual impacts are anticipated as a consequence of the Proposal	Implementation of the Proposal will result in the loss of 9.4 ha of riparian vegetation (associated with watercourses or wetlands), including 0.16 ha associated with a Conservation Category wetland within the Proposal Area is not expected to result in significant residual impacts	No residual impacts to conservation areas are expected within the Proposal.	Significant residual imapcts to areas of high biological diversity are addressed through the proposed offsets for TEC/PEC and threatened fauna. No further significant residual impacts are expected within the Proposal.	The loss of 5.5 ha of potential habitat for Black-striped minnow (Endangered) is not expected to result in significant residual impacts	Temporary impacts during construction of the Proposal. Visual amenity, traffic noise and light spill will managed and mitigated. No significant residual impact on the wider environment is anticipated.



Main Roads has pursued a number of options in developing a package of offsets to counterbalance these residual impacts. The options investigated have comprised acquisition of land providing TEC / PEC vegetation, fauna habitat, creation of fauna habitat by on-ground rehabilitation. Four of the proposed offset sites will address the requirement for more than one offset attribute i.e. TEC and provision of habitat for WRP, Black Cockatoos and BTP at a single site (Offset 1 -4). BTP habitat is closely correlated with both WRP habitat and Black Cockatoo habitat and as such the approach for environmental offsets is that habitat for WRP and Black Cockatoo is also suitable for BTP.

Table 4-2 provides an overview of the offset package under consideration, with offset property locations presented in Figure 6, Figure 7 and Figure 8.

Table 4-2 Overview of proposed offset package

NO.	OFFSET TYPE	OFFSET SUMMARY	PROPERTY LOCATION	EXISTING TENURE
1	Land Acquisition	 152 ha of existing native vegetation providing: Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC (to be confirmed) WRP habitat BTP habitat Black Cockatoo habitat 	Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road	Main Roads has funded the purchase of these properties by DBCA. Lots 123, 267 and 268 are currently zoned as Rural under the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme.
2	Land Acquisition	 34 ha of existing native vegetation providing: Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC (to be confirmed) WRP habitat BTP habitat Black-Cockatoo habitat 	Confidential	DBCA are negotiating the purchase of a privately owned property with Main Roads to fund the acquisition. The property is currently zoned as Rural under the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme.
3	Land Acquisition	 16 ha of existing native vegetation providing: Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC (to be confirmed) WRP habitat BTP habitat Black Cockatoo habitat 	Confidential	Main Roads is in negotiations re the purchasing of a portion of this private property. The property is currently zoned as Rural under the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme.



NO.	OFFSET TYPE	OFFSET SUMMARY	PROPERTY LOCATION	EXISTING TENURE
4	On-ground Management	80 ha of revegetation to provide habitat for WRP and Black Cockatoo (and BTP)	Ludlow State Forest (SF No. 2)	Vested in the Conservation and Parks Commission
5	Land acquisition and management	More than 20 ha of existing Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC	Lot 27 Tredrea Rd, Myalup	Purchased and owned by the Commissioner of Main Roads

4.5 Description of offsets

The components of the offset package are described below. Offset 1 has been subject to some detailed survey which has confirmed the presence of WRP, Black Cockatoo and BTP. Additional surveys are proposed for spring 2020 to confirm the extent of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.

4.5.1 Offset 1 – Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road, Gelorup

Offset 1 comprises a 152 ha and includes Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road, Gelorup as shown at Figure 6 (Appendix A). These properties occur 2 km east of the BORR Southern Section alignment.

Main Roads discussed the purchase of these privately owned properties with DBCA with the intention of utilising the site vegetation as an environmental offset for the BORR project. DBCA supported the purchase of the land for addition to the conservation estate. Main Roads then funded the purchase by DBCA and the properties are now owned by the State of Western Australia.

Offset 1 is currently zoned as rural under the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS). DBCA has indicated that the properties will be rezoned to Regional Open Space or Conservation under the scheme in the future. Main Roads supports the rezoning of the properties and will assist with the rezoning, as required.

The properties have been assessed for their fauna habitat values (Biota, 2019a) and have been shown to have the following environmental values:

- 132 ha of Jarrah Banksia woodland
- 152 ha of WRP and BTP habitat
- 41 individual WRP (comprising a population density of 0.61 ±0.11 per hectare)
- Two BTP individuals
- 132 ha of high quality foraging habitat for Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo and Carnaby's Black Cockatoo
- 1,243 trees with a Diameter Breast Height (DBH) of 50 cm or greater, with 133 trees supporting 154 potential Black Cockatoo nest hollows (based on ground assessment)
- Approximately 14 ha of Conservation Category wetland

Additional site assessment is proposed in spring 2020 to confirm that the site vegetation conforms to Banksia woodlands TEC / PEC and confirm the area of fauna habitat.

These properties form a component of the 'Dalyellup/Gelorup/Crooked Brook Ecological Linkage' identified by the EPA in their assessment of the GBRS (EPA, 2003). The South West Regional Ecological Linkage (SWREL) project further refined the ecological linkages identified by the EPA (Molloy, Wood, Wallrodt, & Whisson, 2009). Offset 1 is traversed by an axis line and buffer of a SWREL mapped ecological linkage.



Ongoing site management for long term conservation (maximum 20 years) will include fencing and access management and weed control to improve the site vegetation quality in the long term. In consultation with DBCA, Main Roads has started to implement management of the offset site by the creation of firebreaks on the boundary of the properties.

Main Roads proposes Offset 1, comprising 152 ha to address the offset requirements for WRP, BTP and Black-Cockatoo habitat, and Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.

4.5.2 Offset 2 - Confidential Property 1

Offset 2 comprises a 34 ha portion of a privately owned property in the Gelorup area. In discussion with Main Roads, DBCA has supported the purchase of the land for addition to the conservation estate.

DBCA is currently negotiating the purchase of a 34 ha vegetated portion of the property as an environmental offset site for the BORR Southern section. Main Roads will fund the purchase of this property which is in close proximity to Offset 1.

Offset 2 is currently zoned as rural under the GBRS. DBCA has indicated that after purchase the property will be rezoned to Regional Open Space or Conservation under the GBRS. Main Roads supports the rezoning of the property should the purchase proceed.

The property has been assessed by site survey (Biota, 2019b) and has been shown have the following environmental values:

- 12.9 ha of Jarrah Banksia woodland
- 34.2 ha of WRP and BTP habitat
- 24 individual WRP
- 12.9 ha of high quality foraging habitat for Forrest Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo and Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo
- 83 trees with a DBH of 50 cm or greater, with 19 trees supporting potential Black-Cockatoo nest hollows (based on ground assessment).

Additional site assessment is proposed for spring 2020 to confirm that the site vegetation conforms to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC and confirm the area of fauna habitat.

Offset 2 also forms a component of the 'Dalyellup/Gelorup/Crooked Brook Ecological Linkage' identified by the EPA in their assessment of the GBRS (EPA, 2003). The South West Regional Ecological Linkage (SWREL) project further refined the ecological linkages identified by the EPA (Molloy, Wood, Wallrodt, & Whisson, 2009). Offset 2 is traversed by an axis line and buffer of a SWREL mapped ecological linkage.

Ongoing site management for long term conservation (maximum 20 years) will include fencing and access management and weed control to improve the site vegetation quality in the long term. In consultation with DBCA, Main Roads will implement management of the offset site by the creation of firebreaks on the boundary of the properties (upon purchase of the property).

Main Roads proposes Offset 2, comprising a 34 ha portion of an existing lot to address the offset requirements for WRP, BTP and Black-Cockatoo habitat, and Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.

4.5.3 Offset 3 – Confidential Property 2

Main Roads is currently negotiating the purchase of a 16 ha portion of privately owned land in Gelorup. Main Roads is in the final stages of negotiating the prurchase of this property.

Preliminary visual investigations indicate that the property supports Tuart, Banksia and Peppermint. Main Roads will conduct detailed flora investigations of the property to confirm the presence of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.



Informal advice has indicated that the property supports habitat for WRP, and potential nesting and foraging habitat for Black-Cockatoo. Main Roads WRP Regional Survey (Biota, 2020b) identified WRP present nearby in a watercourse that traverses the property.

Additional site assessment to confirm that the site vegetation conforms to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC, and confirm the area of fauna habitat will be conducted in spring 2020.

Offset 3 is currently zoned as rural under the GBRS. Should the purchase be agreed with the owners, Main Roads will initiate protection of the land and provide long term security of the offset through a conservation covenant or rezoning to Regional Open Space under the GBRS.

Ongoing site management for long term conservation (maximum 20 years) will include fencing and access management and weed control to improve the site vegetation quality in the long term.

4.5.4 Offset 4 – State Forest No. 2

Offset 4 comprises the proposed revegetation of a 80 ha area of a degraded portion of State Forest No. 2 (SF No. 2) which is located approximately 10-15 km east of the Busselton town centre, and is the focus of an on-going revegetation program. The site is 12-25 km from the southern end of the Proposal Area and also within the SCP IBRA sub-region.

The proposed rehabilitation works are congruent with the objectives of the Tuart Forest National Park Management Plan (TFNPMP) (DPaW, 2014) which are to:

- Protect and enhance the eastern wetland / tall Tuart community transition zone
- Protect and increase habitat for fauna that are highly represented in zones 5 and 6 (for example, Western Ringtail Possum and Common Brushtail Possum).
- Enhance the resilience of this zone to disturbance and threatening processes.

Proposed management actions to achieve these objectives include "Re-establishing native vegetation in cleared areas, adapting management according to results of experimental trials." Ongoing site management for long term conservation (maximum 20 years) will include fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control to maintain/improve habitat quality.

The exact location of the 80 ha revegetation site/s is yet to be agreed with DBCA, although Main Roads has 'in principle' agreement with DBCA to conduct additional offset revegetation works in SF No. 2. Potential offset areas are shown at Figure 7 (Appendix A).

The proposed offset is congruent with similar environmental offsets within SF No. 2 negotiated by Main Roads with DBCA, DWER and DoEE for other road projects. Plant species will be selected to provide habitat for offset target species based on site parameters. Seed and seedling species will be selected in consultation with DBCA as per similar Main Roads offsets in SF No. 2.

Completion criteria will be determined with EPA based on advice from DBCA in line with existing Main Roads revegetation environmental offset sites if SF No. 2.

Main Roads proposes to rehabilitate and revegetate a 80 ha portion of SF No. 2 to provide habitat for WRP and Black Cockatoo species.

The proposed offset areas occur on Crown land which is managed by DBCA under the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*. Consequently, the offset areas will be protected in the long term.

4.5.5 Offset 5 – Lot 27 Tredrea Road, Myalup

Offset 5 comprises a portion of Lot 27 Tredrea Road, Myalup (Lot 27). Lot 27 was previously purchased by Main Roads for the purposes of developing a limestone and sand pit. Lot 27 is 40 ha in area and includes



more than 20 ha of potential Tuart Woodlands TEC /PEC and potential Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC (GHD, 2004). Lot 27 is approximately 30 km north of the Proposal as shown in Figure 8 (Appendix A).

Additional site assessment is proposed in spring 2020 to confirm that the site vegetation conforms to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and / or Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC. Should the site surveys conclude that the site vegetation is not Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and / or Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC, Main Roads will investigate an alternative offset area.

There are also opportunities to conduct additional revegetation works on the property to improve its environmental values as Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and / or Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.

Offset 5 is currently zoned as rural under the GBRS. Main Roads will initiate protection of the property and provide long term security of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC through a conservation covenant or rezoning to Regional Open Space under the GBRS.

The property is currently unmanaged with open access. Signs of illegal rubbish dumping and firewood collection is evident on the property. Ongoing site management for long term conservation (maximum 20 years) will include fencing and access management, and weed control to improve the site vegetation quality in the long term.



5 OFFSET GUIDE INPUTS AND JUSTIFICATION

Preliminary offset calculations have been based on the Commonwealth DoEE Environmental Offset Calculator and EPBC Offset assessment guide.

The offset values for Offsets 1-4 have been based on the available information for each of the proposed offset options. Further site investigation is proposed to confirm earlier site assessments in respect to fauna habitat, and Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodlands PEC.

BTP habitat is closely correlated with both WRP habitat and Black Cockatoo habitat. For the purposes of environmental offset habitat for WRP is also considered to provide suitable habitat for BTP.

Given the habitat within the Proposal Area is likely to be used by all three Black Cockatoo species, rather than attempting to specify how much each species uses each offset site, for the purposes of calculating the offsets for impacts on the three Black Cockatoo species, the offset calculation was undertaken using the highest value for any of the attributes for any one of the three species i.e. 'endangered'.

Offset calculations are included at Appendix B for reference.

5.1 Western Ringtail Possum

Table 5-1 to Table 5-3 provide inputs used in the EPBC Offset Assessment Guide in relation to WRP and BTP.

Table 5-1 Impact calculator – Western Ringtail Possum

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Area of impact	65.4 ha	Site assessments and the Proposal concept design have been used to identify the quanta of WRP impacted by the project.
Quality	8	
Site Condition		Site supports habitat for, and known population of WRP as identified through field surveys.
Site Context		Habitat values vary over the length of the Proposal from habitat patches up to some 10 ha to individual paddock trees.
Species stocking rate		Site contains evidence of use by WRP as assessed by field survey.

Table 5-2 Offset calculator – WRP Offset 1 (Lot 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road, Gelorup)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	152.0	
Start Quality	7	Site supports known habitat for and a population of WRP as identified through field surveys (Biota, 2020a).



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Future quality without offset	5	As private owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term.
Future quality with offset	8	The properties have been purchased for addition to the conservation estate to be managed by DBCA. Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) have been commenced to improve habitat quality.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	The land has been purchased and is being managed for conservation purposes.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	Previous zoning and land use was rural with the property used for farming.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads has funded the purchase of these properties by DBCA. The properties will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	55.7	

Table 5-3 Offset calculator – WRP Offset 2 (Confidential Site 1 - Purchase of vegetated land)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	34.2	
Start Quality	7	Site supports known habitat for and a population of WRP as identified through field surveys (Biota, 2020a).
Future quality without offset	5	As privately owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term.
Future quality with offset	8	Negotiations are underway for the purchase of the vegetated portion of this property.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
		After purchase the land will be added to the conservation estate to be managed by DBCA. Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) have been commenced to improve habitat quality.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	It is expected that the land acquisition will be completed and initial conservation management actions implemented within 1 year.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	The property is zoned as rural under the GBRS. The property is currently on the market for sale and could be on sold with the new owners continuing rural activities.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads will fund the purchase of these property by DBCA. The property will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	12.5	

Table 5-4 Offset calculator – WRP Offset 3 (Confidential Site 2 Purchase of vegetated land)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	16.0	
Start Quality	7	Site supports known habitat for WRP as identified through preliminary site assessment and WRP Regional Survey (Biota, 2020b).
Future quality without offset	5	As privately owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term. Currently the property also has unrestricted public access.
Future quality with offset	8	Negotiations are underway for the purchase of the vegetated portion of this property.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
		After purchase Main Roads will initiate protection of the land through a conservation covenant or rezoning to Regional Open Space under the GBRS.
		Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) will improve habitat quality in the longer term.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years)
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	It is expected that the land acquisition will be completed and initial conservation management actions implemented within 1 year.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	The property is zoned as rural under the GBRS. The property is currently on the market for sale and could be on sold with the new owners continuing rural activities.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads will fund the purchase of these property by DBCA. The property will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	5.9	

Table 5-5 Offset calculator – WRP Offset 4 (State Forest No. 2 Revegetation)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	80	Revegetation of heavily degraded portion of State Forest No. 2
Start Quality	1	Site is likely to have low value WRP habitat values.
Future quality without offset	1	Site is unlikely to be revegetated by a third party in the short term. Main Roads is proposing to commence revegetation works within 12 months.
Future quality with offset	6	Revegetation with species suitable to create habitat for WRP and provide linkages to existing remnant vegetation.
		Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) to improve habitat quality.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years)
Time until ecological benefit (years)	10	10 years to allow for revegetation works to provide WRP habitat after planting
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	The site is unlikely to revegetated by a third party in the short term
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	After revegetation the property will be actively managed to improve habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks. The site will be within the conservation estate. Revegetation completion criteria will ensure WRP habitat creation to a suitable standard.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat WRP attributes being created through compliance with completion criteria.
% of impact offset	26.1	

The proposed combination of offsets exceeds the 100% offset requirement.

5.2 Black Cockatoo

Table 5-6 to Table 5-10 provide the inputs used in the EPBC Offset Assessment Guide in relation to Black Cockatoo.

Table 5-6 Impact calculator – Black Cockatoo

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Impact area (ha)	65.4	Site assessments and the Proposal design have been used to identify the quanta of Black Cockatoo habitat impacted by the project. Offset requirement calculated based on Carnaby's Cockatoo (endangered)
Quality	8	
Site Condition		Site supports known foraging species for Black-Cockatoos and potential nest hollows as identified through field surveys.
Site Context		Site occurs within the known range of these species. Habitat values vary over the length of the Proposal from vegetation patches to individual paddock trees.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Species stocking rate		Site contains evidence of use by Black Cockatoos species as determined by field survey

Table 5-7 Offset calculator – Black Cockatoos Offset 1 (Lot 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road, Gelorup)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	132.0	
Start quality	7	Site supports known foraging and potential breeding habitat for Black-Cockatoo as identified through field surveys.
Future quality without offset	5	As private owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term.
Future quality with offset	8	The properties have been purchased for addition to the conservation estate to be managed by DBCA. Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) have been commenced to improve habitat quality.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	The land has been purchased and is being managed for conservation purposes.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	Previous zoning and land use was rural with the property used for farming.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads has funded the purchase of these properties by DBCA. The properties will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	67.3	



Table 5-8 Offset calculator – Black Cockatoos Offset 2 (Confidential Site 1 - Purchase of vegetated land)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	12.9	
Start quality	7	Site supports known foraging and potential breeding habitat for Black-Cockatoo as identified through field surveys.
Future quality without offset	5	As privately owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term.
Future quality with offset	8	Negotiations are underway for the purchase of the vegetated portion of this property. After purchase the land will be added to the conservation estate to be managed by DBCA. Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) have been commenced to improve habitat quality.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	It is expected that the land acquisition will be completed and initial conservation management actions implemented within 1 year.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	The property is zoned as rural under the GBRS. The property is currently on the market for sale and could be on sold with the new owners continuing rural activities.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads will fund the purchase of these property by DBCA. The property will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	6.6	



Table 5-9 Offset calculator – Black-Cockatoo Offset 3 (Confidential Site 2 Purchase of vegetated land)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	16.0	
Start quality	7	Site is expected to support foraging and potential breeding habitat based on preliminary assessment.
Future quality without offset	5	As privately owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term. Currently the property also has unrestricted public access.
Future quality with offset	8	Negotiations are underway for the purchase of the vegetated portion of this property.
		After purchase Main Roads will initiate protection of the land through a conservation covenant or rezoning to Regional Open Space under the GBRS.
		Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) will improve habitat quality in the longer term.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	It is expected that the land acquisition will be completed and initial conservation management actions implemented within 1 year.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	The property is zoned as rural under the GBRS. The property is currently on the market for sale and could be on sold with the new owners continuing rural activities.
Risk of loss with	10	Main Roads will fund the purchase of these property by DBCA.
offset (%)		The property will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS.
		The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	8.2	



Table 5-10 Offset calculator – Black Cockatoos Offset 4 (State Forest No. 2 Revegetation)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	29	Revegetation of heavily degraded portion of Lot 104.
Start quality	1	Site is likely to be mainly cleared of habitat.
Future quality without offset	1	Site is unlikely to be revegetated by a third party in the short term.
Future quality with offset	6	Revegetation with species suitable to create habitat for the Black cockatoos. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) to improve quality.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	10	Development of revegetation species to provide foraging habitat 5 years after implementation.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	The site is unlikely to revegetated by a third party in the short term. Site management will include fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control to improve quality.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	After revegetation the property will be actively managed to improve habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks. Revegetation completion criteria will ensure habitat creation.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being created through compliance with completion criteria.
% of impact offset	18.0	

The combination of proposed offsets exceeds the 100% offset requirement for Black Cockatoos.

5.3 Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC

Table 5-11 and Table 5-12 provide inputs used in the EPBC Offset Assessment Guide in relation to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.

Table 5-11 Impact calculator – Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Area of impact	24.9	Site assessments and the Proposal design have been used to identify the
(ha)		quanta of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC impacted by the project.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Quality	7	
Site Condition		Vegetation condition varies from degraded to excellent as detailed below: • Excellent: 0.49 ha • Excellent – Very Good: 4.00 ha • Very Good: 2.77 ha • Very Good – Good: 3.27 • Good: 1.56 ha • Good – Degraded: 11.58 ha • Degraded: 0.71 ha • Degraded – Completely Degraded: 0.46 ha • Completely Degraded: 0.07 ha 12.1 ha (49%) of the 24.9 ha TEC clearing area rated as in good or better condition.
Site Context		The Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC clearing impact occurs at patches that are isolated remnants, the edge of an existing larger patch and a corridor within a larger patch as shown at Figure 2 (Appendix A).
Species stocking rate		The clearing of up to 24.9 ha of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC associated with the Proposal would result in a reduction of up to 0.007 % of the total extent (> 335,000 ha) and < 0.01 % of the regional extent (> 253,000 ha) of this TEC / PEC.

Table 5-12 Offset calculator – Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC Offset 1 (Lot 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road, Gelorup)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	70	The properties has been assessed for their fauna habitat values (Biota, 2019b) and have been confirmed to support Jarrah Banksia woodland. Detailed site survey will be conducted in spring 2020 to confirm it complies with the Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.
Start Quality	7	Site supports known Jarrah Banksia woodland as identified through field surveys.
Future quality without offset	5	As private owned rural zoned property a number of activities including incremental clearing, grazing and firewood collection could have continued resulting in increased loss of habitat quality in the long term.
Future quality with offset	8	The properties have been purchased for addition to the conservation estate to be managed by DBCA. Private landowner activities have now been halted. Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) have been commenced to improve habitat quality.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	The land has been purchased and is being managed for conservation purposes.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	Previous zoning and land use was rural with the property used for farming.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads has funded the purchase of these properties by DBCA. The properties will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	101.2	

The proposed offset of 70 ha of Banksia Woodland occurring with Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road, Gelorup achieves the 100% offset requirement for Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.

5.4 Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC

Table 5-13 and Table 5-14 provide inputs used in the EPBC Offset Assessment Guide in relation to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC³.

Table 5-13 Impact calculator - Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Area of impact (ha)	4.5	Site assessments and the Proposal design have been used to identify the quanta of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC impacted by the project (4.4 ha TEC / PEC / Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC and 0.1 ha Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC)
Quality	7	
Site Condition		Vegetation condition varies from Very Good to Completely Degraded. • Very Good: 0.80 ha

³ 4.4 ha of the vegetation comprising the 4.5 ha of Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC is synonymous with Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC vegetation. For simplicity, a single offset assessment based on 4.5 ha area of impact to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC has been conducted for these community types.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
		 Good – Degraded: 2.91 ha Degraded - Completely Degraded: 0.01 ha Completely Degraded: 0.78 ha
		0.8 ha (18%) of the 4.5 ha TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC clearing area rated as in Good or better condition.
Site Context		The Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC clearing impact occurs at patches that are isolated remnants, the edge of an existing larger patch and a corridor within a larger patch as shown at Figure 2 (Appendix A).
Species stocking rate		The clearing of up to 4.5 ha of Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation associated with the Proposal would result in a reduction of up to 0.03 % of the recorded extent.

Table 5-14 Offset calculator – Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC Offset 1 (Lot 27 Tredrea Rd, Myalup)

ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
Offset area (ha)	16.5	
Start Quality	7	An Environmental Values Assessment of Lot 27 Tredrea Road (GHD, 2004) identified the majority of the property as supporting potential Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and possibly also Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC). Detailed site survey will be conducted in spring 2020 to confirm it
		complies with the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.
Future quality without offset	5	The property was purchased by Main Roads for the purpose of a limestone and sand pit. Main Roads has conducted investigations at the site in recent years to further progress its development as a materials extraction site.
		The property is currently unmanaged with open access. Signs of unauthorised rubbish dumping and firewood collection is evident at the property.
		Main Roads will initiate protection of the property and provide long term security of the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC vegetation through a conservation covenant or rezoning to Regional Open Space.
Future quality with offset	8	Site management (fencing and access management, weed control, firebreaks and feral animal control) have been commenced to improve habitat quality.



ATTRIBUTE	VALUE	JUSTIFICATION
		Opportunities for additional revegetation works would further improve the value of the property as an offset site.
Time over which loss is averted (years)	20	Site will be managed (risk mitigation) for conservation purposes for the long term (maximum 20 years).
Time until ecological benefit (years)	1	The land has been purchased and is being managed for conservation purposes.
Risk of loss without offset (%)	30	Previous zoning and land use was rural with the property used for farming.
Risk of loss with offset (%)	10	Main Roads has purchased the property for the purposes of developing a limestone and sand pit. The properties will have the land zoning amended from rural to Conservation or Regional Open space under the GBRS. The properties will be actively managed for conservation purposes to maintain / improve WRP habitat quality including weed and feral animal control, fencing and the installation of firebreaks.
Confidence in result (%)	80	High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and property being managed for conservation purposes in the long term.
% of impact offset	100.4	

The proposed offset of 16.5 ha of Tuart Woodland occurring on Lot 27 Tredrea Rd, Myalup achieves the 100 % offset requirement for Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC.



6 COUNTERBALANCE OF SIGNIFICANT RESIDUAL IMPACTS

Table 6-1 provides a summary of the offset package to counterbalance the significant residual impacts to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC, Western Ringtail Possum (and BTP) and Black Cockatoo species.

Table 6-1 is based on preliminary offset calculations using the EPBC Act Offset Assessment Guide, as presented in Section 4 and Appendix B.

The offset package is expected to provide adequate compensation for significant residual impacts to those environmental attributes noted above. Main Roads is currently investigating additional offset options in consultation with DBCA.

Table 6-1 Summary of preliminary offset calculations

PROPOSED OFFSET	OFFSET AREA	% OF OFFSET ACHIEVED
Western Ringtail Possum (and Brush-tailed Phascogale)		
Impact: 65.4 ha of WRP habitat and 43.7 ha of BTP habitat		
Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road	152.0 ha	55.7
Purchase of Offset Site 2	34.2 ha	12.5
Purchase of Offset Site 3	16.0 ha	5.9
Revegetation of State Forest No. 2	80 ha	26.1
Total Offset		100.2
Black Cockatoo Species		
Impact: 65.4 ha of Black Cockatoo habitat		
Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road	132 ha	67.3
Purchase of Offset Site 2	12.9 ha	6.6
Purchase of Offset Site 3	16 ha	8.2
Revegetation of State Forest No. 2	29 ha	18.0
Total Offset		100.1
Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC		
Impact: 24.9 ha		
Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road	70 ha	101.2
Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC		
Impact: 4.5 ha of Tuart Woodland TEC/ Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PE	С	
Lot 27 Tredrea Road, Myalup	16.5 ha	100.4



In developing the proposed offset package, Main Road has taken into account to Principles of the WA Environmental Offsets Policy (GoWA, 2011) as summarised in Table 6-2.

Table 6-2 Assessment of offsets against the principles of the WA Environmental Offsets Policy (2011)

PRINCIPLE	ASSESSMENT
Environmental offsets will only be considered after avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued	The potential impacts from the Northern and Central Sections of the BORR have been significantly reduced as a result of the efforts applied during the detailed design phase and during Environmental Assessment. This reduction has been largely achieved through the additional avoidance and mitigation measures that have been developed for the Proposal. Where appropriate, local technical expertise for key species and habitats has been sought to ensure the effectiveness of proposed management measures. Main Roads anticipates that the social and environmental impacts of the Proposal can be appropriately managed through the measures to be implemented in conjunction with the Proposal.
Environmental offsets are not appropriate for all projects	Main Roads operates on a hierarchy of avoid, minimise, reduce, rehabilitate and offset environmental impacts. This hierarchy is achieved primarily through changes in scope and design, development and implementation of the EMP and finally, an offset proposal. Application of the management hierarchy has been summarised in this Offset Strategy and is detailed in BORR IPT (BORR IPT, 2019a).
	Main Roads has proposed offsets to counterbalance the significant residual impacts to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC, Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC, Western Ringtail Possum (and BTP) and Black Cockatoo species. This decision is based on the quanta of impacts, conservation status, and local context of the ecological communities and faunal habitats impacted by the Proposal.
Environmental offsets will be cost- effective, as well as relevant and proportionate to the significance of the environmental value being impacted	Main Roads has pursued a number of options in developing a package of offsets to counterbalance residual impacts that are relevant and appropriate for the locality and quantum of impact for each environmental value impacted. The options investigated have comprised acquisition of land providing fauna habitat, creation of fauna habitat by on ground rehabilitation and provision of research funding. Several of the proposed offset sites will address the requirement for more than one offset attribute i.e. provision / creation of habitat for WRP, Black Cockatoos and BTP at a single site.
Environmental offsets will be based on sound environmental information and knowledge	The offset values for Offsets 1-4 have been based on the available information for each of the proposed offset properties. These sites have been subject to some field survey, with further investigations proposed in spring 2020 to confirm earlier site assessments in



PRINCIPLE	ASSESSMENT
	respect to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC. Offset 1 has been subject to detailed survey which has confirmed the presence of WRP, Black Cockatoo and BTP. Additional surveys are proposed for spring 2020 to confirm the extent of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC.
Environmental offsets will be applied within a framework of adaptive management	The proposed offsets will be subject to long term monitoring and ongoing adaptive management, as required, to ensure the anticipated values and effectiveness criteria for each offset is achieved. Where at variance to the objectives of the offset strategy, advice and management consultation with DBCA and other relevant key stakeholders will be undertaken.
Environmental offsets will be focussed on longer term strategic outcomes.	In addition to direct conservation offsets, Main Roads has pursued rehabilitation of lands as offsets that will over the longer term increase the areas of habitat provided by the proposed offsets and been judicious in identifying research offsets only where key gaps in knowledge and long terms recovery benefits from the research proposed.
	Main Roads commissioned a regional WRP population study on its own initiative in order to provide information to both industry and the community regarding the extent and distribution of the species. This information was identified as a high priority in the WRP Recovery Plan (DPaW, 2017). Prior to Main Roads' commissioning this work, the species' extent was a recognised knowledge gap, the addressing of which was identified as required in the species' recovery plan (DPaW, 2017). Through addressing this knowledge gap, Main Roads has provided vital information that will assist the long term species' management and recovery.



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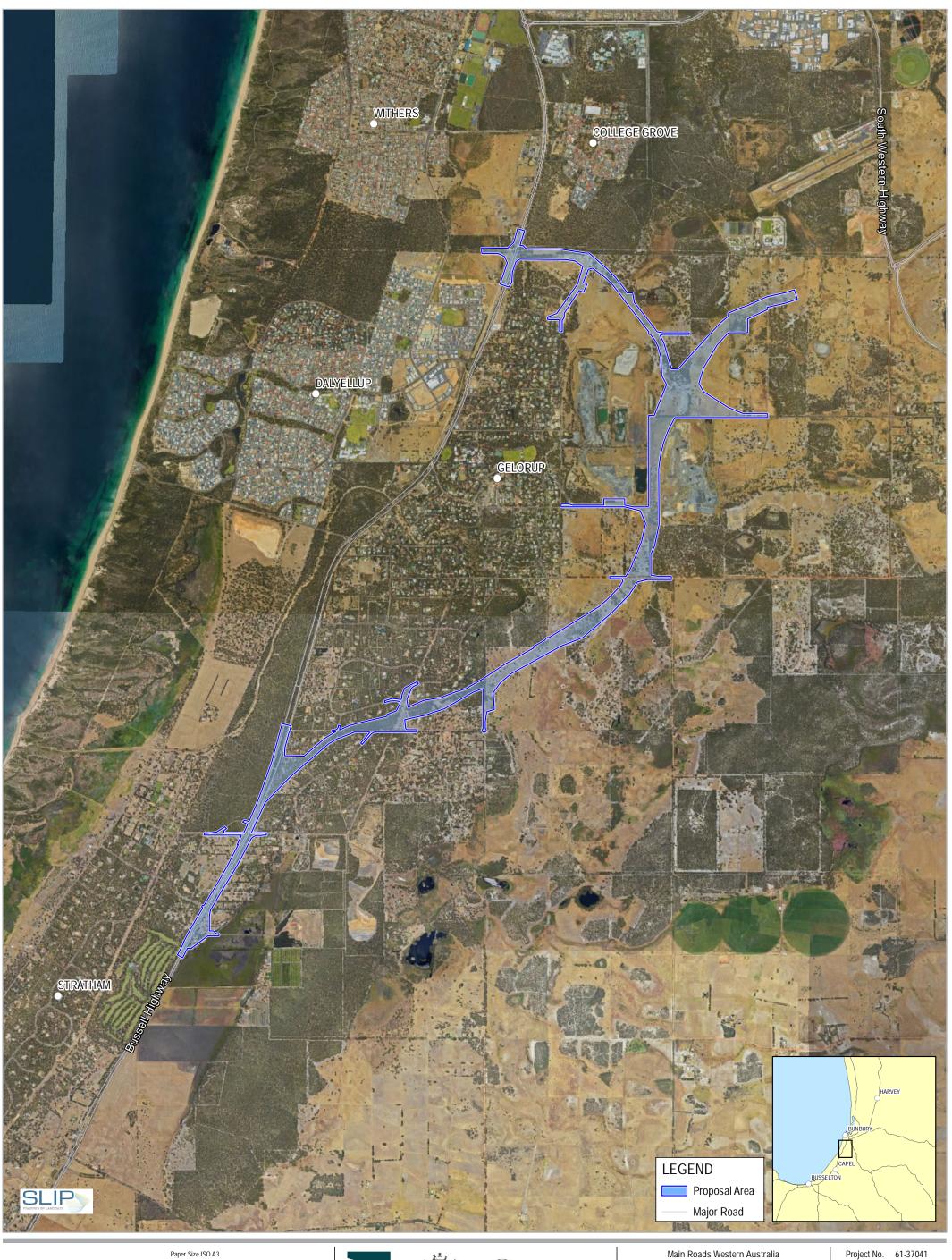
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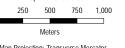


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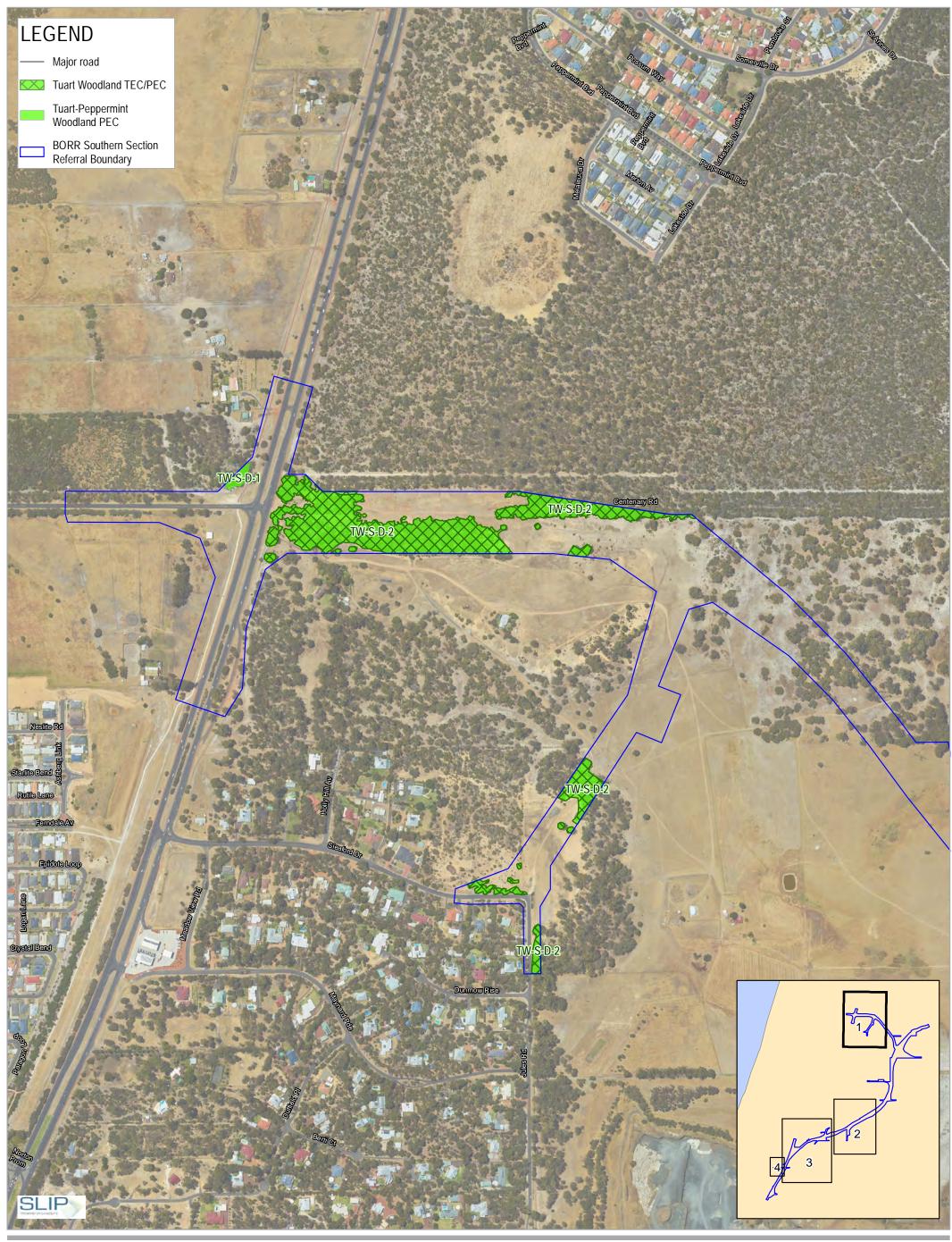
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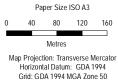
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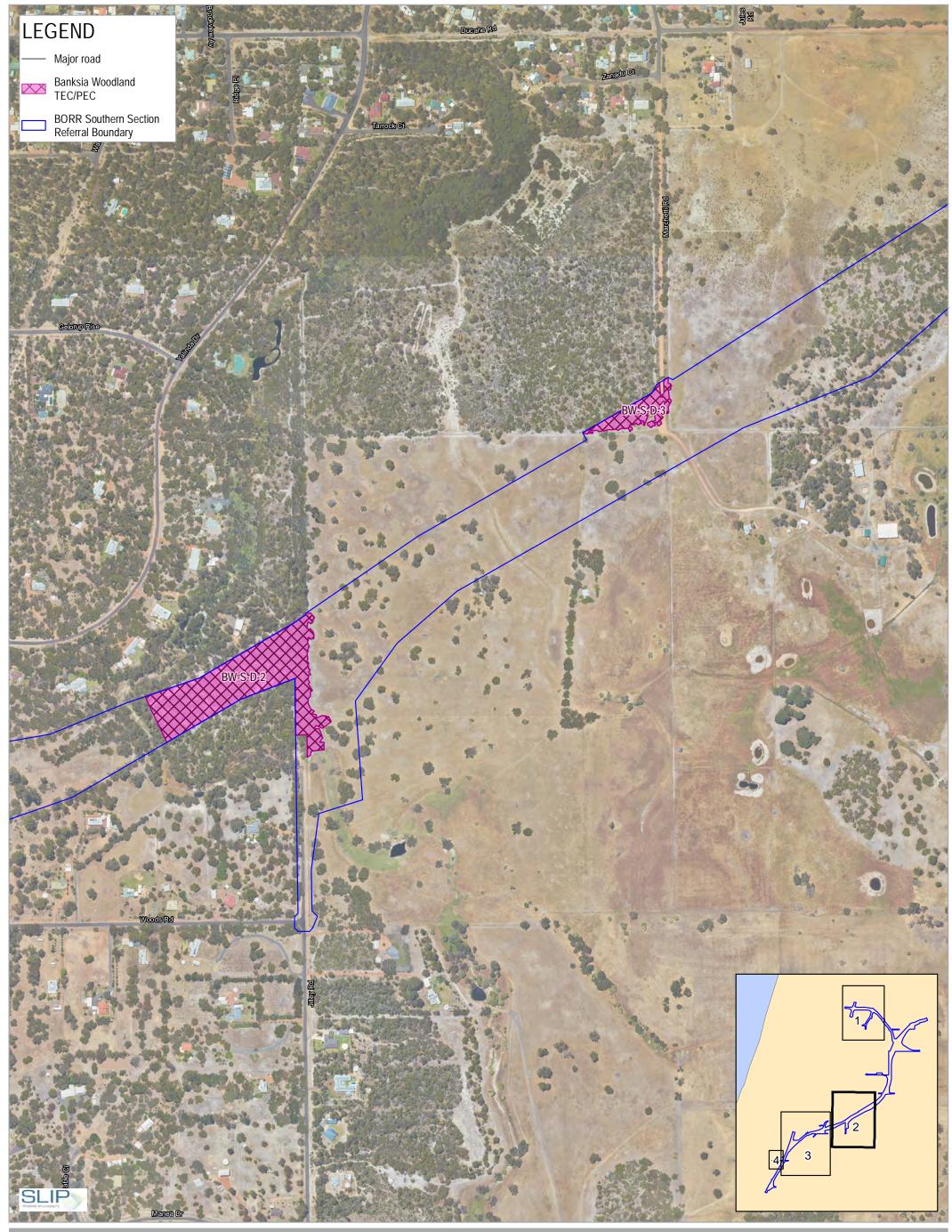


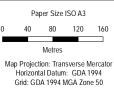
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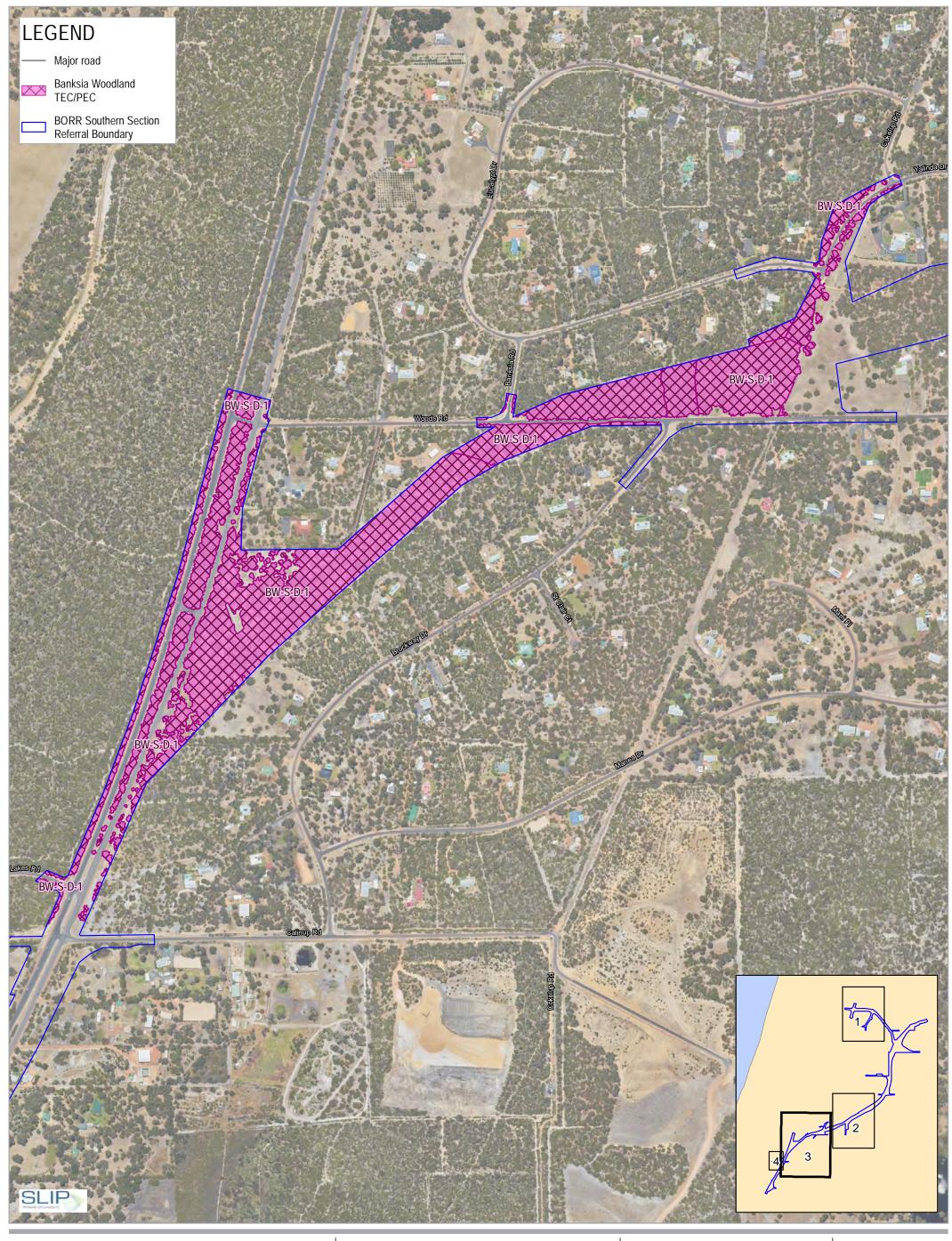


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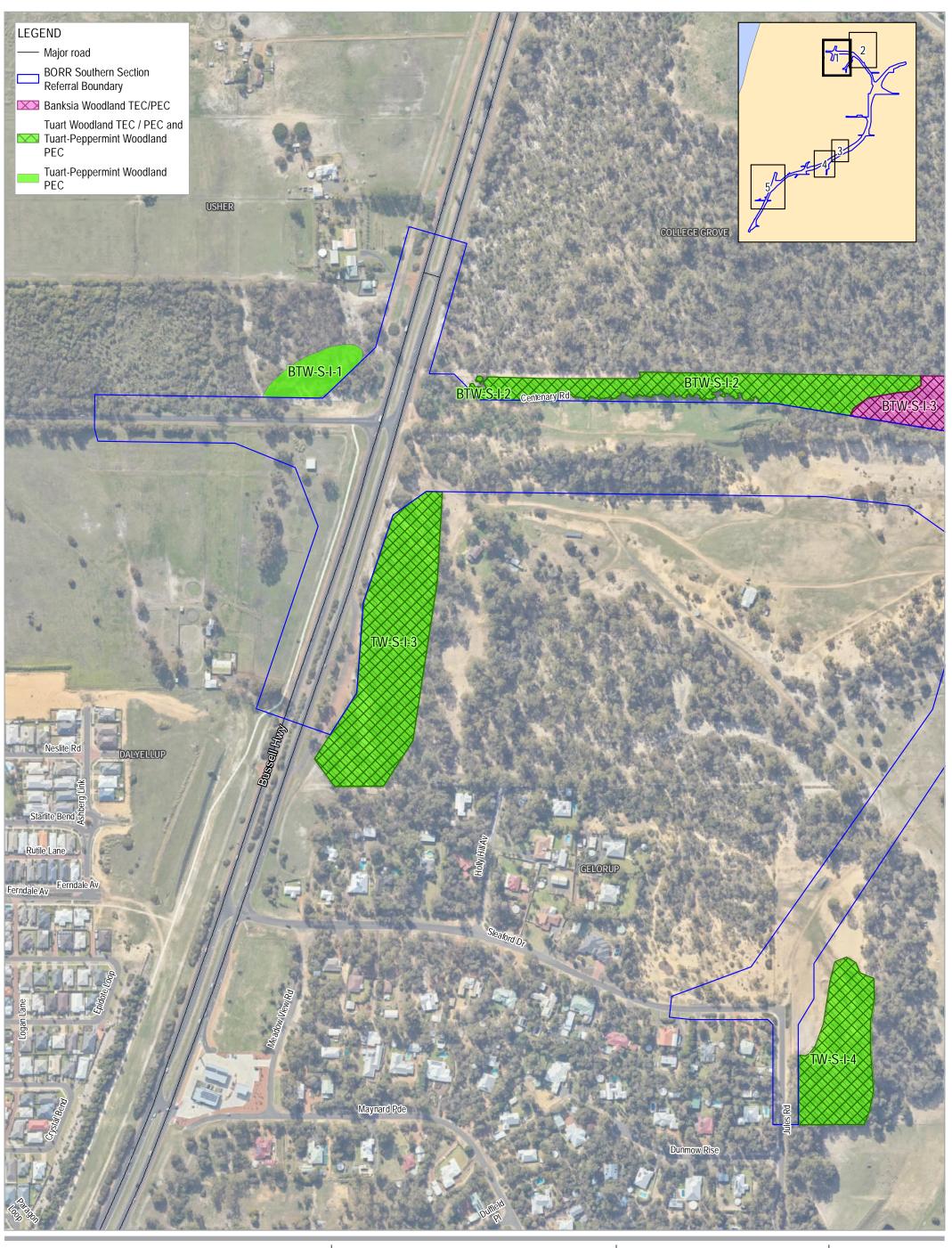


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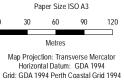
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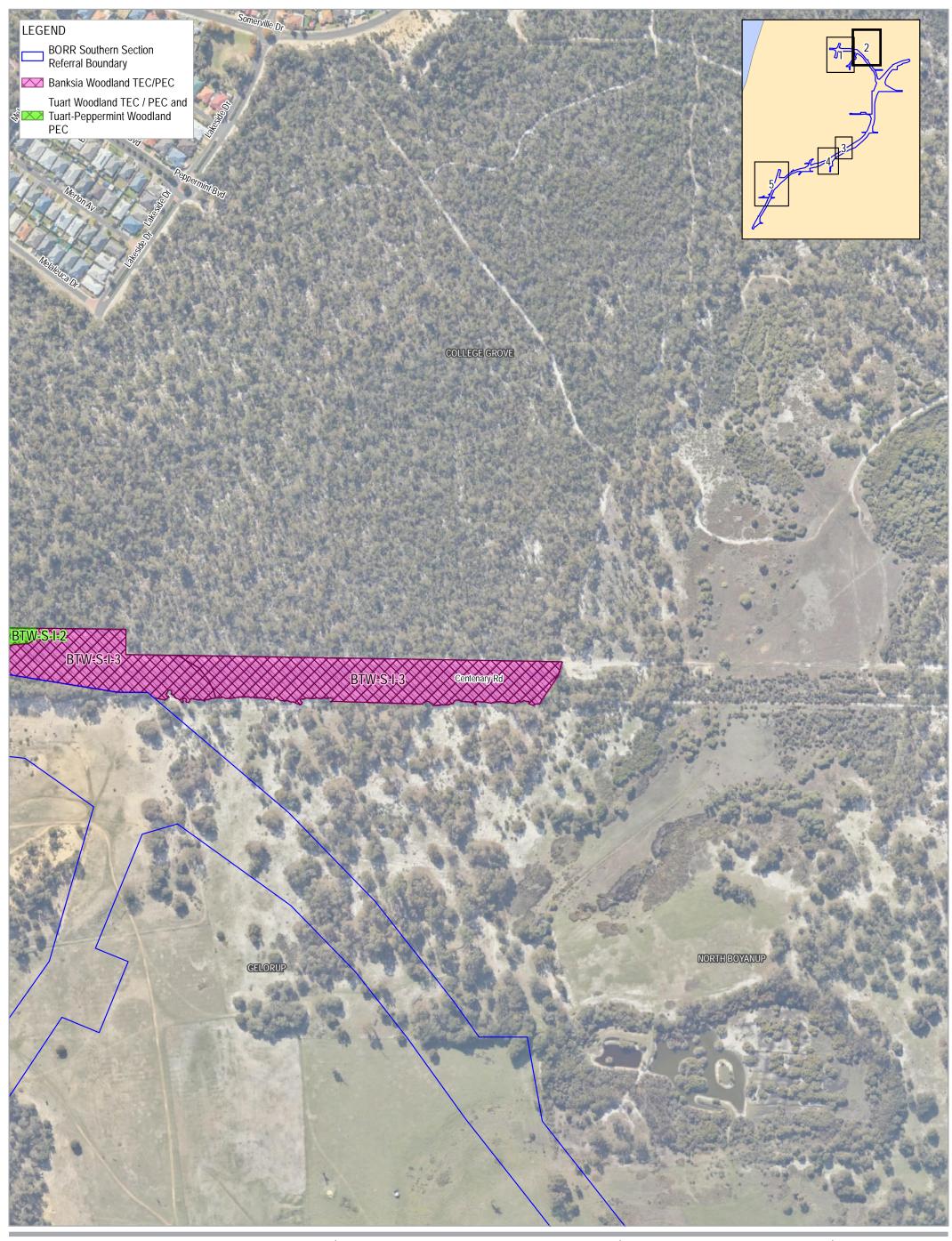


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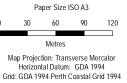
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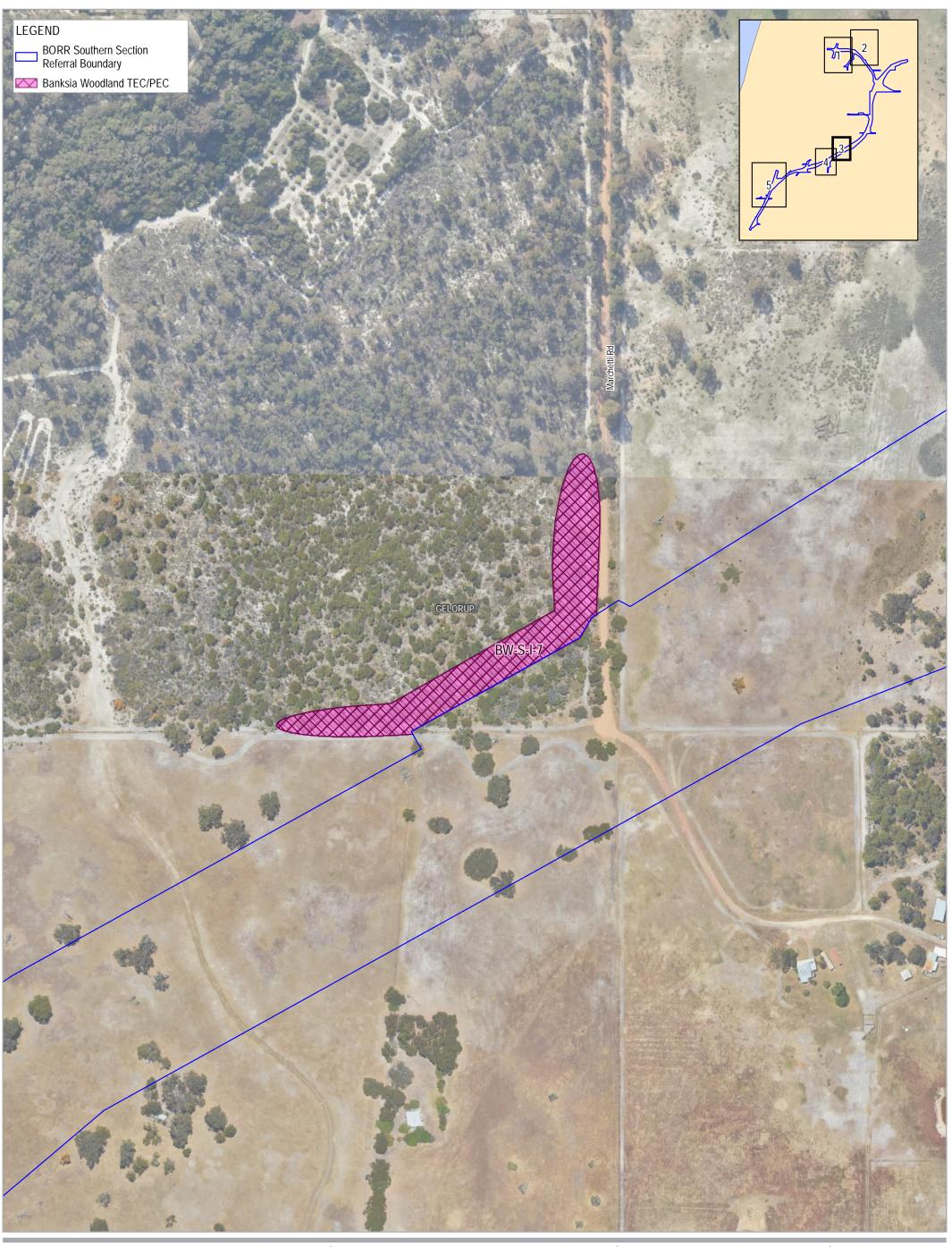


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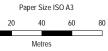
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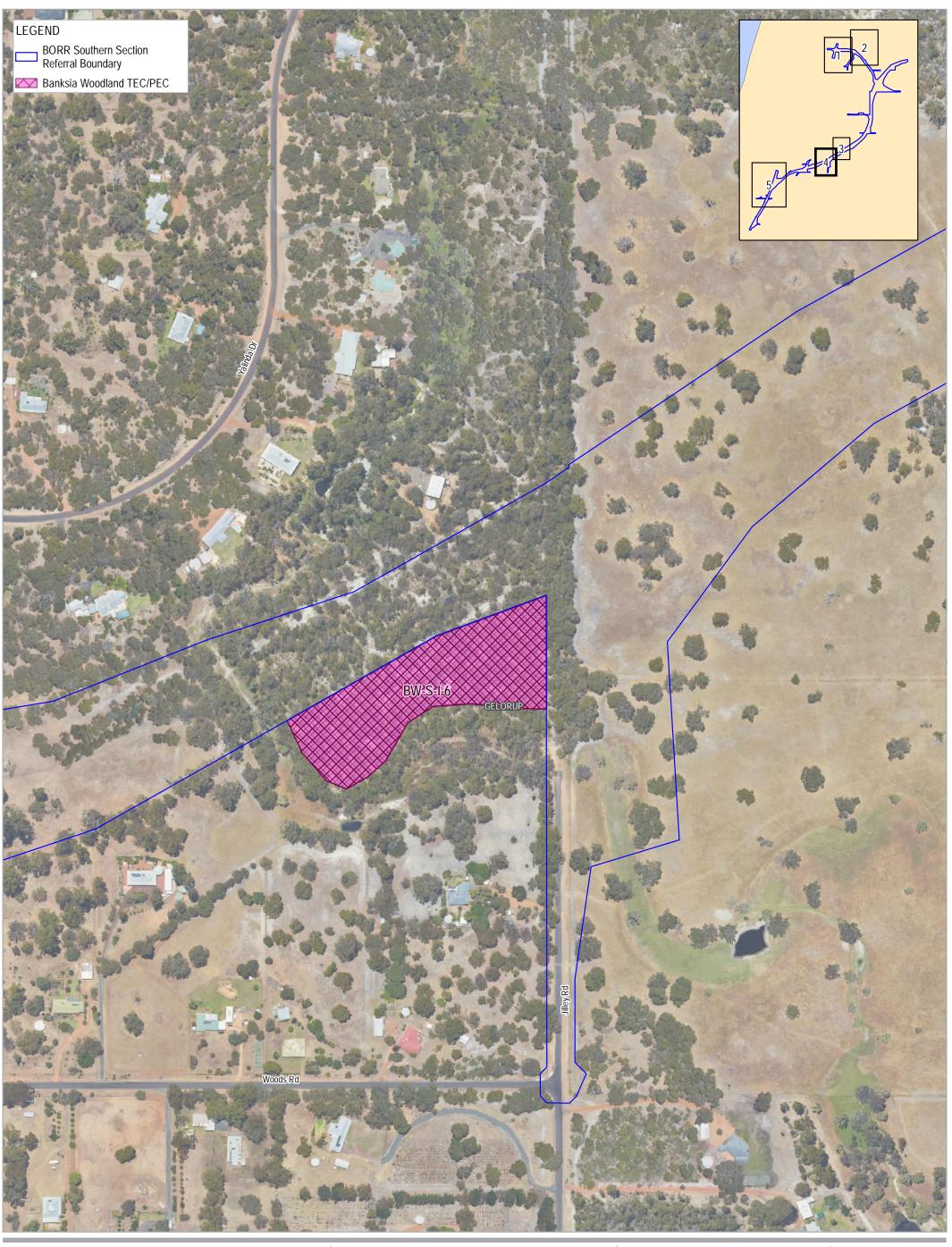


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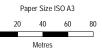
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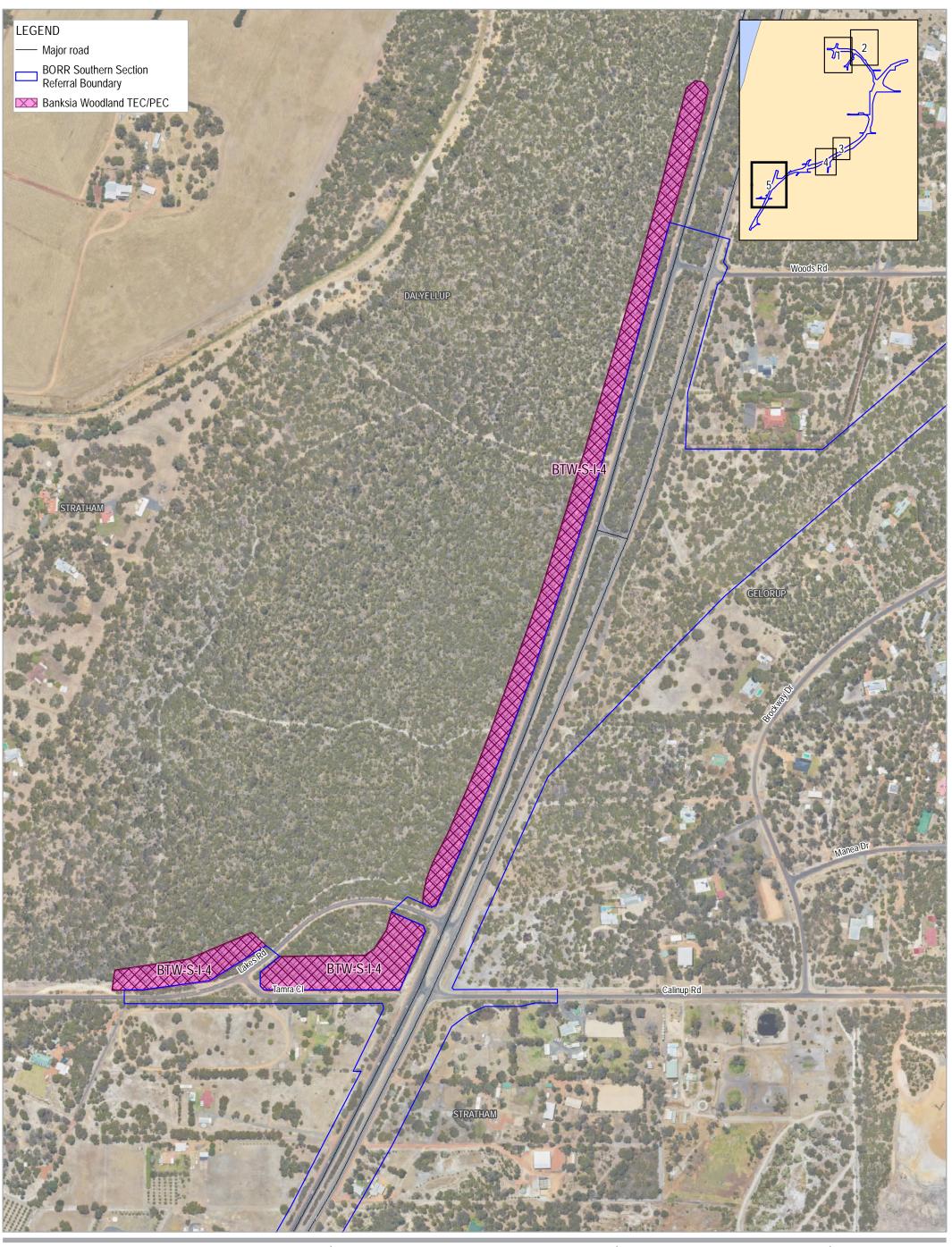


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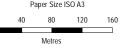
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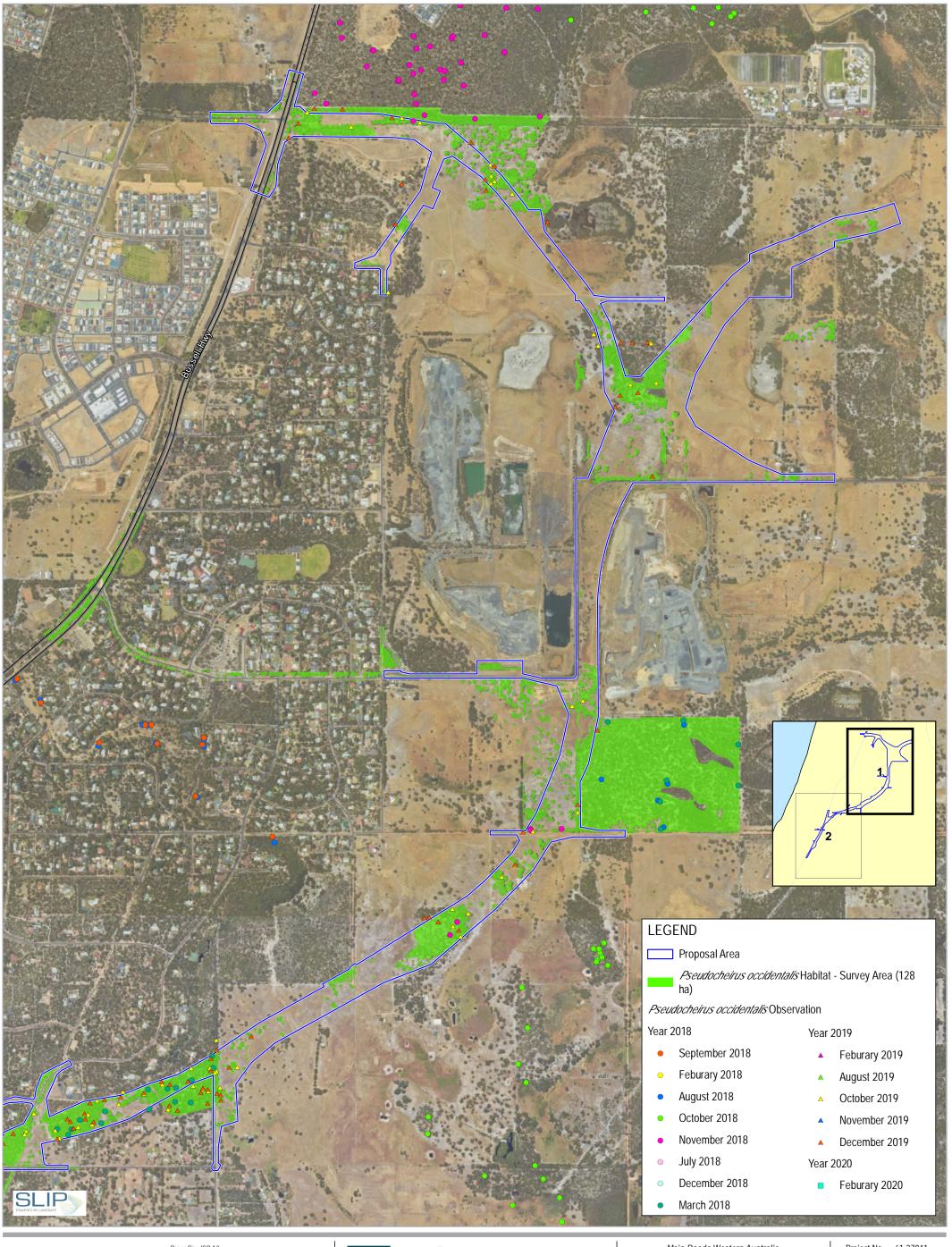


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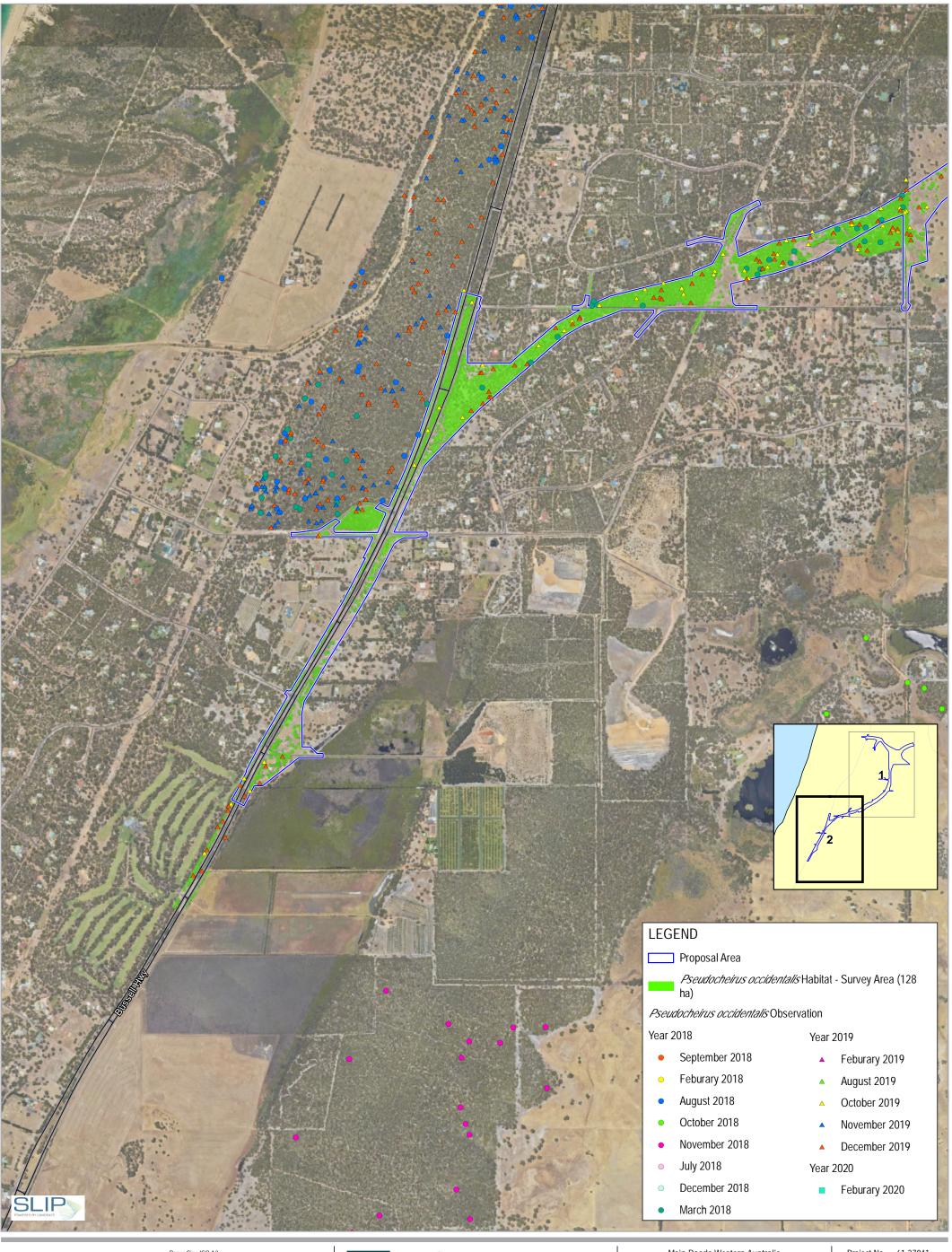


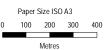
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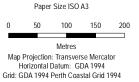
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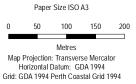
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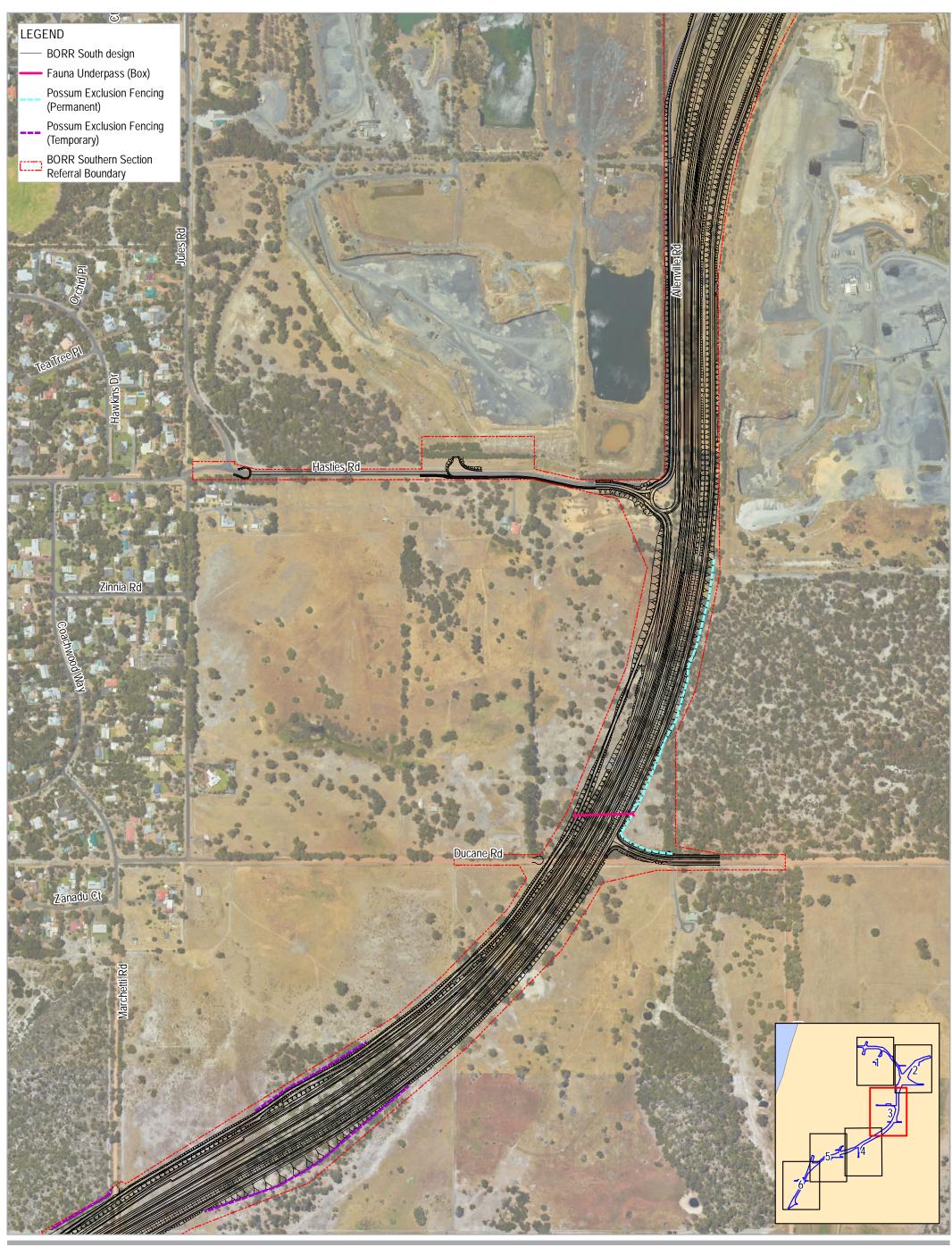




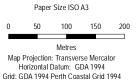
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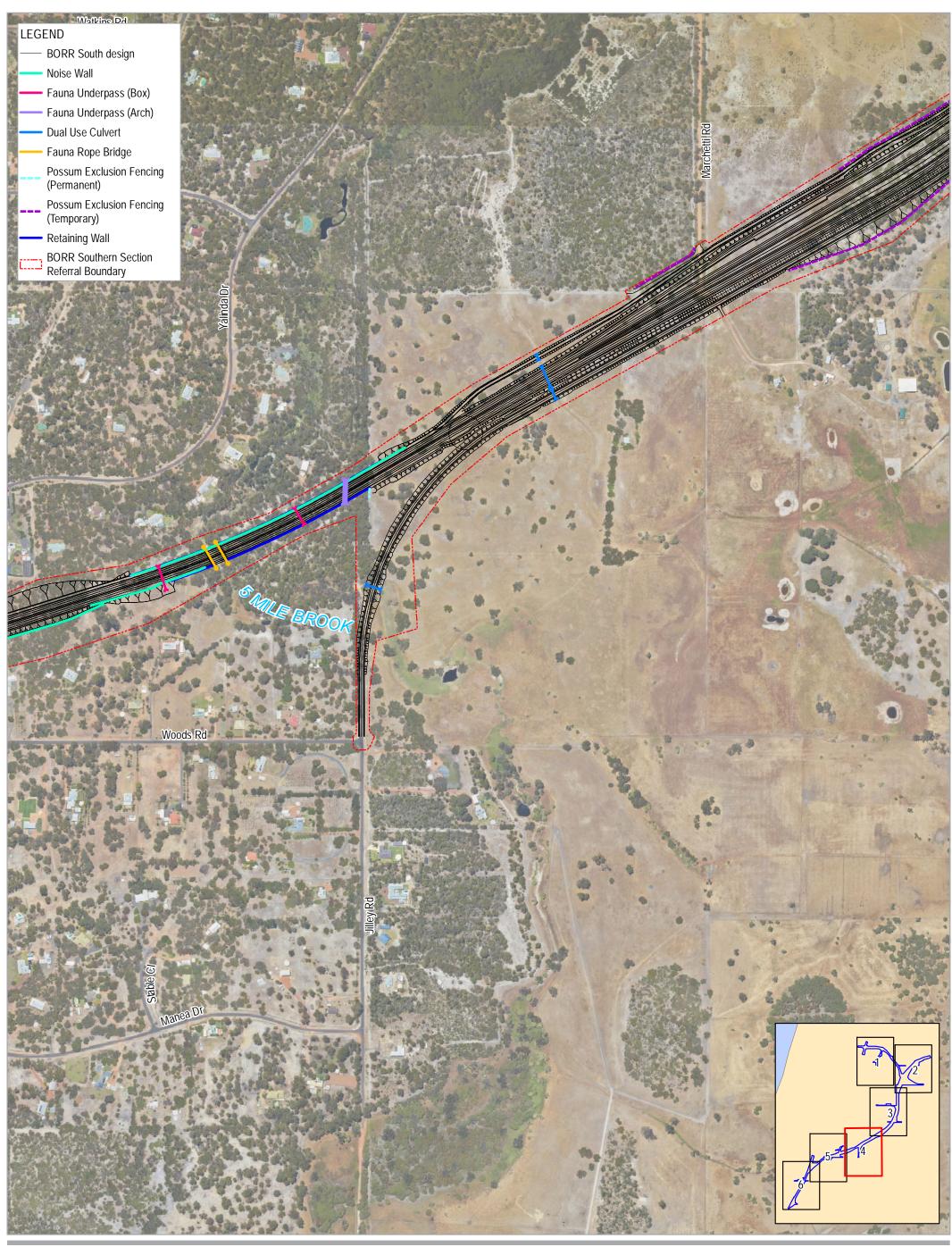




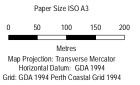
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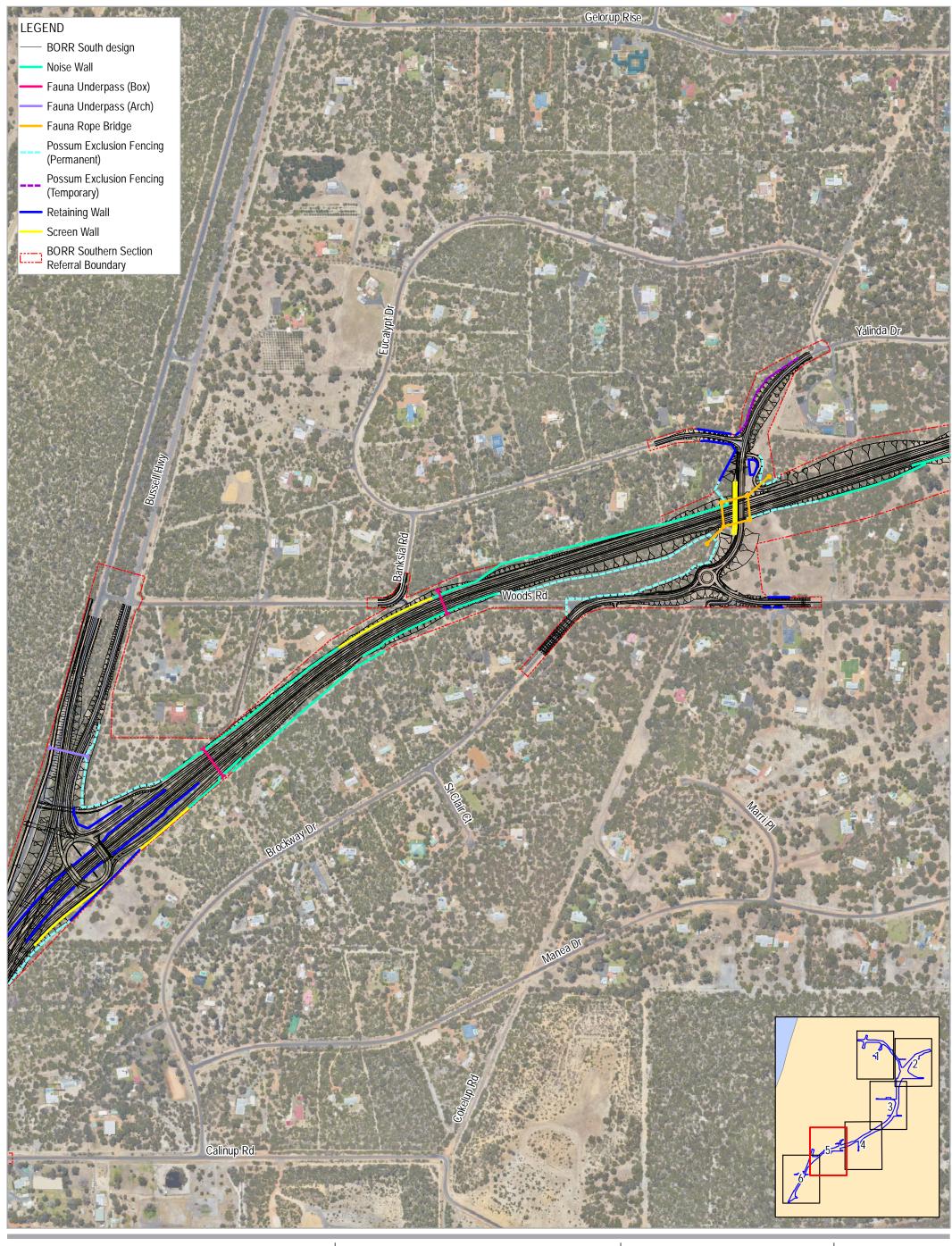




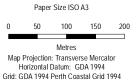
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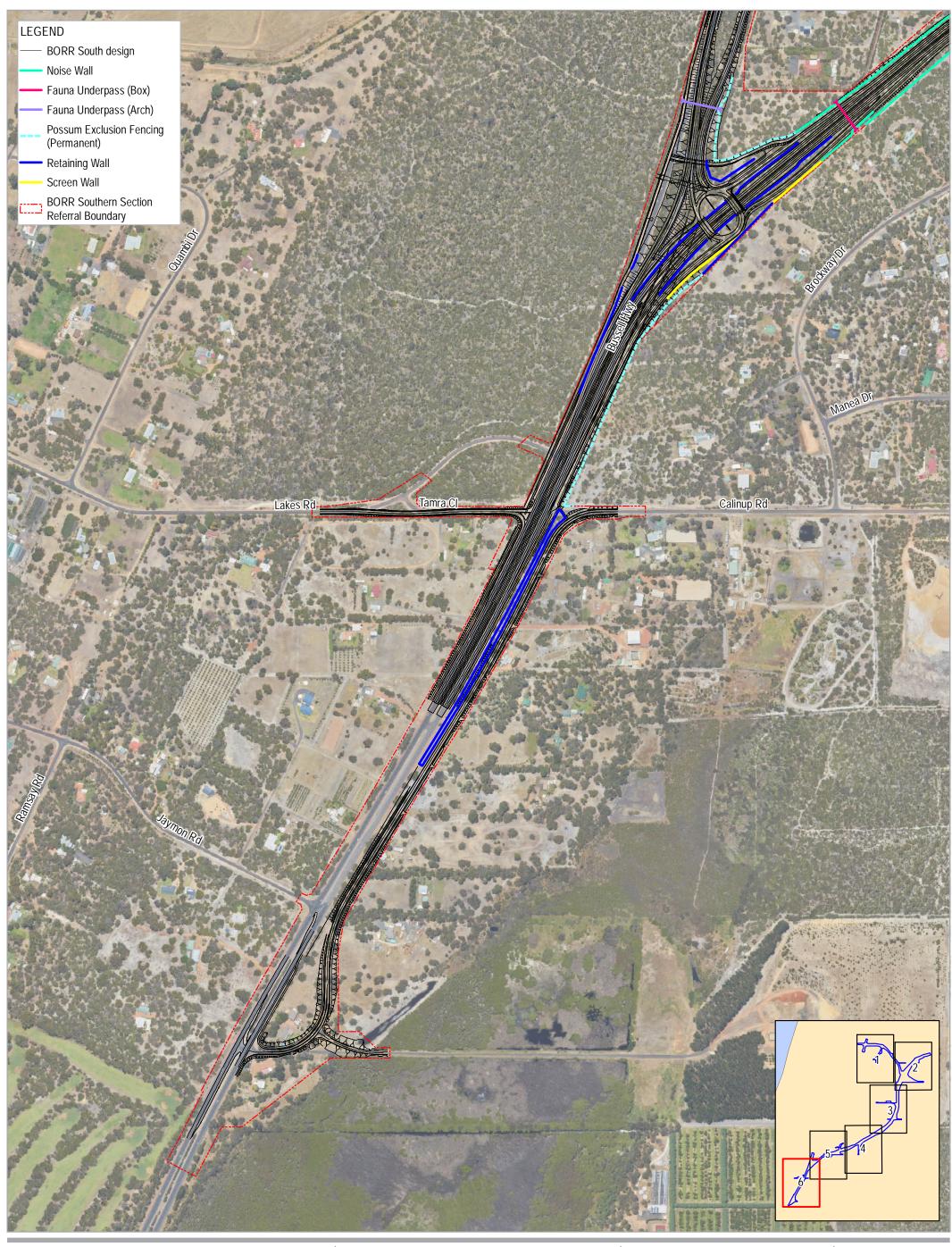




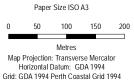
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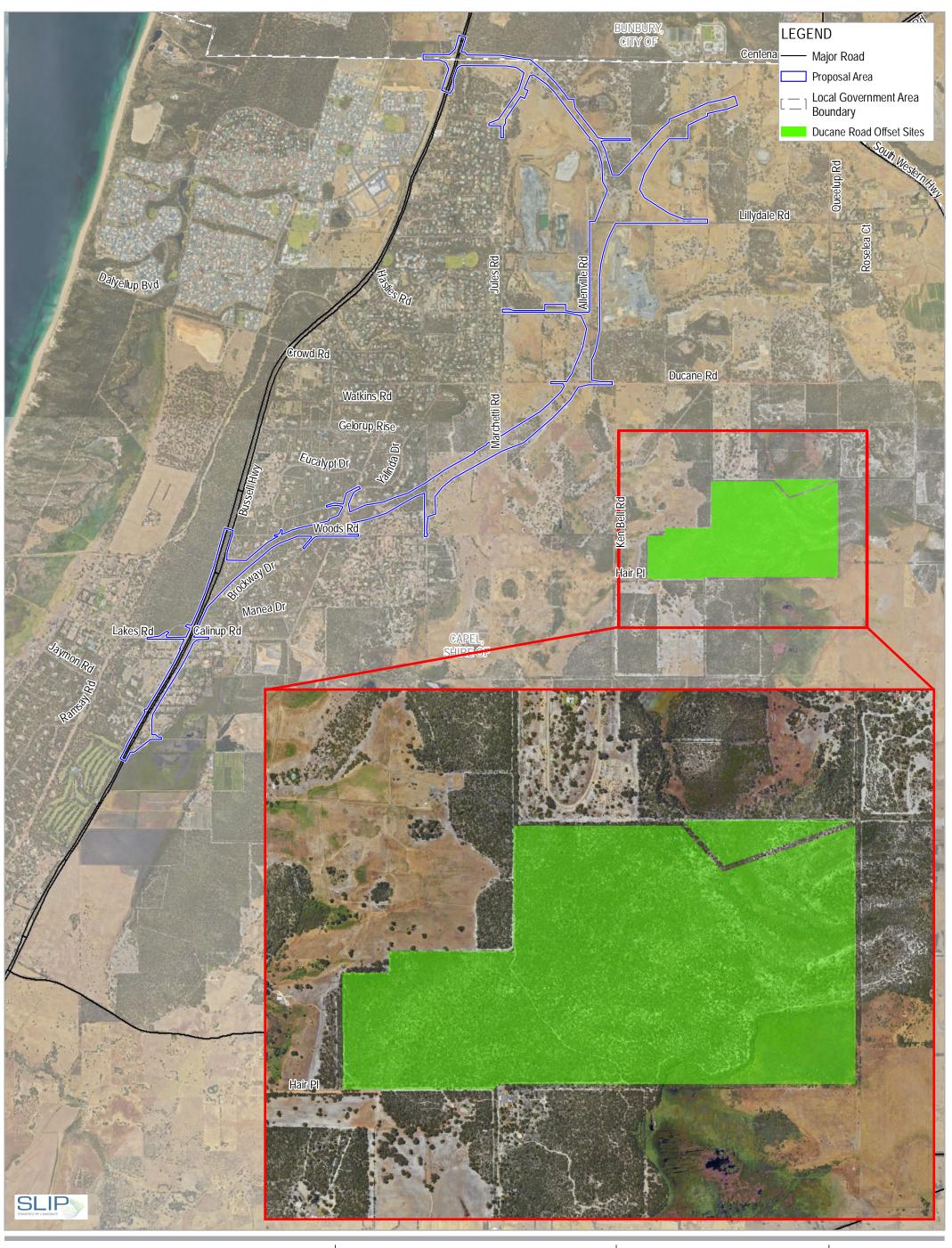


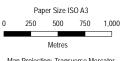
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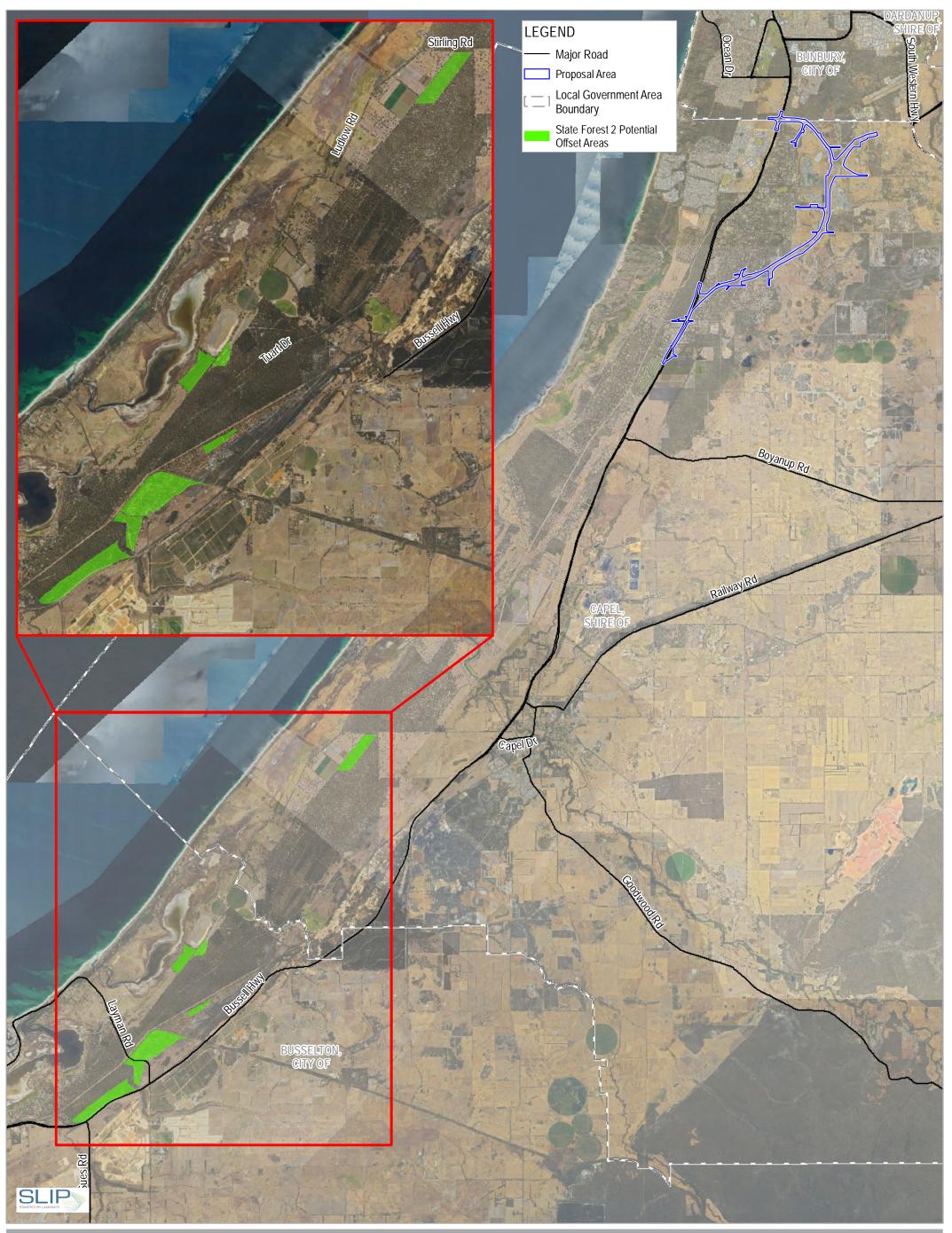






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Ducane Road Offset Sites







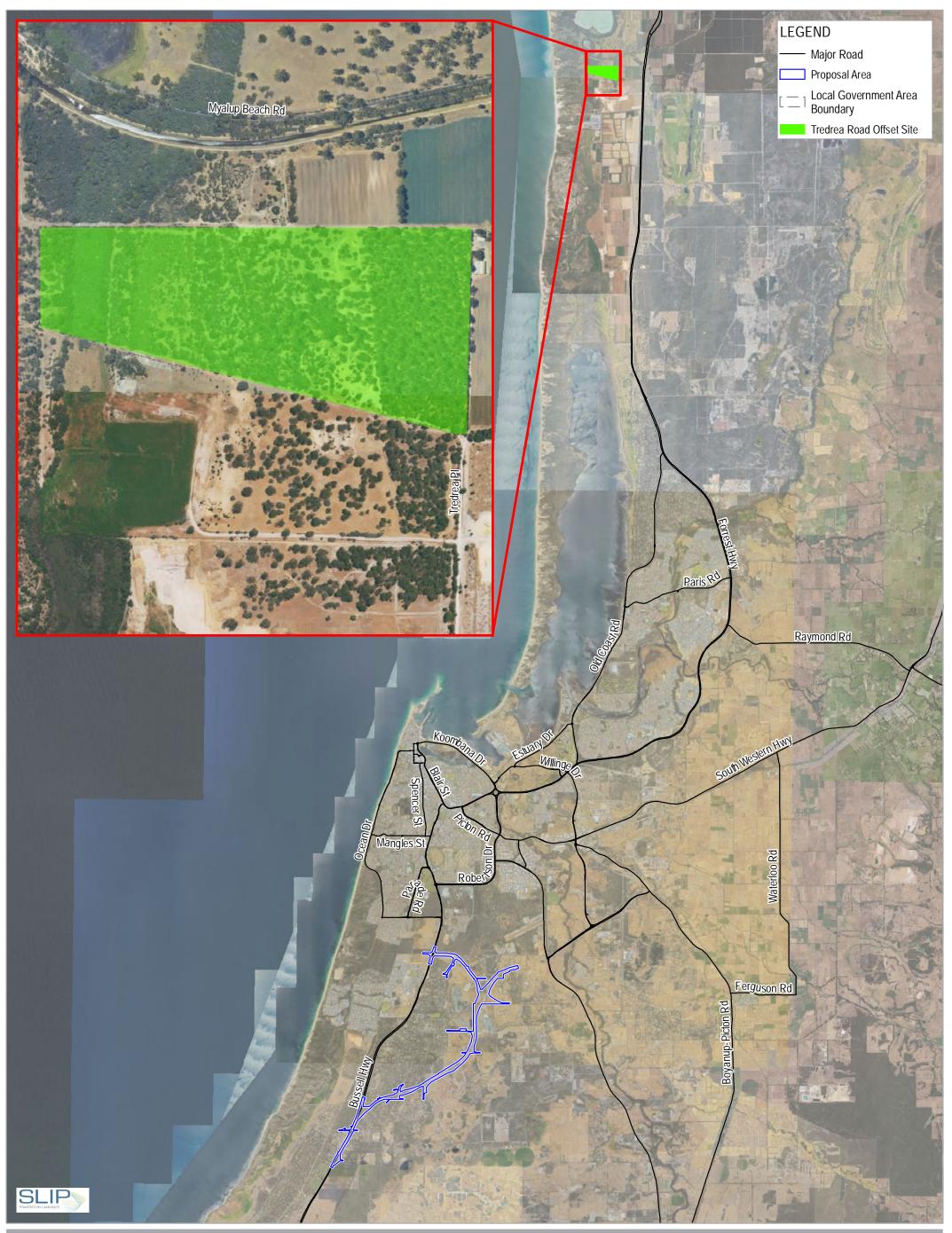






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Tredea Road Offset Site



Offset calculations

Matter of National Environmental Significance
Name
Banks Banksia Woodlands
of the SCP
Endangered EPBC Act status Annual probability of extinction

Based on IUCN category definitions 1.2%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area	24.9	Hectares	
	Area of community	Yes	Clearing of up to 24.9 ha of Bansia woodland TEC/PEC	Quality	7	Scale 0-10	Site assessment and proposal design have used to identify residual impact
				Total quantum of impact	17.43	Adjusted hectares	
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area			
ator	Area of habitat	No		Quality			
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
Imp	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculate	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start area qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net preso (adjusted		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	ical Com	nmunities										
	Area of community	Yes	17.43	Adjusted hectares	70 ha of Banksia woodland TEC within Lot 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Rd	Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	70	Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	15%	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	5%	7.00	80%	5.60	4.41	17.64	101.20%	Yes		
						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	8	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.37					
										Threate	ned spec	ies habitat										
ır	Area of habitat	No				Time over which loss is averted (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted	0.0									
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	ilue	Future value offset		Future valuoffse		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	pecies										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																	·			

				Sun	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0	\$0.00		\$0.00			
Summary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Sumr	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of community	17.43	17.64	101.20%	Yes	\$0.00	N/A	\$0.00
						\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Matter of National Environmental Significance
Name Tuart Woodland
TEC/PEC
Critically Endangered EPBC Act status Annual probability of extinction
Based on IUCN category definitions 6.8%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	pact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area	4.5	Hectares	
	Area of community	Yes	Clearing of up to 4.4 ha of Tuart woodland TEC/PEC	Quality	7	Scale 0-10	Site assessment and proposal design have used to identify residual impact
				Total quantum of impact	3.15	Adjusted hectares	
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area			
ator	Area of habitat	No		Quality			
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
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	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

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										Ecolog	rical Com	nmunities										
	Area of community	Yes	3.15	Adjusted hectares	16.5ha of Tuart woodland TEC/PEC at Lot 27 Trerea Rd, Myalup	Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	16.5	Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	10%	3.30	80%	2.64	0.71	3.16	100.38%	Yes		
						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.25					
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				Sur	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0	\$0.00		\$0.00			
nary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of community	3.15	Yes	\$0.00	N/A	\$0.00		
			•			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Matter of National Environmental Signi	ficance
Name	WRP
EPBC Act status	Critically Endangered
Annual probability of extinction	6.8%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	pact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No		Quality			
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	Loss of 65.4 ha of WRP habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	WRP impact assessed through site surveys and assessment of the concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
dwI	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	pact	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculato	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start area qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	ical Com	ımunities										
,	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	_								
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)					→					
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat										
•						Time over				Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	Ducane Rd properties (Lots 153, 267 and 268)	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	152	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	106.4	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	136.8	30.40	80%	24.32	6.52	29.13	55.68%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.25					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	ilue	Future value offset		Future valu		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thre	eatened s	species										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

				Sur	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
nary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
52	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	52.32	29.13	55.68%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
•			•			\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

Matter of National Environmental Significance WRP Critically Endanger EPBC Act status Annual probability of extinction

Based on IUCN category definitions 6.8%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No		Quality			
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	Loss of 65.4 ha of WRP habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	WRP impact assessed through site surveys and concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
Imp	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	act	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset o	alculate	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start are: qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese (adjusted		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	gical Com	nmunities										
	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0									
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)										
										Threate	ned spec	ies habitat										
tor	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	34.2 ha of WRP habitat at Confidential site	Time over which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	34.2	Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	23.9	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	30.8	6.84	80%	5.47	1.47	6.55	12.53%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.25					
Offs	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	alue	Future value offse		Future valu	e with	Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	pecies										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

				Sur	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Sumi	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	52.32	6.55	12.53%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
			•			\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

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Matter of National Environmental Significance Name WRP								
Name	WRP							
EPBC Act status	Critically Endangered							
Annual probability of extinction Based on IUCN category definitions	6.8%							

			Impact calcul	ator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No Quality					
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	Loss of 65.4 ha of WRP habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	WRP impact assessed through site surveys and concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
dw	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculato	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start are: qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese (adjusted		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	ical Com	nmunities										
	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0									
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)										
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat										
						Time over				Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	16 ha of WRP habitat at Confidential site 2	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	16	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	11.2	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	14.4	3.20	80%	2.56	0.69	3.07	5.86%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.25					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	alue	Future value offset		Future valu		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	pecies										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

				Sun	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
nary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	52.32	3.07	5.86%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
			•			\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

Matter of National Environmental Signi	ficance
Name	WRP
EPBC Act status	Critically Endangere
Annual probability of extinction Based on IUCN category definitions	6.8%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No Quality					
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	Clearing of up to 65.4 haa of WRP habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	WRP impact assessed through site surveys and concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
Imp	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	act	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculato	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon ((years)	Start area qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	ical Com	ımunities										
,	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	_								
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)					→					
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat										
•						Time over				Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	Revegetation of 80ha of State Forest No.2 to create WRP habitat	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	80	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	56.0	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	72.0	16.00	80%	12.80	3.43	13.66	26.11%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	10	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	1	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	1	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	6	5.00	80%	4.00	2.07					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	ılue	Future value offset		Future valuoffse		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thre	eatened s	species										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

	Summary														
							Cost (\$)								
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)							
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00							
nary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00							
Summary	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00							
52	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00							
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00							
	Area of habitat	52.32 13.60		26.11%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!							
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00							
			•			\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!							

Matter of National Environmental Significance
Name Black Cockatoo EPBC Act status Annual probability of extinction
Based on IUCN category definitions 1.2%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No		Quality			
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	65.4 ha of Black Cockatoo foraging, and potential nesting and roosting habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	Impact determined through field survey and assessment of concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
Imp	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculate	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start are: qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net preso (adjusted		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	rical Com	ımunities										
	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0									
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)										
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat										
•						Time over				Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
lator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	132 ha of Ducane Rd Lots 153, 167 and 168 Jarrah Banksia woodland.	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	132	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	92.4	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	118.8	26.40	80%	21.12	16.64	35.22	67.32%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.37					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	ilue	Future value offset		Future valu		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	species										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

				Sun	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
nary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	52.32	35.22	67.32%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
						\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

Matter of National Environmental Signif	ïcance
Name	Black Cockatoos
EPBC Act status	Endangered
Annual probability of extinction	1.2%

			Impact calcul	ator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No		Quality			
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	65.4 ha of Black Cockatoo foraging, and potential nesting and roosting habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	Impact determined through field survey and assessment of concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
dwj	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculato	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start area qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with	ea and h offset	Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net presen (adjusted h		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	ical Com	ımunities										
	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0									
						ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)					İ					
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat					<u>'</u>					
						Time over				Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
lator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	12.9 ha of confidential site 1. Jarrah Banksia woodland.	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	12.9	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	9.0	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	11.6	2.58	80%	2.06	1.63	3.44	6.58%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.37					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	Start value		Future value without offset		ue with t	Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net presen	nt value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	species										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

				Sun	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Sumi	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	52.32	3.44	6.58%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
			•			\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

	Black Cockatoo
Name	species
EPBC Act status	Endangered
Annual probability of extinction	1.2%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No		Quality			
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	65.4 ha of Black Cockatoo foraging, and potential nesting and roosting habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	Impact determined through field survey and assessment of concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
Impa	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	act	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset o	alculato	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start are: qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net present v (adjusted hect		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	gical Com	nmunities										
	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0									
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)										
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat										
						Time over				Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	16 ha of Confidential Property 2 Jarrah Banksia woodland.	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	16	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	11.2	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	14.4	3.20	80%	2.56	2.02	4.27	8.16%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	1	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	7	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	5	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	8	3.00	80%	2.40	2.37					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start va	alue	Future value offse		Future valuoffse		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net present v	value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	pecies										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

				Sun	nmary			
							Cost (\$)	
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset	Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Summary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
Sumi	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
	Area of habitat	52.32	4.27	8.16%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00
						\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

Matter of National Environmental Signi	ificance
Name	Carnaby's Cockat
EPBC Act status	Endangered
Annual probability of extinction Based on IUCN category definitions	1.2%

			Impact calcul	lator			
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
			Ecological co	ommunities			
				Area			
	Area of community	No		Quality			
				Total quantum of impact	0.00		
			Threatened sp	ecies habitat			
				Area	65.4	Hectares	
ator	Area of habitat	Yes	Clearing of up to 65.4 ha of Black cockatoo habitat	Quality	8	Scale 0-10	Impact assessed through field survey and assessment of the concept design
Impact calculator				Total quantum of impact	52.32	Adjusted hectares	
dwI	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Description	Quantum of imp	oact	Units	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No					
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No					
			Threatene	d species			
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No					
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No					
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No					

										Offset c	alculato	or										
	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start are: qualit		Future are quality witho		Future are quality with		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net preso (adjusted		% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
										Ecolog	ical Com	nmunities										
	Area of community	No				Risk-related time horizon (max. 20 years)		Start area (hectares)		Risk of loss (%) without offset Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0	Risk of loss (%) with offset Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	0.0									
						Time until ecological benefit		Start quality (scale of 0-10)		Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)		Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)										
										Threate	ned speci	ies habitat										
•						Time over		_		Risk of loss (%) without offset	30%	Risk of loss (%) with offset	10%									
lator	Area of habitat	Yes	52.32	Adjusted hectares	Revegetation of 29ha of State Forest to create Black Cockatoo habitat	which loss is averted (max. 20 years)	20	Start area (hectares)	29	Future area without offset (adjusted hectares)	20.3	Future area with offset (adjusted hectares)	26.1	5.80	80%	4.64	3.66	9.40	17.97%	No		
Offset calculator						Time until ecological benefit	10	Start quality (scale of 0-10)	1	Future quality without offset (scale of 0-10)	1	Future quality with offset (scale of 0-10)	6	5.00	80%	4.00	3.55					
Offse	Protected matter attributes	Attribute relevant to case?	Total quantum of impact	Units	Proposed offset	Time horizon	(years)	Start value		Future value without offset		Future valuoffse		Raw gain	Confidence in result (%)	Adjusted gain	Net prese	ent value	% of impact offset	Minimum (90%) direct offset requirement met?	Cost (\$ total)	Information source
	Number of features e.g. Nest hollows, habitat trees	No																				
	Condition of habitat Change in habitat condition, but no change in extent	No																				
										Thr	eatened s	pecies										
	Birth rate e.g. Change in nest success	No																				
	Mortality rate e.g Change in number of road kills per year	No																				
	Number of individuals e.g. Individual plants/animals	No																				

Summary										
	Protected matter attributes	Quantum of impact	Net present value of offset	% of impact offset		Cost (\$)				
					Direct offset adequate?	Direct offset (\$)	Other compensatory measures (\$)	Total (\$)		
	Birth rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00		
nary	Mortality rate	0				\$0.00		\$0.00		
Summary	Number of individuals	0				\$0.00		\$0.00		
92	Number of features	0				\$0.00		\$0.00		
	Condition of habitat	0				\$0.00		\$0.00		
	Area of habitat	52.32	9.40	17.97%	No	\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
	Area of community	0				\$0.00		\$0.00		
			•			\$0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		





WA environmental offsets template

Project Name										
Existing environment/ Impact	Mitigation			Significant Residual Impact	Offset Calculation Methodology					
	Avoid and minimise	Rehabilitation Type	Likely Rehab Success		Туре	Risk	Likely offset success	Time Lag	Offset Quantification	
Up to 65.4 ha of suitable Western Ringtail	Changes to the proposal have	Onsite rehabiliation will occur	Can the environmental values be rehabilitated/Evidence?	<u>Extent</u>	Land Acquisition		Can the values be defined and measured?	Habitat is secured for	The combination of proposed	
Possum (WRP) habitat will potentially be	resulted in a reduction of a	within temporary construction	Yes, consistent with prior Main Roads projects	Up to 65.4 ha	and on-ground	ceded and	Yes, the propsoed offset sites have been surveyed.	first 155 ha. A further	offsets achieves 100.2% of the	
cleared. Between 53 and 79 individual WRP home	mininum of 14.6 ha of WRP habitat requiring removal for	areas and offset sites as detailed in the Offset Strategy.	Operator experience in undertaking rehabilitation? Main Roads has extensive experience and success in rehabilitating	Quality	management.	managed by DBCA.	Operator experience/Evidence? DBCA will manage land.	50.2 ha is proposed to be purchased. 10 years	offset requirement. The ratio of habitat protected	
ranges may be disturbed. Based on the results	the Proposal. The areas that	in the Onset Strategy.	temporary construction areas	habitat classes:	Values have	DBCA.	What is the type of vegetation being revegetated?	to allow for	compared to cleared was	
of regional surveys, this is estimated to	have been retained through		What is the type of vegetation being rehabilitated?	o 11 % of Habitat Quality Class B (High) (7.0	been identified		Fauna habitat to WRP, BTP and Black Cockatoo	revegetation of 80 ha	determined using the	
represent 0.57 % to 0.85 % of the 2019 regional	,		Revegetation would utilise locally native species	ha)	within propsed		Is there evidence the environemntal values can be re-created	within State Forest No.	Commonwealth Calculator as	
WRP population.	intact habitat and known WRP movement pathways,		Time lag? 3 years	56 % of Habitat Quality Class C (Medium)(36.4 ha)	sites.		(evidence of demonstrated success)? This reflects the approach for similar offset revegetation works by	2 to provide suitable habitat for WRP.	a guide.	
	not isolated trees or		Credibility of the rehabilitation proposed (evidence of	o < 1 % of Habitat Quality Class D (Low) (0.3			Main Roads in the region.	liabitat for WKF.		
	insignificant patches. Based		demonstrated success)	ha)						
	on field survey data, in		Rehabilitation will comprise plant species known to be	o 33 % of habitat not assessed (21.6 ha)						
	regards to the number of displaced WRP, this equates		utilised by WRP in densities known to provide key WRP	Conservation Significance						
	to up to 20 individuals no		habitat requirements. Methodologies proven to successfully provide suitable WRP habitat will be employed.	Land Tenure						
	longer likely to have their		F	n/a						
	home ranges disturbed.			Time Scale						
				Permanent at time of construction						
				The clearing of Western Ringtail Possum						
				habitat and disturbance of 0.57 % to 0.85 %						
				of the 2019 regional population will result in						
				a minor residual impact associated with the						
				Proposal.						
The Proposal may potentially result in loss of up	A high level of mitigation and	Onsite rehabiliation will occur	Can the environmental values be rehabilitated/Evidence?	Extent	Land Acquisition.	Low - Land to be	Can the values be defined and measured?	Habitat is secured for	The combination of proposed	
to 65.4 ha of suitable Black Cockatoo habitat.	management has been	within temporary construction	Yes, consistent with prior Main Roads projects	Up to 65.4 ha	on-ground	ceded and	Yes, the proposed offset sites have been surveyed	first 132 ha. A further	offsets achieves 100.6% of the	
	1		Operator experience in undertaking rehabilitation?	Quality	management,	managed by	Operator experience/Evidence?	28.9 ha is proposed to	offset requirement for Black	
The clearing of up to 65.4 ha of potential habitat represents a 0.8 % reduction in	Main Roads making substantial changes to the	in the Offset Strategy. Revegetation would include	Main Roads has extensive experience and success in rehabilitating temporary construction areas	43.71 ha of 'Marri/Eucalyptus woodland' habitat type, classified as high quality	and research.	DBCA.	DBCA will manage land What is the type of vegetation being revegetated?	be purchased. 10 years to allow for	Cockatoos.	
potential foraging and breeding habitat for the	Proposal design in order to	species of foraging habitat for	What is the type of vegetation being rehabilitated?	foraging habitat	Values have		Fauna Habitat for WRP and Black Cockatoo	revegetation of 28 ha	The ratio of habitat protected	
Black Cockatoo species within the local area	-		Revegetation would utilise locally native species	21.66 ha of 'Marri/Eucalyptus in paddocks	been identified		Is there evidence the environemntal values can be re-created	within State Forest No.	compared to cleared was	
(suitable remnant vegetation within a 12 km	terrestrial fauna including	limited to, Banksia spp., Hakea	Time lag?	and road reserves' classified as moderate	within propsed		(evidence of demonstrated success)?	2 to provide suitable	determined using the	
radius).	black cockatoos. The changes made have resulted in the	spp., Grevillea spp. and Eucalyptus spp. within 10 m of the	3 years Credibility of the rehabilitation proposed (evidence of	quality foraging habitat. <u>Conservation Significance</u>	sites.		This reflects the approach for similar offset revegetation works by Main Roads in the region.	habitat for WRP.	Commonwealth Calculator as a guide.	
			demonstrated success)	Endangered and Vulnerable			ivialit Kodus III the region.		a guiue.	
	cockatoo habitat impacted by		Rehabilitation will comprise plant species known to be	<u>Land Tenure</u>						
	14.6 ha and a reduction of		utilised by BC for foraging, roosting and nesting, such as	n/a						
	more than 25 % in the number of trees within a		Proteaceous species and Eucalypts. Methodologies proven to successfully provide suitable BC habitat will be employed.	<u>Time Scale</u> Permanent at time of construction						
	potentially suitable nest		to successfully provide suitable be flabitat will be employed.	remanent at time of construction						
	hollow(s) impacted.			The reduction in foraging and potential						
	Connectivity of habitat will be	:		breeding habitat for Black Cockatoo species						
	maintained and enhanced through revegetation of			will result in minor residual impact associated with the Proposal.						
	additional areas within the			with the Proposal.						
	Proposal Area.									
Up to 24.9 ha of Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC	A high level of mitigation and	Main Roads does not anticipate to	Can the environmental values be rehabilitated/Evidence?	<u>Extent</u>	Land Acquisition	Low - Land to be	Can the values be defined and measured?	Main Roads has	24.9 ha of TEC / PEC protected	
vegetation within the Proposal Area will be	management has been	rehabilitate threatened ecological	N/A	Up to 24.9 ha	and on-ground	ceded and	The proposed offset site (Lots 153, 267 and 268 Ducane Road,	purchased the offset	offsetting 100.3% of impact.	
cleared as a result of Proposal implementation.	1	communities within temporary	Operator experience in undertaking rehabilitation?	Quality	management.	managed by	Gelorup) is 152 ha in area and comprises 132 ha of Jarrah Banksia	site and will initiate		
	Main Roads making substantial changes to the	construction areas adjacent to the Proposal.	What is the type of vegetation being rehabilitated?	Excellent-Very Good to Completely Degraded Conservation Significance	Values have	DBCA.	Woodland (Biota, 2019a). Additional site assessment is proposed to confirm that the site	protection of the property and provide	The ratio of habitat protected compared to cleared was	
	Proposal design in order to	торозаі.	Triacio the type of vegetation being renabilitateur	State Priority 3 PEC / Endangered TEC	been identified		vegetation conforms to Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC. Should the	long term security	determined using the	
	reduce potential impacts on		Time lag?	Land Tenure	within propsed		site surveys conclude that the site vegetation is not Tuart		Commonwealth Calculator as	
	flora and vegetation,			n/a	sites.		Woodlands TEC / PEC and / or Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC,	covenant or rezoning to	a guide.	
	including Banksia Woodland		Credibility of the rehabilitation proposed (evidence of	Time Scale Permanent at time of construction	I		Main Roads will investigate an alternative offset area	Regional Open Space		
	TEC / PEC vegetation. The changes made have resulted		demonstrated success)	Permanent at time of construction	l		Operator experience/Evidence? DBCA will manage land.	under the GBRS.		
	in the reduction in the area of	f		Based on these assessments, it is unlikly that	I		What is the type of vegetation being revegetated?			
	Banksia Woodlands TEC / PEC			the Proposal will have a significant residual	I		n/a			
	impacted by 1.7 ha.			impact on the Banksia TEC / PEC. Main Roads	I		Is there evidence the environemntal values can be re-created			
				proposes to further address the residual impacts of the Proposal on Banksia	I		(evidence of demonstrated success)? High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and			
				Woodlands TEC / PEC through the provision	I		property being managed for conservation purposes in the long			
				of environmental offsets.	I		term.			
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Up to 4.5 ha Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC (4.4	-		Can the environmental values be rehabilitated/Evidence?	Extent					4.5 ha of TEC / PEC protected
ha) and Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC (0.1	_	rehabilitate threatened ecological		Up to 4.4 ha	_	ceded and		l'	offsetting 100.4% of impact.
ha)	applied to the Proposal, with	communities within temporary	Operator experience in undertaking rehabilitation?	Quality	management.	managed by	area and includes more than 20 ha of potential Tuart Woodlands	site and will initiate	
	Main Roads making changes	construction areas adjacent to the		Majority Good to Degraded with parts Very		DBCA.	TEC /PEC and potential Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC (GHD,	protection of the	The ratio of habitat protected
	to the Proposal design in	Proposal.	What is the type of vegetation being rehabilitated?	Good and Completely Degraded	Values have		2004).	property and provide	compared to cleared was
	order to reduce the potential			Conservation Significance	been identified		Additional site assessment is proposed to identify whether the site	long term security	determined using the
	environmental impact to		Time lag?	State Priority 3 PEC/ Endangered TEC	within propsed		vegetation conforms to Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and / or Tuart-	through a conservation	Commonwealth Calculator as
	Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC			Land Tenure	sites.		Peppermint Woodland PEC. Should the site surveys conclude that	covenant or rezoning to	a guide.
	and Tuart-Peppermint		Credibility of the rehabilitation proposed (evidence of	n/a			the site vegetation is not Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC and / or Tuart-	Regional Open Space	
	Woodland PEC vegetation.		demonstrated success)	Time Scale			Peppermint Woodland PEC, Main Roads will investigate an	under the GBRS.	
	These have resulted in a			Permanent at time of construction			alternative offset area.		
	reduction in 0.5 ha of Tuart						Operator experience/Evidence?		
	Woodlands TEC / PEC			Based on these assessments, it is unlikly that			DBCA will manage land.		
	vegetation contained within			the Proposal will have a significant residual			What is the type of vegetation being revegetated?		
	the Proposal Area.			impact on the Tuart Woodlands TEC / PEC or			n/a		
				Tuart-Peppermint Woodland PEC. Main			Is there evidence the environemntal values can be re-created		
				Roads proposes to further address the			(evidence of demonstrated success)?		
				residual impacts of the Proposal on Tuart			High level of certainty of habitat attributes being retained and		
				Woodlands TEC / PEC and Tuart-Peppermint			property being managed for conservation purposes in the long		
				Woodland PEC through provision of			term.		
				environmental offsets.					

Note: Brush-tailed Phascogale habitat is closely correlated with both WRP habitat and Black Cockatoo habitat, as such it is considered to be covered with these offsets.







