# VEGETATION AND FLORA OF CORRIGIN RESERVES 16196 AND 28131

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#### ABSTRACT

The area of the Corrigin Water Reserve (No. 16196) and Aerodrome Reserve (No. 38131) was surveyed for vegetation and flora. The reserves lie in the Avon Botanical District and the region was described by Beard (1980) as having a 'typical outer wheatbelt landscape'.

Fourteen vegetation associations were described and mapped. These included 6 types of forest/woodland, 3 types of mallee and 5 types of thicket/heath. As is characteristic of wheatbelt vegetation, associations were mixed and formed mosaics in some sections of the reserves. Soil type and topography were found to be closely related to vegetation types.

263 native plant species have been identified on the reserves representing 42 iamilies. The most abundant families were Myrtaceae (56 species) and Proteaceae (42 species). One Gazetted Rare plant was collected (<u>Grevillea</u> <u>dryandroides</u>) but was not found in large numbers. Some 8 other species were found to be possibly geographically restricted or poorly collected.

Because of the lack of well-preserved natural bushland in the Corrigin Shire, the diversity of habitats and flora richness on the reserve and the occurrence of now restricted areas of Blue and Brown Mallet it was recommended that the area be given a purpose for Conservation of Flora and Fauna.

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

#### **1.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The following Project Description is taken from the Consultancy Offer and Agreement and gives background information on the requirement for the current survey.

The central wheatbelt area of Corrigin Shire, Wickepin Shire and the western section of the Kulin Shire is notably lacking in Nature Reserves, and especially large Nature Reserves. In the 4000km<sup>2</sup> area, or 35 km radius from Bullaring, in the Corrigin Shire, there are no vested Nature Reserves of 100 ha or greater, with the exception of White Water Lake. In this area there are a total of thirteen vested and five unvested Nature Reserves.

The Corrigin Shire has a total of ten Nature Reserves, seven of which are vested, that cover 0.55% of the Shire. This coverage is the lowest for Department of Conservation and Land Management land for any Shire in the Narrogin District.

The Corrigin Water Supply Reserve (No 16196) is centrally placed in an area devoid of conservation areas. It is some 1070 hain size and is entirely bushland, not having any water or large granite rock areas. The reserve therefore has the potential to be a major conservation reserve.

The reserves studied lie some 2 km west of the Corrigin townsite. This report contains the findings of vegetation and flora surveys of Reserves 16196 and 28131 and an assessment of their wildlife conservation values.

#### **1.2 PROJECT REQUIREMENTS**

The vegetation survey is to address the following specific objectives :

a) Produce a vegetation map of reserves 16196 and 28131, showing-floristic/structural vegetation types. The map should also include dominant geomorphological features such as granite outcrops and streamlines.

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- b) Provide a series of vegetation association descriptions, based on Muir (1977), with floristic clarifications, which cover the range of associations found on the reserves. The site of each description should be recorded on the appropriate map.
- c) Collect and identify a representative sample of the flora of the reserve, and lodge any flowering specimens with the Western Australian Herbarium, and voucher specimens with the CALM office, Pingelly.
- d) Compile separate species lists, for the two reserves, indicating any species restricted to areas that are not to be considered as proposed Nature Reserves.
- e) Record the identity, location and estimated population size of any gazetted rare plants, and other plants of interest (e.g. restricted distribution) which may occur on the reserve.
- f) Photograph each vegetation association and specific points of interest.

#### **1.3 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT**

#### 1.3.1 GEOLOGY AND SOILS -

The study area lies on the Yilgarn Block, a very ancient rigid 'shield' area composed mainly of Archaean granite and gneiss with some altered volcanica and sediments. The Corrigin area is included in the Jimperding Metamorphic Belt which consists of gneiss schist, quartzite, amphibolite and other rocks some of which are resistant to erosion and form topographic features. The remainder of the Corrigin area is underlain by granitic rocks covered by alluvia in the major valleys. (Williams 1975).

The Corrigin water reserve can be loosely divided into three soil types - alluvial sandy loams along the main water course, yellow sands on slopes and laterite on higher, plateau areas. Low, weathered breakaways delineate the laterite mesas in some cases and give way to the sandy loam slopes on the nothern part of the reserve. Sandy/clay/loam depressions are common on the southern side. The central drainage system is characterized by pale grey-brown sandy loam.

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#### 1.3.2 CLIMATE

The area has a typical wheatbelt climate with hot dry summers and mild wet winters. Meteorological data from Corrigin Post Office is given in Table 1. The region of the reserve is characterised by an average yearly rainfall of 379mm. Most of the rain is received in winter from May to August with occasional thunderstorms in late summer and early autumn. Winters are mild with the mean temperature of the coldest month above  $10^{\circ}$ C. The mean temperature of the hottest month exceeds  $25^{\circ}$ C and absolute maxima above  $40^{\circ}$ C occur. Beard (1980) classes the Corrigin regime with its 7 dry months as Dry Warm Mediterranean.

## TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF METEOROLOGICAL DATA RECORDED AT CORRIGIN (FROM BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY 1985)

	JAN	FEB	MAR	AFR	МАУ	אטז	jur	AUG	SEP	OCT N	IOV DI		MEAN r Total
Mean Rain- Iall (mm)	11	17	23	23	49	65	62	49	30	24	14	12	379
No. Rainy Days	2	3	3	5	10	13	15	12	9	7	4	2	85
Mean Max. Temp. °C.	32.5	31.4	28.6	23.6	19.5	16.3	15.2	16.1	18.6	22.8	27.0	30.8	23.5
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#### 1.4 PHYSICAL FEATURES AND LAND USES

The main feature of this reserve and the reason for its vesting as a water reserve is the <sup>extensive</sup> central drainage line which feeds into the town water supply dam situated at the <sup>eastern</sup> end. The main creekline and some of the major tributaries have been deepened to <sup>channels</sup> with a width of about 3 metres and depth of 1-2 metres. On either side and at the head <sup>of</sup> this east-west oriented drainage line the land rises gently some 30 - 40 metres to a <sup>maximum</sup> altitude of 350 metres above sea level. (See Fig. 1). The two reserves surveyed (numbers 16196 and 28131) are bounded by the bitumenized Corrigin - Brookton road to the north and are surrounded by cleared farmland on all other sides. The northern third of reserve 16196 has had extensive human impact. This is detailed in the following extract from the Consultancy Offer and Agreement and shown in Fig. 2.

#### 1. <u>Aerodrome</u>

Although an Aerodrome Reserve (No. 28131) exists in the central north of the Water Reserve, the aerodrome has been established on the Water Reserve, occupying location 23263, with a small section protruding into the Aerodrome Reserve. It should be assumed that location 23263 is unavailable for acquisition.

#### 2. <u>Scenic Lookout</u>

Location 23262 has a road up to a scenic lookout. This receives many visitors and may be upgraded in the future.

#### 3. Railway Lines

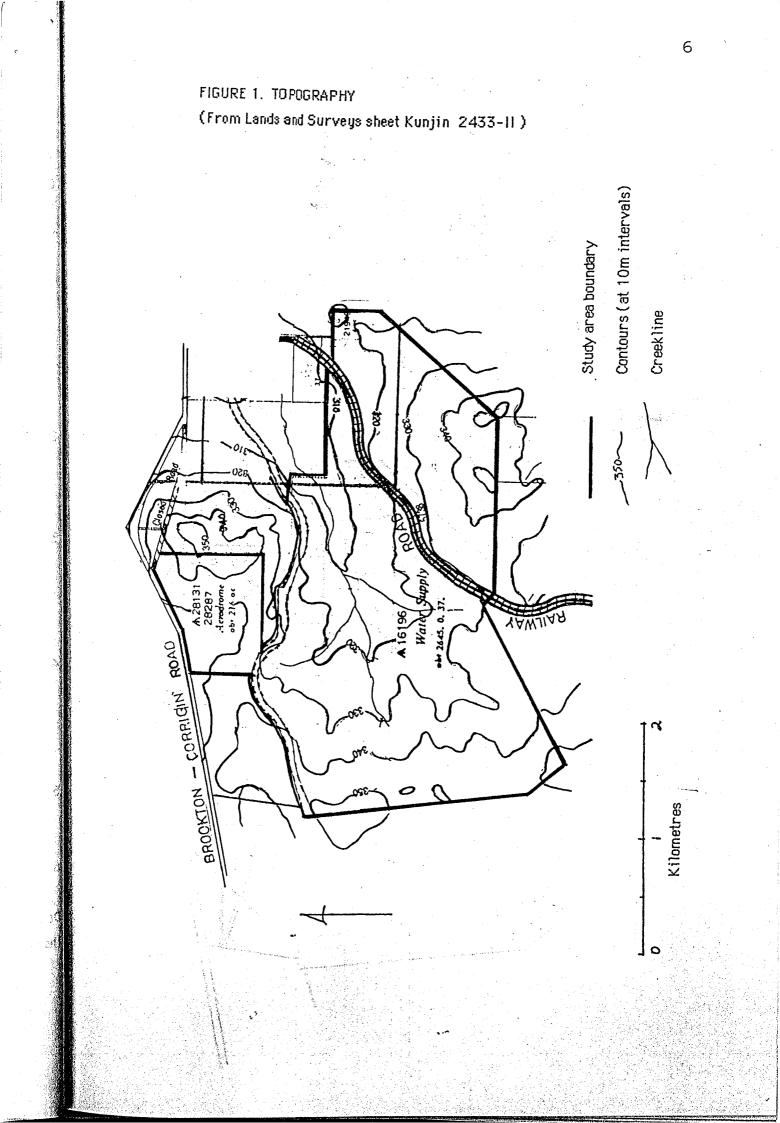
An old railway line runs east-west across the reserve, while an existing railway line runs from the north-east to the central south of the reserve. Some natural revegetation has occurred on the old railway line banks but the area will not recover for some years.

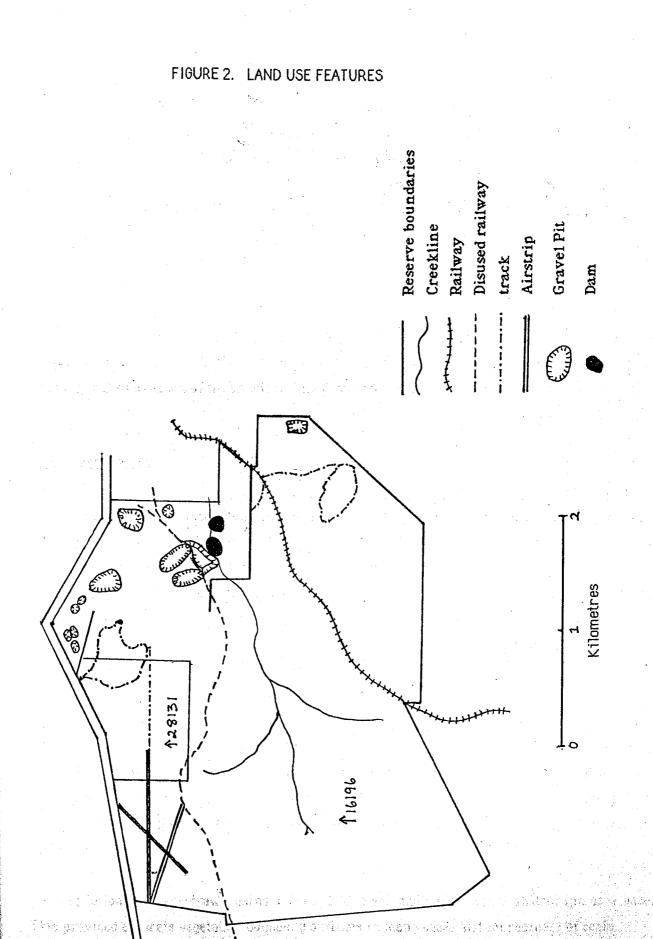
#### 4. Water Supply

The Water Authority of Western Australia has developed catchments in location 11596. This includes two dams. It may be assumed that this location is unavailable for acquisition.

- 5. What appears to be some gravel or sand mining has occurred in the north east corner and on a part of the south eastern boundary.
- 6. A gravel race track exists in the south east corner.

Despite this human impact the majority of this reserve is undisturbed, with that area south of the east-west line of the old railway line being in what appears to be pristine condition.





#### **1.5 HISTORY OF THE RESERVE**

The Corrigin Water reserve (No. 16196) was first created as a water supply catchment area in 1922 but was not vested in the Minister for Water Supply, Sewerage and Drainage until 1972. In 1966, 216 acres in the central north of the reserve was excised and recreated as an aerodrome reserve (No. 28131). Since 1977 efforts have been made by the then Department of Fisheries and Wildlife to change the vesting of the reserve to include Conservation of Flore and Fauna but these have not yet been successful due to the stated requirement of the land for water catchment purposes and dam building.

The reserve has been unaffected by bushfire for some time. A long term nearby resident stated that approximately one third of the area had been burnt 20 years ago (P. Connolly, Pers. Comm.) but no evidence of the effects of this fire is now seen.

## 2.0 METHODS

Ground surveys of the vegetation and flora of the reserves were carried out on two separate visits - the first in mid October 1985 (one person) and the second in mid January 1986 (two persons). General vegetation divisions were noted using black and white aerial photographs of a scale 1:40,000 and areas of interest thus delineated were visited and examined on foot traverses or in a vehicle. Where shadings and texture between vegetation areas appeared similar on the aerial photographs and time did not permit ground surveys, mappping was carried out by extrapolation of known vegetation associations. Type descriptions were based on the work of Muir (1979) and incorporate his naming system (Table 2).

Flora collections were made on both field trips with flowering specimens being taken wherever possible. A total of 233 specimens were collected, pressed and dried and these were identified using keys and then by comaprison with named specimens at the Western Australian Herbarium. Experts in particular genera were consulted wherever possible to ensure identification accuracy.

The vegetation map was drawn using a 1:10,000 black and white aerial photograph as a base. This provided accurate vegetation boundary outlines in many cases and correctness of scale.

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#### 3.0 RESULTS

## **3.1 YEGETATION SURVEY**

#### PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Beard (1980) mapped the Corrigin grid square at a scale of 1 : 250,000 and it can be noted from this work that the Water Reserve ranges over two general vegetation formations. These formations were Heterogenous Scrub Heath and *EucsTyptus* Woodlands the latter of which included *EucsTyptus saimonophlaia* (Salmon Gum) and *E. Toxophlebs* (York Gum). Beard defines a Corrigin vegetation system which has a typical 'outer wheatbelt' landscape and lies between the more deeply dissected landscape of the 'Inner Wheatbelt' and the systems with dominant mallee formations. Within the Corrigin System he delineated vegetation formations of Kwongan (thickets and heath) on sandplains, woodland on slopes and flats, patches of mallee intermediately and in the bottomlands teatree thickets or teatree and samphire. Beard found an example of Kwongan vegetation on Reserve 16196 and listed major associations and associated species for the type. Woodland species of *EucsTyptus wandoo, E. Toxophlebs, E., salmonaphlois, E. astringens* (on laterite breakaways) and *E. gardneri* were noted as common species in the Corrigin System and mallee species recorded were principally *E. reduncs, E. incressets, E. eremophils* and *E. pilests*.

A general survey of the Water Reserve was carried out by a Wildlife Officer in the spring of 1977. He reported 8 major vegetation types using divisions based on topography and vegetation structure and listed the principal species in those types. Assocations of *Eucslyptus falcats* (Silver mallett), Wandoo and Salmon Gum were noted as well as areas of sandplain and laterite heath. A brief fauna list was also provided.

#### CURRENT SURVEY

Beard's (1980) findings are reiterated and established in more detail in the current survey. The vegetation was primarily divided into groupings of woodland, mallee and heath and further into species associations within those groupings. Table 3 lists the 14 vegetation associations described and mapped in this study.

A character of wheatbelt vegetation types is their mosaic arrangement. Beard (1980) wrote "Soil and vegetation types merge into one another, mallee and thicket are usually mingled and the

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woodland occurs mixed with mallee and as patches in mallee and thicket". This is certainly true in the Corrigin Water reserve where mallee, woodland and heath types join to form broad interzones and patches of Tamma (*Allocasuarina campestris*) are found in both heath and woodland communities. Additionally mallee (*Eucalyptus*) species were often difficult to identify in the field due to the paucity or inaccessibility of buds and nuts. Some mallee dominants were noted but in many cases the delineation of species associations within mallee. formations was not possible.

Generally, vegetation types could be equated with soil or topography changes over the area. Low heaths were mostly observed on the lateritic uplands or on the limited areas of sandplain slopes whereas mallee areas were usually restricted to the heavier clay loams on breakaways, upland slopes and slight depressions. Photograph 1 shows a broad view of the south eastern section of reserve 16196 as viewed from the tourist lookout in a southerly direction.



Photograph 1. View of the south east of reserve 16196 from the lookout. Note the variable mallee to the left of the picture and laterite heath and tamma in the foreground.

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The 14 vegetation associations found on the reserve are listed and described below. A list of species recorded at each of the 24 sites examined can be found in Appendix 2.

### TABLE 3 - VEGETATION ASSOCIATIONS ON RESERVES 16196 AND 28131

#### WOODLANDS -

- 1. Eucalyptus loxophleba Woodland
- 2. Eucalyptus wandoo Woodland
- 3. Eucslyptus salmonophlois Woodland
- 4. Eucalyptus salmonophioia / Mallee woodland

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- 5. Eucalyptus myriadena Woodland
- 6. Eucalyptus falcata Forest

#### MALLEES -

#### 7. Mixed Mallee

- 8. Eucelyptus albida over Scrub
- 9. Mallee over Thicket

THICKETS/HEATHS - 10. Laterite Mixed Heath

- 11. Tamma Thicket
- 12. Sandplain Heath
- 13. Low Heath
- 14. Prostrate Grewilles Heath

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#### Woodland Formations

1. YORK GUM WOODLAND (SITE 10)

<u>Key Description</u> - Low Forest A over Open Low Woodland A/B over Herbs on light brown clayey loam with some sand.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus loxophiebs (York Gum) trees to 12 m and with 30-70% cover.

Stratum 2. Acecis acuminata (Jam) to 5-6 m and <10% cover.

Stratum 3. Ephemerals and grasses including *Briza maxima, Aira cupaniana* (both introduced species) and *Waitzia acuminata*.

<u>Comments</u> - Found only along the creek flats in this reserve to a distance of approximately 200m from the creek bed.



Photograph 2. York Gum Woodland with Jam (*Acacia acuminata*) and dry grass and herb layer.

#### 2. WANDOO WOODLAND (SITES 1, 8, 19, 20, 21, 22)

<u>Key Description</u> - Low Forest A/Low Woodland A over Thicket/Heath A over Open Dwarf Scrub D on light brown sandy loam to heavier sandy clay loam with scattered laterite pebbles.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus wandoo (Wandoo) to 15 m and varying from 10% to 60% cover.

Stratum 2. Variable dwarf scrub layer 0 - 10% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - This vegetation association is very variable and is delineated mainly by the presence of *Eucalyptus wandoo*. Understorey layers vary considerably in species dominance and % cover and dense patches of *Allocasusrina campestris* (Tamma), *Melaleuca laxiflora* and *Hakes lissocarpha* can be found in some areas. Additionally, areas of Mallee (*Eucalyptus eremophila, E. conglobata*) and Brown Mallet (*Eucalyptus sstringens*) occur on heavier soils and although they are distinct they are too small and scattered to map. The Wandoo association occurs widely over the southern two thirds of the reserve on gentle slopes below the laterite plateau areas.



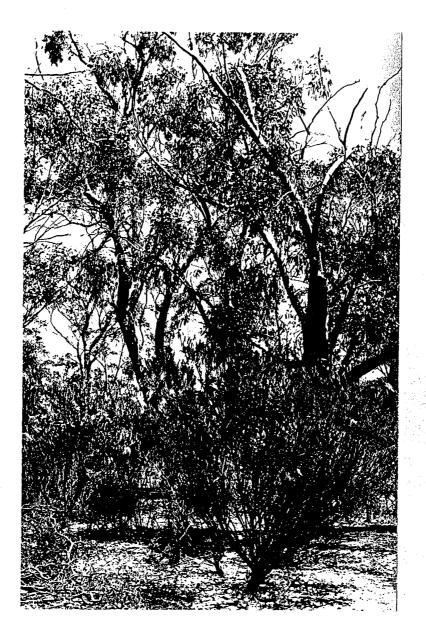
Photograph 3. Wandoo woodland (Site 21) showing scattered, sparse understorey.



Photograph 4. Wandoo Woodland with an area of mixed mallee (mostly *Eucalyptus* ) *eremophile*) to the left.



Photograph 5. A dense patch of *Eucalyptus astringens* which is typical of those found within the broader association of Wandoo Woodland.



Photograph 6. Wandoo woodland (Site 19) with Tamma (*Allocasuarina campestris*) in Stratum 2.

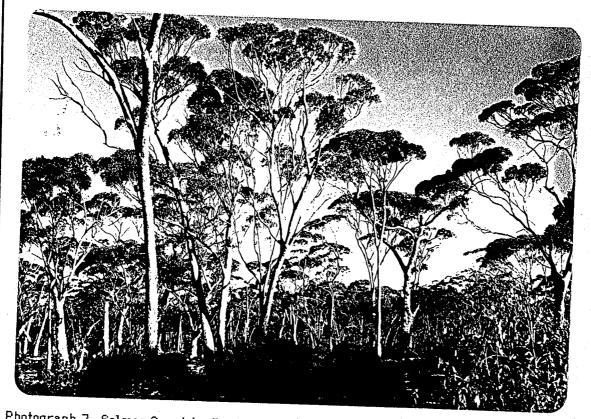
# 3. SALMON GUM WOODLAND (SITE 23)

Key Description - Woodland over Open Dwarf Scrub C/D on brown/grey sandy clay loam.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus salmoniphioia to 20m and 10 - 30% cover.

Stratum 2. Very scattered shrubs (1 - 10%) including *Acacia erinacea, Olearia muelleri, Templetonia sulcata* and *Melaleuca uncinata*.

<u>Comments</u> - A few separate areas of this association occur on the reserve. The understorey is characteristically sparse and includes only a few species.



Photograph 7. Salmon Gum Woodland with Melaleuca uncinata as an understorey.

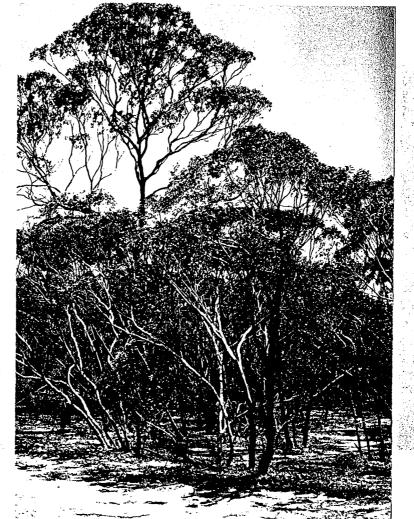
4. SALMON GUM OPEN WOODLAND WITH MALLEE (SITES 2, 18)

<u>Key Description</u> - Open Woodland over Dense Tree Mallee on light brown sandy clay loam with scattered laterite pebbles.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus salmonophiois to 20 m and 2 - 10% cover.

Stratum 2. Eucalyptus celastroides, E. conglobata to 8m and 70 - 100% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - This association is restricted to the eastern central portion of the reserve although scattered Salmon Gums occur with other mallee vegetation types in some areas. The mallee stratum is often dense and there is consequently very little in the way of ground cover. Similar low shrub species as are found in Type 3 are found here.



Photograph 8. Salmon Gum Open Woodland over Dense Tree Mallee.

# 5. EUCALYFTUS MYRIADENA WOODLAND (SITE 16)

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Key Description - Low Forest A on red-brown sandy clay loam.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus myriadena to 15m with E. eremophila 10m, 30 - 70% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - Only one area of this association was observed at the reserve. The rough-barked trunks of *Eucalyptus myriadena* were distinctive and the species was also associated with occasional plants of Salmon Gum and a very scattered low shrub understorey which included *Microcybe multiflora*, *Dodonaea attenuata* and *D. stenozyga*.



Photograph 9. Eucalyptus myrisdens Woodland.

# 6. EUCAL VETUS FALCATA FOREST (SITES 9, 17)

Key Description - Low Forest A on red -brown clay loam with 10 % laterite pebbles.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus faicats to 12 m and 30 - 70% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - Small areas of Silver Mallet occur on breakaways mainly in the southern half of the reserve. These are pure stands with negligible understorey and usually surrounded by mixed mallee associations.



Photograph 10. Eucalyptus talcata (Silver Mallet) stand.

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#### Mallee Formations

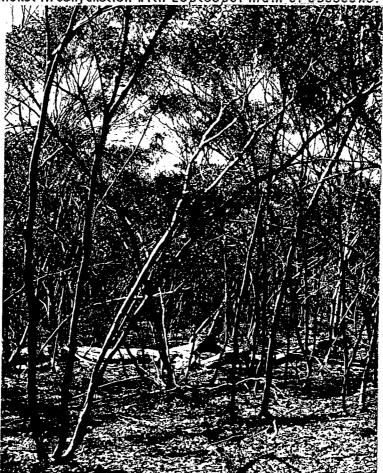
7. MIXED MALLEE (SITES 11, 15)

Key Description - Dense Tree Mallee/Tree Mallee over Open Dwarf Scrub D.

Stratum 1. Eucelyptus flocktonise, E. eremophile, E. conglobets and the Blue Mallet E. gerdneri to 6-8 m and 70 - 100% cover.

Stratum 2. Very sparse shrubs to 1m including *Gastrolobium trilobum, Olearia muelleri,* and *Acacia erinacea*:.

<u>Comments</u> - This association occurs in small patches throughout the reserve on heavier soils and below laterite breakaways. The mixture of species is variable and sometimes difficult to identify but areas of mallee and areas ofmallet are quite distinct. Occasional patches of *Melaleucs cuticularis* and *M. uncinata* occur within the mallee and in some cases form a surrounding belt of thicket in conjunction with *Leptospermum erubescens*.



Photograph 11. Mixed Mallee stand showing Eucalyptus eremophils and E. flocktonise.

8. EUCALYPTUS ALBIDA OVER SCRUB (SITES 4, 13)

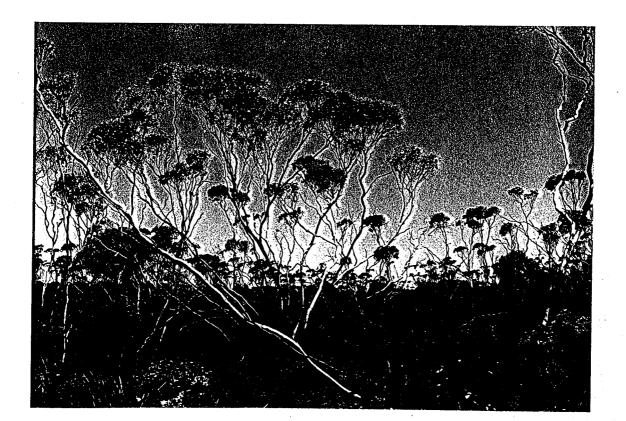
Key Description - Very Open Shrub Mallee over Open Low Scrub A over Low Heath C on yellow-brown sandy loam.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus albids to 6 m and < 10% cover.

Stratum 2. Mixed scrub species including *Melaleuca pungens, Gastrolobium spinosum* and *Allocasuarins campestris*.

Stratum 3. Mixed heath of Hakea lissocarpha, H. incrassata, Xanthorrhoea nana and Calothamnus quadrifidus.

<u>Comments</u> - This is an extensive type which runs generally in a north-south direction through the centre of the Reserve. It sometimes occurs in association with other heath types and can include thickets of Tamma.



Photograph 12. Eucalyptus albida over mixed heath species and sedges.

### 9. MALLEE OVER THICKET (SITE 24)

<u>Key Description</u> - Open Shrub Mallee over Heath A on yellow-grey sandy clay loam with 10% laterite.

Stratum 1. Eucalyptus spathulata, E. leptophylla to 4-5 m and 10-30% cover.

Stratum 2. *Melaleuca uncinata, Leptospermum erubescens* and *Allocasuarina campestris* to 2-3 m and 70-100% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - This association is found only on the western edge of the reserve on higher ground and grades into heath type 13 and mixed mallee. The mallee species can have a 30-70% cover in some areas.



Photograph 13. Eucalyptus spathulata over thicket of Melaleuca uncinata.

#### Thicket and Heath Formations

10. LATERITE MIXED HEATH (SITE 3)

Key Description - Heath B/Low Heath C on yellow-brown sandy loam with to up 80% laterite.

The dominant heath species are *Petrophile att. formose* (<40%), *Hakea invaginata* (10-15%), *Dryandra vestita* and *Melaleuca pungens*.

<u>Comments</u> - This heath is very species-rich and contains a number of *Hakes, Petrophile* and *Dryandra* species. Occasional plants of *Allocasuarina campestris* (Tamma) to 2m and *Eucalyptus albida* to 2.5m are seen. The association is found mainly on the higher laterite plateau areas where crusting remains and is quite distinctive.



Photograph 14. Laterite mixed heath showing the dominant *Petrophile aff. formosa* in the right foreground and middle picture.

# 11. TAMMA THICKET (SITES 14, 7)

<u>Key\_Description</u> - Thicket/Heath A over Open Dwarf Scrub D over very Open Low Sedges on brown-yellow sandy loam with <10% laterite surface pebbles.

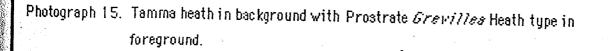
Stratum 1. *Allocesuarine campestris* 1.8 - 3.0 m and up to 70-100% cover. Also *Hakea subsulcate* may be present.

Stratum 2. Dryandra aff. cirsoides, Hakea falcata, H. scoparia to 50cm.

Stratum 3. Scattered plants of sedges Schoenus globifer and Mesomalaena preissii.

<u>Comments</u> - Tamma thickets are often seen growing with other vegetation associations, particularly with Wandoo and laterite heath. The type is extensive but scattered and very variable in density and tends to occur on higher ground.





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#### 12. SANDPLAIN HEATH (SITE 5)

<u>Key Description</u> - Open Scrub/Open low Scrub A over Low Heath C/Heath B over Open Tall Sedges on yellow loamy sand.

Stratum 1. Scattered Nuylsis floribunds and Xylomelum occidentale to 5m.

Stratum 2. Dryandra sessilis, Allocasuarina campestris and young plants of Actinostrobus psammophila to 3m and 10 - 30 % cover.

Stratum 3. A mixed heath to 1.3 m and 10 - 30% cover inlouding *Allocasusrina humilis,* Hakes trifurcata, Verticordia picta, V. chrysantha and Grevilles eriostachys.

Stratum 4. Mesomalaens preissii to 1m and with 10 - 30% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - This association differs from other heath types in that it supports scattered scrub species. It was only seen near the airstrip on sandy slopes below the laterite uplands and running down to a creekline.



Photograph 16. Sandplain heath with *Nuytsia floribunds* (Christmas tree) in right background and *Actinostrobus psammophils* at centre background.

# 13. LOW HEATH (SITE 12)

Key Description - Open Low Scrub B over Low Heath C/D over Very Open Low Sedges.

Stratum 1. *Grewilles hookerians, Hakes falcata* and scattered shrubs of *Allocasuarina* campestris with <10% cover.

Stratum 2. Includes *Grewilles paniculata, Hakea incrassata, Verticordia picta, V.* acerosa and *Grewilles uncinulata* to 30-70% cover.

Stratum 3. Sedges to 50cm are *Schoenus globifer, Lepidobolus chaetocephalus* and *Caustis divica*.

<u>Comments</u> - Occurs in extensive areas on uplands and gentle slopes but differs from Laterite Mixed Heath in species dominance and soil type.



Photograph 17. Low Heath (note Verticordis sceross at centre left).

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# 14. PROSTRATE GREWILLEA HEATH (SITE 6)

Key Description - Open Low Scrub B over Open Tall Sedges over Low Heath D.

Stratum 1. Scattered Leptospermum erubescens and Grewilles hookerians to 1.5 m.

Stratum 2. Mesomalaena preissii to 1m and 10 - 30% cover.

Stratum 3. Mixed heath species including *Calytrix saphirrina, Grewilles hookeriana, Conospermum stoechedis* and *Grewilles dryandroides* to 30-70% cover.

<u>Comments</u> - Scattered clumps or individuals of *Allocasuarina campestris* occur within this type but are too small to map and often grade into the heath. This heath was only seen to occur on the western side of the reserve near the airstrips on open sandy flats with gentle undulation.



 Photograph 18. Prostrate Grewilles Heath with the gazetted rare Grewilles dryandroides

 in flower at left front and the common sedge Mesomalsens preissii in the

 centre ground.

## 3.2 FLORA SURVEY

The Corrigin Water Reserve lies in the Avon Botanical District (Beard 1979).

A total of 267 species is listed for reserves 16196 and 28131. Of these 51 were identified by J. M Brown on a laterite heath site and were not found in the present survey due to time limitations and seasonal restraints. A complete list of species identified is found in Appendix 1.

Four species of the family Poaceae (grasses) are introduced and one of the family Scrophulariaceae. Plant collections were made in mid-October and mid-January and although collecting in October produced many good flowering specimens a number of ephemeral and herbaceous species may not have been present at that time. The flora was not exhaustively sampled and the total of 267 is high when such limitations are taken into account.

The families Myrtaceae and Proteaceae were the most strongly represented with six other families providing significant numbers of species. A breakdown of numbers is as follows:

No. of species

Family

Myrtacese	56
Proteaceae	43
Papilionaceae (pea flowers)	19
Liliaceae (lilies, blackboys)	13
Mimosaceae (wattles)	12
Cyperaceae (sedges)	12
Asteraceae (daisys)	12
Stylidiaceae (trigger plants)	9

42 families were represented in the area surveyed.

A measure of the relative floristic diversity of the area can be gained by calculating the average number of species per square kilometre. An estimated area of 12 km2 was surveyed giving a figure of 22.2 species per km 2. This compares well with the more westerly and well studied Tuttanning Reserve (22 species/km2) but is lower than the result for Boollanelling Nature Reserve which lies some 22 km NNW of Corrigin and has had 28.6 species/km2 recorded recently (Coates, 1985). The figure for Corrigin is considerably higher than those gained for the more easterly reserves of Tarin Rock (8.7 spp/km2) and Bendering (5.9 spp/km2) (Muir 1977). Although these figures depend on the distribution of vegetation types within the reserve boundaries they do give some comparative indication of species richness.

The high number of species of Proteaceae and Myrtaceae is characteristic of laterite and sand heath vegetation types and the 15 Eucalyptus species recorded for the Myrtaceae indicates the diversity of mallee and woodland formations.



Photograph 19. Laterite Heath near lookout showing flowering plants of *Verticordis* chrysantha(yellow) and *Fetrophile att. formosa* (pink flowers, left mid-ground).

#### 3.2.1 SPECIES OF INTEREST

#### Gazetted Rare Plants

One Gazetted Rare plant was collected and identified. *Grevilles dryandroides* has previously only been collected between Cadoux and Ballidu some 190 km north-north west of Corrigin (Rye and Hopper, 1981). The plant was observed in limited numbers (<100) in sandplain heath vegetation near the junction of the aerodrome reserve and Reserve 28131 (Fig. 3).

Another Gazetted Rare species, *Leschenaultia pulvinaris* is found in the Corrigin to . Harrismith area and there is a possibility that it also occurs on the Reserve.

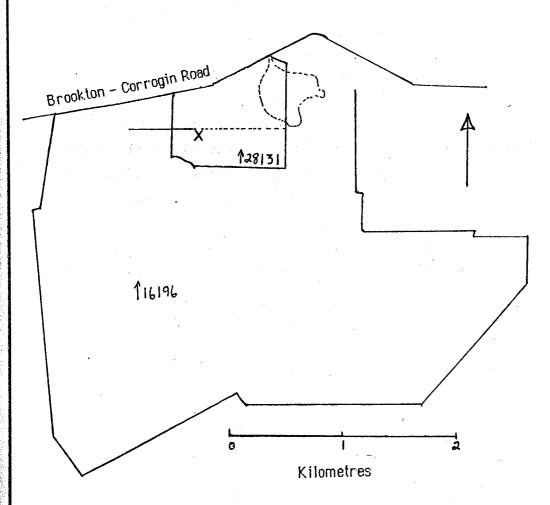


FIGURE 3. LOCATION OF THE GAZETTED RARE SPECIES GREVILLEA DRIVANDROIDES

## Geographically Restricted Species

**Dryandra cynaroides**, although not found in the present survey has been collected in the laterite heath area ( $m_{AP}$  1). This species is regarded as apparently rare and quite restricted in distribution although it has a range of at least 130 km (Millar, 1982).

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**Fucalyptus gardmeri** (Blue Mallet) was found extensively on the Reserve in association with mallee species or in almost monospecific stands. Leigh et. al. (1981) describe this species as not currently considered endangered or vulnerable with a range >100 km but occurring only in small populations which are mainly restricted to highly specific habitats.

Hakea baxteri and Xanthorrhoes nana are placed in the same category as Eucalyptus gardneri by Leigh et. al. (1981) but both species were found in good numbers on the Reserve. Although Hakes baxteri was not recorded as being present in National Parks or other declared reserves it has since been listed in the flora of the Boolanelling Nature Reserve, north of Corrigin (Coates, 1985) and other Nature Reserves (C.A.L.M. pers. comm.).

Nine species recorded at the Corrigin Water Reserve are listed by Marchant and Keighery (1979) in their work on rare and poorly known plants. Of these species, however, *Mesomalaena preissii, Schoenus armeria, Cassytha melantha* and *Dryandra ferruginea* have since been widely collected and *Persoonia striata* is currently being revised so the situation with regards to the number of specimens is not clear.

Leucopogon woodsii is only represented by 8 specimens in the W.A. Herbarium which have been collected from Manmanning to the Fitzgerald River - Esperance area.

Of the remainder of species listed by Marchant and Keighery, three (*Acacia deflexa*, *Cruptandra leucopogon* and *Platysace commutata*) are restricted to a distribution of <100 km (Category E) and although the former two species have since been more widely collected *Flatysace commutata* is still represented by only 5 specimens collected from Tammin, Albany, Stirling Range, Cranbrook and Esperance.

**Dodonaes diraricata** was found to be represented by <10 collections from between Paynes Find and Quairading and as such the identification of the species at Corrigin extends its range southwards by some 70 km.

Stylidium luteum ssp. claratum was only represented by 3 specimens at the W.A. Herbarium and may be considered rare and/or restricted.

Finally, **Pullenses verrucoss var. brackyphylls** has only been collected south of the Ongerup - Needilup area and thus the record at Corrigin represents a considerable range

extension to the north. Public cenage of some parts of the reserves is well established with the presence of a grover car

# 4.0 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# 4.1 IMPORTANCE OF THE VEGETATION AND FLORA

The wheatbelt region of Western Australia is noted for its extensive tracts of cleared land and the area around Corrigin is no exception. The Corrigin Water Supply Reserve (no. 16196) and Aerodrome Reserve (No. 28131) are located in a shire which has the lowest percentage area of Nature Reserve for any shire in the Narrogin District.

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The occurrence of a large area of uncleared and in many parts, almost pristine, bushland is rare and for this reason alone the reserves surveyed are of some importance. Additionally, the reserves incorporate a wide range of typical wheatbelt vegetation formations including woodland, mallee, mallet, thicket and heathlands and in doing so support an extensive and diverse flora. The species richness compares very favourably with other reserves surveyed in the wheatbelt and cannot be matched in the forests and woodlands of the extreme west and south west. Of particular importance are tree species such as *Eucelyptus estringens* (Brown Mallet) and *E. gardneri* (Blue Mallet) which have both limited distributions and more importantly limited remaining occurrence (Erikson et. al. 1973). The heath associations are very diverse and include many species of the Proteaceae and Myrtaceae families. Among them is *Grevilles dryandroides* a Gazetted Rare plant found previously only between Cado ux and Ballidu, 190 km NNW of Corrigin. The occurrence of this species at Corrigin is of some interest and the population should be carefully monitored, A number of other species are of limited geographical distribution and/or have been poorly collected.

## 4.2 MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The reserves have not been burnt in any part for some 20 years and the vegetation has reached a level of maturity which does not often occur in areas of wheatbelt bushland. Mallet species are very fire sensitive, the trees being killed by fire and regenerating from seed. Although fire is a natural part of many ecosystems in Western Australia its elimination or careful control in this case is recommended. Because the reserves are surrounded by farmland and have a main road to the north burning would render them vulnerable to the invasion of weeds, especially crop species, and thus upset the natural vegetation balance. At present weed invasion is minimal and care should be taken to keep it that way.

Public useage of some parts of the reserves is well established with the presence of a gravel car

racing track and lookout. It is likely also that wood collecting, picnicking and possibly wildflower picking also occurs in areas with good access. Such areas include those along and near the disused and current railway lines, on tracks along the central water course and near the airstrip and main road. Despite this, however, there is little evidence of plant damage, littering or other despoilation and this serves to increase the value of the area for conservation purposes. As the reserve is very close to the Corrigin townsite and one of the few large bushland areas in the Shire its use for passive and active recreation is likely to be defended by local residents. Consideration for this fact would therefore have to be given in any future management plans.

Finally, local sightings suggest the presence of mallee fowl on the reserve and although no nests (old or fresh) were observed during the current survey the birds were seen 2-3 years ago by Mr. P. Connolly, a neighbouring farmer. These animals are no longer common in the central wheatbelt and further investigations should be made to ascertain their presence or absence. The woodlands and heaths are also likely to provide food and nesting resources for a number of other bird species and again a lack of other nearby bushland renders the reserves valuable.

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It is therefore recommended that the reserves 16196 (excluding locations 23263, 11596, 8885 and 23262) and 28131 have 'Conservation of Flora and Fauna' added to their purpose. Joint vesting of most of reserve 16196 with that of Water Supply, Sewerage and Drainage does not appear to be unmutable as current Public Works Department useage of these areas is restricted to keeping the central drainage channel clear. The retention of a scenic lookout in an area vested for nature conservation is also not a conflicting use as the area is not heavily visited and is clean and with restricted vehicular access.

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# **APPENDIX 1 - SPECIES LIST**

# KEY

¥. Introduced species

Species collected by J. Brown but not in the present survey. J

(632) Collecting number.

# **GYMNOSPERMAE**

CUPRESSACEAE

Actinostrobus psammophila Callitris canescens (632)

# ANGIOSPERMAE

POACEAE

\*Aira cupaniana \*Briza maxima Neurachne alopecuroidea (638A) Stipa elegantissima \*Yulpis ?myuros

# CYPERACEAE

Caustia dioecia (649) Isolepis marginata (514). Lepidosperma drummondii (612) L.gracile (741) L. longitudinale L. ?tenue (710) Mesomalaena preissii (645) M. stygia (526) Schoenus armeria (742) S. globifer (738) S. aff. pleistemoneus S. subflavus (515)

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RESTIONACEAE

Lepidobolus chaetocephalus (594) Loxocarya aspera (764) l marshala (583)

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# LILIACEAE

Borya nitida Caesia sp. Chamaeoxerus fimbriata Chamaescilla corymbosa Dianella revoluta Laxmannia paleacea (602) Lomandra collina Stypandra imbricata (6758) Thysanotus arenarius (746) T. patersonii T. thyrsoides (6818, 6828) Trichoryne elatior Xanthorrhoea nana

### HAEMODORACEAE

Anigozanthos humilis (698) Conostylis androstemma (541) C. setigera C. villosa (670A, 593, 700)

### ORCHIDACEAE

Caladenia roei (719) C. saccarata Elythranthera brunonis Pterostylis nana P. recurva

## CASUARINACEAE

Allocasuarina campestris A. humilis A. microstachya

### PROTEACEAE

Banksia sphaerocarpa var. caesia Conospermum stoechádis Dryandra aff. cirsoidės (576) D. aff. conferta D. conferta (727) D. cyanaroides D. ferruginea D. nivėa D. vėstita (581) Grevillea dryandroides G. hookeriana (589) J,

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Grevilles integrifolis ?var.incurva (601) G. paniculata (657) G. patentiloba (694A) G. uncinulata (641) H. baxteri H. falcata (619) H.gilbertii H. incrassata (732) H. invaginata (638) H. invaginata var. pachycarpa (750) H. lissocarpha (611) H. multilineata (714) H. scoparia H. subsulcata (720) Isopogon divergens (647) 1. aff. for mosus (584) I. polycephalus L scabriusculus (618) I. teretifolius (674A0 Persoonia ?quinquinervis (650) P. striata (675Å) Petrophile brevifolia (603) P. ericifolia P. media P. seminuda (613) P. trifida (605) Synaphaea petiolaris (614) S. polymorpha (652)

# SANTALACEAE

Choretrum glomeratum (769) Exocarpos sparteus (658) Santalum acuminatum Santalum murrayanum

Xylomelum angustifolium

LORANTHACEAE

Nuutsia floribunda

LAURACEAE

Cassytha ?glabella (616) C. melantha C. poiformis

DROSERACEAE

Drosera androstemma D. glanduligera J

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Drosera macrantha D. paleacea ssp. paleacea (6978)

# PITTOSPORACEAE

Billardiera bicolor var. bicolor (728) B. coriacea (615)

### MIMOSACEÁE

Acacia acuminata A. brachyclada (762) A. chrysocephala (677A) A. deflexa (640) A. erinacea (683B) A. lasiocalyx (716) A. lasiocarpha var. sedifolia (655, 709) A. leptopetala (688A) A. microbotrya (674B) A. pulchella var. glaberrima A. sp. nov. (ms rigida) (580) A. stenoptera

# CESALPINACEAE

Cassia nemophila (684B)

PAPILIONACEAE

Chorizema aciculare (645) Daviesia ?benthamii/brevifolia (665) D. brachyphylla (744) D. drummondii (690B) D. longifolia (687A) D. scopária (767, 725). D. uniflora (668) Gastrolobium hookeri G. spinosum G. trilobum Gompholobium obcordatum Jacksonia capitata (672A) Mirbelia ?spinosa (648) Oxylobium parviflorum (630) Pultenaea capitata (703) P. neurocalux (67840 P. verhucosa var. brachyphulla (627) Templetonia sulcata i chi sha

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Erodium cygnorum (685Å)

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# RUTACEAE

Boronia capitata ssp. capitata (604) Microcybe multiflora (757) Phebalium filifolium (734,686A) P. microphyllum (599)

## POLYGALACEAE

Comesperma scoparium (597)

EUPHORBIACEAE

Poranthera microphylla

CELASTRACEAE

Psammomoya choretroides

STACKHOUSIACEAE

Stackhousia huegelii (672A) S. scoparia (680B)

SAPINDACEAE

Dodonaea attenuata (629) D. bursarifolia (637) D. divaricata (686B) D. pinifolia D. stenozyga (759)

### RHAMNACEAE

Cryptandra glabriflora C. leucopogon (642) C. parvifolia (634) Trymalium daphnifolium (6844)

STERCULIACEAE

Guichenotia sarotes (717) Keraudrenia integrifolia (718)

DILLENIACEAE

Hibbertia aff. eatoniae H. exasperata (582) H. gracilipės (707) H. rupicola (598, 689Å, 656) J

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### THYMELACEAE

Pimelea brevifolia var. modesta (653) P. imbricata var. piligera (691A, 654)

#### MYRTACEAE

Baeckea crispiflora (696, 643) Baeckea preissiana (578) Beaufortia cyrtodonta (606) B. aff. heterophylla B. micrantha var. pubenula (579) Calothamnus quadrifidus (595) C. sanguineus Calutrix fraseri (651,740) C. lechenaultii C.saphirrina (6918,699,591) C. stricosa Chamalaucium nivicolum Eremaea pauciflora (695B) Eucalyptus albida (735, 607) E. astringens (770, 721) E. celastroides (763) E.eremophila (569, 761, 723, 752) E. conglobata (695Å, 748, 753, 742) E. ?falcata E. flocktoniae (712, 724, 755) E. gardneri (now E. redunca 33p. pluricaulis) (765, 751, 715, 766) E. incrassata (592) E. leptophylla E. loxophleba E. muriadena (758) E. salmoniphloia E. spathulata (771, 620,6778) E. wandoo Kunzea aff. preissiana (692A, 635) Leptospermum erübescens (575, 702) L. roei (574) Melaleuca cuticularia (571) M. ?densa (631) M. aff. eleutherostachya (722) M. holoséricea (729) M. laxiflora (626) M. leptospermöldes (577, 646, 731) M. péntagòna (644) M. platycalyx (6708, 745) M. püngens (679Å) M. aff. scabra 30 M. aff. seriata" (583, 730, 660) M. späthulata M. spicigera (621)

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Melalauca aubtrigona M. undulata (690A) Melalauca sp. (756) Thryptomene racemulosus (671A) Verticordia acerosa (663) Y. brachypoda (697A) Y. brownii Y. chrysantha (573) Y. grandiflora (689 B) Y. picta (736, 664) Y. roei (624, 749) Y. serrata (596)

ONAGRACEAE

Glischrocaryon aureum var aureum (588)

APIACEAE

Hydrocotyle callicarpà Platysace commutata Trachymene cyanopetala (693A)

EPACRIDACEAE

Andersonia brevifolia (698A) A. parvifolia (706, 633) Astroloma serratifolium (590) Leucopgon cymbiformis (673A, 622) L. dielsianaus (625) L. ?glaucifolius (685A) L. woodsii Lysinema ciliatum

LOGANIACEAE

Logania tortuosa (688B)

**APOCYNACEAE** 

Alyxia buxifolia

BORAGINACEAE

Halgania preissiana (660)

CHLOANTHACEAE

Chloanthes coccinea (610) Cyanostegia lanceolata (693B) Pityrodia axillaris (608) J

# LAMIACEAE

Westringia rigida (636)

SCROPHULARIACEAE

\*Parentucellia latifolia (685C)

RUBIACEAE

Opercularia vaginata

GOODENIACEAE

Brunonia australis (673B) Dampiera oligophylla ssp. juncea (587) D. sacculata (705) D. wellsiana (661) Dampiera sp. (JMB 061) Goodenia pinifolia

#### STYLIDIACEAE

Levenhookia pusilla L. stipitata Stylidium adpressum (669) S. breviscapum S. caricifolium (713) S. luteum ssp. clavatum (617) S. leptophyllum (677C) S. piliferum (600, 696B) S. schoenoides (586)

# ASTERACEAE

Artotheca calendula Blennospora drummondii Helichrysum lepidophyllum (768) Helipterum hyslospermum (680B) H. laeve H. verrecundum (676B) \*Hypochoeris glabra Millotia tenuifolia Olearia muellèri (726) Podolepis lessonii (662) Waitzia acuminata (659) W. paniculata

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# APPENDIX 2 - SPECIES LISTINGS BY SITE

# SITE 1

Eucalyptus astringens Melaleuca aff. eleutherostachya

#### SITE 2

Acacia erinacea Daviesia scoparia Eucalyptus eremophila E. flocktoniae

# SITE 3

Hakea invaginata Allocasuarina campestris Druandra ferruginea Melaleuca aff, scabra Petrophile seminuda Dryandra vestita Banksia sphaerocarpa var. caesia Isopogon scabruisculus Druandra aff. cirsoides Billardiera bicolor Xanthorrhoea nana Melaleuca aff. holosericea Melaleuca leptosper moides Eucaluptus albida Glischrocaryon aureum Phebalium filifolium Laxmannia paleacea Verticordia grandifiora Persoonia striata Gastrolobium spinosum Grevillea hookeriana

#### SITE 4

Eucalyptus albida Hakea gilbertii Beaufortia micrantha Phebalium filifolium Billardiera bicolor Gastrolobium spinosum Synaphaea petiolaris Dryandra aff. cirsoides Hakea lissocarpha E. salmoniphloia Olearia muelleri Templetonia sulcata

Petrophile aff. formosa Dryandra conferta Leucopogon minutifolia Beaufortia micrantha var. puberula Melaleuca pungens Baeckea crispiflora Petrophile brevifolia Hakea subsulcata Calutrix fraseri Chloanthes coccinea Hakea gilbertii Verticordia ?chrysantha Mesomalaena preissii Daviesia drummondii Astroloma serratifolium Syanaphaea petiolaria Logania tortuosa Hibbertia pungens Dampiera oligophulla Allocasuarina campestris Verticordia picta

Pityrodia axillaris Melaleuca pungens Mesomalaena preissii Melaleuca leptospermoides Dryandra vestita Isopogon polycephalus Hibbertia pungens Dodonaea stenozyga Lepidobolus chaetocephalus

# SITE 4 (cont.) Hakea incrassata Xanthorrhoea nana

### SITE 5

Druandra sessilis Actinostrobus psammophila Eremaea pauciflora Calutrix saphirrina Yerticordia picta Petrophile ericifolia Banksia sphaerocarpa var. caesia Andersonia parvifolia Isopogon polycephalus Xulomelum angustifolium Isopogon scabruisculus Grevillea hookeriana Leucopogon dielsiana Leptospermum erubescens Calothamnus quadrifidus Grevillea integrifolia Cuanostegia lanceolata Petrophile brevifolia Conostylis villosa Dampiera sacculata Alocasuarina microstachya

#### SITE 6

Isopogon polycephalus Xanthorrhoea nana Mesomalaena preissii Calytrix saphirrina Grevilliea hokeriana Comesperma scoparia Grevillea dryandroides Petrophile ericifolia Verticordia brownii Hakea incrassata Dampiera sacculata Conospermum stoechadis Eremaea pauciflora Leptospermum erubescens Hibbertia gracilipes

### SITE 7

Allocasuarina campestris Trichoryne elatior Dryandra aff. cirsoides Hakea scoparia Melaleuca leptospermoides Santalum acuminatum Calothamnus quadrifidus

Hakea trifurcata Allocasuarina humilis Anigozanthos humilis Stackhousia huegelii Mesomalaena preissii Hibbertia pungens Gastrolobium spinosum Baeckea crispiflora Mirbelia ?spinosum Grevillea eriostachya Dryandra aff. cirsoides Caustis dioica Verticordia chrysantha Halkea falcata Glischrocaryon aureum Daviesia drummondii Nuytsia floribunda Stulidium piliferum Drosera paleacea Verticordia serrata Hakea incrassata

Verticordia chrysantha Baeckea crispiflora Glischrocaryon aureum Conostylis villosa Laxmannia paleacea Astroloma serratifolium Synaphaea polymorpha Thysanotus patersonii Persoonia striata Dryandra nivea Daviesia ?benthamii Petrophile brevifolia Allcasuarina microstachya Pultenaea capitata Allocasuarina campestris

Astroloma serratifolium Borya nitida Hakea falcata Schoenus globifer

# SITE 8

Eucalyptus astringens

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Eucalyptus ?falcata E. gardneri E. salmoniphloia

SITE 10

Eucal yptus loxophleba Acacia acuminata Acacia microbotrya Stypandra imbricata Helipterum verrecundum Thysanotus thyrsoides Cassia nemophila \*Aira cupaniana \*Parentucellia latifolia

SITE 11

Eucalyptus conglobata Eucalyptus sp. Melaleuca undulata

### SITE 12

Isopogon polycephalus Hakea invaginata Petrophile pauciflora Xanthorrhoea nana Verticorida roei Hakea indrassata Grevillea uncinulata Baeckea crispiflora Mesomalaena preissii Melaleuca leptosper moides Mirbelia ?spinosum Calutris fraseri Pimelea brevifolia Acacia lasiocarpha var sedifolia Exocarpos sparteus Verticordia acerosa Daviesia ?benthamii Dryandra nivea Beaufortia curtodonta Stylidium adpressum Thryptomene racemulosus

Stackhousia huegelii Brunonia australis \*Ursinia anthemoides \*Briza maxima Helipterum hyalospermum Acacia erinaceae Waitzia acuminata \*Yulpia myuros

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Gastrolobium spinosum Leucopogon dielsiana Hibbertia rupicola Acacia deflexa Verticordia picta Hakea scoparia Cryptandra leucopogon Melaleuca pentagona Chorizema aciculare Isopogon divergens Caustis dioica Persoonia striata Pimelea imbricata var piligera Grevillea paniculata Waitzia acuminata Verticordia picta Melaleuca aff. seriata Daviesia uniflora Hakea baxteri Conostulis villosa Jacksonia capitata

SITE 12 (cont.) Leucopogon cymbiformis Acacia chrysocephala Melaleuca pungens Grevillea hookeriana Dampiera wellsiana Hakea incrassata Lepidobolus chaetocephalus

SITE 13

Eucalyptus albida Petrophile aff. for mosa Dryandra ferruginea Druandra vestita Melaleuca pungens Hakea incrassata Dryandra aff. cirsoides Dampiera sacculata Beaufortia cyrtodonta Hibbertia pungens Xanthorrhoea nana Leucopogon minutifolius Dryandra ?conferta Grevillea hookeriana Verticordia chrusantha Hakea falcata Comesperma scoparia

SITE 14

Allocasuarina campestris Isopogon scabruisculus

SITE 15

Eucalyptus flocktoniae Eucalyptus eremophila Olearia muelleri

SITE 16

Eucalyptus myriadena Eucalyptus sp. Santalum acuminatum Dodonaca attenuata

SITE 17

 $\left| \gamma_{i}^{2} \right|_{i \geq 1}$ 

Eucalyptus falcata Melaleuca ?adnata Isopogon teretifolius Pultenaea neurocalyx Stackhousia scoparia Halgania preissiana Podlepis lessonii Schoenus globifer

Allocasuarina campestris Gastrolobium spinsoum Persoonia quinginervis Beaufortia micrantha Metaleuca teptosper moides Mesomalaena preissii Banksia sphaerocarpa var. caesia Petrophile ericifolia Astroloma serratifolium Melaleuca aff. holosericea Isopogon polycephalus Isopogon scabruisculus Calytrix leschenaultii Acacia sp. nov. ('rigida') Hakea baxteri Hakea scoparia Verticorida serrata

Hakea invaginata Leptospermum erubescens

Eucalyptus conglobata Eucalyptus gardneri Melaleuca aff. eleutherostachya

Eucalyptus salmoniphloia Microcybe multiflora Olearia muelleri Dodonaea stenozyga

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Eucalyptus salmoniphloia Eucalyptus celastroides Acacia brachyclada Templetonia sulcata

### SITE 19

Eucalyptus wandoo Allocasuarina campestris Hakea lissocarpha Borya nitida Loxocarya aspera

### SITE 20

Eucalyptus gardneri Eucalyptus flocktoniae Trymalium daphnifolium

SITE 21

Eucalyptus eremophila Callitris canescens Melaleuca uncinata Santalum acuminatum

SITE 22

Eucalyptus gardneri Gastrolobium spinosum Daviesia scoparia

### SITE 23

Eucalyptus salmoniphloia Acacia brachyclada Olearia muelleri Grevillea patentiloba

SITE 24

Eucalyptus eremophila Eucalyptus leptophylla Melaleuca uncinata Petrophile seminuda Mesomalaena preissii Cassytha ?glabella Melaleuca spicigera Eucalyptus conglobata Olearia muelleri Loxocarya aspera Grevillea patentiloba

Melaleuca uncinata Santalum acuminatum Acacia lasiocarpha var. sedifolia Lepidobolus chaetocephalus Hakea scoparia

Gastrolobium trilobum Eucalyptus eremophila Melaleuca uncinata

Eucalyptus gardneri Hakea scoparia Gastrolobium spinosum

Eucalyptus wandoo Acacia erinaceae Melaleuca uncinata Templetonia sulcata

Eucalyptus spathulata Allocasuarina campestris Lepidosperma drummondii Hakea incrassata Synaphaea petiolaris Billardiera ?coriacea Leptospermum erubescens