## SERPENTINE NATIONAL PARK

# ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

TO THE DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN

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#### INTRODUCTION

This document is an analysis of public submissions to the Serpentine National Park Draft Management Plan 1997.

The Serpentine National Park Draft Management Plan 1997 was released for public comment on 24th September 1997 for a period of four months. Late submissions were accepted. A total of 21 public submissions were received. All submissions have been summarised and changes have been made to the plan where appropriate.

Following the release of the plan, advertisements were placed in local and Statewide newspapers advising that the draft management plan was available for comment. The draft plan was distributed to State Government departments, tertiary institutions, recreation and conservation groups, local authorities, libraries and numerous individuals who expressed interest during the preparation of the draft. Copies of the plan were available for perusal at CALM and local government offices. The plan was available for purchase from CALM's State Operations Headquarters and the CALM local District Office.

#### ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

#### **Method of Analysis**

The public submissions to the Serpentine National Park Draft Management Plan were analysed according to the process depicted in the flow chart overleaf. More specifically:

- The points made in each submission were collated according to the section of the draft plan they addressed.
- · Each point made was assessed using the following criteria:
  - 1. The draft management plan was amended if the point:
    - (a) provided additional resource information of direct relevance to management;
    - (b) provided additional information on affected user groups of direct relevance to management;
    - (c) indicated a change in (or clarified) Government legislation, management commitment or management policy;
    - (d) proposed strategies that would better achieve management goals and objectives; or
    - (e) indicated omissions, inaccuracies or a lack of clarity.
  - 2. The draft management plan was not amended if the point:
    - (a) clearly supported the draft proposals;
    - (b) offered a neutral statement, or no change was sought;
    - (c) addressed issues beyond the scope of the plan;
    - (d) was already in the plan, or had been considered during plan preparation;
    - (e) was one amongst several widely divergent viewpoints received on the topic and the recommendation of the draft plan was still considered the best option;
    - (f) contributed options which were not possible (generally due to some aspect of existing legislation, Government or departmental policy).
- The reasons why recommendations in the draft plan were or were not changed, and the relevant criteria
  used, were discussed with each comment. Minor editorial changes referred to in the submissions have
  also been made.

Submissions have been assessed entirely on the cogency of points raised. No subjective weighting has been given to any submission for reasons of its origin or any other factor which would give cause to elevate the importance of any submission above another.

#### **Number and Origin of Submissions**

The number and place of origin of submissions are listed below.

	Number	Percentage
Individuals	8	38
Community Organisations	3	14
Private Sector Corporations	1	5
Government: State	8	38
Local	1	5
TOTAL	21	100

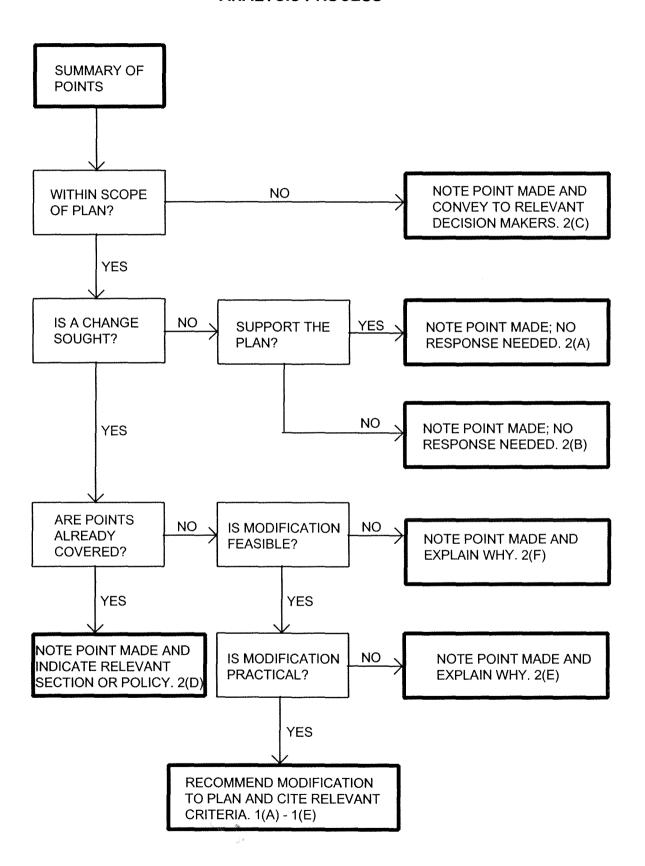
A list of the people and organisations who made submissions to the Serpentine National Park Draft Management Plan is given in Appendix 1.

#### **ANALYSIS TABLE**

The analysis table contains:

- The number of different points made about each section of the draft plan;
- A summary of each point made on the draft plan;
- The number of submissions making each point;
- An indication of whether or not the point resulted in an amendment to the final plan;
- A discussion on why the point did not result in an amendment to the final plan, or an indication of what action was taken in the final plan; and
- · The criteria by which each point was assessed.

#### **ANALYSIS PROCESS**



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The plan omits any overall safety strategy for the various sites within the Park that are foci for recreational use. This is especially important where private land is jointly managed by CALM for this purpose.	Support for Plan.	1 (d)
(12) As discussed with the NPNCA, the Shire is generally in support of the Plan's recommendations and is keen to now see things happening on the ground.	New section on Safety added.	2 (a)
It is considered worthwhile that the Plan be amended to include a "Vision for the Park" statement, this would provide direction to the rest of the Plan and management of the Park. This should sum up how the community would like to see the Park in 50 years time and couldbuild on the existing community ownership of the Park.	occur as government policy or	2 (d)
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PART B LAND USE MANAGEMENT 5. Land Tenure and Park Boundaries 1 fully support the addition of more land to the Park such as C26079; C26080; C32201; C32202 and all other adjoining good bush blocks that become available.	Support for Plan.	2 (a)
(6) C26080 and C26079 should be considered a priority inclusion into the National Park. Rehabilitation to date has beenineffectual or non existent and the denuded areas have become a significant dumping site for car bodies and other debris, urgent action is required to protect and clean up this area.	Support for Plan.	2 (a)
Support the addition of Land Act reserves C26079; C26080; C32201; C32202 to the Park. These reserves are of high environmental value, being important breeding and nesting grounds for Baudins Cockatoo and the Red Tailed Black Cockatoo and containing pockets of dieback free areas.	Support for Plan.	2 (a)
Support for the acquisition of private property enclaves within the Park based on its voluntary approach and only to the extent that it operates "If the land owners wish to sell".	Support for Plan	2 (a)
The proposed boundary is consistent with the Parks and Recreation zoning for the area, however, it appears thatlot 4080, Brook road, Jarrahdale has not been included in the Park. This lot of 1.9Ha in size appears on the Ministry's records as Crown land and adjoins Crown reserve 990 which is vested in the NPNCA.	Cockburn Sound Loc 4080 is Reserve 45184 purpose of Water vested with Water Corporation.	2 (c)
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Recommended land parcel inclusions into the Park are supported. Council believes that all such areas should be excluded from timber extraction.	Support for Plan.	2 (a)
The southern boundary of the Park borders State Forest No. 22 to the north of Kingsbury Drive. However, the portion of State Forest No. 22 between Scarp road, Serpentine Dam, the Park boundary and Kingsbury Drive contains several most scenic and very large granite outcrops. It is requested that consideration be given to include that portion of State Forest No. 22 between the proposed Park boundary and Kingsbury Drive into the Park, to protect these unspoilt outcrops and the surrounding forest from both logging and mining operations.	Beyond scope of the Plan.	2 (d)
Recommendation 3 (C) should not be considered an option as it would be extremely unpopular to the point of becoming a political issue, also it would probably lead to even further vandalism.  (19)	Option to close a site is always retained for management discretion. "C" remains, only as an option.	2 (d)
Recommendation 4- Agree and those properties under an MRS reservation (1997) should be acquired forthwith especially the two properties just above the Falls.	Support for Plan	2 (a)
(19)		
5. Land Tenure and Park Boundaries Recommendation 7 The Eastern and Southern boundaries shold be extended to follow Kingsbury Drive as in System 6.  (19)	Expansion of the Park not considered, though the area will be managed in a complementary sense.	2 (e)
6. Zoning No mention is made of the Prohibited Zone around the Serpentine Pipehead Dam Reservoir which is provided for under the bylaws of the Metropolitan Water Supply, Sewerage and Drainage Act, which lies upstream of the dam and encompasses an area two kilometres of the top water storage level of the reservoir. It is essential that this exclusion zone is identified within the Plan such that there is no misunderstanding of the status of the aca.  (12)	Prohibited Zone is to be shown in relevant maps for clarity.	1 (e)
PART C MANAGEMENT FOR CONSERVATION 7. Climate The Park is within one of the highest rainfall areas in the State which makes it an important reference area. It is suggested that special mention of rainfall be made in Recommendation 1 as this has an implication for earthworks (eg firebreaks) to prevent erosion.	Reference will be made to the high rainfall received in the Park.	1 (e)
8. Geology, Landform, Soils and Erosion Risk		
9. Hydrology The Corporation's main concern is that a large part of the national park overlays the catchment area for the Serpentine Piphead Dam. That area of the Park needs to be managed in accordance with the principles of maintaining and conserving the area principally for the purpose of supplying potable water of such quality that it does not require pretreatment other than disinfection and fluoridation. All other land uses need to be subservient to this purpose. The draft management plan for example proposes horse access area that are within the boundary of the catchment area. As managers of the catchment under delegation from the Waer and Rivers Commission the Corporation considers that such activity within a Priority 1 catchment area is inconsistent with the purpose of the catchment classification and therefore object to this proposal.	Ç.	1 (e)
The Corporation also has concerns regarding the proposals to extend and expand walk trails along the boundaries of Water Corporation land, in areas outside the Serpentine Pipehead Dam Catchment. These proposals have the potential to increase the level of vandalism associated with the increase of visitors to these areas. Of special concern to the Corporation in this regard is the recently renovated Spencers Cottage on the Corporation's property.	Walk trail development will occur consultation with Water Corporation concerns. CALM is also concerned for the preservation of Spencer's Cottage.	2 (e)
Reference should be made to the SerpentineJarrahdale Community Catchment Plan. It is recommended that comments be received from Water and Rivers Commission. Water Corporation and Western Power to update the section on "Water Storage Proposals Adjacent to the Park". Regardless of the actual plans of the utility agencies, any proposals must accommodate environmental and aesthetic values.  (14)	To bring clarity to the Plan, will refer to the Serpentine - Jarrahdale Community Catchment Plan and current proposals by the Water and Rivers Commission, Water Corporation and Western Power	1 (e)

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9. Hydrology (cont) Recommendation 5 should be expanded to ensure that water releases into the Serpentine River are also carried out to maintain the riverine ecosystem which has been drastically altered by the construction of the dam. Some releases may need to occur in winter to provide the scouring action of storm events.	Beyond scope of the Plan.	2 (c)
(14)	N	
Objective No. 4 should also stipulate that an environmental flow is provided 3. This presumably includes aesthetic values.	No.	2 (e)
6. Cattle grazing on WC land are intruding into the Park because of lack of fences - rectifying this should have a high priority.  (19)	No. Cattle issues will be addressed with the landholder. This is a standard issue for national park management, no need to amend the Plan in this specific instance.	2 (d)
10. Landscape		
Recommendations on Landscape should include some specifics such as removal of the pumphouse on the edge of the Falls Pool (included in Section 22.1) and the pipeline over the granite outcrop on Jarrahdale Road. The study by Gerard Serio (Landmarc) of the Park's landscape values commissioned by CALM should also be referenced by the Management	The gauging station on the edge of the Falls Pool is Heritage Listed.	2 (c)
Plan, particularly in relation to Landscape. (14)		
1-5 Agree but recommendations on Landscape should include some specifics - namely to get rid of the ugly building on the edge of the Falls pool, to find some more attractive option to the pipe into the pool (I think that is mentioned later) and to get rid of the pipe goig across the granite outcrop on Jarrahdale Road - it is very intrusive, I don't know whose it is, there are also overhead cables across that granite outcrop that eventually should be	Gauging Station is Heritage Listed.	2 (d)
found a more pleasing route. (19)		
11. Vegetation and Flora		
The vegetation survey of the Park should include condition mapping as this will help identify the key areas for management.	No	2 (d)
(5) Recommendation 2 (systematic flora survey) is considered a high priority, not only as a basic requirement for management, but to identify yet unknown locations of special species. (These may include specimens of Mountain Gum as in System Six area M89)		1 (d)
There should be specific mention in the <i>Objectives</i> of availing the public of an opportunity to learn of the diversity of Flora.	This is covered by item 4 of the Objectives "Provide opportunities for visitors to gain an appreciation of the Park's flora and its management".	2 (d)
7 - If the Park's herbarium only has a low priority CALM may wish to	Plan option remains the best option.	2 (e)
consider involving the community and using the Shire's herbarium  8 - Establish walk trails and interpretive signs that allow the public to learn about the flora and vegetation.  (19)	in Rec 4, Section 23: Nature	2 (d)
12. Fauna A complete bird, plant, reptile and amphibian list would be appreciated in the final management plan.  (6)	Lists of flora and fauna are available from other sources and publications.	2 (d)
13. Feral Animals and Domestic Pets When CALM has reduced the foxes, cas and other pest exotics, the reintroduction of native animals such as Chuditch, Numbat and Bush Curlew should be considered.  (6)	Neighbour pressure for Serpentine NP may be such that re-introductions as suggested may not be possible within the life of this Plan.	2 (d)
Recommendation 3: Agree for most of Park but it should be noted that there is an existing use by residents of Millbrook towalk dogs in the adjoining Park area - perhaps this could be accommodated by encouraging them to use the boundary firebreak tracks.  (19)	except for dogs under special	2 (d)
14 Disease		
Recommendations on control of the spread of dieback disease are generally supported. A high priority should be to establish he extent to which vehicles, horses and walkers can spread the disease within the Park.  (14)	Virus is present in Park, aim is to curtail any further spread of the virus through prohibition of considered high risk activities.	2 (d)

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15 Fire Management		
Does not adequately consider the surrounding areas of the reserve and the present and future integration with the Shire Fire Prevention plan and the	These issues are beyond the scope of the Plan as they will be dealt with on an	2 (c)
Bush Fire Brigades 5 year strategy. Some discussion of the plans, their influence on fire management and fie suppression in the reserve should be included.  (3)	ongoing basis by CALMfire.	
To a greater extent, a recommendation that ensures the integration of fire management and fire suppression in the reserve should be included.  (3)	Fire management will be based upon Wildfire Threat Analysis techniques.	2 (d)
The management of fuel levels is well described howevent is not clear as to what extent the prescribed burning regime is obligated by the plan.  (3)		
Is the proposed burning program achievable within the term of the Plan considering the difficulties now being experienced implementing these programs? What are the alternate actions and what are the likely risks to the reserve and the local community? These issues should be discussed.  (3)		
The definition or description of "Visual Resource Principles" in Recommendation 6 is unclear.		2 (e)
Recommendation 8 refers to a 'Minister' and does not define the responsible Minister. This could cause some confusion.  (3)	The "Minister" in this instance is the Minister for Emergency Services, text amended.	2 (c)
There is little background information surrounding fire management practices and risk assessment. This could be interpreted as indicative of the lack of integration of fire prevention planning by the agencies. To alleviate any concern, the discussion, intentions and recommendations should be	The overall strategies of fire prevention and management practiced by CALM and other agencies are beyond the scope of this Plan.	
further detailed to reflect fire management integration. (3)		2 (e)
The special conservation zone referred to on page 24 under 'No Palnned Burn' needs to be shown on the Map. This is also referred to in the section on Horse Riding.  (5)	Reference to Special Conservation Zone in Draft Plan was incorrect. Text modified.	1 (e)
	It is a standard part of CALM's fire management regime to map and list fire sensitive species and ensure available regenerative stock.	1 (d)
the area can be revegetated from local seed material.		1 (0)
It has been observed that it is CALM's practice to contain a wildfire by bulldozing a break once the fire is contained, burning stags are pushed over by a loader. These stags have the potential to provide valuable nesting sites for Cockatoos.	CALM's sensitive approach to fire management is to leave burnt stags upright wherever possible.	2 (d)
It is considered important that a fire history of the Park is included in the plan. The absence of this information and a detailed survey of plant communities and species suggests a precautionary approach be adopted. The condition and values of Reserve 990 as virgin forest warrant that it be left unburnt for longer periods and included in the Vegetation Management	We have to assume that virgin Jarrah forest has been burnt by default under wildfire conditions and this is highly likely also in Serpentine National Park.	
Regime. The long unburnt nature of this forest has allowed it to reach a form more true to the 'climax Jarrah forest' as seen in early records of the Jarrah forest.  (14)		2 (d)
As a volunteer fire fighter, I have been involved in joint operations with CALM. It has been observed that it is CALM's practice to contain a fire by bulldozing a break and once the fire is contained, burning stags are pushed over by a loader. These stags have the potential to provide valuable nesting sites for Cockatoos, and it is requested that this forum be used to review this practice in general, but in particular in this Park due to its importance as a breeding ground for Cockatoos	Tree pushing only occurs to put fires out, followed by raking and patrolling, as a last resort.	
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The intention to have a Fuel Reduction Regime within a National Park lends even more urgency to undertaking a full fora and fauna study - otherwise how will it be possible to know whether CALM are maintaining diversity etc (Objective 3)  As there has not been sufficient flora studies taking a precautionary approach would suggest that Reserve 990 should also be put under Vegetation Management Regime at least, because of its value as a "Virgin" forest. Recommendation 10: Do flora and fauna studies before areas are burnt. Recommendation 11: Maintain comprehensive records of all wild and controlled fires.  Recommendation 12 Maintain a strong fire fighting capacity at the	in the vegetation maps and No Planned Burn zones. Flora/Fauna assessments and area plans to assess for threatened	2 (d)
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16 Weeds		
Weeds must be given high priority of control. They don't only compete against native plants but also create a fire hazard each year as most weeds die back each summer, creating a yearly fire fuel whereas native plants take several years before they will cary a fire again. Native plants stay green.  (6)	Support for Plan. Weed control, eradication and rehabilitation has a high priority.	2 (a)
Weed control has become a critical issue in the Shire, so much so that Recommendations 2-5 should be made High priority.  (14) A recommendation should be included that as a high priority, all properties	Recommendations 2-5 are complementary to 1 which has a High priority.	2 (a)
adjacent to the Park or within the Park be surveyed for Cotton Bush and other declared weeds, and that landowners eradicate the weeds from their property.	Cotton bush is already referred to Rec 1, to be controlled as part of the 5 year program.	2 (d)
Lovegrass is also creeping into parts of the Park. This weed should be a high priority for eradication within the Park, given that it is currently in low numbers. Lovegrass is a serious problem in areas where it becomes established, increasing fire risk and smothering native herbaceous species.	11 0	1 (a)
Recommendations 2-5 should also be high priority- WC and W & R should be involved where necessary as the weed situation is a disgrace. Follow up rehabilitation is very important as one opportunity has already been lost where weeds were cleared by hand during a LEAP program and it is now as bad as ever.		2 (d)
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17 Rehabilitation 18 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Council's vision of a Heritage Park in Jarrahdale complements the Plan's recommendations to promote and protect the cultural heritage of the Jarrahdale District. Many of the current human use pressures placed on the Serpentine National Park wouldbe redirected to the heritage park site in its development.  (14)	No. Whilst Council's vision of a Heritage Park is supported, it is beyond the scope of this Plan.	2 (a)
This is an area CALM should liaise with the Shire as possibly joint initiatives could take place in proposed Interpretive Centre at Jarrahdale. There is also the possibility of the communitybecoming involved in guided walks with a Noongar theme.  Recommendation 4: Agree and liaise with the Shire and with the Jarrahdale Heritage Society as above.	No. Submitter supports Plan proposals. Plan proposes flexibility to allow emergence of joint activities with local communities and the Shire.	2 (a)
19 European History		
Recommendations 3 and 4 should be upgraded to High; Recommendation 7 should be upgraded from Low to Medium. A Municipal Inventory was adopted by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale or 23 October 1995. It may be beneficial to refer to the Municipal Inventory in the Recommendations, so as to ensure that it maintains a fous within the management plan.		2 (d) 2 (d) 2 (d)
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30 Horse Riding (cont) The area shown as Horse Access Area includes Reserves C26•80 and C26079. These reserves are significant and fragile and are in need of rehabilitation. Although the need for public recreation is appreciated such activities should be carried out in less sensitive area. We submit that the	Horse riding will not be allowed on these reserves. Map adjusted accordingly.	l (e)
area northwest of the Scarp Road be excluded from horse riding.  (1•)  The Corporation's main concern is that a large part of the national park overlays the catchment area for the Serpentine Pipehead Dam. That area of the Park needs to be managed in accordance with the principles of maintaining and conserving the area principally for the purpose of supplying potable water of such quality that it does not require pretreatment other than disinfection and fluoridation. All other land uses med to be subservient to this purpose. The Draft management plan for example (Figure 11) proposes horse access area that are within the boundary of the catchment area. As managers of this catchment under delegation from the Water and Rivers Commission the Corporation considers that such activity with a Priority 1 catchment area is inconsistent with the purpose of the catchment classification and therefore object to this proposal. The Water Corporation would also require the exclusion of horse trails within the Serpentine Pipehead Dam Catchment Area.	Proposals reflect a balance between	1 (e) 2 (e)
The recommendations on page 42 of the Draft Plan are exclusionary and not supported by any sector of the equestrian industry.  (13)	access to horses for recreation and nature conservation.	
Parts of the Serpentine National Park have been used for horseriding for decades and should still provide areas that are available for horses.  Expansion of the equine industry could see additional 5 acre subdivisions and horse hire businesses that will all næd areas to ride. This Park is therefore vital in providing some areas, especially in a North/South direction.	A special Horse Access Area within the Park will be available for horse riding.	2 (e)
A forum should be created to liaise with interested groups for development of trails within the National Park, this opportunity should bepart of the Final Plan rather than quoted in Point No. 4 of recommendation 30 on page 52 which suggests: "Continue to develop, in liaison with interested groups, alternative riding tracks outside the Park".	No. Intention is to encourage development of riding facilities outside of the Park and to assist the local community and interest groups in that development.	2 (e)
I would suggest that the recommendations on excluding all forms of horse riding within the Park are deleted from the Final Plan and to be replaced with recommendations that will be developed by the Working Group suggested on page 42.	There have been several widely divergent viewpoints received and the recommendations of the draft plan are still considered the best option.	2 (e)
It is recommended that the scope of the proposed working grop be broadened to address horse use throughout the Park and the adjacent State Forest area, and not just in the recommended horse access area.  (14)	Intention is to restrict horse access to areas compatible with the condition of the natural environment.	2 (a)
The management plan should include some comment on the compatibility of horse riding and bushland. In area of high conservation, it is accepted that most, if not all human use be excluded.  (14)	Support for Plan.	l (d)
Council supports the establishment of a network of trails throughout the Shire. In the vicinity of the Park, there is a need for a northsouth track linking the Gordon Forest Block / Langford Park with the area to the south of Serpentine National Park. As horses cannot cross the dam wall, the only alternative is Scarp Road.	Scarp Road will be designated as access for horses transiting the Park to the southern horse access area and beyond.	2 (d)
The suggestion that adjacent residents to the north of the Park can use the Langford Park area is not considered feasible, especially for children, given the hazards of Jarrahdale Road and the railway line. A well signposted track circuit in the northern portion of the Park should be considered.  (14)	The Northern section of the Park is the most environmentally sensitive portion of the Park and impacts fromall sources must be minimised.	2 (e)
Many sectors of the equine industry use areas such as the Serpentine National Park for exercise and recreation, and therefore need the continuing support of such areas to be able to exercise their horses. The Draft Plan appears to have a clear message that there is no room for horses within the Serpentine National Park.  (16)	There are large areas set aside for enjoyment of horse riders and a transit corridor, being Scarp Road, is allowed for.	

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30 Horse Riding (cont) There are many areas within the National Park such as the fire tracks and gravel roads that could very easily accommodate bridle trails and not compromise any perceived environmental areas. There is a strong interest in formalising bridle trails within the NationalPark, particularly in the North/South direction and access roads that could connect with residents outside the Park.  (16)	management access only. Scarp Road will be the designated North/South access.	2 (d)
Point No. 4 of recommendation 30 on page 52 suggests "Continue to develop, in liaison with interested groups, alternative riding traks outside the Park". I would like to suggest that with the results from the Peel Equine Needs Analysis Study, the industry will expand, particularly within the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale. Would like to suggest that the Final Plan make a recommendation that it liaises with interested groups to develop trails within and outside the Park.	Development of riding trails outside of the park are beyond the scope of this Plan whilst development within will occur as per the horse access area and requirements of the Water and Rivers	2 (e)
Horses have the potential to spread dieback and to further introduce weeds into more of the Park, and for these reasons as well as to minimise disturbance to the Baudins and Red Tailed Black Cockatoos in this important breeding ground that horse riding should not be permitted in this area, or elsewhere in the Park.  (18)	The Plan attempts to fulfil the needs of many people for recreation as well as that for conservation. Horse riding will only be permitted in a specific Horse Access Area.	2 (e)
The suggestion that anyone in Millbrook should ride up to Jarrahdale Rd to go riding in the forest to the north is not reasonable if they are towards the back of Millbrook. Children would not be allowed to cross Jarahdale Rd or be exposed to the Alcoa trains at ages where they would be allowed in the forest around Millbrook, and this is currently an established use. They could possibly be asked to use the northern Gordon Block but may prefer to access it through Robinswood Follow or the fire break track, if they come from Millbrook so little is gained.		I (d)
(19) Fire trails around the edge of the Park, as well as Robinswood Follow, and Scarp Rd should be signed for horses. The linking of Gordon Block with the area south of the Park is only possible using Scarp Rd accessed from Jarrahdale as horses can't cross the dam wall.	southern horse access area and beyond. Fire breaks to remain solely for that	l (d)
The suggested horse access area could be trialed, though it is remote from possible users, and some is in the harvested catchment area, but it by itelf as the only area accessible to horses is not acceptable to me or to the Horse Industry Committee of the Shire.  (19)	purpose. The Horse Access Area is limited due to the needs of conservation and protection of the Class 1 Water Catchment for Serpentine Dam.	2 (d) (e)
We propose that horses should be allowed access through the Park on already existing roads which are open for public access, but that they should not be allowed directly into natural bush areas. By remaining on already existing roads, the risk of dieback spread and erosion could be minimised and the spread of weeds could be monitored as any occurrence would be close to the roadsides.  (21)	Scarp Road will be designated as access for horses transiting the Park to the southern horse access area and beyond.	1 (d)
31 Information, Interpretation and Education The recommendations in this section are supported, some are already being carried out by the local community.	Support for Plan.	2 (a)
Partnerships between CALM and the community (including Shire) should be pursued to make this one of the most enjoyable, educational and beautiful areas to visit close to Perth. Educational and ecoexperience projects such as at Mundaring, should form part of the Plan as son as possible.  (19)	Support for Plan.	2 (a)
32 Liaison and Community Involvement The recommendations in this section are supported, some are already being carried out by the local community.  (14)	Support for Plan.	2 (a)

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PART F COMMERCIAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT 36 Utilities and Services		
The problem of the effect of Telstra lines and somebody's pipe on the landscape values of the Park side of Jarrahdale Rd should be addressed. (19)	These issues are addressed in the Landscape section.	2 (a)
Modify last sentence to read but this will not be known with certainty until the long term mine plan for the Huntly mine has been further developed (see Mining and Mineral Exploration)	Clarification of Huntly mine status.	2 (e)
PART G IMPLEMENTATION (20)		
38 Management and Staff Resources Disappointed with the removal of the resident ranger from the Park, a ranger living on site is the best way to control vandalism and monitor wildlife. "Friends of the Park" or local residents who support the aims of this DMP should be given all the encouragement possible to continue that interest.	Various strategies and specialists are employed to manage the park, not solely the responsibility of a resident ranger.	2 (d)
(6) It is imperative that sufficient resources are made available to manage the Park and implement the Plan.	Support for Plan's strategies of seeking and implementing management resources.	2 (d)
(14) Management of the Park and implementation of the Plan will require at least two or three additional full time staff based in the Park or the Jarrahdale	Support for Plan's strategies of seeking and implementing management resources.	
office. This is not unreasonable given that parks under similar pressure (eg John Forrest National Park) have considerably more rangers. At least one of the additional staff dedicated to Serpentine should be a handson Recreational Officer or Environmental Education Officer.		2 (d)
There is a huge demand for nature based recreation and informal learning, some of which will be cost neutral if done in the right way. When done in partnership with the local community, this will add to the character of the Park and visitor's experience.	One of the management themes is to build links with local community groups to assist in management and enjoyment of the Park by the Public.	2 (a) (d)
There is a significant incidence of indiscriminate trail bike use, littering and wood gathering including the cutting down of standing trees in the southern parts of the existing Park. There is a need to give a high priority to the increased patrolling of the Park, which cannot be adequately undertaken by	Tactical deployment of staff and resources is beyond the scope of the Plan. Support for Plan's strategies of seeking and implementing management resources.	2 (a) 2 (d)
The problems within the Park are largely those of insufficient management. The amount of vandalism at the Falls apparently increased when the ranger's	Plan describes management elements required for effective management in	
The number of rangers (1) seems quite disproportionate to the visitor	Plan describes management elements required for effective management in	2 (a) 2 (d)
numbers compared to John Forrest and there is a general perception that Serpentine is a very poor cousin to Mundaring. Its actual potential to attract visitors would seem equal to or greater than Mundaring. There would seem to be a strong argument for the Jarrahdale office to be upgraded with respect to its recreational function.	the lifetime of the Plan.	2 (a)
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FIGURES Figure 6 Landscape Management Zones Figure 6 showing the Landscape Management Zones is not referred to in the text and there is no indication of what the different zones are.  (5)		
Figure 9 Fire Management Plan The Special Conservation zone referred to on page 24 under "No Planned Burn" needs to be shown on the Map. This is also referred to in the section on Horse Riding.	No. There was an incorrect reference to special conservation in the Draft plan. Text amended.	2 (e)
(5) Figure 10 European Cultural History Map		

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Figure 11 Public Access and Recreation Sites		
Figure 11 shows a hatched area for horse access this corresponds with the "No planned burn area" which the management plan refers to as part of the Special Conservation Zone supporting important vegetation types. It appears that the horse access area may be incorrectly located. In addition the section on Horse Riding states that horses will be kept on designated tracks, it would therefore seem nore appropriate that tracks rather than a horse access zone are shown on the map, as this may imply that access throughout the area is permitted.	Horse access area incorrectly shown in draft plan. Area amended in final plan as per Water Corporation requirements. Horse trails in access area will be developed during life of the Plan.	1 (e)
The proposed Horse Access Area covering approximately 15sqkm cannot be correct. Figure 5 indicates about half of the proposed horse area is in the Harvest Catchment. I would like to think a mistake has been made.  (7)	Horse access area incorrectly shown in the plan. Plan amended as per Water Corporation requirements.	1 (e)
We have been walking in the area for many years and really enjoy the relatively new walk from Gooralong Park to Serpentine Falls. Previously, the track down Gooralong Brook was on the east side of the brook. The views o the waterfalls and general scenery are very good and complementary to those on the west side.	2	2 (a)
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Figure 12 Serpentine Falls Pool Depth Contours Figure 13 Gooralong Recreation Area Concept Plan		
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