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BUSH FOREVER INFORMATION SHEET

NOMINATED ADDITIONAL BUSH FOREVER AREAS

BACKGROUND

Bush Forever released in December 2000 is an all of Government initiative aimed to retain and protect regionally significant bushland on the Swan Coastal Plain within the Perth Metropolitan Region.

Bush Forever fulfils the Governments commitment to preparing a strategic plan for the conservation of bushland on the Swan Coastal Plain portion of the Perth Metropolitan Region as identified in the *Urban Bushland Strategy* (Government of Western Australia, 1995) and will contribute significantly to achieving the core objectives of the 1996 *National Strategy for the Conservation of Australia's Biological Diversity*.

Bush Forever aims to protect over 51,000 hectares of regionally significant bushland within 287 sites across the metropolitan portion of the Swan Coastal Plain.

The draft of *Bush Forever, Perth's Bushplan*, was released for public comment in November 1998. During the public consultation period, between November 1998 and April 1999, over 2,000 submissions were received from landowners, government departments, industry, community groups and interested individuals. Some of the submissions nominated additional naturally vegetated areas to be considered for inclusion in the final report while others requested the removal of naturally vegetated areas from *Bush Forever*.

THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Each area nominated for addition or deletion required assessment against the regionally significant bushland criteria and planning considerations that were used to select sites identified in *Perth's Bushplan*. The criteria and considerations as outlined in *Bush Forever* include:

Regionally Significant Bushland Criteria:

- *Representation of ecological communities:* representation of the range of ecological communities and the areas where these communities merge.
- *Diversity:* areas that have a high diversity of flora and/or fauna species or communities in close association.
- *Rarity:* areas containing communities or species that are rare, threatened or have a restricted distribution.
- *Maintaining ecological systems or natural processes:* maintenance of ecological processes or natural systems at a regional or national scale.
- *Scientific or evolutionary importance:* evidence of evolutionary processes either as fossilised material or as a relict species and areas containing unusual or important geomorphological or geological sites.

Areas of recognised scientific or educational interest as reference sites or as examples of important environmental processes at work.

- *General criteria for the protection of wetlands, streamlines and estuarine fringing vegetation and coastal vegetation.*
- *Criteria not relevant to determining regional significance but which may be applied when evaluating areas having similar values:* for example historic or landscape values.

Planning Considerations:

- *Planning considerations:* including assessment of existing land use zoning, existing development approvals, ownership, regional infrastructure requirements and extractive and mining industry requirements.
- *Wider social and economic values:* including financial resources of government were also taken into consideration.

While the majority of the areas proposed for deletion were assessed prior to the release of *Bush Forever*, many of the nominated additional areas still required assessment at the time *Bush Forever* was released.

The existence of the nominated additional areas is clearly outlined in the *Bush Forever* documentation that states:

Over 100 additional areas were nominated during the public submission period on draft Perth's Bushplan. Each nomination is being considered as part of an on-going process. Only those areas listed below have so far been assessed as not suitable or appropriate for inclusion in Bush Forever. Other nominated areas will require further investigation in full consultation and agreement with the landowners and in the context of bushland and planning criteria. (Bush Forever Summary of Submissions report Appendix 6 – Section 1.7, pages 71-72).

A total of 109 areas were nominated for addition to *Bush Forever*. Prior to the release of *Bush Forever*, 36 of the nominated areas were assessed against the *Bush Forever* criteria and resulted in the following:

- 22 areas did not meet the criteria and were therefore excluded. These areas are listed in *Bush Forever* (Summary of Submissions report pages 71-72);
- 3 areas were already included as existing sites in draft *Perth's Bushplan*; and
- 11 areas were agreed to be included either as additions to existing sites or new sites and were included in *Bush Forever*.

Since the release of *Bush Forever* an assessment of the remaining 73 nominated areas against the *Bush Forever* criteria outlined above has been undertaken. The Bush Forever agencies have agreed that 17 of the nominated additional areas are likely to meet the *Bush Forever* criteria and comply with the planning considerations. A detailed investigation of these 17 areas is now required to confirm compliance with the *Bush Forever* criteria.

Of the 17 nominated areas requiring further consideration, 13 are extensions to existing *Bush Forever* sites and four are new areas. Twelve of the nominated areas are on Government owned land with five of the nominated areas containing land in private ownership.

The other 56 nominated areas were not considered to meet the *Bush Forever* regional significance criteria, were constrained by planning commitments, or were identified as being able to be protected through other planning and environmental mechanisms and will not be considered further through *Bush Forever*. The other mechanisms identified include:

- Areas containing a conservation category wetland or listed under the *Environmental Protection (Swan Coastal Plain Lakes) Policy 1992* with little or no associated upland vegetation, will be protected by other State mechanisms through the planning and environmental approvals process.
- Areas containing a registered Aboriginal Site will be protected by the requirement of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972* through the planning and environmental approvals process.
- Areas containing vegetation from the eastern side of the Swan Coastal Plain will be protected by the agreed presumption against further clearing of these vegetation complexes, as outlined in *Bush Forever* (Volume 1, page xiv), applied through the planning and environmental approvals process.

The Environmental Protection Authority and the Western Australian Planning Commission endorsed the outcomes of the assessment process for the nominated additional areas at their respective meetings in May 2002.

A complete list of the 109 additional areas that were nominated through the public submission process is provided in the table along with the decision made during the assessment process.

The 17 areas that are being further considered are highlighted on the following table with their location and additional information provided on the enclosed map.

WHERE TO FROM HERE

Further consideration of the 17 nominated areas considered likely to meet the *Bush Forever* criteria is now required. This includes a detailed investigation of each area and liaison with the landowner/s. It is important to note that the nominated areas can only be included in *Bush Forever* if they meet the regional significance criteria and landowner agreement has been reached.

The landowners within the remaining nominated areas have recently been notified and the detailed assessments are currently being undertaken. The timeframe for completing the assessment process of these 17 areas will be dependent on reaching resolution with the affected landowners. It is anticipated that resolution on the majority of these additional areas will be reached before the end of the year.

To strategically oversee the implementation of *Bush Forever* and the assessment of the remaining 17 nominated additional areas, a multi-stakeholder advisory group, the Bush Forever Advisory Group, is being established.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information regarding the nominated additional *Bush Forever* areas or any *Bush Forever* matters, please contact:

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NOTES TO ACCOMPANY TABLE

General

- The shaded areas are the 17 areas that are to be considered further.

Column 1: Nominated Additional Area Identification Number

- Some nominated areas were divided into two sections 'a' and 'b' with part being assessed prior to the release of *Bush Forever* and the remainder assessed post release of *Bush Forever*.

Column 2: Name of Nominated Additional Area

- The names of the nominated additional areas were selected to best describe the area and are not necessarily the name provided in the submissions.

Column 3: Summary of assessment process outcomes

- CCW: Conservation Category Wetland
- EPA: Environmental Protection Authority
- EPP: Environmental Protection Policy
- POS: Public Open Space
- P&R: Parks and Recreation
- SCP: Swan Coastal Plain
- TEC: Threatened Ecological Community
- EPBC Act: *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*
- Protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing - Protected by the agreed presumption against clearing of vegetation complexes on the eastern side of the Swan Coastal Plain

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**Bush Forever
 Nominated Additional Bush Forever Areas**

Table: Nominated Additional Bush Forever Areas

No.	Name of Nominated Area	Outcome of Assessment Process
1	Cliffs Freshwater Bay, Peppermint Grove	Already included in draft Perth's Bushplan
2	Point Waylen, Attadale	Already included in draft Perth's Bushplan
3	Bushland corner of Mundijong and Duckpond Rds, Baldivis	Already included in draft Perth's Bushplan
4	Additions to Whiteman Park, link between Bush Forever sites 304 & 196, Cullacabardee	Included in Bush Forever
5	Addition to Bush Forever site 435 (Lots 792 & 4091), Munster	Included in Bush Forever
6	Folly Pool north, Baldivis	Included in Bush Forever
7	Lot 10 Flynn Drive, Neerabup	Included in Bush Forever
8	Leda east - Lots 30, 38, 1278 Wellard Rd, Lot 38 Millar Rd, Loc 1724 & Vacant Crown Land, Wellard	Included in Bush Forever
9a	Errina Road Bushland, Alexander Heights - Lot 609	Included in Bush Forever
9b	Errina Road, Alexander Heights	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
10a	South Tamworth Hill Bushland and wetlands - Crown Reserve and Water Corp. land	Included in Bush Forever
10b	Tamworth Hill bushland, Baldivis - Lots 330 & 336 Eighty Rd, Baldivis.	Not included, wetland on Lot 330 already protected as CCW, development zoning and subdivision approvals already in place
11a	Atwell LandCorp site - Lyon/Gaebler Woodland, Lot 204 Lyon Rd	Included in Bush Forever
11b	Atwell LandCorp Site - Lyon/Gaebler Roads Banjup	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
12a	Lots to north of east wing of Bush Forever site 390, Government land to east of Lot 139 Jandakot Rd.	Included in Bush Forever
12b	Lots to north of east wing of Bush Forever site 390, Jandakot Rd, Banjup. - Lot 138 Jandakot Rd.	Not regionally significant bushland
13a	Lot 795 Anketell Rd & lot/s to east - Lot 795	Included in Bush Forever
13b	Lot 795 Anketell Rd & lot/s to east, Oakford. Part Area 1 - eastern lot/s. Part Area 2 - Lot 795 Anketell Rd.	Not regionally significant bushland
14a	Blue Heeler Swamp/ Baldivis Swamp - Lot 509, eastern part	Included in Bush Forever
14b	Blue Heeler Swamp/Baldivis Swamp, Baldivis	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
15	Lake Pinjar, Pinjar	Investigate further, extends Site 382 to proposed P&R boundary
16	Warwick Senior High School bushland, Warwick	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
17	Channel 9 bushland Hayes Ave Dianella	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
18	East Shenton bushland, Leminos St, Shenton Park	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
19	Murdoch superblock - Murdoch/Leeming	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
20	Lots 371 and 372 Broome St, Forrestdale	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland, extension to Bush Forever site 345
21	Link between Bush Forever sites 255/464/246,	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland Gosnells/Southern River and zoned P&R
22	Lot 12 Rowley Rd, Forrestdale	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland, extension to Bush Forever site 345
23	Conservation Category Wetland, north-west of Bush Forever site 125, Warton Road Southern River	Investigate further - extension to BF Site 125, already set aside as POS
24	Bushland east of Bakewell Drive, north Port Kennedy Drive, Port Kennedy	Investigate further - likely to contain internationally significant wetlands
25	Murdoch University bushland/wetlands Farrington Murdoch	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
26	West Thomson's Lake, Henderson Rd, Munster	Investigate further - likely to contain regionally significant bushland
27	Frankland Reserve, Rowley Rd Wattleup	Investigate further - potential land swap between the reserve and adjacent rural blocks
28	Rowley/Frankland/Barfield Rds, Banjup	Investigate further - potential land swap with Frankland Reserve
29	Forrestfield Marshalling Yard wetland	Not included, already protected as CCW
30	Egerton wetland/bushland extending south from Bush Forever site 22, Ellenbrook	Not included, already protected as CCW
31	Twin Manjedal Swamp, southwest of corner of Bishop Rd & Soldiers Rd, Mundijong	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing and already protected as CCW
32	Twin Bartram Swamps, Bartram Rd, Success	Not included, already protected as EPP Lakes
33	Crompton/Day Rd wetlands, East Rockingham	Not included, protected as TEC under EPBC Act 1999 and already protected as CCWs
34	Beenyup Swamp, Wicksteed Close, Baldivis	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing and already protected as EPP Lake
35	Lander Swamp, Southern River	Not included, already protected as EPP Lake
36	Outridge Swamp, Outridge Rd, Baldivis	Not included, already protected as EPP Lake
37	Wetlands south-east of Kwinana Freeway/Rowley Road intersection, Wandi	Not included, already protected as CCW
38	Bollard Bulrush Swamp, Wellard	Not included, already protected as EPP Lake
39	Bushland south of Eileen St, Gosnells	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing
40	Yakine Swamp, Lake Yakine, corner Ngarara Road and Swan Road, Ellenbrook	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing
41	All Lot 4 Mandurah Rd, Karnup	Not included, development zoning & approvals already in place
42	Spearwood Ridge, between Sicklemore Rd & Johnson Rd, Parmelia	Not included, development zoning already in place
43	Bushland bounded by Gaebler Rd, Barfield Rd, Russel Rd and Frankland Ave, Banjup (adjacent to and east of Bush Forever site 392)	Not included, development zoning already in place
44	All Lot 431 Oxley Road, Forrestdale	Not included, development zoning already in place
45	Bushland around Vines and Ellenbrook	Not included, development zoning already in place
46	Victoria Rd bushland (corner of Victoria Rd & Beringarra Ave), Malaga	Not included, wetland already protected as CCW, currently being assessed by the EPA
47	Lots 78 & 85 Bannister Rd, Canning Vale	Not included, development zoning already in place
48	Leeming Road -linkage east from Karel Ave/ Hope Rd intersection through to Ken Hurst Park, Leeming	Not included, regional road reserve
49	Bushland corner of Midland Rd & Sadler Dr (part of Bushmead Bushland), Helena Valley	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, core bushland areas already included in Bush Forever
50	South-east section of Intersection between Stock & Forest Rds, Bibra Lake	Not included, regional road reserve
51	North-east, north-west and south-west sections of intersection between Stock & Forest Roads, Hamilton Hill/ Coolbellup see Stock/Forest Rd, Coolbellup	Not included, regional road reserve

52	Bushland/wetlands to the northeast of Bush Forever site 300, Maralla Rd, Bullsbrook	Not included, although large area of bushland, is privately owned land with land owner support for small portion only
53	Long Swamp linked by an east-west transect through to Bush Forever site 269, Hope Valley Rd, Hope Valley	Not included, Long Swamp already protected as EPP Lake & by a Planning Control Area, Alcoa land heavily constrained by previous planning commitments
54	Bushland within & adjacent to the Roe and Tonkin Hwy Interchange, Forrestfield.	Not included, wetlands already protected as CCWs, TEC & DRF likely to be present, regional road reserve
55	Blackadder Creek from Bush Forever site 306 extending to the Swan River, Viveash/ Midland/ Middle Swan/ Stratton	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, vegetated only in parts, some sections already protected under P&R zoning
56	Lower Kadina Brook floodplain, from Helena Valley Rd extending to the Helena River, Bellevue	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, vegetated only in parts
57	Helena River, from Bush Forever site 215 extending to the Swan River, Helena Valley/ Hazelmere	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, vegetated only in parts, some sections already protected under P&R zoning
58	Kadina Brook, from Bush Forever site 217 to Bush Forever site 213, Gooseberry Hill	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, vegetated only in parts
59	Hilbert Road Wetlands/Wungong Brook northwest of Rowley Rd, Brookdale	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, vegetated only in parts, some sections already protected under P&R zoning
60	Crumpet Creek Reserves, bushland along Crumpet Creek, between Josephine Crescent and Bush Forever site 440, Forrestfield	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing, vegetated only in parts, some sections already protected under P&R zoning.
61	Secret Harbour Swales, S of Secret Harbour, to Mandurah Rd, Secret Harbour	Not included, wetlands protected as TEC under EPBC Act 1999, development zoning & approvals already in place
62	Bushland bounded by Sudlow, Phoenix & North Lake Rds, west of South Lake, Bibra Lake	Not included, currently being assessed by the EPA
63	Bushland corner of Northwood Drive & Reid Hwy (Cherrywood Av.), Dianella	Not included, development approvals already in place
64	2 separate areas adjacent to Bush Forever site 386. Area 1 - Bushland south of Snook Rd, within Perth Airport (and west of Tonkin Hwy). Area 2 - Bushland between Tonkin Hwy and Towie St, Cloverdale.	Not included, planning constraints - part Commonwealth land & part road reserve
65	Lot 608 Dixon Rd, Kalamunda	Not SCP vegetation
66	Marsh Rd Bushland, Armadale	Not SCP vegetation
67	Milyu Nature Reserve, South Perth	Estuarine, not bushland, already protected as a nature reserve
68	Unmade section of Reid Hwy between Bush Forever sites 203 & 204, Carine	Not regionally significant bushland
69	Bushland on corner of McDonald St & Lefroy Ave, Herne Hill	Not regionally significant bushland
70	Banksia Farm, Lot 87 Rochdale Rd, Mt Claremont	Not regionally significant bushland
71	Parts of Canning River foreshore not already identified in draft <i>Perth's Bushplan</i>	Not regionally significant bushland
72	Lots 2611 & 27 Scofield Road, Wattle Grove (parts not already identified in draft <i>Perth's Bushplan</i>)	Not regionally significant bushland
73	West Manning Lake, between Cockburn Rd & Bush Forever site 247, Spearwood	Not regionally significant bushland
74	Gosnells Golf Course, Warton/Furly Rd Bushland, Canning Vale	Not regionally significant bushland
75	Wetland on Lots 112 & 113 Nicholson Road, Canning Vale	Not regionally significant bushland
76	West Lake Coogee, between Cockburn Rd & <i>Bush Forever</i> site 261, Munster	Not regionally significant bushland
77	Branch Circus wetlands, Success (western part of Hammond/Branch Circus wetland)	Not regionally significant bushland
78	Gil Chalwell Reserve, Boronia Rd, Banjup	Not regionally significant bushland
79	Marri Park Golf Course, Casuarina	Not regionally significant bushland
80	Connect Bush Forever sites 472/253/125/413/465 /340/464, Huntingdale/ Southern River	Not regionally significant bushland
81	Tramway from Cockburn to Mandurah – good sections of bushland already included in <i>Bush Forever</i>	Not regionally significant bushland
82	Lots 2 & 3 cnr Ranford Rd & Wright St, Forrestdale	Not regionally significant bushland
83	Poletti Rd, Jandakot	Not regionally significant bushland
84a	Gosnells bushland reserves – Osprey, Barson, Bottlebrush & Sherlock	Not regionally significant bushland
84b	City of Gosnells bushland reserves. Part Area 1 - Hume Rd reserve, bushland corner of Hume Rd & Cassidy Rd, Thornlie. Part Area 2 - Empire Way reserve, bushland on Warton Rd near corner with Spencer Rd, Thornlie. Part Area 3 - Osprey. Part Area 4 - Barson. Part Area 5 - Bottlebrush. Part Area 6 - Sherlock	Not regionally significant bushland
85	Rocky Bay, Harvest Tce to Rule St, North Fremantle	Not regionally significant bushland
86	Rossmoyne/ Shelley foreshore	Not regionally significant bushland
87	Kiara TAFE bushland, cnr Bottlebrush Dr and Morley Dr East, Kiara	Not regionally significant bushland
88	Lot 61 Beenyp Rd, Atwell	Not regionally significant bushland
89	Wetland on Sheffield Rd, Welshpool (Black Swamp) and wetland on unmade section of Tomah Road, Welshpool, both just west of railway line.	Not regionally significant bushland
90	Coogee Swamp & Doogarch Cave, Carabooda	Not regionally significant bushland
91	Mabel & Jack Moore's Religious Grounds, Caversham	Not regionally significant bushland
92	Bushland between Parkway Rd & Kwinana Fwy, Bibra Lake (Switching Station)	Not regionally significant bushland
93	Wetland corner of Altone Rd & Beckworth Ave, Kiara	Not regionally significant bushland
94	Bushland adjacent to Brae Rd, High Wycombe (Brae Rd Reserves - Poison Gully)	Not regionally significant bushland
95	Bushland linking Bush Forever sites 392/393/268, Mandogalup	Not regionally significant bushland
96	Lot 439 Coyle Rd, Oldbury	Not regionally significant bushland
97	Foxton Drive north to Rowley Rd, Oakford	Not regionally significant bushland
98	Battersby Rd wetland, north-east of Bush Forever site 270, Anketell	Not regionally significant bushland
99	Mandogalup Swamp mid-south & adjacent. CCW to south, between Kwinana Freeway & Lyon Rd, Wandi	Not regionally significant bushland
100	Gaebler Rd wetland, Banjup	Not regionally significant bushland
101	Bushland between Glen Iris Country Club and Bush Forever site 388, Jandakot	Not regionally significant bushland
102	Eric Singleton Bird Sanctuary, King William St, Bayswater	Not regionally significant bushland
103	Hird Road Wetland, Success (eastern part of Hammond/Branch Circus Wetland)	Not regionally significant bushland
104	Shreeve Rd Wetland, Canning Vale	Not regionally significant bushland
105	Bushland near proposed extension to Tonkin Highway, Allen Rd, Gosnells	Not included, protected by eastern side SCP presumption against clearing
106	Lake Copulup, Success	Not included, already protected as EPP lake
107	Wandoo Heights, Range Road, Red Hill	SCP vegetation outside Bush Forever study area
108	Rushton Road, Ellis Brook, Martin	SCP vegetation outside Bush Forever study area
109	Serpentine-Jarrahdale Rifle Club, Linton St North, Karrakup	SCP vegetation outside Bush Forever study area