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### 1 INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Background

JWA Pty Ltd has been engaged by Leda Manorstead Pty Ltd to complete a Biodiversity Assessment of a 3.80 ha Swamp mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta) community, occurring on the Cobaki Estate site, utilising the Framework for Biodiversity Assessment (FBA) and the BioBanking Credit Calculator (BBCC). The FBA underpins the NSW Biodiversity Offsets Policy for Major Projects. It contains the assessment methodology that is adopted by the policy to quantify and describe the impact assessment and offset requirements that apply to Major Projects. The BBCC is an online application that can be used by accredited assessors to assess the impacts on biodiversity values at a development site. The data obtained using the FBA is entered into the BBCC to assess landscape value, vegetation type and condition, and threatened species habitat. The BBCC uses this data to determine the number and type of credits required to offset the impacts on biodiversity values at a development site.

The initial version of this Biodiversity Assessment Report (BAR) was completed by JWA and forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment (DoPE) in late April 2016. It was also forwarded to the Office of Environment & Heritage (OEH) for review along with the BBCC assessment in early June 2016. Following discussions with OEH, minor amendments were made to the BBCC assessment/BAR and forwarded to OEH and DoPE in late July 2016. Subsequent discussions have required further minor amendments to the BBCC assessment as detailed within this latest version of the BAR.

The Biodiversity Credit Report and Biodiversity Credit Calculator Report that have informed the preparation of this BAR are available on request.

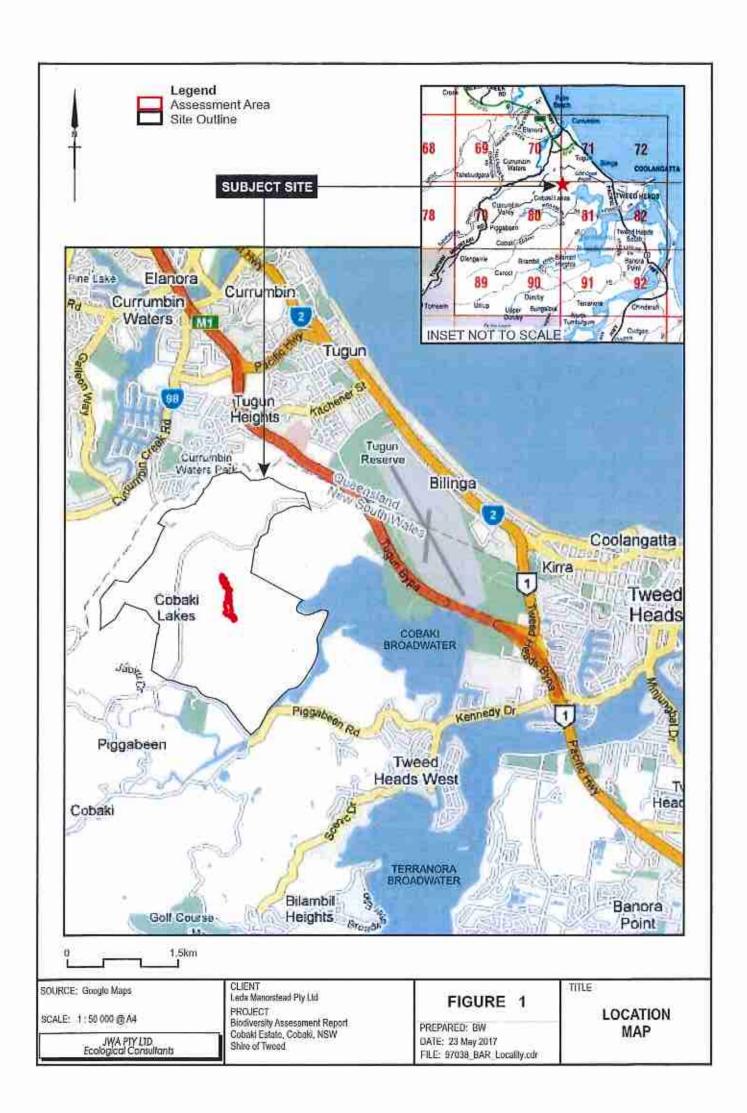
# 1.2 Locality

### 1.2.1 Introduction

The locality is defined as the area within a 10km radius of the Subject site. The locality therefore extends from North Tumbulgum in the south to Burleigh Heads in the north and from Currumbin Valley in the west to Tweed Heads in the east (FIGURE 1).

Prominent features in the locality include the townships of Coolangatta, Palm Beach and Banora Point and the villages of Tallebudgera, Pigabeen and Bilambil Heights. Prominent water bodies in the locality include the Cobaki Broadwater, Currumbin Creek, Cobaki Creek, Terranora Broadwater and the Coral Sea.

Dominant habitat types are eucalypt forest, swamp sclerophyll forest, heathlands, sedgelands, rushlands, subtropical rainforest, littoral rainforest and intertidal communities. Land uses within the locality include residential, forestry, conservation, tourism, commercial, fishing, grazing and agriculture.



# 1.2.2 Conservation Reserves/Ecologically significant areas in the locality

There are three (3) dedicated conservation reserves in the locality:

- Tweed Estuary Nature Reserve, an area of 59 hectares to the east of the Subject site.
- Stotts Island Nature Reserve, an area of 142 hectares to the south of the Subject site; and
- Ukerebagh Nature Reserve, an area of 150 hectares to the east of the Subject site.

State Environmental Planning Policy No. 14 - Coastal Wetlands (SEPP 14) provides protection for a large number of mapped wetlands along the east coast of NSW. Mapped SEPP 14 Wetlands numbers 1 - 30 occur in the locality, and are shown in FIGURE 2. A large area of SEPP 14 Wetland No. 1 is located immediately east of the Subject site adjacent to Cobaki Broadwater and Cobaki Creek FIGURE 3.

Littoral rainforests are protected by State Environmental Planning Policy No. 26 - Littoral Rainforest (SEPP 26). Mapped SEPP 26 Littoral Rainforests numbers 2A, 2B, and 2C occur within the locality and are shown in FIGURE 4.

# 1.3 The Development Site and Assessment Area

### 1.3.1 Development Site

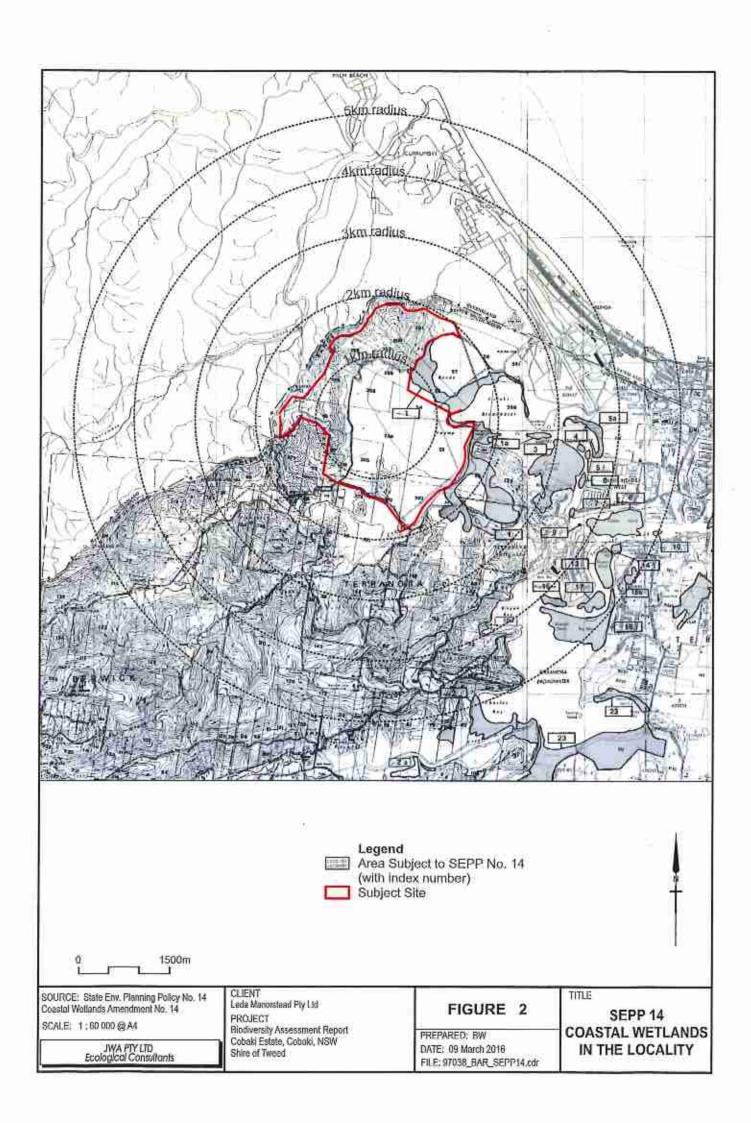
The Cobaki Estate site consists of land described as Lot 1 DP 570076, Lot 2 DP 566529, Lot 1 DP 562222, Lot 1 DP 570077, Lot 1 823679, Lots 46, 54, 55, 199, 200, 201, 202, 205, 206, 209, 228 & 305 DP 755740, Cobaki Lakes, off Pigabeen Road, Tweed Heads. The site covers an area of approximately 605 hectares and is shown in FIGURE 5.

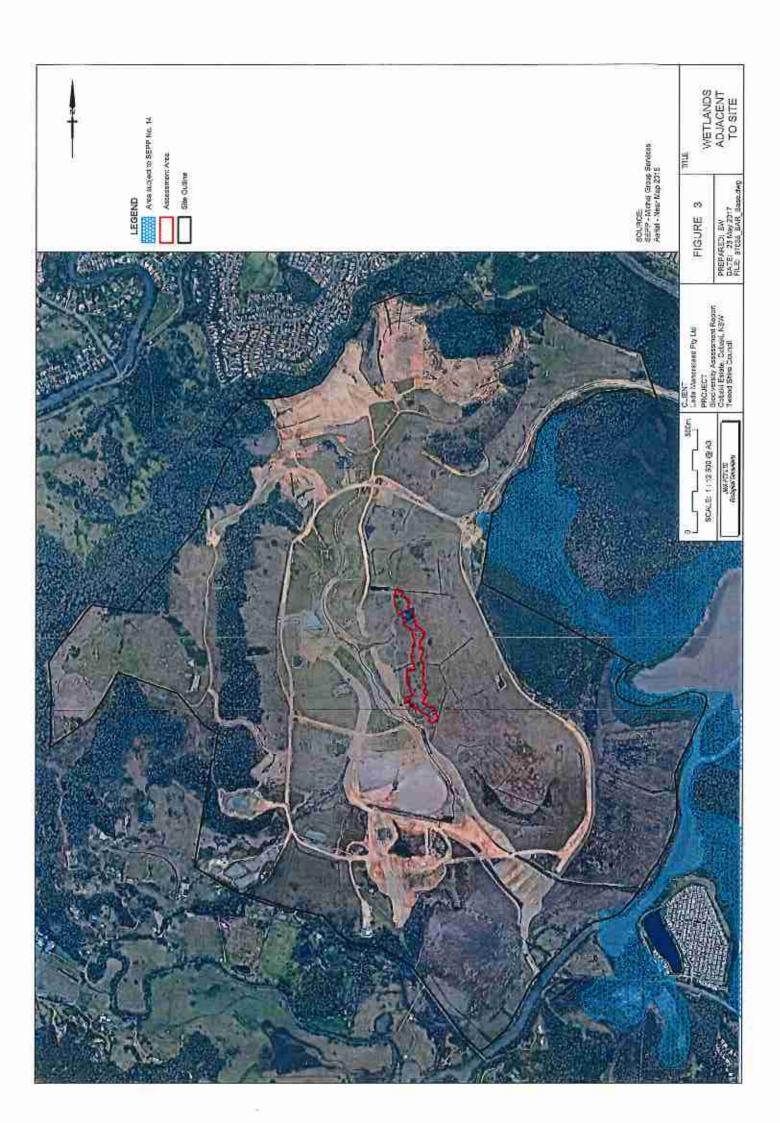
The site lies adjacent to private landholdings to the north-west and south-east, and comprises a large portion of land cleared for agricultural purposes (i.e. grazing) throughout which a number of vegetation communities occur. Extensive clearing and subsequent slashing over the drainage basin has resulted in the recruitment of a combination of native and introduced grass species in place of native plants. Forested Crown lands which form the NSW-QLD border also form the northern and western boundary of the Cobaki Estate site (FIGURE 5).

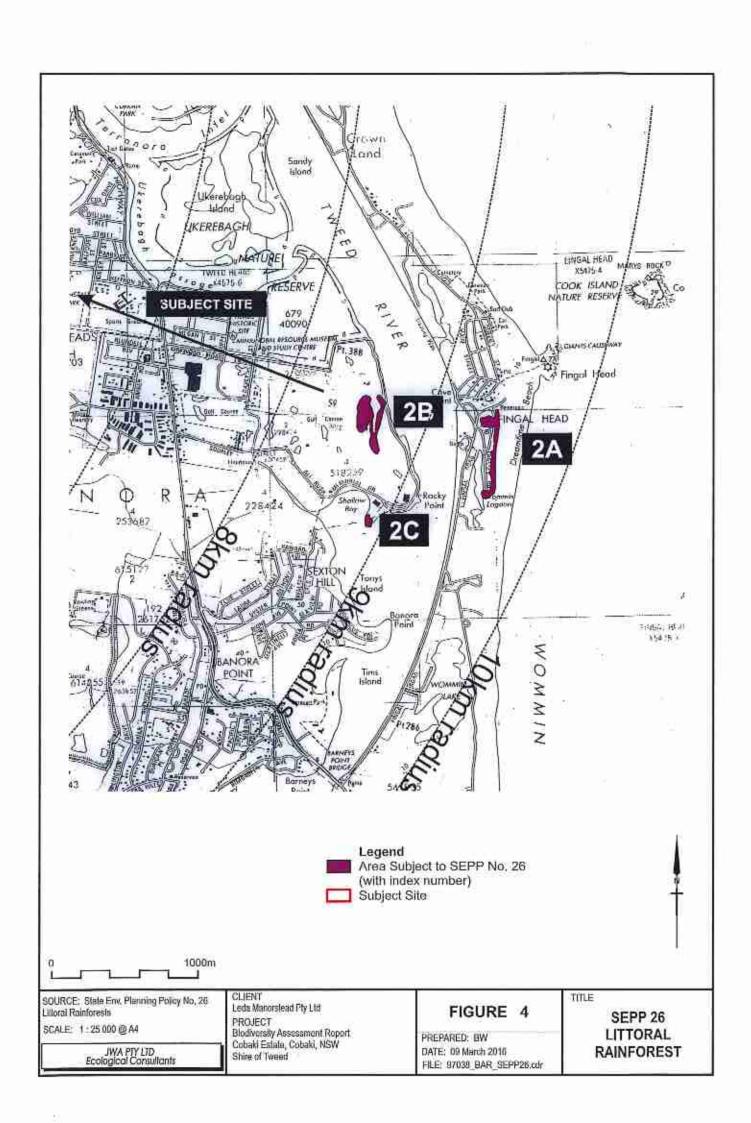
#### 1.3.2 Topography, Soils, Geology and Drainage

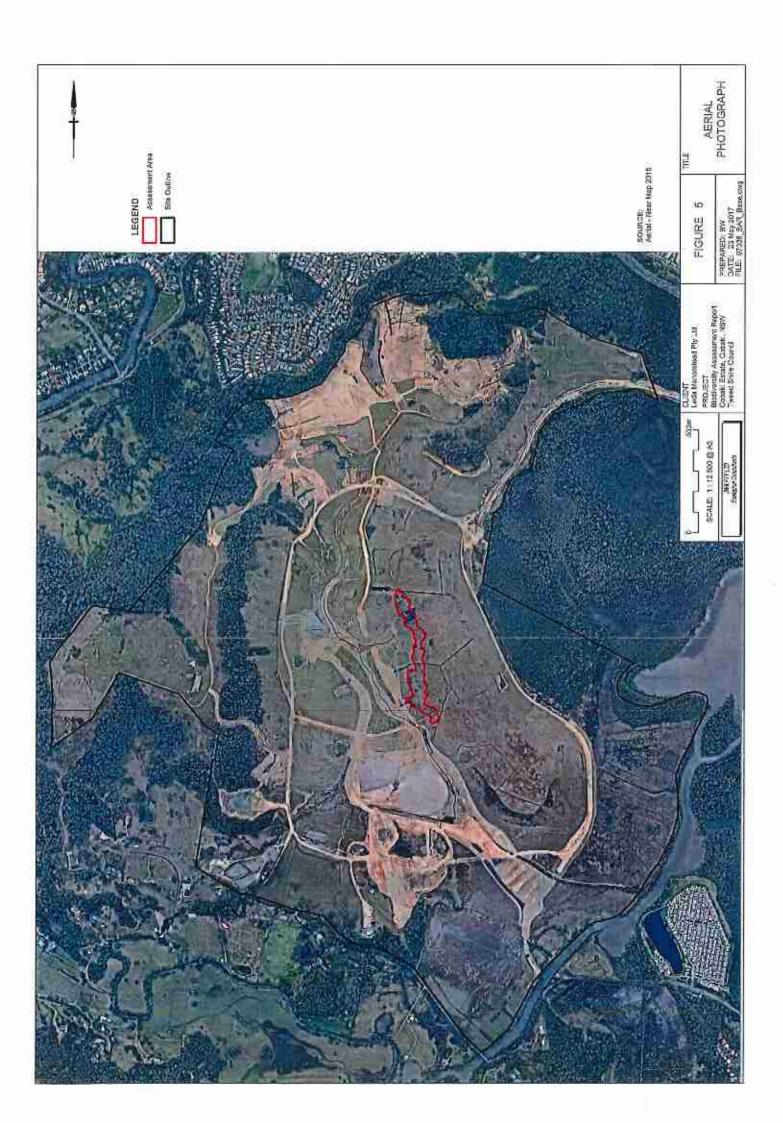
The Subject site occupies the lower or eastern end of the Cobaki - Pigabeen Valley system. The site topography is considered as two (2) separate systems:

 The Sub-coastal foothills and outcrops of the eastern end of the McPherson Range, which comprises the western and northern part of the site and covers an area of approximately 280 hectares, or 42% of the site, and corresponding to a broad north/south line of hills. The terrain of these hills is rolling/hilly to hilly in a series of ridges and spurs with slopes of 10% to 25% and some 16% of the site having slopes in excess of 25%.









 The foothills enclose a coastal plain drainage basin comprising a composite of river/estuarine floodplain and sand-plain formed by sandbanks, beach or rolled and flattened dune systems.

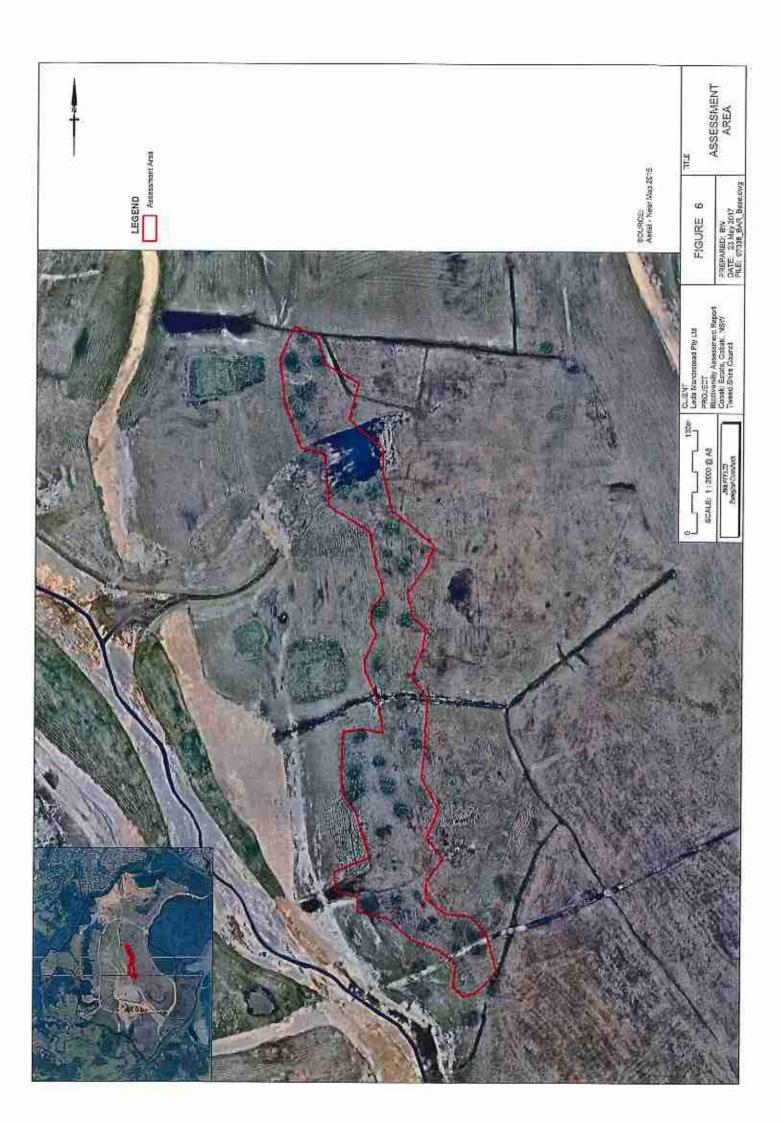
The McPherson range foothills and elevated portions of the site derive from bedrock of deeply weathered argillites (greywackes, siltstones and shales) of the Neranleigh - Fernvale Group (metasediments) overlain in parts by basalt fragments of the tertiary volcanics. More recent alluvial and estuarine deposits comprise the coastal plains on the site (Woodward-Clyde 1997).

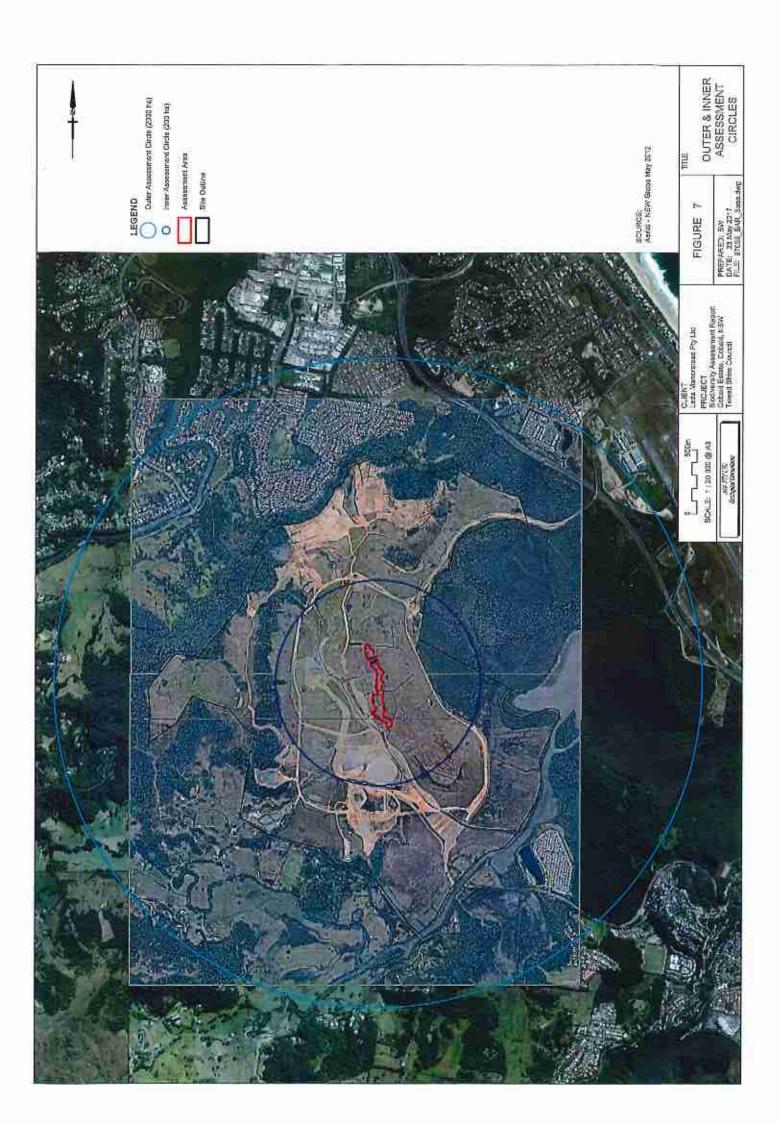
Elevations of the poorly drained, or low lying coastal plains, range from Cobaki Broadwater level to approximately four (4) metres AHD. The elevations of the foothills extend to a maximum of approximately one hundred (100) metres at the north-west extremity of the site, and around ninety-five (95) metres near Mt. Woodgee in the northern extremity of the site (Woodward-Clyde 1997).

A series of drains run through the site (FIGURE 5). Dunn's Drain is the main drain, traversing the site in a south-east to north-west direction. A floodgate located at its junction with Cobaki Creek, in the south-east portion of the site, inhibits tidal flows. Tides at the higher levels enter the low-lying land in the south of the site by over-topping the bund wall adjacent to Cobaki Creek.

#### 1.3.3 Assessment Area

The assessment area includes a single patch of vegetation covering an area of approximately 3.80 ha. This patch of vegetation is predominantly comprised of Swamp mahogany trees (52 in total) and occurs in the central portion of the Cobaki Estate site (FIGURE 6). It should be noted that this vegetation community has been extensively modified by past and current land use (e.g. cattle grazing and slashing). For the purpose of the BBCC, an outer assessment circle of 2000 ha has been applied (centred over the Cobaki Estate site) and an inner assessment circle of 200 ha has been applied (centred over the assessment area) (FIGURE 7).





### 2 LANDSCAPE FEATURES

### 2.1 Introduction

This section provides the landscape features, that have been identified at the development site, and the associated data that has been entered in the BioBanking Credit Calculator (BBCC) where relevant. These features include:

- Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australian (IBRA) bioregions, subregions and NSW landscape regions (Mitchell landscapes);
- Native vegetation extent in the outer assessment circle and cleared areas;
- · Rivers and streams classified according to stream order;
- Wetlands within, adjacent to and downstream of the development site;
- · State, regional and local biodiversity links (corridors); and
- Landscape value components and score.

# 2.2 IBRA Bioregions, Subregions and NSW Landscape Regions

The development site occurs within the Murwillumbah (Qld - Southeast Hills and Ranges) IBRA subregion. The majority of the site occurs within the Byron-Tweed Alluvial Plains Mitchell landscape. The extent of these regions at the development site is shown in **FIGURE** 8.

# 2.3 Native Vegetation Extent and Cleared Areas

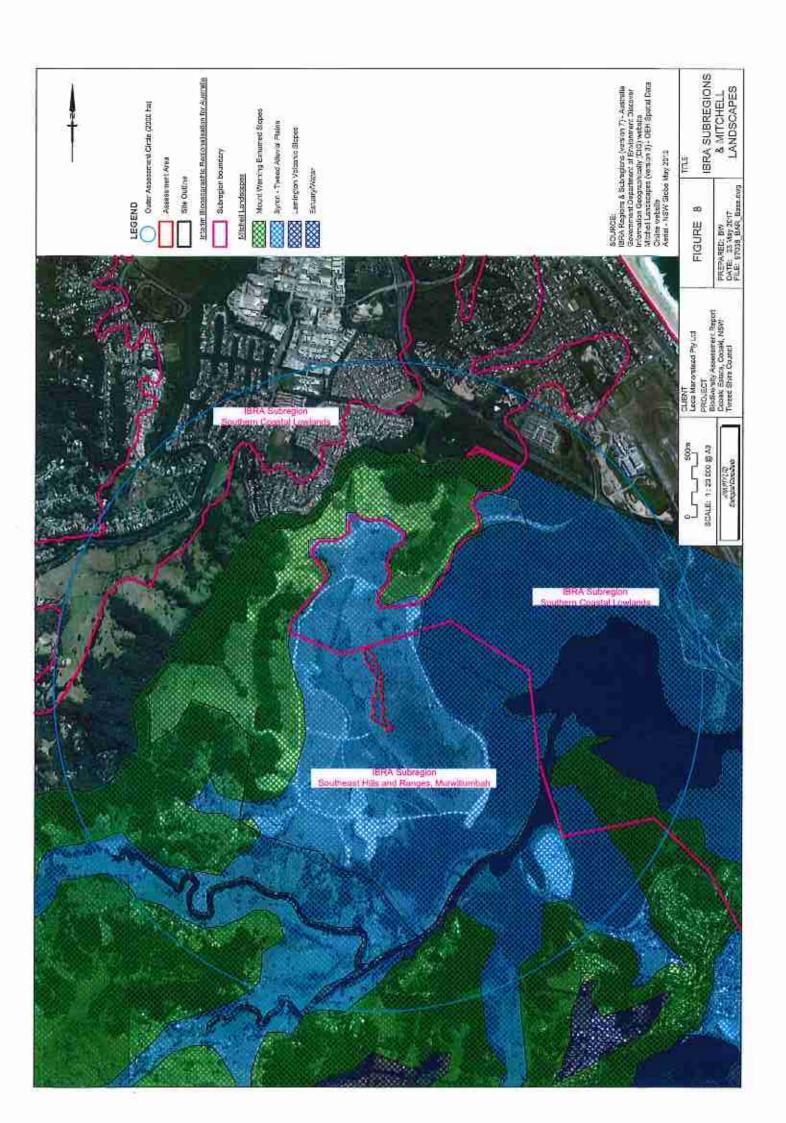
Vegetation mapping completed for the Cobaki Estate site is provided in FIGURE 9. Cleared areas within the development site can be seen in FIGURES 5 & 9. Native vegetation occurring in the outer assessment circle is shown in FIGURE 10. It is estimated that the extent of native vegetation in the outer assessment circle is approximately 833 ha.

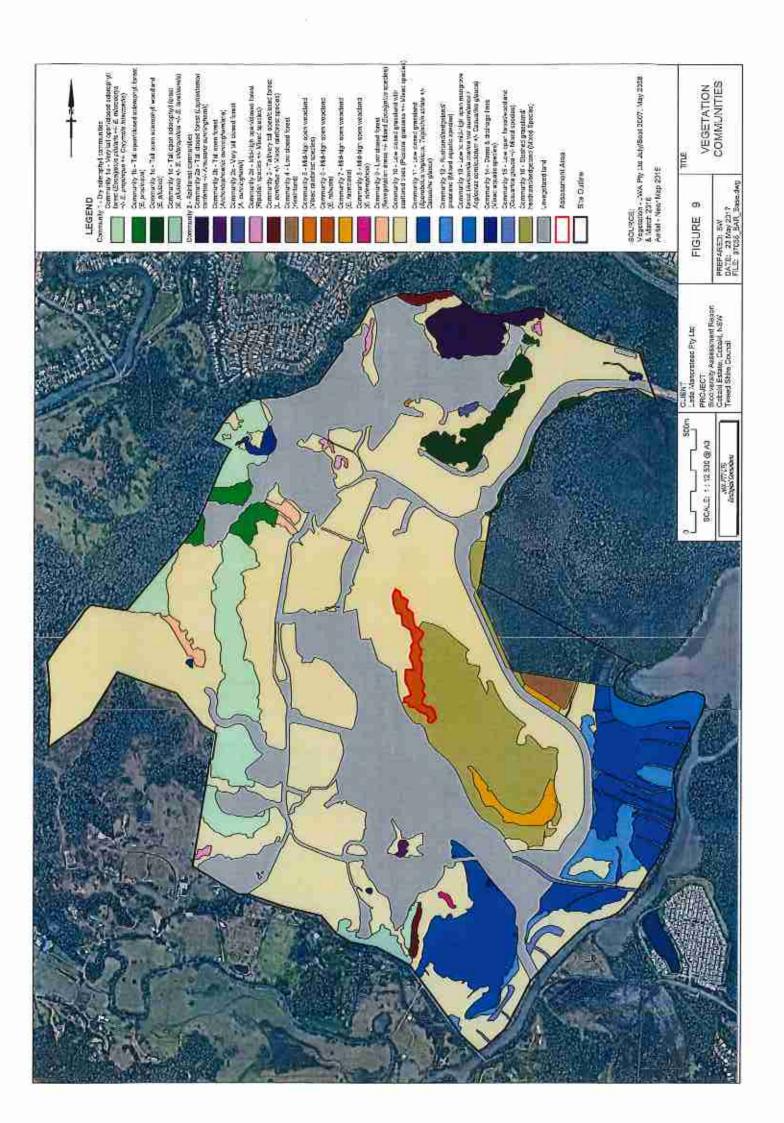
### 2.4 Rivers and Streams

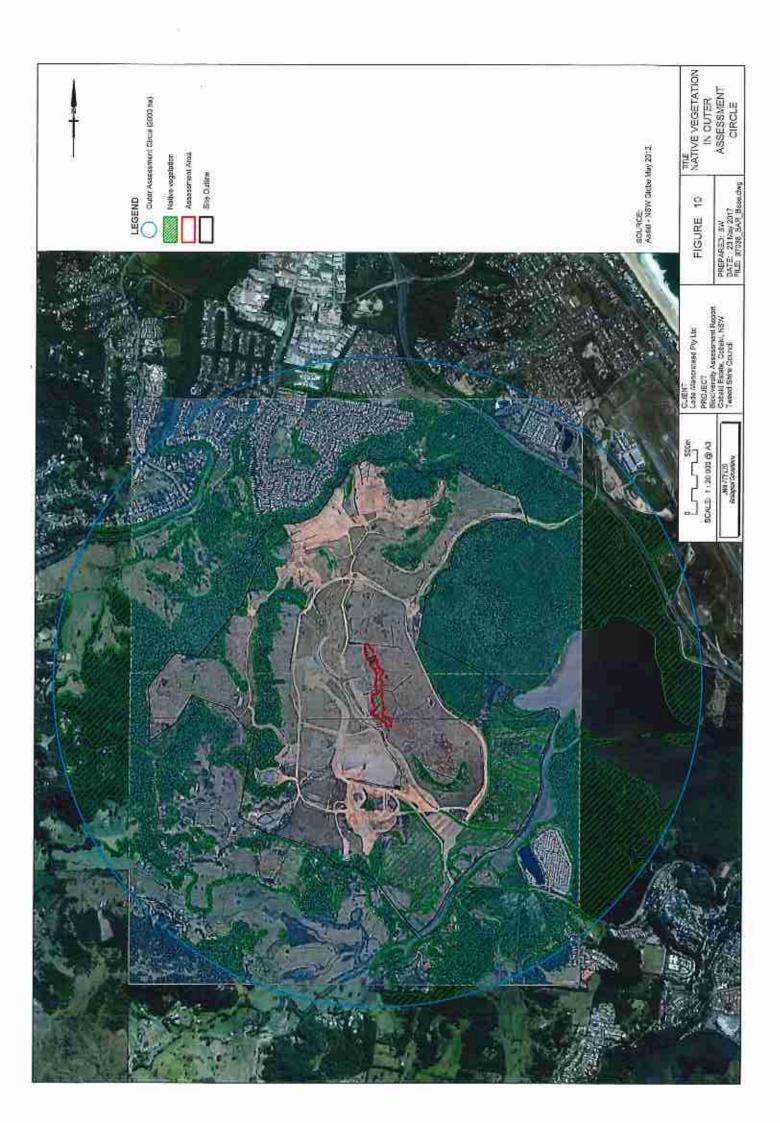
Waterways occurring on and adjacent to the development site can be seen in FIGURE 11. Classification of these waterways according to stream order (Strahler 1952) is provided in TABLE 1.

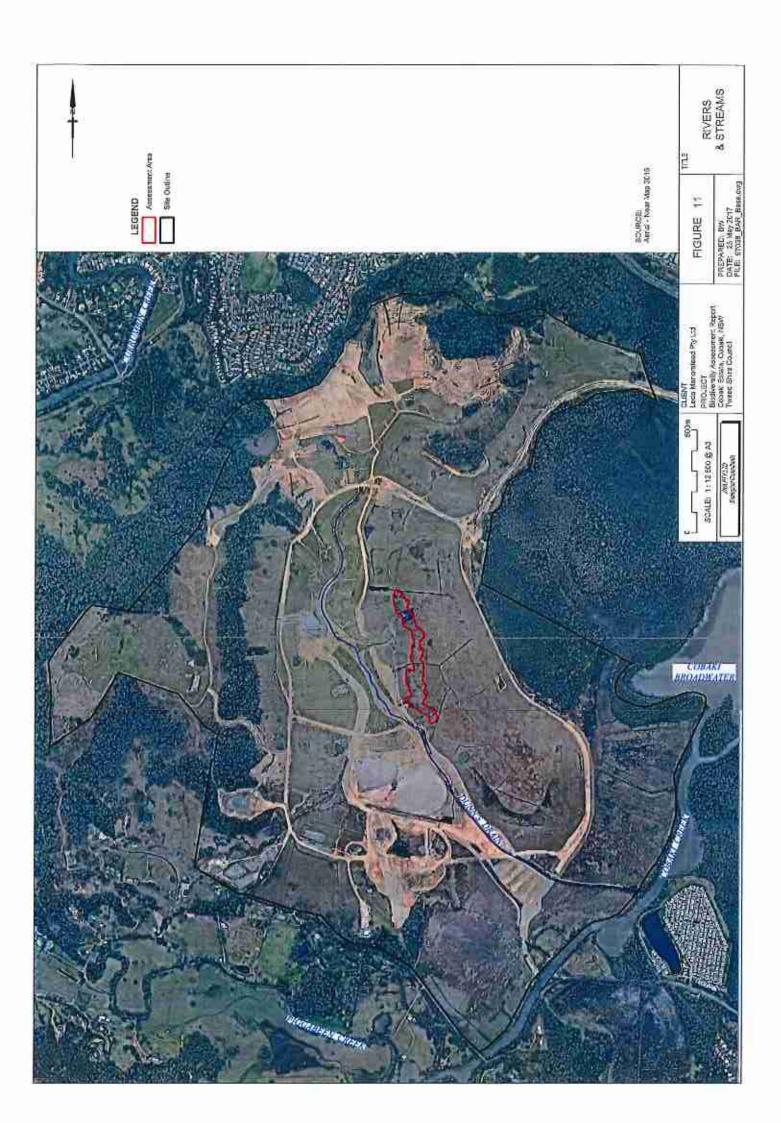
TABLE 1 CLASSIFICATION OF STREAM ORDER

Waterway	Stream Order
Dunn's Drain	1 <sup>st</sup> order
Piggabeen Creek	3 <sup>rd</sup> order
Currumbin Creek	4 <sup>th</sup> order
Cobaki Creek	4 <sup>th</sup> order









# 2.5 Wetlands on and Adjacent to the Development Site

SEPP 14 Wetlands occur adjacent to the development site (FIGURE 3). Wetland communities including freshwater wetland, saltmarsh and mangrove forest occur in the central and southern portions of the Cobaki Estate site (i.e. vegetation communities 11, 12 & 13 in FIGURE 9).

# 2.6 State, Regional and Local Biodiversity Links (Corridors)

The assessment area does not occur within a state or regionally significant biodiversity link as defined in the FBA (TABLE 2).

TABLE 2
DEFINING CRITERIA FOR STATE AND REGIONAL BIODIVERSITY LINKS

Biodiversity Link	Defining Criteria
State significant	An area identified as being part of a state significant biodiversity link in a plan approved by the Chief Executive, OEH OR A riparian buffer 50m either side of a 6th order stream or greater OR A riparian buffer 50m around an important wetland or estuarine area
Regionally significant	An area identified as being part of a regionally significant biodiversity link and in a plan approved by the Chief Executive, OEH OR A riparian buffer 20m either side of a 4 <sup>th</sup> or 5 <sup>th</sup> order stream

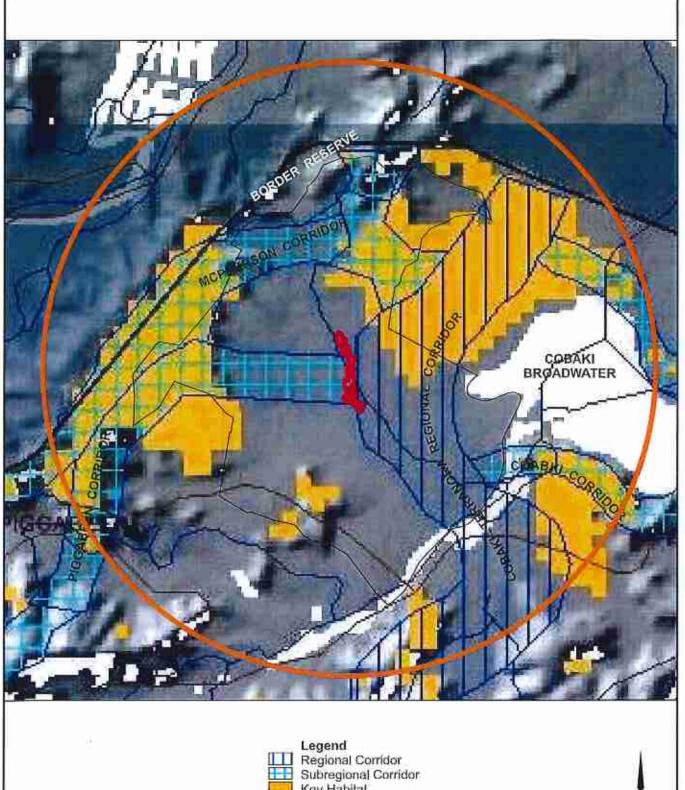
An overlay of the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Key Habitats & Corridors map on the Cobaki Estate site is provided in FIGURE 12A. This overlay shows the extent of mapped regional and subregional corridors occurring on and adjacent to the site and within the outer assessment circle. It can be seen that the assessment area is situated within the identified Piggabeen subregional corridor. However, it can be seen that this corridor is predominantly comprised of cleared land on the Cobaki Estate site (FIGURE 12B).

# 2.7 Landscape Value Components and Score

#### 2.7.1 Introduction

This calculation involved the application of the site-based method for determining landscape value. The following landscape attributes were assessed:

- · Percent native vegetation cover in the landscape (current and future)
- Connectivity value
- Patch size





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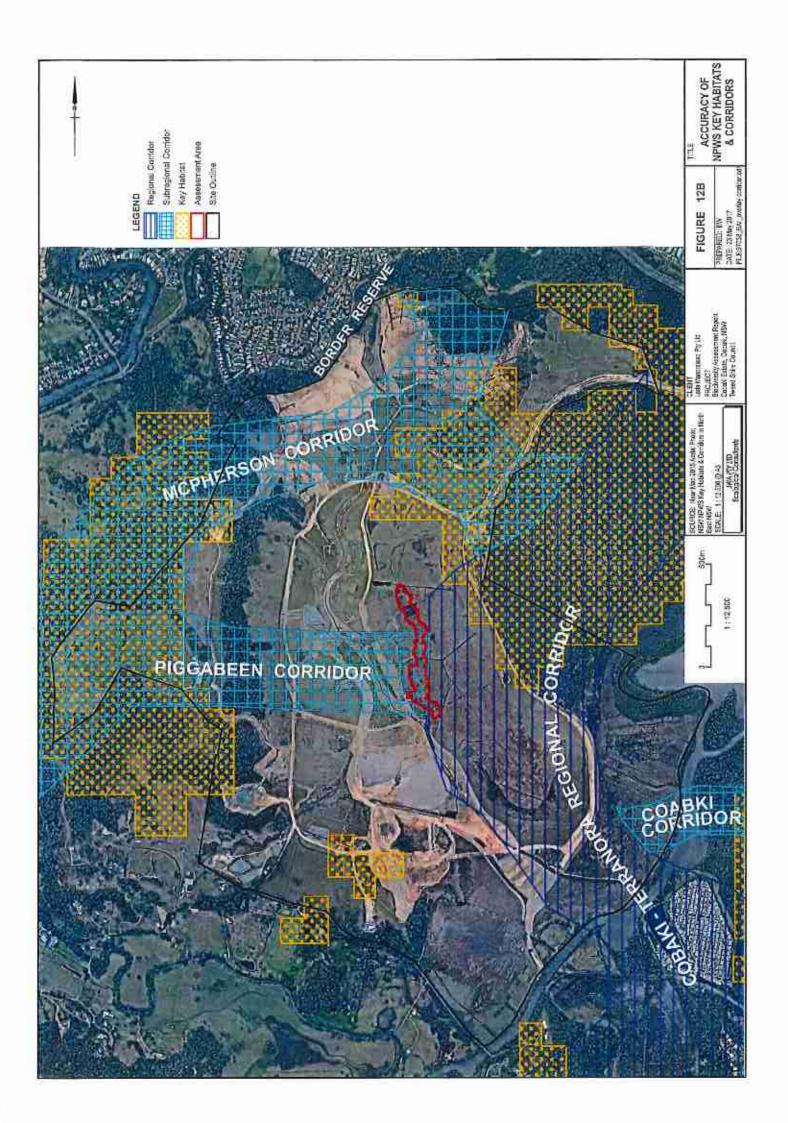
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NPWS KEY HABITATS & CORRIDORS



### 2.7.2 Percent Native Vegetation Cover

The current and future (after development) extent of native vegetation cover within the outer and inner assessment circles was calculated and is shown in TABLE 3. This equates to a Percent Native Vegetation score of 0.00 in the BBCC.

TABLE 3
PERCENT NATIVE VEGETATION COVER

Native Vegetation Cover	Before Development (ha)	%	After Development (ha)	%
Outer Assessment Circle	822.90	41-45	819.10	41-45
Inner Assessment Circle	34.42	16-20	30.62	11-15

### 2.7.3 Connectivity Value

No connecting links are considered to occur within the assessment area. Therefore, there will be no impact on any connectivity value classes. The resulting score for connectivity value is 0.00.

#### 2.7.4 Patch Size

The majority of the development site occurs within the Mitchell landscape Byron-Tweed Alluvial Plains. The patch size is 3.80 ha. The patch is comprised only of the Swamp mahogany community as it is separated by a distance of >100m to other woody vegetation types and >30m to non-woody vegetation types. The resulting score for patch size is 1.

#### 2.7.5 Landscape Value Score

The overall landscape value score, calculated by the BBCC, is 1.00.

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# 3 NATIVE VEGETATION IN ASSESSMENT AREA

#### 3.1 Introduction

This section identifies the native vegetation extent within the assessment area. The vegetation is described in relation to its class, type, area, species occurrence, Endangered Ecological Community (EEC) status and condition.

# 3.2 Vegetation Communities

Vegetation mapping completed for the Cobaki Estate site is provided in FIGURE 9. Endangered Ecological Communities occurring on the site are shown in FIGURE 13. One (1) vegetation community occurs within the assessment area as described below. A complete list of species recorded within this community is provided in APPENDIX 1.

#### Community 6 - Mid-high open woodland (Eucalyptus robusta)

### Location and area

This community occurs in the central portion of the Cobaki Estate site and covers an area of approximately 3.80 hectares.

#### Description

In accordance with the VIS Classification Database (OEH) the Vegetation Class of this community is Coastal Swamp Forests. This community is considered to be consistent with Plant Community Type (PCT) ID 1230 (Swamp Mahogany swamp forest on coastal lowlands of the NSW North Coast Bioregion) due to the presence of analogous species in the upper and ground stratum.

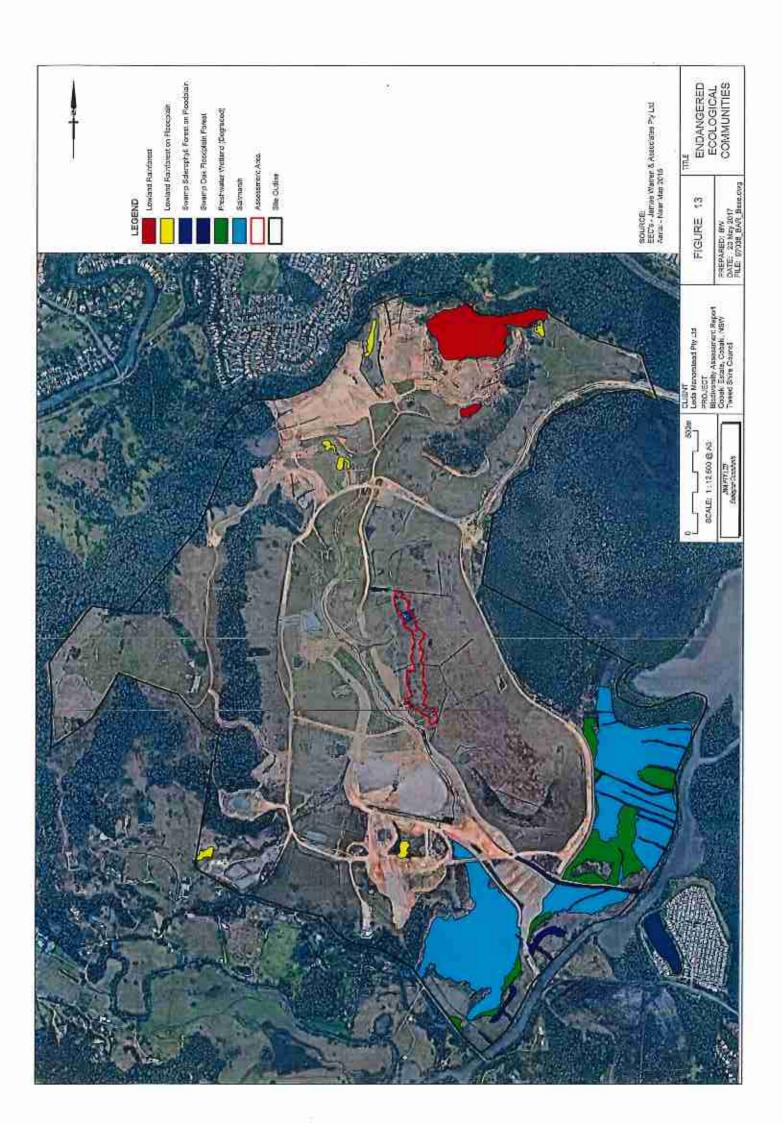
The canopy of this community is well separated and is dominated by Swamp mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta). One (1) Red mahogany (E. resinifera) is also present in the canopy. Canopy trees have been accurately surveyed and are shown in FIGURE 14.

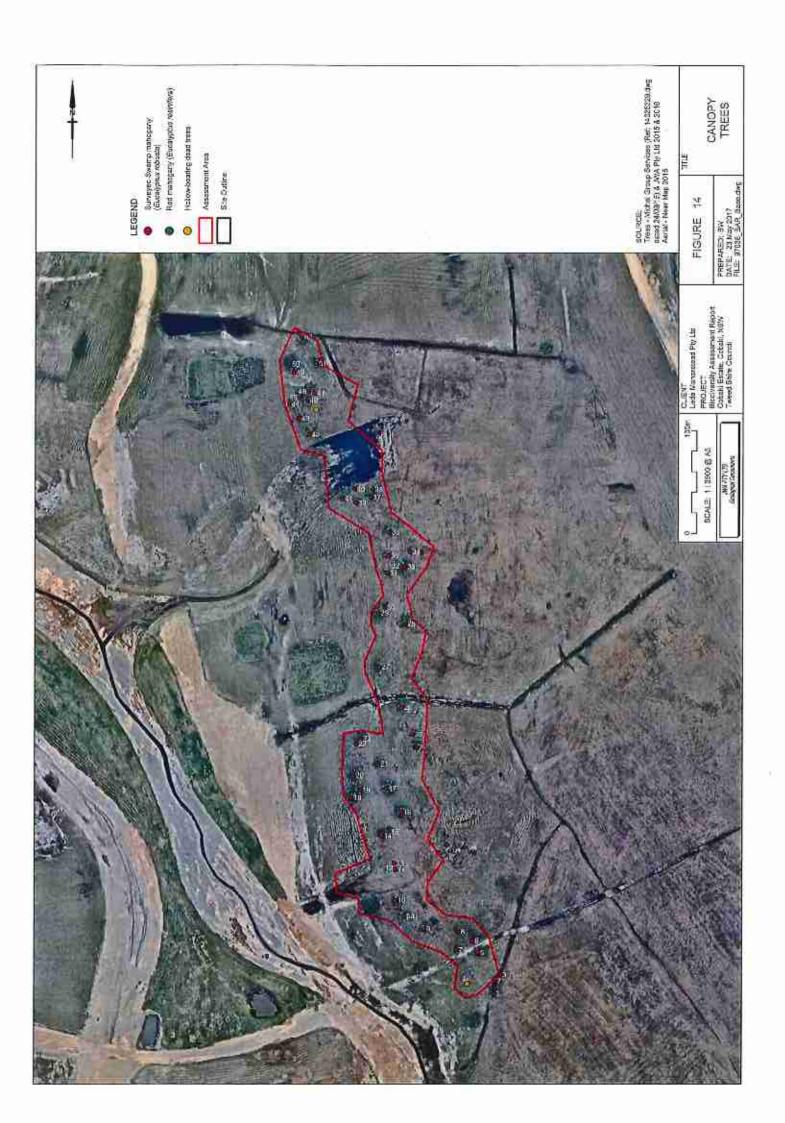
The midstorey is absent, and the ground cover is regularly slashed. The ground cover consists of various species to approximately fifty (50) centimetres in height, including Swamp selaginella (Selaginella uliginosa), Bunchy sedge (Cyperus polystachyos), Baloskion tetraphyllum, Bracken fern (Pteridium esculentum), Curty sedge (Caustis recurvata), Foxtails (Caustis blakei), Saw sedge (Gahnia aspera), Whisky grass (Andropogon virginicus), Blady grass (Imperata cylindrica), Mat rushes, (Lomandra hystrix, L. longifolia, L. multiform), Flax lily (Dianella sp.) and various regenerating heath species.

#### Conservation status

The closest analogue to this community considered in the Regional Forestry Agreement (RFA) report is Forest Ecosystem 142 (Swamp mahogany). The RFA document provides the following data on this ecosystem:

 578 hectares of this ecosystem type remains within the upper north-east section of the NSW North Coast Bioregion. The original extent (i.e. pre-1750) was approximately 695 hectares.





- The ecosystem is considered to be Rare.
- 39.5% of the total forest ecosystem area is within the Comprehensive, Adequate
  and Representative (CAR) reserve system including 25.7% in dedicated reserves and
  12.3% in informal reserves. A further 1.4% is protected by tabulated prescriptions.
- Swamp mahogany communities have been identified as a priority for conservation on private land.

Under the Tweed Vegetation Management Strategy (Ecograph 2004) this ecosystem is classified as Sclerophyll forest/woodlands on sand substrates and alluvium - 305 Coastal Swamp mahogany open forest to woodland. The Tweed Vegetation Management Strategy (Ecograph 2004) provides the following data on this ecosystem:

This ecosystem covers an area of approximately 170 hectares (vegetated land), which is approximately 0.25 % of the vegetated land in the Shire and 0.13 % of the Shire;

- Inadequately conserved over all its range.
- Note: This community is indicative of the EEC Swamp sclerophyll forest on coastal floodplain as listed by the NSW Scientific Committee on the 17/12/04.

However, JWA completed a detailed assessment of the designation of this vegetation community as an EEC. This assessment reviewed the Scientific Determination and its implications for this designation. The following issues were critically analysed:

- 1. the soil land zone on which the community occurs; and
- 2. the location of the community in relation to the 1 in 100-year flood recurrence line.

It was discovered that:

- the soil land zone type on which the trees occurred was not consistent with flood plain soils as required by the Scientific Determination; and
- the community did not occur at or below the 1 in 100-year recurrence line as is required by the Scientific Determination.

This community is therefore not considered to be representative of the EEC Swamp sclerophyll forest on coastal floodplain. The conservation values of this community are reduced, due to previous clearing and current regular slashing, which has eliminated the midstorey and reduced the understorey to common regenerating species. This community is considered to have low-moderate conservation value.

# 3.3 Site Value (Vegetation Condition) Score

#### 3.3.1 Introduction

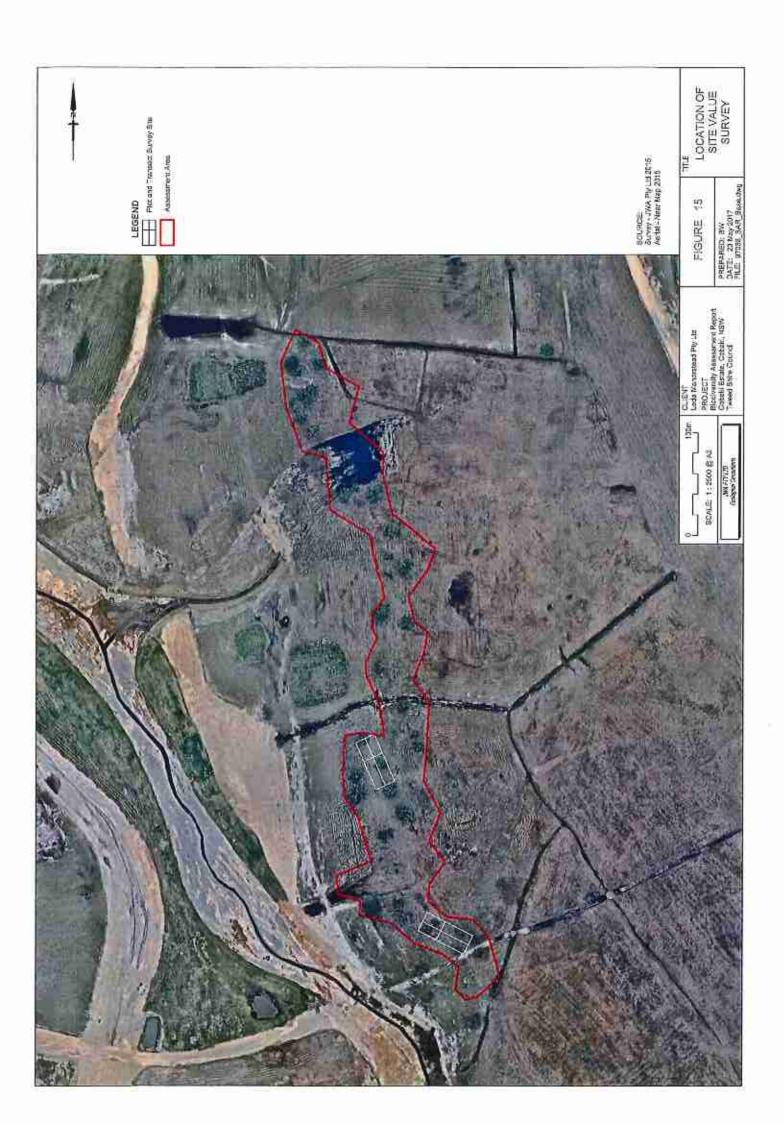
This section provides the methodology used to assess the site value of the Swamp mahogany community and the results of the assessment.

### 3.3.2 Methodology

The Swamp mahogany community was assessed using plot and transect surveys to obtain a quantitative measure of each of the ten (10) site attributes listed TABLE 4. Two (2) plot and transect surveys were completed in February 2016 in accordance with the minimum requirement provided in the FBA. The location of the survey sites was selected randomly and is shown in FIGURE 15. In order to ensure the accuracy of the data collected, these survey sites were assessed again on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017 utilising the same methodology.

TABLE 4
SCORING AND WIEGHTING OF SITE ATTRIBUTES

Site	Site attribute	score			Weighting for attribute score	
attribute	0	1	2	3		
Native plant species richness	0	>0 - <50% of benchmark	50% - <100% benchmark	≥ benchmark	25.	
Native over- storey cover	0 - 10% or >200% of benchmark	>10 - <50% or >150 - 200% of benchmark	50 - <100% or >100 - 150% of benchmark	within benchmark	10	
Native mid- storey cover	0 - 10% or >200% of benchmark	>10 - <50% or >150 - 200% of benchmark	50 - <100% or >100 - 150% of benchmark	within benchmark	10	
Native ground cover (grasses)	0 - 10% or >200% of benchmark	>10 - <50% or >150 - 200% of benchmark	50 - <100% or >100 - 150% of benchmark	within benchmark	2.5	
Native ground cover (shrubs)	0 - 10% or >200% of benchmark	>10 - <50% or >150 - 200% of benchmark	50 - <100% or >100 - 150% of benchmark	within benchmark	2.5	
Native ground cover (other)	0 - 10% or >200% of benchmark	>10 - <50% or >150 - 200% of benchmark	50 - <100% or >100 - 150% of benchmark	within benchmark	2.5	
Exotic plant cover	>66%	>33 - 66%	>5 - 33%	0 - 5%	5	
Number of trees with hollows	0	>0 - <50% of benchmark	50% - <100% of benchmark	≥ benchmark	20	
Proportion of over-storey trees occurring as regeneration	o	>0 - <50%	50 - <100%	100%	12.5	
Total length of fallen logs	0 - 10% of benchmark	>10% - <50% of benchmark	50 - <100% of benchmark	≥ benchmark	10	



### 3.3.3 Results

The data obtained during the 2016 plot and transect surveys are provided in TABLES 5 & 6 below. The BBCC converts this data to a site value score out of 100. The Swamp mahogany community achieved a site value score of 51.33 / 100.

TABLE 5
2016 SURVEY RESULTS FOR PLOT & TRANSECT 1

Attribute	Benchmark	Site results	Site attribute score	Weighting
a) Native plant species richness	>=24	18	2	25
b) Native over-storey cover	10 - 70%	26%	3	10
c) Native mid-storey cover	10 - 60%	0%	.0	10
d) Native ground cover (grasses)	2 - 80%	8%	3	2.5
e) Native ground cover (shrubs)	0 - 70%	2%	3	2.5
f) Native ground cover (other)	0 - 90%	22%	3	2.5
g) Exotic plant cover	E .	>66%	0	5
h) Number of trees with hollows	>0	0	0	20
i) Proportion of over-storey species occurring as regeneration	1	0.5	2	12.5
j) Total length of fallen logs	>=5	6	3	10

TABLE 6 2016 SURVEY RESULTS FOR PLOT & TRANSECT 2

Attribute	Benchmark	Site results	Site attribute score	Weighting
a) Native plant species richness	>=24	22	2	25
b) Native over-storey cover	10 - 70%	21%	3	10
c) Native mid-storey cover	10 - 60%	0%	0	10
d) Native ground cover (grasses)	2 - 80%	5%	3	2.5
e) Native ground cover (shrubs)	0 - 70%	0%	3	2.5
f) Native ground cover (other)	0 - 90%	62%	3	2.5
g) Exotic plant cover	*	>33 - 66%	1	5
h) Number of trees with hollows	>0	0	0	20
i) Proportion of over-storey species occurring as regeneration	1	0.5	2	12.5
j) Total length of fallen logs	>=5	0	0	10

The data obtained during the 2017 plot and transect surveys are provided in TABLES 7 & 8 below. This equates to a current site value score of 49.33 / 100 which is comparable to the 2016 survey. As there is little variation in the 2016 and 2017 site value scores, the original 2016 site value score has been used in the BBCC, and following sections of this BAR, to assess biodiversity values and credit requirements.

TABLE 7
2017 SURVEY RESULTS FOR PLOT & TRANSECT 1

Attribute	Benchmark	Site results	Site attribute score	Weighting
a) Native plant species richness	>=24	19	2	25
b) Native over-storey cover	10 - 70%	21.5%	3	10
c) Native mid-storey cover	10 - 60%	0%	0	10
d) Native ground cover (grasses)	2 - 80%	4%	3	2.5
e) Native ground cover (shrubs)	0 - 70%	2%	3	2.5
f) Native ground cover (other)	0 - 90%	62%	3	2.5
g) Exotic plant cover	2	74%	0	5
h) Number of trees with hollows	>0	0	0	20
i) Proportion of over-storey species occurring as regeneration	1	1	3	12.5
j) Total length of fallen logs	>=5	0	0.	10

TABLE 8
2017 SURVEY RESULTS FOR PLOT & TRANSECT 2

Attribute	Benchmark	Site results	Site attribute score	Weighting
a) Native plant species richness	>=24	25	3	25
b) Native over-storey cover	10 - 70%	10.5%	3	10
c) Native mid-storey cover	10 - 60%	0%	0	10
d) Native ground cover (grasses)	2 - 80%	0%	0	2.5
e) Native ground cover (shrubs)	0 - 70%	2%	3	2.5
f) Native ground cover (other)	0 - 90%	62%	3	2.5
g) Exotic plant cover	*	62%	1	5
h) Number of trees with hollows	>0	0	0	20
i) Proportion of over-storey species occurring as regeneration	i	1	3	12.5
j) Total length of fallen logs	>=5	0	0	10

# 4 THREATENED SPECIES ANALYSIS

#### 4.1 Introduction

This section provides an assessment of the threatened flora and fauna species predicted by the BBCC to occur in the assessment area. This includes both species credit species and ecosystem credit species. Details are also provided of targeted surveys completed for species credit species including technique, effort, timing and weather conditions.

# 4.2 Species Credit Species

#### 4.2.1 Introduction

The following species credit species have been derived from the BBCC:

- Australian fritillary (Argyreus hyperbius)
- Eastern chestnut mouse (Pseudomys gracilicaudatus)
- Eastern pygmy-possum (Cercartetus nanus)
- Koala (Phascolarctos cinereus)
- Long-nosed potoroo population, Cobaki Lakes and Tweed Heads West (Long-nosed potoroo - endangered population)
- Red goshawk (Erythrotriorchis radiatus)
- Regent honeyeater (Anthochaera phrygia)
- Ripple-leaf muttonwood (Myrsine richmondensis)
- Squirrel glider (Petaurus norfolcensis)
- Water nutgrass (Cyperus aquatilis)
- White-eared monarch (Carterornis leucotis)

Targeted surveys were completed for these species between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. Two (2) additional threatened species were recorded within the assessment area during these surveys:

- Wallum froglet (Crinia tinnula); and
- Little bent-wing bat (Miniopterus australis)

All species credit species derived from the BBCC and observed during targeted surveys are addressed in the following sections.

### 4.2.2 Australian fritillary (Argyreus hyperbius)

### Habitat Requirement - QLD DEHP (2011)

Most specimens have been collected from river estuaries or swampy coastal areas at or near sea level. The Australian fritillary butterfly is restricted to open, swampy, coastal areas where the larval food plant, Viola betonicifolia, grows as a small, insignificant ground herb in association with Lomandra longifolia (long leaved matrush) and grasses, especially the grass Imperata cylindrica (blady grass). This habitat is called Melaleuca wetlands, although the larval food plant does not occur in all sub-types of this plant community. It is also sometimes found in disturbed areas (e.g. the drainage ditches of sugarcane farms) or in association with water course plant communities when its food plant Viola betonicifolia is present.

The Australian fritillary butterfly has been recorded in south-eastern Queensland and north-eastern New South Wales between Gympie and Port Macquarie.

### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable habitat does not occur in the Swamp mahogany community. The groundcover community has been historically highly disturbed by cattle grazing and slashing. The critical food plant *Viola betonicifolia* is not present.

### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed flora and fauna assessments have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). A detailed survey of the plant species occurring in association with the Swamp mahogany community was completed in 2014 (APPENDIX 1).

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. This included intensive searches within the assessment area for the Australian fritillary and its food plant *Viola betonicifolia*. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2.

Neither the Australian fritillary or the critical food plant Viola betonicifolia has ever been recorded on the Cobaki Estate site or within the Swamp mahogany community.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very Low.

# 4.2.3 Eastern chestnut mouse (Pseudomys gracilicaudatus)

### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH (2015)

In NSW the Eastern Chestnut Mouse is mostly found, in low numbers, in heathland and is most common in dense, wet heath and swamps.

Optimal habitat appears to be in vigorously regenerating heathland burnt from 18 months to four years previously. By the time the heath is mature, the larger Swamp Rat becomes dominant, and Eastern Chestnut Mouse numbers drop again.

Feeds at night via runways through the grassy and sedge understorey, within an area of less than half a hectare. It has a broad diet of grass stems, invertebrates, fungi and seeds, with the relative significance of each component varying seasonally.

Up to three litters are produced from spring to autumn; this strategy allows rapid build-up of numbers in years following fire.

### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable habitat does not occur in the Swamp mahogany community. The groundcover stratum has been historically highly disturbed by cattle grazing and slashing. The eastern chestnut mouse requires dense groundcover.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna surveys have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). The Eastern chestnut mouse has never been recorded in that time.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

# 4.2.4 Eastern pygmy-possum (Cercartetus nanus)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH (2014)

Found in a broad range of habitats from rainforest through sclerophyll (including Box-Ironbark) forest and woodland to heath, but in most areas woodlands and heath appear to be preferred, except in north-eastern NSW where they are most frequently encountered in rainforest.

Feeds largely on nectar and pollen collected from banksias, eucalypts and bottlebrushes; an important pollinator of heathland plants such as banksias; soft fruits are eaten when flowers are unavailable.

Also feeds on insects throughout the year; this feed source may be more important in habitats where flowers are less abundant such as wet forests.

Shelters in tree hollows, rotten stumps, holes in the ground, abandoned bird-nests, Ringtail Possum (*Pseudocheirus peregrinus*) dreys or thickets of vegetation, (e.g. grass-tree skirts); nest-building appears to be restricted to breeding females; tree hollows are favoured but spherical nests have been found under the bark of eucalypts and in shredded bark in tree forks.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable habitat is rainforest in north-eastern NSW. Swamp mahogany would provide forage habitat during flowering. The assessment area is significantly constrained by its long term isolation.

# Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna surveys have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). The eastern pygmy possum has never been recorded over this time period.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29th February and 4th March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

#### 4.2.5 Koala (Phascolarctos cinereus)

<u>Habitat Requirement - NSE OEH (2015)</u> Inhabit eucalypt woodlands and forests.

Feed on the foliage of more than 70 eucalypt species and 30 non-eucalypt species, but in any one area will select preferred browse species. In the Northern rivers region, Swamp mahogany is one of its preferred food tree species. Swamp mahogany occurs in low dense mixed forests of eucalypts and paperbarks typically 15 to 20 m tall with minimal shrub cover and dense graminoid groundcover. Development of a sclerophyllous shrub understorey depends on density of the tree canopy. The boggy ground is heavily clothed in leaf litter, interspersed with patches of sedges and ferns, temporary pools of water and bare ground.

## Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable habitat does occur in the Swamp mahogany community. Swamp mahogany is a preferred food tree for the Koala in northern NSW.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna surveys have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site. A very detailed koala survey and habitat assessment was completed on the site in 2011 as part of a SEPP 44 - Koala Habitat Protection assessment (APPENDIX 4).

Koalas have consistently been recorded in low numbers on the Cobaki Estate site. Records occur for the western (elevated) portions of the site. Koalas (or signs of them) have never been recorded in the Swamp mahogany community in the lower lying eastern portion of the site.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in **APPENDIX 2.** Koalas or signs of koala activity (i.e. faecal pellets) were not recorded during the targeted surveys.

### Likelihood of Occurrence

Low.

# 4.2.6 Little bent-wing bat (Miniopterus australis)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH 2014

Inhabits moist eucalypt forest, rainforest, vine thicket, wet and dry sclerophyll forest, Melaleuca swamps, dense coastal forests and banksia scrub. Generally found in welltimbered areas.

Little bent-wing bats roost in caves, tunnels, tree hollows, abandoned mines, stormwater drains, culverts, bridges and sometimes buildings during the day, and at night forage for small insects beneath the canopy of densely vegetated habitats.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable forage habitat does occur in the Swamp mahogany community

#### Survey Effort and Results

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was identified by analysis of ANABAT recordings.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Confirmed. A species polygon has been prepared for the Little bent-wing bat and is provided in FIGURE 16. The species polygon is considered to be inclusive of the entire Swamp mahogany community (i.e. 3.80 ha).

## 4.2.7 Long-nosed potoroo population, Cobaki Lakes and Tweed Heads West (Longnosed potoroo - endangered population)

## Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH 2014 .

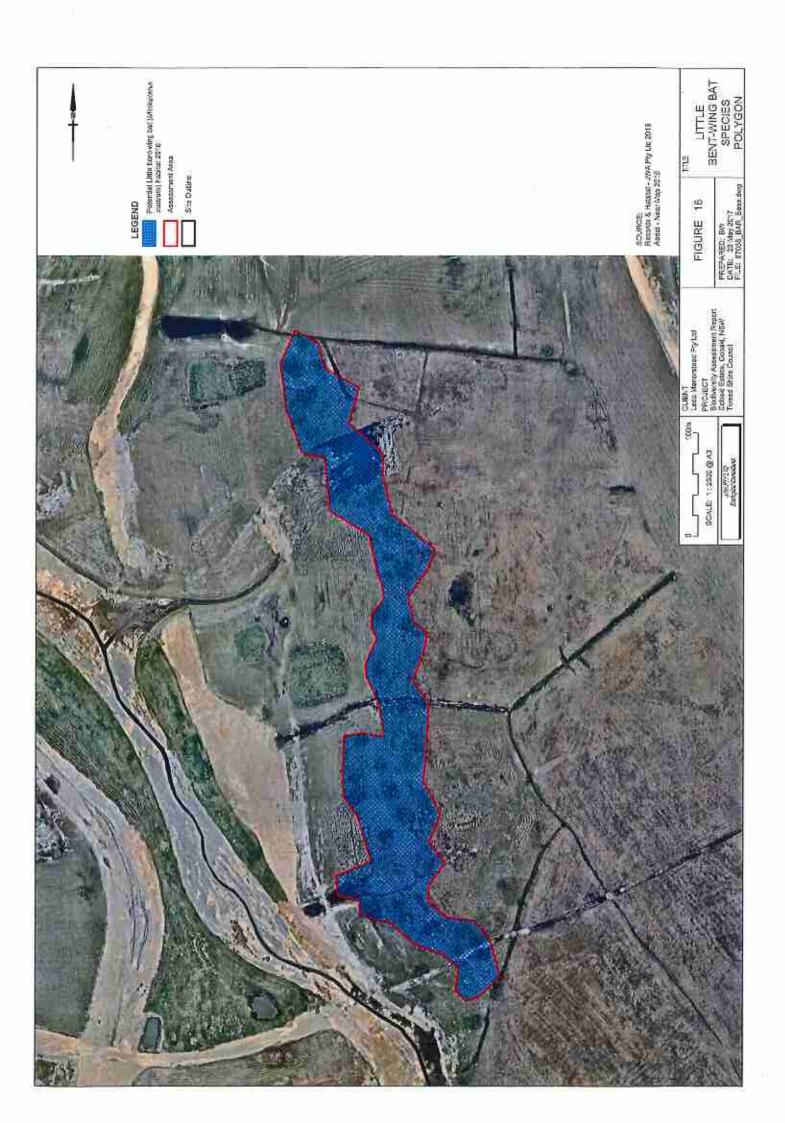
Inhabits coastal heaths and dry and wet sclerophyll forests. Dense understorey with occasional open areas is an essential part of habitat, and may consist of grass-trees, sedges, ferns or heath, or of low shrubs of tea-trees or melaleucas. A sandy loam soil is also a common feature.

The fruit-bodies of hypogeous (underground-fruiting) fungi are a large component of the diet of the Long-nosed Potoroo. They also eat roots, tubers, insects and their larvae and other soft-bodied animals in the soil.

### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Long-nosed Potoroo habitat is characterised by dense groundcover for shelter in proximity to small open areas for foraging. At Cobaki, potoroos appear to prefer Scribbly Gum Heathland, although they have been recorded in a variety of other vegetation communities, including Scribbly Gum/Swamp Mahogany Forest, Tree Broom Heath, Scribbly Gum Forest, Black She-oak Heath and Swamp Mahogany Forest (James Warren pers. comm. 2017).

Suitable habitat does not occur in the assessment area. The groundcover stratum has been historically highly disturbed by cattle grazing and slashing. The Long-nosed potoroo requires dense groundcover.



#### Survey Effort and Results

The Long-nosed potoroo population at Cobaki has been the subject of much study since its discovery in 1992. All records for the population occur on Crown Land adjacent to the Cobaki Estate site. There are no records of the species on the Cobaki Estate site.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very Low.

#### 4.2.8 Red goshawk (Erythrotriorchis radiatus)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH 2014

Red Goshawks inhabit open woodland and forest, preferring a mosaic of vegetation types, a large population of birds as a source of food, and permanent water, and are often found in riparian habitats along or near watercourses or wetlands. In NSW, preferred habitats include mixed subtropical rainforest, *Melaleuca* swamp forest and riparian *Eucalyptus* forest of coastal rivers.

Red Goshawks mainly eat medium to large birds, including species as large as Australian Brush-turkeys, Kookaburras, Tawny Frogmouths, Sulphur-crested Cockatoos and Rainbow Lorikeets, but they also take mammals, reptiles and insects.

The breeding behaviour of Red Goshawks is not well known. Breeding is likely to be in spring and summer in southern Queensland and NSW. The birds lay clutches of 1-2 eggs between July and September, in a stick nest in a tall tree (>20 m tall) within 1 km of a watercourse or wetland. Young fledge around November and December.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

The assessment area may form a small part of the very large home range of this species. However, no suitable breeding habitat is considered to occur within the assessment area.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna surveys have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). In particular, a number of surveys were completed by Dr Stephen Debus in 1997. The Red goshawk has never been recorded over this time period.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

#### 4.2.9 Regent honeyeater (Anthochaera phrygia)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH (2015)

The Regent Honeyeater is a flagship threatened woodland bird whose conservation will benefit a large suite of other threatened and declining woodland fauna. The species inhabits dry open forest and woodland, particularly Box-Ironbark woodland, and riparian forests of River She-oak. Regent Honeyeaters inhabit woodlands that support a significantly high abundance and species richness of bird species. These woodlands have significantly large numbers of mature trees, high canopy cover and abundance of mistletoes.

Every few years non-breeding flocks are seen foraging in flowering coastal Swamp Mahogany and Spotted Gum forests, particularly on the central coast and occasionally on the upper north coast. Birds are occasionally seen on the south coast.

In the last 10 years Regent Honeyeaters have been recorded in urban areas around Albury where woodlands tree species such as Mugga Ironbark and Yellow Box were planted 20 years ago.

The Regent Honeyeater is a generalist forager, although it feeds mainly on the nectar from a relatively small number of eucalypts that produce high volumes of nectar. Key eucalypt species include Mugga Ironbark, Yellow Box, White Box and Swamp Mahogany. Other tree species may be regionally important. For example, the Lower Hunter Spotted Gum forests have recently been demonstrated to support regular breeding events. Flowering of associated species such as Thin-leaved Stringybark Eucalyptus eugenioides and other Stringybark species, and Broad-leaved Ironbark E. fibrosa can also contribute important nectar flows at times. Nectar and fruit from the mistletoes Amyema miquelii, A. pendula and A. cambagei are also utilised. When nectar is scarce lerp and honeydew can comprise a large proportion of the diet. Insects make up about 15% of the total diet and are important components of the diet of nestlings.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable forage habitat does occur in the Swamp mahogany community. Breeding habitat is not known from the north coast of NSW.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna assessments have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). In particular, a number of surveys were completed by Dr Stephen Debus in 1997. The regent honeyeater has never been recorded on the Cobaki Estate site.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

#### 4.2.10 Ripple-leaf muttonwood (Myrsine richmondensis)

#### Habitat Requirement

Subtropical and dry rainforest and swamp forest on creek flats and slopes on basalt derived soil and alluvial deposits.

Flowers have been recorded in October and November, fruits have been observed from December to March.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Marginal habitat occurs in the Swamp mahogany community.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed flora assessments have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). A detailed survey of the plant species occurring in association with the Swamp mahogany community was completed in 2014 (APPENDIX 1). Ripple-leaf muttonwood has never been recorded on the Cobaki Estate site.

This species was not recorded during the current assessment despite extensive searches within the assessment area.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

#### 4.2.11 Squirrel glider (Petaurus norfolcensis)

#### Habitat Requirement

Inhabits mature or old growth Box, Box-Ironbark woodlands and River Red Gum forest west of the Great Dividing Range and Blackbutt-Bloodwood forest with heath understorey in coastal areas.

Prefers mixed species stands with a shrub or Acacia mid-storey.

Live in family groups of a single adult male one or more adult females and offspring.

Require abundant tree hollows for refuge and nest sites.

Diet varies seasonally and consists of Acacia gum, eucalypt sap, nectar, honeydew and manna, with invertebrates and pollen providing protein.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable forage habitat does occur in this community but other habitat requirements are not met i.e. there are no hollows suitable for denning.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna assessments have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). Squirrel gliders have never been recorded on the Cobaki Estate site. Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

#### 4.2.12 Wallum froglet (Crinia tinnula)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH (2015)

Wallum Froglets are found in a wide range of habitats, usually associated with acidic swamps on coastal sand plains. They typically occur in sedgelands and wet heathlands. They can also be found along drainage lines within other vegetation communities and disturbed areas, and occasionally in swamp sclerophyll forests.

The species breeds in swamps with permanent water as well as shallow ephemeral pools and drainage ditches. Breeding is thought to peak in the colder months, but can occur throughout the year following rain. Eggs of 1.1-1.2mm are deposited in water with a pH of <6 and tadpoles take 2-6 months to develop into frogs.

Wallum Froglets shelter under leaf litter, vegetation, other debris or in burrows of other species. Shelter sites are wet or very damp and often located near the water's edge.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable forage habitat does occur in the Swamp mahogany community, particularly in association with drainage lines and low-lying areas with suitable vegetation (i.e. sedges and wet heathland vegetation).

#### Survey Effort and Results

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was recorded by call recognition during the targeted surveys. The location of records is provided in FIGURE 17.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Confirmed. A species polygon has been prepared for the Wallum froglet and is provided in FIGURE 18. The species polygon is considered to be inclusive of the entire Swamp mahogany community (i.e. 3.80 ha).

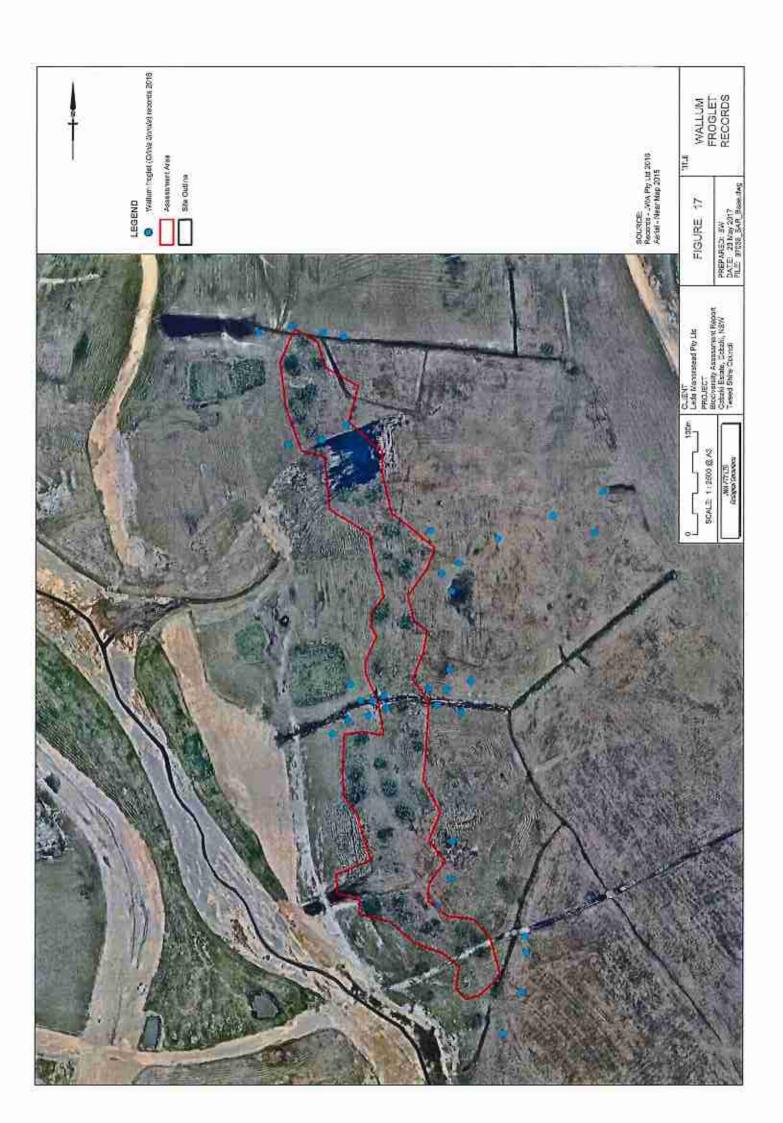
#### 4.2.13 Water nutgrass (Cyperus aquatilis)

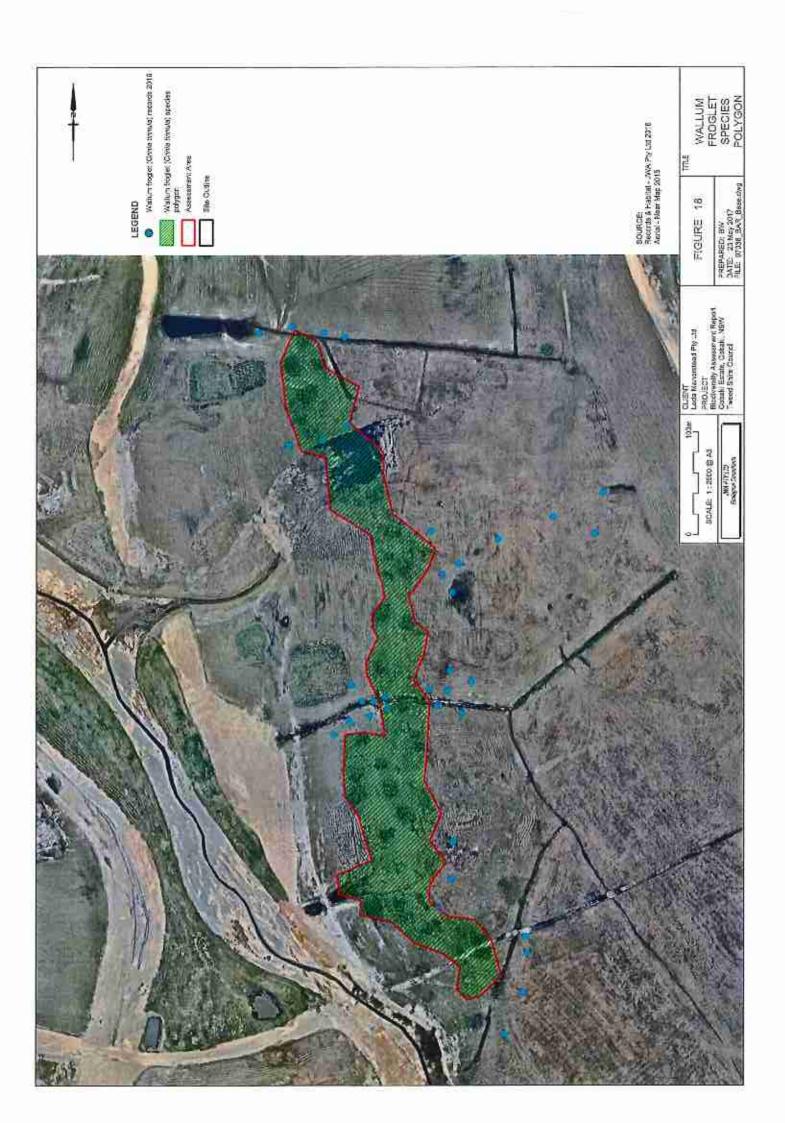
### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH 2012

Grows in ephemerally wet sites, such as roadside ditches and seepage areas from small cliffs, in sandstone areas.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Ephemerally wet areas occur within the assessment area.





#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed flora assessments have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). A detailed survey of the plant species occurring in association with the Swamp mahogany community was completed in 2014 (APPENDIX 1). Water nutgrass has never been recorded on the Cobaki Estate site.

This species was not recorded during the current assessment despite extensive searches within the assessment area.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

#### 4.2.14 White-eared monarch (Carterornis leucotis)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH (2012)

In NSW, White-eared Monarchs occurs in rainforest, especially drier types, such as littoral rainforest, as well as wet and dry sclerophyll forests, swamp forest and regrowth forest.

They appear to prefer the ecotone between rainforest and other open vegetation types or the edges of rainforest, such as along roads.

They are highly active when foraging, characteristically sallying, hovering and fluttering around the outer foliage of rainforest trees. They are usually observed high in the canopy or sub-canopy.

They eat insects, but their diet is not well studied.

They breed from about September to March, usually nesting high in the canopy, and often at the edge of patches of rainforest.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable habitat does not occur in the Swamp mahogany community. There is no rainforest or wet/dry sclerophyll forest. The Swamp mahogany trees do not reach a standard of Swamp forest although Swamp mahogany is a component of Swamp forest.

#### Survey Effort and Results

A number of detailed fauna assessments have been completed on the Cobaki Estate site over the last thirty-five (35) years (APPENDIX 3). In particular, a number of surveys were completed by Dr Stephen Debus in 1997. The white-eared monarch has never been recorded on the Cobaki Estate site.

Targeted threatened species surveys were completed as part of the current assessment between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The methodology and results of these surveys are provided in APPENDIX 2. This species was not recorded during the targeted surveys.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Low.

## 4.3 Ecosystem Credit Species

#### 4.3.1 Introduction

The following ecosystem credit species have been derived from the BBCC:

- Common blossom bat (Synconycteris australis)
- Glossy black-cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus lathami)
- Greater broad-nosed bat (Scoteanax rueppellii)
- Little eagle (Hieraaetus morphnoides)
- Little lorikeet (Glossopsitta pusilla)
- New Holland mouse (Pseudomys novaehollandiae)
- Square-tailed kite (Lophoictinia isura)
- Swift parrot (Lathamus discolor)
- Yellow-bellied sheathtail-bat (Saccolaimus flaviventris)

The Glossy black-cockatoo was removed from further assessment in the BBCC and is addressed in the following section. This species was removed from further assessment as none of the necessary habitat components (i.e. breeding, foraging or roosting habitat) are present in the assessment area. All other species listed above have been assessed in the BBCC as having one or more habitat components present within the assessment area.

#### 4.3.2 Glossy black-cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus lathami)

#### Habitat Requirement - NSW OEH (2015)

Inhabits open forest and woodlands of the coast and the Great Dividing Range where stands of sheoak occur. Black sheoak (Allocasuarina littoralis) and Forest sheoak (A. torulosa) are important foods.

Feeds almost exclusively on the seeds of several species of she-oak (Casuarina and Allocasuarina species), shredding the cones with the massive bill.

Dependent on large hollow-bearing eucalypts for nest sites. A single egg is laid between March and May.

#### Occurrence of Suitable Habitat in the Assessment Area

Suitable habitat does not occur in the Swamp mahogany community. Feed trees (i.e. Casuarina and Allocasuarina species) do not occur within the assessment area. There are no trees with large hollows suitable for nest sites.

#### Likelihood of Occurrence

Very low.

## 5 IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND CREDIT REQUIREMENT

#### 5.1 Introduction

This section provides an assessment of the impacts of the proposed development on the assessment area along with the future site value score and change in landscape value score. It also provides the number of ecosystem credits and/or species credits required to offset the impacts of the proposed development.

## 5.2 Impact on Assessment Area

#### 5.2.1 Site Value and Landscape Value Score

The proposed development will result in the complete removal of the Swamp mahogany community occurring within the assessment area. This will reduce the site value score from 51.33 to 0 and there will be a loss in landscape value of 1.00 (Biodiversity Credit Report available on request).

#### 5.2.2 Impact on Biodiversity Links

The removal of the Swamp mahogany community will not impact on any state or regional biodiversity links.

#### 5.2.3 Impact on Threatened Species Habitat

The removal of the Swamp mahogany community will result in the loss of approximately 3.80 ha of potential habitat for the Little bent-wing bat (*Miniopterus australis*) (FIGURE 16) and 3.80 ha of potential habitat for the Wallum froglet (*Crinia tinnula*) (FIGURE 18).

## 5.3 Number of Credits Required for Impact of Development

#### 5.3.1 Ecosystem Credits

One-hundred and twenty-eight (128) ecosystem credits are required to offset the loss of 3.80 ha of Swamp mahogany swamp forest on coastal lowlands of the NSW North Coast Bioregion (NR254). By applying the credit converter<sup>1</sup>, the area required to offset this impact is fourteen (14) hectares (Biodiversity Credit Calculator Report available on request).

#### 5.3.2 Species Credits

Forty-nine (49) species credits are required to offset the loss of 3.80 ha of potential Little bent-wing bat habitat as a result of the removal of the Swamp mahogany community. By applying the credit converter<sup>1</sup>, the area required to offset this impact is eight (8) hectares.

Forty-nine (49) species credits are required to offset the loss of 3.80 ha of potential Wallum froglet habitat as a result of the removal of the Swamp mahogany community. By applying the credit converter<sup>1</sup>, the area required to offset this impact is eight (8) hectares.

¹ The credit converter is used to convert the quantity of ecosystem or species credits into hectares of land required for offset area.

#### 5.3.3 Combining Offset Areas

Ecosystem credits and species credits can occur over the same offset area i.e. if an ecosystem credit offset area provides habitat for a species credit species, this area is considered to satisfy both the ecosystem credit requirement as well as the species credit species' habitat requirement.

Accordingly, if the area proposed to offset the loss of Swamp mahogany forest (NR254) contains Little bent-wing bat and/or Wallum froglet habitat, then the species credit offset requirements will be reduced by the number of credits provided for these species i.e. if the 14 ha Swamp mahogany forest offset also contains 8 ha of Little bent-wing habitat and 8 ha of Wallum froglet habitat, no more than the 14 ha would be required to satisfy both the ecosystem or species credit species offset.

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## APPENDIX 1 - PLANT SPECIES LIST

Botanical name	Common name	Life Form
Acacia ulicifolia	Prickly moses	Small shrub
Andropogon virginicus*	Whisky grass	Grass
Aotus lanigera	Golden candlesticks	Small shrub
Austromyrtus dulcis	Midgen berry	Small shrub
Baeckea frutescens	Weeping baeckea	Small shrub
Baloskion pallens	Didgery sticks	Rush
Baloskion tetraphyllum	Tassel cord rush	Rush
Blechnum indicum	Swamp water fern	Fern
Breynia oblongifolia	Coffee bush	Shrub
Bromus sp.*		Grass
Caustis blakei		Sedge
Caustis recurvata		Sedge
Cinnamomum camphora*	Camphor laurel	Tree
Cuphea carthagenensis*	Columbian wax weed	Herb
Cyperus difformis	Dirty dora	Sedge
Cyperus polystachyos	Bunchy sedge	Sedge
Dianella caerulea	Blue flax lily	Herb
Drosera spatulata	A sundew	Herb
Elaeocarpus reticulatus	Blueberry ash	Shrub or small tree
Eleocharis sp.	1	Sedge
Eucalyptus resinifera	Red mahogany	Tree
Eucalyptus robusta	Swamp mahogany	Tree. Also recorded as seedling i.e. regenerating
Fimbristylis nutans		Sedge
Gahnia aspera	Rough saw-sedge	Sedge
Gahnia clarkei	Tall saw-sedge	Sedge
Gleichnia dicarpa	Pouched coral fern	Fern
Gonocarpus micranthus		Herb
Hardenbergia violacea	Purple coral pea	Climbing or prostrate subshrub
Hibbertia scandens	Climbing guinea flower	Climber
Homoranthus virgatus		Small shrub
Hovea sp.		Small shrub
Imperata cylindrica	Blady grass	Grass
Kennedia rubicunda	Dusky coral pea	Climber
Lomandra hystrix		Rush
Lomandra longifolia	Spiny-head mat-rush	Rush
Lomandra multiflora	Many-flowered mat-rush	Rush
Lophostemon suaveolens	Swamp box	Tree
Lygodium microphyllum	Climbing snake fern	Fern

Melaleuca quinquenervia	Broad-leaved paperbark	Tree. Also recorded as seedling i.e. regenerating			
Parsonsia straminea	Common silkpod	Vine			
Paspalum mandiocanum*	Broadleaf paspalum	Grass			
Pennisetum clandestinum*	Kikuyu grass	Grass			
Pimelea linifolia	Slender rice flower	Small shrub			
Poa sp.*		Grass			
Pomax umbellata		Herb			
Pteridium esculentum	Common bracken	Fern			
Selaginella uliginosa	Swamp selaginella	Clubmoss			
Senecio madagascariensis*	Fireweed	Forb			
Sisyrinchium rosulatum*	Scourweed	Herb			
Sporobolus afrīcanus*	Paramatta grass	Grass			
Xyris juncea	Dwarf yellow-eye	Herb			

<sup>\*</sup> Introduced species

## APPENDIX 2 - TARGETED FAUNA SURVEY METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS

#### 1. Introduction ·

A comprehensive fauna survey was completed between 29<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. Weather conditions were wet and warm during the first days of the survey period with 67mm and 54mm or rain recorded at nearby Coolangatta weather station on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of March respectively. Weather conditions were mostly fine and warm for the remainder of the survey period with isolated light showers.

#### 2. Survey Techniques

Fauna survey techniques were designed to target threatened (species credit) species identified in the BioBanking Credit Calculator as potentially occurring in the assessment area. The following survey techniques were implemented:

#### Opportunistic Sightings

The 'random meander' technique (Cropper 1993) was used to traverse the entire assessment area. All incidental records of fauna utilising the study area were recorded.

#### Active Searching

Logs, bark and leaves were overturned in search of reptiles and amphibians while incidentally traversing the site. Diggings and signs of droppings were searched for. The site was actively searched for scats and bones. Searches for Koala faecal pellets were completed at the base of all Swamp mahogany trees occurring in the assessment area.

Active observation of bird activity was undertaken at all times during the survey period.

Active searching for the Australian fritillary (Argyreus hyperbius) and its food plant Viola betonicifolia was completed by traversing the entire assessment area. Searches for the threatened flora species Ripple-leaf muttonwood (Myrsine richmondensis) and Water nutgrass (Cyperus aquatilis) were also completed utilising this method.

#### Type 'A' Elliott Box Traps

One (1) line of twenty-five (25) Type 'A' Elliott traps was set for a period of four (4) nights for a total of one-hundred (100) trap nights. This included five (5) arboreal tree-mounted traps. Traps were baited with a mixture of rolled oats, honey, peanut butter and vanilla essence. Arboreal Elliot traps were also baited with apple pieces and a mixture of honey and water sprayed on the trunk of the trees on which they were mounted (i.e. around the entrance of the traps).

#### Cage Traps

Four (4) cage traps were also deployed for four (4) nights for a total of sixteen (16) trap nights. Traps were baited with a mixture of rolled oats, honey, peanut butter and vanilla essence and apple pieces. Cage traps were placed close to trees where some dense ground cover occurred and were also covered with hessian fabric.

#### Hair Tubes

Twenty (20) hair tubes were placed on the trap line. Each hair tube was baited with rolled oats, honey, peanut butter and vanilla essence and then set for a period of four (4) nights for a total of eighty (80) trap nights. Hair samples collected were analysed by Barbara Triggs.

#### Diurnal Bird Surveys

Diurnal birds were surveyed by one (1) scientist by using visual and aural cues, as follows, for a total of four (4) hours (times are EST):

- 1<sup>st</sup> March: 0600-0700 h (1 hr; wet);
- 2nd March: 0700-0800 h (1 hr; showers);
- 2nd March: 1900-2000 h (1 hr; dry); and
- 3rd March: 0700-0800 h (1 hr; dry)

Birds were also surveyed opportunistically at all other times during the survey period.

#### Anabat Recording

An Anabat II sonar detector (Titley Electronics) was used to record the ultrasonic calls of Microchiropteran bats. Bat calls were recorded overnight (approx 2000 h to 0800) on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. A total of twelve (12) hours of recording was undertaken. It was intended to complete Anabat recording over two (2) consecutive nights, however, this was not possible due to equipment failure. Recording times commenced from slightly after dusk. Recording was undertaken by positioning the Anabat II sonar detector facing across a possible bat flyway (FIGURE 1). Anabat recordings were analysed by Greg Ford of Balance Environmental.

#### Spotlighting

Spotlighting was undertaken on two consecutive nights by one (1) scientist for half (0.5) an hour on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> March. The weather for the spotlighting surveys was generally fine and warm with some very slight showers on the night of the 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Nocturnal fauna was surveyed by spotlight-walking/driving through the entire assessment area. Spotlighting was completed using a 50W spotlight powered by a 12V battery. The observer walked/drove at approximately 1km/h allowing intensive listening as an adjunct to visual detection.

#### Call Playback Techniques

Call playback was undertaken on two consecutive nights by one (1) scientist for half (0.5) an hour on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>nd</sup> March. Locations in which call playback was completed are shown in FIGURE 1. Target species included:

- Koala; and
- Squirrel glider

Calls were broadcast for approximately one (1) minute and then followed by a five (5) minute listening period.

#### 3. Summary of Survey Effort

A summary of the survey effort and comparison with the suggested minimum effort detailed in the Threatened Biodiversity Survey and Assessment: Guidelines for Developments and Activities (DEC 2004) is provided in TABLE 1.

TABLE 1 SUMMARY OF SURVEY EFFORT

Method	Survey Effort	Guideline (DEC 2004)
Elliott trapping	100 trap nights	100 trap nights per stratification unit
Cage traps	16 trap nights*	24 trap nights per stratification unit
Hair tubes	80 trap nights	40 trap nights per stratification unit
Call playback	2 nights (1 hr)	5min call broadcast followed by 10min listening period for each target species
Bird survey	Targeted diurnal surveys, 4 days/nights opportunistic records	Not yet resolved but likely that a species-time curve approach should be utilised for surveying diurnal birds.
Anabat (ultrasonic call recording)	1 night (12 hours)	Minimum of four hours for two nights
Spotlighting	2 nights (1 hr)*	2 x 1 hour and 1 x 2 hour search on three separate nights (two scientists)

<sup>&</sup>quot;This component of the survey was reduced due to the small size of the assessment area, relatively small number of mature trees and lack of suitable habitat features associated with these survey methods (e.g. groundcover and hollow-bearing trees).

#### 4. Results

#### Summary

Seven (7) mammal species, twenty-four (24) bird species, seven (7) amphibian species and two (2) butterfly species were recorded during the survey period (TABLE 2). No reptiles were observed during the survey.

#### Elliott/Cage Tapping

Trapping data is provided in TABLE 3. Two (2) introduced species were trapped on the ground in Elliott traps - the House mouse and the Cane toad. No fauna species were recorded in arboreal Elliott traps or cage traps.

#### Active Searches

No Koalas or signs of Koala activity (i.e. faecal pellets) were observed during the survey period. Neither the Australian fritillary or its food plant Viola betonicifolia was observed within the assessment area. Similarly, no Ripple-leaf muttonwood or Water nutgrass plants were observed.

#### Hair Tubes

Hair samples were collected from five (5) hair tubes. Analysis confirmed that all hair samples were attributable to the introduced House mouse.

#### Spotlighting and Call Playback

The spotlighting component of the survey revealed a small number of birds roosting in mature trees within the assessment area including Black-shouldered kites, Pied butcherbirds, Noisy miners, Laughing kookaburras and a White-faced heron. There was no response observed to any call playback surveys. A number of the threatened species Greyheaded flying-fox<sup>2</sup> were observed flying over the assessment area during spotlighting surveys.

#### ANABAT Recording

Analysis of ANABAT recordings (Balance Environmental) revealed four (4) species that were positively identified from 78 good quality calls including one (1) threatened species:

- Little bent-wing bat<sup>3</sup> (Miniopterus australis) 58 calls;
- Little broad-nosed bat (Scotorepens greyii) 2 calls;
- Eastern broad-nosed bat (Scotorepens orion) 4 calls;
- Eastern forest bat (Vespadelus pumilus) 14 calls

An additional 33 calls were of too low quality (brief and/or noisy and/or fragmented) to obtain reliable species identification. These were allocated to the following species groups:

- Gould's wattled bat (Chalinolobus gouldii) 2 weak calls
  - Most likely this species but possibly from a Mormopterus (see below)
- Little bent-wing bat<sup>3</sup> or Eastern forest bat 8 calls
  - Both species also identified positively from better quality calls;
- East coast freetail-bat<sup>3</sup> (Mormopterus norfolkensis) or Eastern freetail-bat (M. ridei) 8 calls
  - Flattish pulses around 30 kHz with no clear evidence of alternating frequency, which is diagnostic of M. norfolkensis, but calls too brief to be certain of identity
- Eastern bent-wing bat<sup>3</sup> (Miniopteris schreibersii oceanensis) or Large forest bat (Vespadelus darlingtoni) - 5 calls
  - Steep, curvilinear pulses at 43-45 kHz but mostly weak and erratic so impossible to tell from which of these species they came
- Yellow-bellied sheathtail bat<sup>3</sup> (Saccolaimus flaviventris) or Northern free-tailed bat (Mormopterus lumsdenae) - 4 calls
  - Almost flat pulses at about 20 kHz, which looked more like M. lumsdenae than 5. flaviventris, but with only a couple of pulses per call it is not possible to provide a reliable identification
- Scotorepens spp. or V. darlingtoni 6 calls

3 Listed as Vulnerable in schedules of the Threatened Species Conservation Act (1995)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Listed as Vulnerable in schedules of the Threatened Species Conservation Act (1995) and Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act (1999)

 Steep, curvilinear pulses at approximately 40 kHz, which were most likely from Little or Parnaby's Broad-nosed bats but could have been Large forest bat at lower end of its frequency range

#### Additional Threatened Fauna Records

Two additional threatened fauna species were recorded during the survey period. One (1) Black-necked stork<sup>4</sup> was observed flying over the assessment area and a number of Wallum froglets<sup>5</sup> were heard calling from within and adjacent to the assessment area (refer SECTION 4.2.13 of BAR).

TABLE 2
FAUNA SPECIES RECORDED DURING SURVEY PERIOD

Common Name	Scientific Name
Mammals	
Eastern broad-nosed bat	Scotorepens orion
Eastern forest bat	Vespadelus pumilus
Eastern grey kangaroo	Macropus giganteus
Grey-headed flying-fox^	Pteropus poliocephalus
Little bent-wing bat	Miniopterus australis
Little broad-nosed bat	Scotorepens greyii
House mouse*	Mus musculus
Birds	
Australian magpie	Cracticus tibicen
Australian pied cormorant	Phalacrocorax varius
Australian white ibis	Threskiornis moluccus
Australian wood duck	Chenonetta jubata
Black-necked stork*	Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus
Black-shouldered kite	Elanus axillaris
Blue-faced honeyeater	Entomyzon cyanotis
Grey butcherbird	Cracticus torquatus
Intermediate egret	Ardea intermedia
Latham's snipe	Gallinago hardwickii

<sup>1</sup> Listed as Endangered in schedules of the Threatened Species Conservation Act (1995)

<sup>5</sup> Listed as Vulnerable in schedules of the Threatened Species Conservation Act (1995)

Common Name	Scientific Name
Laughing kookaburra	Dacelo novaeguineae
Masked lapwing	Vanellus miles
Noisy friarbird	Philemon corniculatus
Noisy miner	Manorina melanocephala
Pacific black duck	Anas superciliosa
Pied butcherbird	Cracticus nigrogularis
Rainbow lorikeet	Trichoglossus moluccanus
Spotless crake	Porzana tabuensis
Straw-necked ibis	Threskiornis spinicollis
Sulfur-crested cockatoo	Cacatua galerita
Torresian crow	Corvus orru
Welcome swallow	Hirundo neoxena
Whistling kite	Haliastur sphenurus
White-faced heron	Egretta novaehollandiae
Amphibians	
Cane toad*	Rhinella marina
Common eastern froglet	Crinia signifera
Dainty green tree frog	Litoria gracilenta
Eastern dwarf tree frog	Litoria fallax
Striped marsh frog	Limnodynastes peronii
Tusked frog	Adelotus brevis
Wallum froglet	Crinia tinnula
Butterflies	
Monarch butterfly	Danaus plexippus
Small grass yellow	Eurema brigitta

Threatened species in bold text

<sup>\*</sup>Introduced species

<sup>\*</sup>Observed flying over the assessment area

TABLE 3
FAUNA SURVEY TRAPPING DATA

		Survey Date					
Trap No.	01/03/16	02/03/16	03/03/16	04/03/16			
	E	lliott traps (groun	id)				
1	×	House mouse	×	House mouse			
2	House mouse	House mouse	×	×			
3	×	×	×	x			
4	×	Cane toad	House mouse	×			
5	Cane toad	Cane toad	Cane toad	House mouse			
6	x	Cane toad	Cane toad	×			
7	House mouse	Cane toad	House mouse	se House mouse			
8	×	х	House mouse	House mouse x x x x			
9	x	×	×				
10	Cane toad	×	×				
11	×	Cane toad	House mouse				
12	Cane toad	х	x				
13	x	x x House mouse		×			
14	x	x	×	×			
15	×	х	×.	x			
16	×	×	House mouse	House mouse			
17	×	Cane toad	x	×			
18	×	х	House mouse	House mouse			
19	х	House mouse	Cane toad	x			
20	Cane toad	e toad x House mouse		House mouse			
	El	liott traps (arbore	eal)				
1	×	×	×	×			
2	×	x	×	x			
3	x	×	x	×			
4	X	x x x x x x		×			
5	×			×			
		Wire cage traps					
1	×	×	×	x			
2	×	×	×	×			
3	×	x	x	x			
4	х	X	х	х			

# APPENDIX 3 - FLORA AND FAUNA ASSESSMENTS COMPLETED ON THE COBAKI ESTATE SITE

A significant number of flora and fauna studies have been completed over the last thirty-five (35) years. The list of these studies is included below:

- Cameron McNamara (1983) Cobaki Village Environmental Study. Report prepared for the Bradshaw Group. Includes a 1981 flora and fauna study.
- Winders Barlow and Morrison (1990a) Cobaki Community Project Vegetation Field Study.
- Winders Barlow and Morrison (1990b) Cobaki Community Project Evaluation of Terrestrial Fauna.
- Debus (1994) Bird Survey of the Cobaki Community Project site.
- James Warren Biological and Environmental Consultant (1994) Flora and Fauna Assessment. Bulk earthworks (cut and fill) at Cobaki Lakes.
- James Warren Biological and Environmental Consultant (1994) Flora and Fauna Assessment. Phase 1 Residential Development at Cobaki Lakes.
- Debus (May 1997) Supplementary bird survey on the Cobaki Community Project site.
- Debus (July 1997) Additional owl survey on the Cobaki Community Project site.
- Woodward Clyde (1997) Species Impact Statement Cobaki Lakes. Prepared for Leda Developments Pty Ltd.
- Parker (1999) Species Impact Statement Cobaki Lakes Project. Prepared for Leda Manorstead Pty Ltd.
- James Warren and Associates (2008) Ecological Assessment. Response to the Director Generals Requirements. Volume 2. A report to Leda Manorstead Pty Ltd.
- JWA (June 2014) Flora survey of the Swamp Mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta) community on the Cobaki Estate Site.
- JWA (September 2015) Biodiversity Banking Assessment Methodology assessment and tree survey of the Swamp mahogany community.
- JWA (March 2016) Biodiversity Assessment Report. Cobaki Estate.

## APPENDIX 4 - KOALA HABITAT ASSESSMENT

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## KOALA HABITAT ASSESSMENT

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Background

James Warren & Associates (JWA) have been engaged by LEDA Manorstead Pty Ltd to complete a Koala Habitat Assessment of the Cobaki Estate site in accordance with the requirements of State Environmental Planning Policy No. 44 (SEPP 44).

The Minister for Planning approved a Concept Plan for the Cobaki Estate site in December 2010. Development Applications have subsequently been approved by Tweed Shire Council for the first stages of development i.e. Precincts 1, 2 and 6.

Subsequent to the Concept Approval the Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study (Biolink 2011) has been released. This report describes the results of a koala habitat and population assessment for the coastal portion of the Tweed LGA. In recent comments on the submitted Development Applications for the first stages of Cobaki Estate, TSC has referenced the Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study and requested a further detailed Koala habitat assessment of the site.

## 1.2 The Subject Site

The subject site consists of land described as Lot 1 DP 570076, Lot 2 DP 566529, Lot 1 DP 562222, Lot 1 DP 570077, Lot 1 823679, Lots 46, 54, 55, 199, 200, 201, 202, 205, 206, 209, 228 & 305 DP 755740, Cobaki, off Pigabeen Road, Tweed Heads. The site covers an area of approximately 605 hectares and is shown in FIGURE 1.

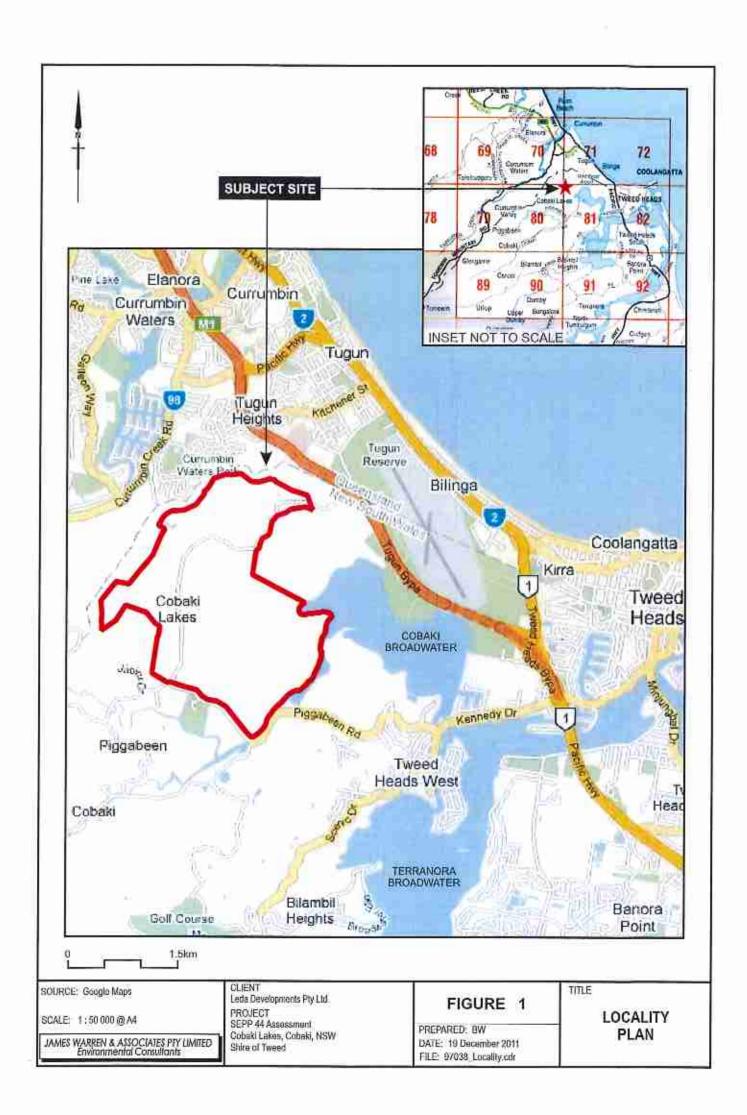
The site lies adjacent to private landholdings to the north-west and south-east, and comprises a large portion of land cleared for agricultural purposes (i.e. grazing) throughout which a number of vegetation communities occur. Extensive clearing and subsequent slashing over the drainage basin has resulted in the recruitment of a combination of native and introduced grass species in place of native plants. Forested Crown lands which form the NSW-QLD border also form the northern and western boundary of the Cobaki Estate site.

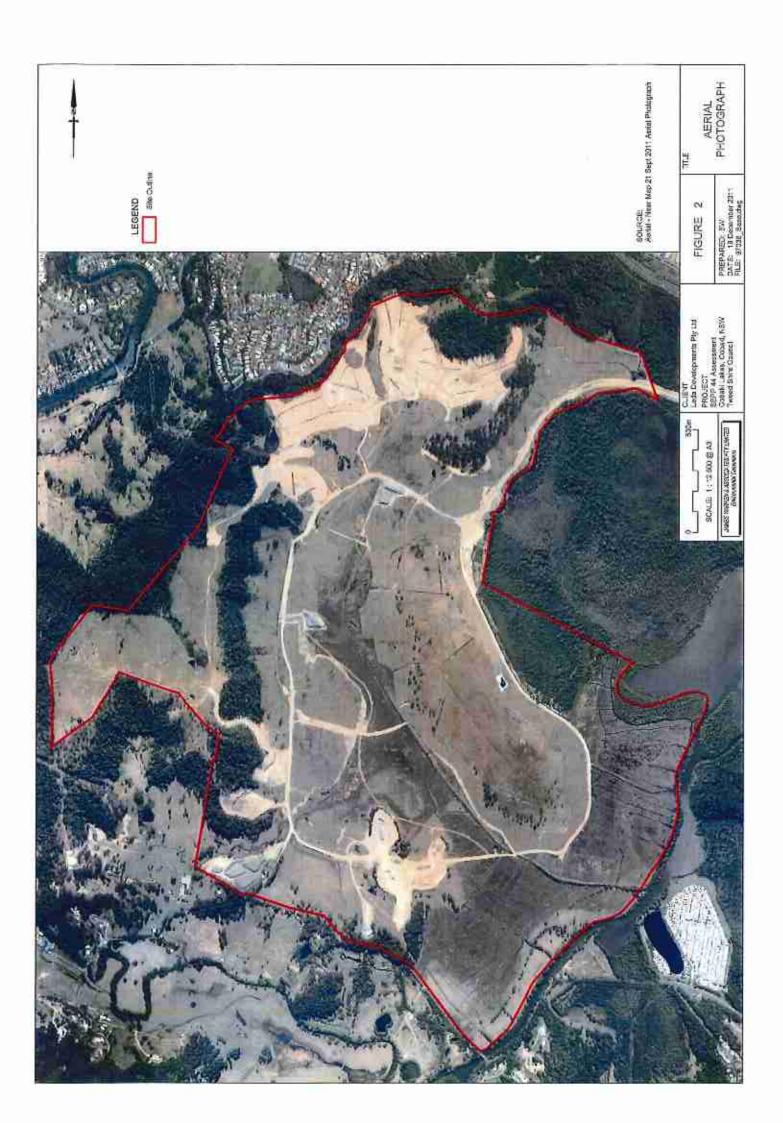
FIGURE 2 shows a recent aerial photograph of the site.

## 1.3 Aims & Objectives

The aim of this report is to provide a detailed and comprehensive assessment of the Koala habitat values of the Cobaki Estate site and the use of the site by any local population of Koalas. The objectives of the report to achieve this aim are as follows:

- Provide a summary of the Koala habitat assessments and surveys completed on the Cobaki Estate site to date;
- Review existing data available on Koala habitat and Koala records for the locality;







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- Complete a detailed and comprehensive assessment of Koala habitat on the site and Koala usage of the site using the Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) (Phillips and Callaghan 2011); and
- Based on the results of the site assessment, complete an assessment in accordance with the requirements of SEPP 44.

## 2. HISTORY OF KOALA ASSESSMENTS AT COBAKI ESTATE

## 2.1 Background

The Cobaki Estate site has been comprehensively studied over the last thirty (30) years. Assessments of the site and surrounds that are relevant to the Koala and its habitat include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Cameron McNamara (1983) Cobaki Village Environmental Study (Report Prepared for the Bradshaw Group);
- WBM (1991) Flora and Fauna Studies, Proposed Boyd Street Extension to Cobaki;
- Warren (1992) Fauna Impact Assessment of the Proposed Boyd Street Access;
- Warren (1993) Flora and Fauna survey of proposed cut/fill areas at Cobaki Lakes development (Unpublished Report);
- Warren (1994) Flora and Fauna survey of the Cobaki Lakes development site (Unpublished Report);
- Woodward-Clyde (1997) Species Impact Statement AGC Woodward-Clyde Pty
   Ltd:
- Parker (1999) A Species Impact Statement for the Cobaki Lakes Project;
- EcoPro Pty Ltd (2004) Tugun Bypass: Species Impact Statement (SIS). A report prepared for the Queensland Department of Main Roads;
- JWA (2008a) Cobaki Estate Ecological Assessment Volumes 1 & 2. Response to the Director General's Environmental Assessment Requirements. May 2008
- <u>JWA (2008b)</u> Cobaki Estate Ecological Assessment Volumes 1 & 2. Response to the Director General's Environmental Assessment Requirements. As Amended November 2008
- JWA (2009) SEPP 44 Assessment. Cobaki Estate Preferred Project Report. October 2009.
- JWA (2010) Revised Cobaki Estate Ecological Assessment, Cobaki Estate Preferred Project Report, June 2010.

A brief summary of findings that relate to Koalas and their habitats is provided in the following sections.

## 2.2 Cameron McNamara (1983)

The fauna survey component of this study was carried out by Barry (1981). This survey was mainly restricted to less elevated portions of the site. Barry set a number of trap lines and one drift fence with pits.

No Koalas were reported as occurring on the site, or any comment made on the Koala habitat potential of the site.

## 2.3 WBM (1991)

The survey (carried out in October and November 1991) centred on the fauna existing in the Crown Reserve area between the QLD - NSW border and the Cobaki property boundary. The survey included day and night observations.

No Koalas were reported as occurring on the site, or any comment made on the Koala habitat potential of the site. It was recorded that a fire that burnt through much of the area of the Crown Reserve two (2) months prior to this survey could have led to an underestimation of the species diversity in the area.

## 2.4 Warren (1992)

Further survey work was carried out within the Crown reserve in the area of the proposed Boyd Street Extension. This survey targeted a number of Threatened fauna species and included day and night observations.

No Koalas were reported as occurring on the site, or any comment made on the Koala habitat potential of the site,

## 2.5 Warren (1993)

The area subject of the bulk earthworks (cut and fill) was the subject of an intensive fauna survey in April and May 1993 and again in October and November 1994. The surveys centred on the identification of Threatened fauna given that numerous studies had already been carried out on the site and included spotlighting surveys.

No Koalas were reported as occurring on the site, or any comment made on the Koala habitat potential of the site.

## 2.6 Warren (1994)

Supplementary work in the proposed cut/fill areas (C5, F8-11) was carried out in September and October 1994. Again this survey work was designed to record Threatened fauna species and included spotlighting surveys.

Approximately 483 trees in the Scribbly gum/Swamp mahogany community, and the Blackbutt community in the Stages 7-10 and SIS Study site were assessed for Koala activity. Most of the trees inspected were restricted to Grey gum, Tallowwood and Forest red gum as these are known to be preferentially browsed by Koalas in the region.

The analysis was based on scratch density on trees as well as the occurrence of faecal pellets around the base of the tree. Each tree was allocated a rating of 0-5 depending on the density of pellets or scratch marks. 0 indicated absence of Koala activity whilst 5 indicated a level of high activity. Only a very small number of trees showed any

indication of activity and none of the trees showed an activity level greater than 2. In some cases it was difficult to ascribe the scratches to Koalas as there were no faecal pellets and it is known that Common brushtail possums and Lace monitors occur on the site.

## 2.7 Woodward-Clyde (1997)

A detail botanical survey was undertaken between April and June 1997. The fauna section of the SIS relied upon the comprehensive fauna study effort which had been previously completed on the site. A complete fauna list from the previous sixteen (16) years of surveys included the Koala.

## 2.8 Parker (1999)

Parker used the vegetation descriptions from WBM (1991) as a basis of the vegetation assessment. The fauna section of the SIS relies on the comprehensive fauna study effort which has been previously completed on the site. A complete fauna list from the previous eighteen (18) years of surveys included the Koala.

## 2.9 EcoPro Pty Ltd (2004)

Ten (10) primary survey precincts were selected as being representative of vegetation communities along the proposal corridor. Survey methods involved the use of standardised techniques for fauna. Supplementary sampling included Koala spot assessments (Phillips and Callaghan 1995).

Eleven (11) spot assessment sites were surveyed in total. No Koalas or evidence of Koala activity were recorded. It was concluded that as intensive searches for this species failed to reveal its presence, it was unlikely to occur in the area.

## 2.10 JWA (2008a)

Areas of the site containing preferred Koala food trees (i.e. Swamp mahogany, Forest red gum, Tallowwood, Grey gum) were searched for evidence of Koala activity (i.e. scats, scratches) in December 2007. Two (2) scientists spent approximately twelve (12) hours on this component of the assessment.

A nocturnal survey was also completed including spotlighting and call playback techniques. Approximately eight (8) hours was spent on this component of the assessment.

No conclusive evidence of Koala activity (scats) was recorded on the site. Whilst a number of trees contained scratch marks this is not considered a conclusive method of identifying Koala activity when not accompanied by scats as they may be attributed to other more common arboreal species. One (1) male Koala was heard calling approximately 200-300m north of the south-western corner of the subject site.

It was concluded that Koalas may occasionally disperse across the site whilst moving through the locality.

An assessment of potential impacts on Koala habitat was also completed. It was determined that 5.26 hectares of suitable Koala habitat (13.40% of the total available habitat) would be lost from the subject site as a result of the proposed Concept Plan.

## 2.11 JWA (2008b)

The amened Ecological Assessment calculated impacts based a revised layout and determined that 9.24 hectares of suitable Koala habitat (20.8% of the total available habitat) may potentially be lost from the subject site as a result of the proposed Concept Plan.

## 2.12 JWA (2009)

Subsequent to the Concept Plan application an assessment of the proposed Concept Plan against the requirements of SEPP 44 was completed to accompany the Preferred Project report.

The exact number and location of trees listed under Schedule 2 which occur on the subject site was determined. In total, four hundred and sixty three (463) Koala food trees listed under Schedule 2 occur on the subject site as follows:

- One hundred and fifty six (156) Forest red gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis);
- One hundred and twenty nine (129) Tallowwood (Eucalyptus microcorys);
- Seventy three (73) Swamp Mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta); and
- One hundred and thirteen (113) Scribbly gum (Eucalyptus racemosa).

Although the percentage of Koala food trees on the subject site was not quantitatively assessed, mapping clearly showed that the total number of Koala food trees was unlikely to exceed fifteen per cent (15%) of the total trees present. Therefore, the subject site was not considered to contain core Koala habitat as defined under SEPP 44.

The assessment of SEPP 44 determined that core Koala habitat as defined by SEPP 44 does not occur on the subject site and thus there is no requirement for the preparation of a Koala Plan of Management.

## 2.13 JWA (2010)

The amened Ecological Assessment calculated impacts based a revised layout and determined that 12.5 hectares of suitable Koala habitat (29.3% of the total available

habitat) may potentially be lost from the subject site. All potential Koala habitat to be removed occurred within portions of the site with existing development approval.

# 3. REVIEW OF AVAILABLE KOALA HABITAT DATA & RECORDS

#### 3.1 Introduction

The following sections provide a review of the various assessments of available Koala habitat in the Cobaki Estate area as well as know Koala records in the locality of the site.

#### 3.2 Koala habitat values on the Cobaki Estate site

#### 3.2.1 Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Atlas (Australian Koala Foundation 1996)

In April, 1993 Council resolved to contribute \$10,000 to the Australian Koala Foundation (AKF) to assist them in the preparation of a Tweed Coast Koala Atlas for the eastern section of the Shire.

The objectives of the AKF study were as follows:

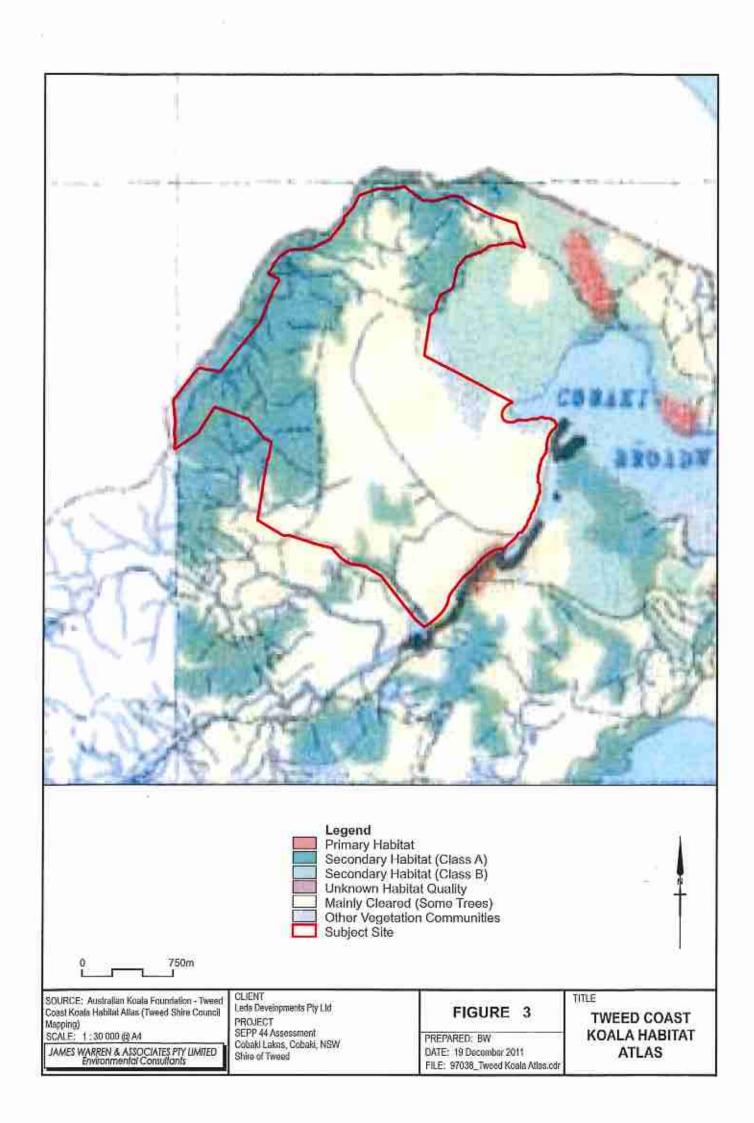
- a. to quantify tree preferences and habitat utilisation;
- b. to delineate areas of Primary and Secondary Koala Habitat;
- to examine the relationship of this information in terms of State Environmental Planning Policy No 44 (Koala Habitat);
- d. to identify threatening processes; and
- to recommend measures to provide Koala populations with a measure of long term viability.

The Tweed Coast Koala atlas maps parts of the Cobaki Estate site as Secondary Habitat (FIGURE 3). However, clearing activities have occurred since the preparation of this mapping. Large areas of vegetation mapped as secondary habitat are now open grassland with scattered trees. In particular, the elevated plateau in the western portion of the site does not represent secondary Koala habitat as described in the Summary of Tweed Coast Koala Atlas.

#### 3.2.2 Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study (Biolink 2011)

This report describes the results of a koala habitat and population assessment for the coastal portion of the Tweed LGA. The study area covered the coastal strip from Queensland border at Tweed Heads to the Byron Shire Council Border south of Wooyung. The study area included lands surrounding the Cobaki Broadwater with six (6) field sites occurring within or immediately adjacent to the Cobaki Estate site (FIGURE 4).

The vegetation mapping work of Kingston et al. (2004) provided the basis for koala habitat classifications. Vegetation communities were categorised in accord with the





LOCATION OF ACTIVE & INACTIVE FIELD SITES

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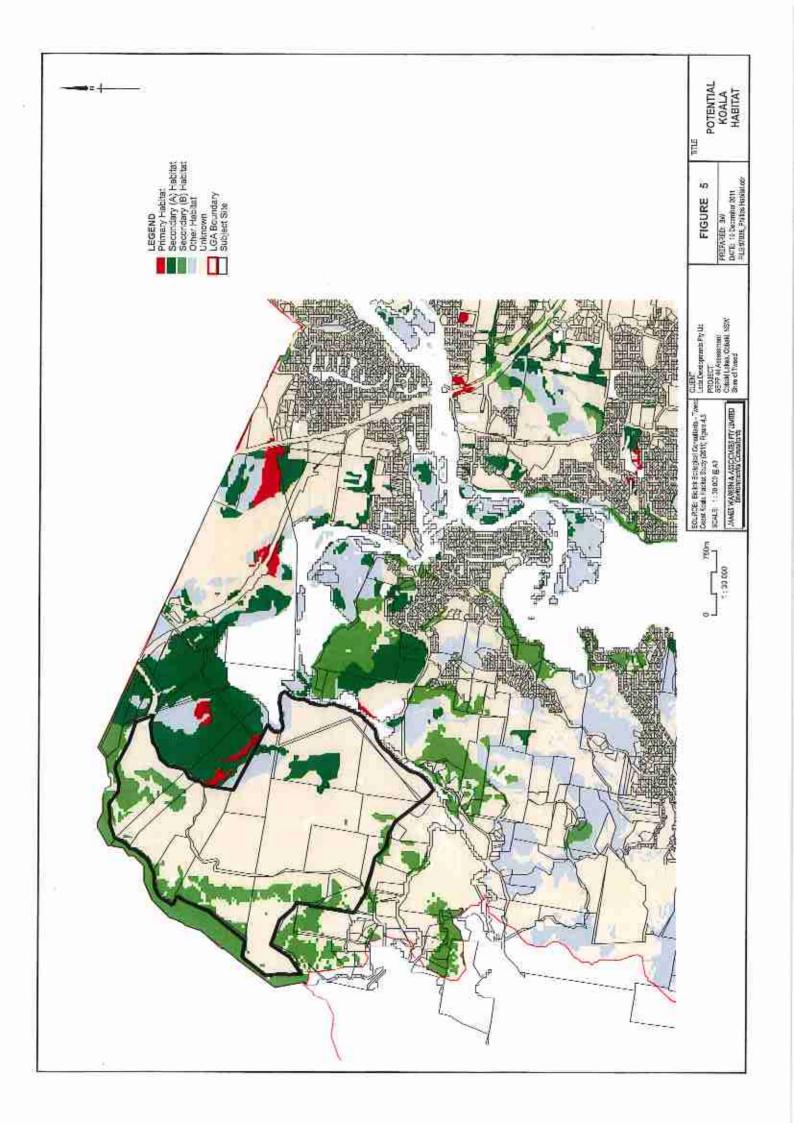
definitions detailed below; such ecologically-based determinations considered to better reflect the extent of potential koala habitat for the purposes of SEPP 44 than that otherwise obtained using the 15% rule (see SEPP 44, Part 1, 4 Definitions). The terms "Primary", "Secondary" and "Supplementary" food tree species are outlined below:

- Primary Habitat areas of forest and/or woodland wherein primary food tree species comprise the dominant or co-dominant (i.e. ≥ 50%) overstorey tree species.
- Secondary (Class A) Habitat areas of forest and/or woodland wherein primary
  food tree species are present but not dominant or co-dominant and usually (but
  not always) growing in association with one or more secondary food tree
  species.
- Secondary (Class B) Habitat areas of forest and/or woodland wherein primary food tree species are absent, habitat containing secondary and/or supplementary food tree species only.

The Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study maps the majority of the vegetated areas of the Cobaki Estate site as Secondary (Class B) Habitat (FIGURE 5). An area of Primary Habitat is mapped as occurring in the eastern portion of the site.

A review of the Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study mapping of the site has revealed the following:

- Areas of Sub-tropical rainforest in the northern portion of the site associated with Mount Woodgee have been mapped as Secondary (Class B) Habitat. Whilst scattered Brushbox (Lophostemon confertus) occur in this area, and this species was indicated as a Preferred Koala food tree in the study albeit with a relatively low 'strike-rate', Koalas are not generally known to inhabit rainforest communities, and the definition of Other in the habitat categorisation section of the report includes rainforests.
- 2. A relatively large area of Primary Koala habitat mapped in the eastern portion of the subject site is comprised of scattered mature Scribbly gum (Eucalyptus racemosa). This species is listed as a Preferred Koala food tree within Schedule 2 of SEPP 44 and received a moderate 'strike-rate' in the study. However it is worth noting that in this instance these trees occur as an isolated stand in a cleared grazing land environment.
- Similar isolated stands of Schedule 2 Koala food trees which received a much higher 'strike-rate' in the study (i.e. Eucalyptus robusta, Eucalyptus tereticornis) occur on the site and have been included in the Secondary (Class B) Habitat mapping.



#### 3.3 Koala records

#### 3.3.1 BioNet Atlas of NSW Wildlife

A search for Koala records within 10km of the Cobaki Estate site was completed on the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011 utilising the BioNet Atlas of NSW Wildlife. The search returned twenty-two (22) records within 10km of the site, including two (2) records from the subject site between 2004 and 2006 (FIGURE 6) i.e.:

- · A record from approximately the centre of the site; and
- A record from a small patch of vegetation in the southern portion of the site abutting Piggabeen Road.

Other nearby records occur near Jabiru Drive approximately 1km to the south-west of the site, approximately 250m to the south-east over Cobaki Creek, and adjacent to the eastern site boundary surrounding Cobaki Broadwater. Interestingly a number of records occur within Cobaki Broadwater itself, highlighting the inevitable error associated with mapping public records and at such a large scale.

#### 3.3.2 Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study (Biolink 2011)

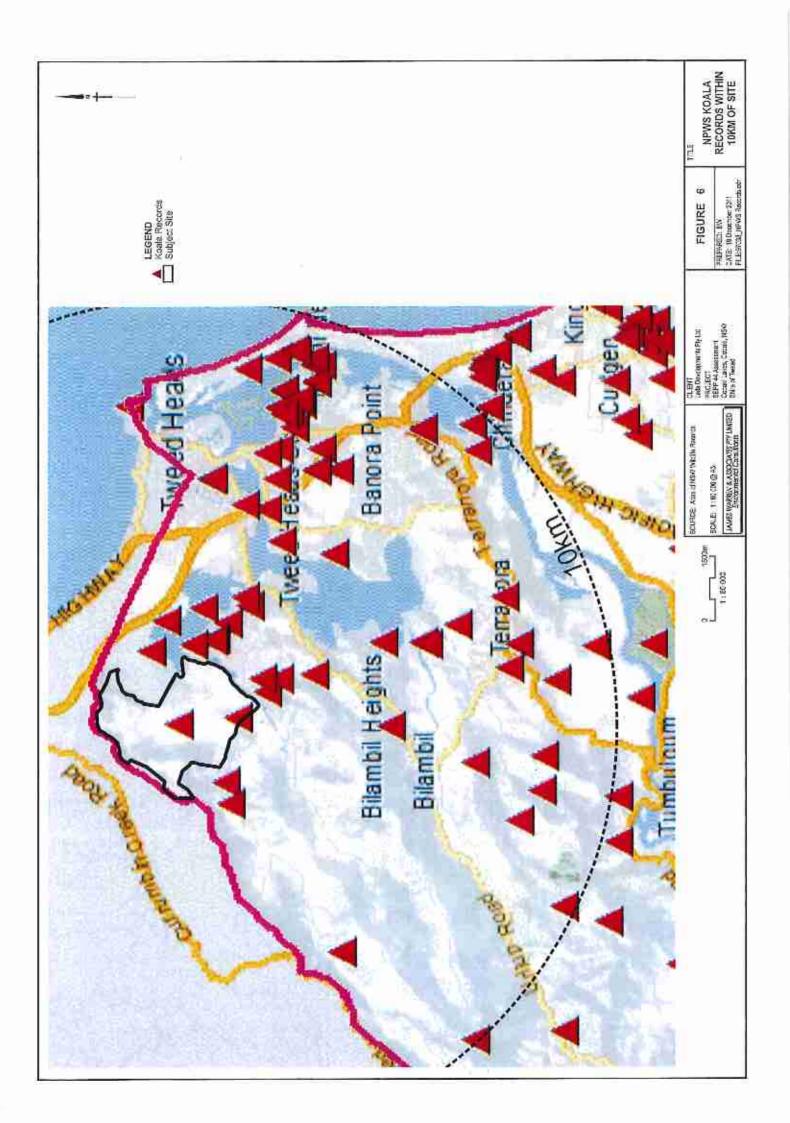
Detailed koala population assessments in the Tweed Coast Study Area involved application of a systematic sampling strategy primarily reliant on Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) methodology (Phillips & Callaghan 2011) to gather data on koala presence and absence, food tree preferences, koala density and activity. Collectively, 134 field sites were sampled comprising 85 primary and 49 supplementary field sites, the latter focused around areas of significant koala activity.

Six (6) field sites occurring within or immediately adjacent to the Cobaki Estate site (FIGURE 4). No Koala activity was recorded in the field sites on or immediately surrounding the Cobaki Estate (FIGURE 4). The closest recorded activity was approximately 2.5 km away on the eastern side of the Cobaki Broadwater (FIGURE 4).

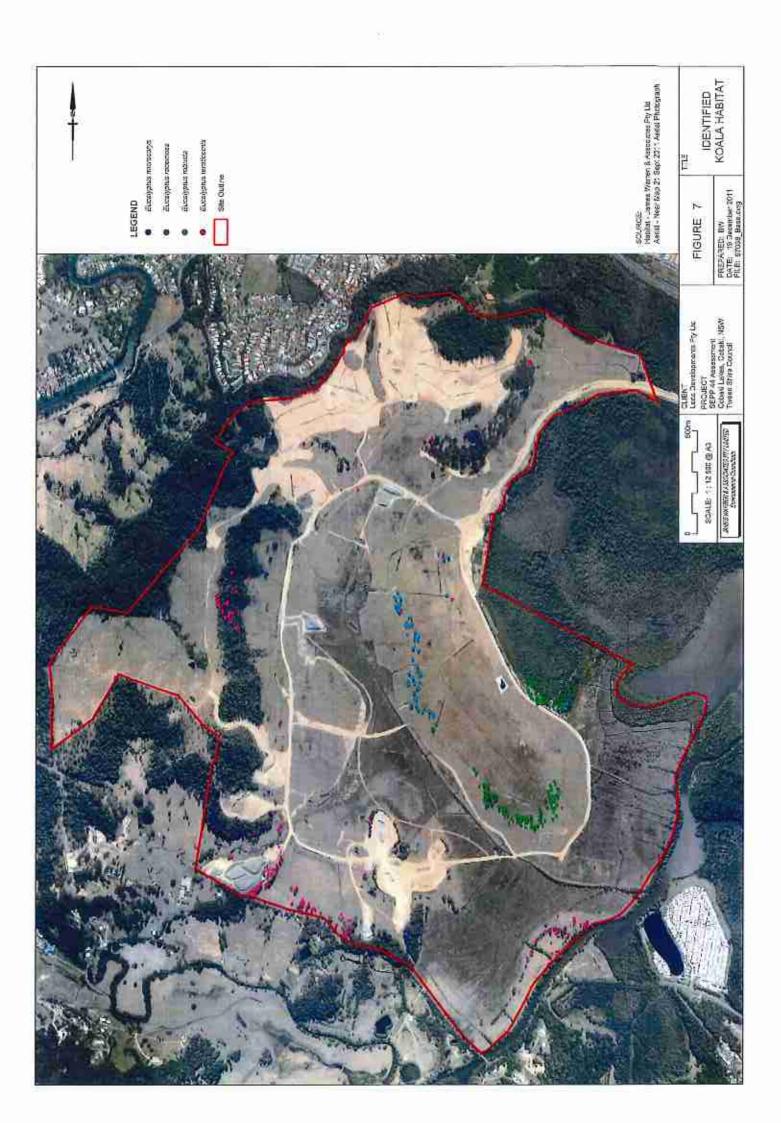
The study concluded that north of the Tweed River, Koala activity data indicates the persistence of small relic populations in the Terranora-Bilambil Heights and Tweed Heads South areas, however the short to medium-term viability of these populations is considered low in the absence of recruitment and the escalation of threatening processes arising from ongoing development.

#### 3.3.3 Targeted surveys on and adjacent to the Cobaki Estate site

Section 2 provided a brief summary of findings from various studies completed at the site over the past 30 years. The results of targeted Koala assessments can be further summarised as follows:



- Approximately 483 trees were assessed for Koala activity. Most of the trees inspected were restricted to Grey gum, Tallowwood and Forest red gum as these are known to be preferentially browsed by Koalas in the region.
- The analysis was based on scratch density on trees as well as the occurrence of faecal pellets around the base of the tree. Each tree was allocated a rating of 0-5 depending on the density of pellets or scratch marks. O indicated absence of Koala activity whilst 5 indicated a level of high activity.
- Only a very small number of trees showed any indication of activity and none of the trees showed an activity level greater than 2.
- Ten (10) primary survey precincts were selected along the proposal corridor.
- Supplementary sampling included Koala spot assessments (Phillips and Callaghan 1995).
- Eleven (11) spot assessment sites were surveyed in total.
- No Koalas or evidence of Koala activity was recorded.
- It was concluded that as intensive searches for this species failed to reveal its presence, it was unlikely to occur in the area.
- A search was completed for evidence of Koalas with areas containing preferred Koala food trees (i.e. Swamp mahogany, Forest red gum, Tallowwood, Grey gum, Scribbly gum).
- Approximately 12 person-hours were spent looking for Koalas, scats and/or tree scratches.
- A further eight (8) hours person-hours was spent on a nocturnal survey that including spotlighting and call playback techniques.
- No Koalas were sighted and no scats were found.
- Subsequent to the Concept Plan application an assessment of the proposed Concept Plan against the requirements of SEPP 44 was completed to accompany the Preferred Project report.
- In total, four hundred and sixty three (463) Koala food trees listed under Schedule 2 were mapped on the subject site as follows (FIGURE 7):
  - One hundred and fifty six (156) Forest red gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis);



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- One hundred and twenty nine (129) Tallowwood (Eucalyptus microcorys);
- Seventy three (73) Swamp Mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta); and
- One hundred and thirteen (113) Scribbly gum (Eucalyptus signata).
- The assessment of SEPP 44 determined that core Koala habitat as defined by SEPP 44 does not occur on the subject site and thus there was no requirement for the preparation of a Koala Plan of Management.

## 4. SITE ASSESSMENT

#### 4.1 Introduction

A realistic and thorough assessment of habitat occupied by free-ranging Koalas should employ a number and variety of techniques. This section provides details of a recent targeted Koala survey at Cobaki Estate utilising the following techniques:

- Preliminary site assessment;
- SAT (Spot Assessment Technique) analysis (Phillips & Callaghan 2011);
- Diurnal surveys for roosting Koalas;
- Diurnal searches for evidence of Koala activity (i.e. scats & scratches);
- · Spotlighting surveys; and
- · Call playback technique.

The results of the assessment are also discussed.

## 4.2 Methodology

#### 4.2.1 Preliminary site assessment

A preliminary site assessment was completed in September 2011 to ground-truth existing vegetation mapping and verify the location and extent of identified potential Koala habitat areas on the site.

Opportunistic searches for Koalas and/or evidence of Koala activity (i.e. sctas) were completed whilst traversing the site.

#### 4.2.2 Spot Assessment Technique (SAT)

The Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) developed by Stephen Phillips and John Callaghan describes a point-based tree sampling methodology that utilizes the presence/absence of Koala faecal pellets (scats) within a prescribed search area around the base of trees to derive a measure of Koala activity. Confidence intervals associated with Koala activity data from 405 randomly selected field plots within which faecal pellets were recorded have been utilised to assign threshold values for three population density/habitat biomes in eastern Australia.

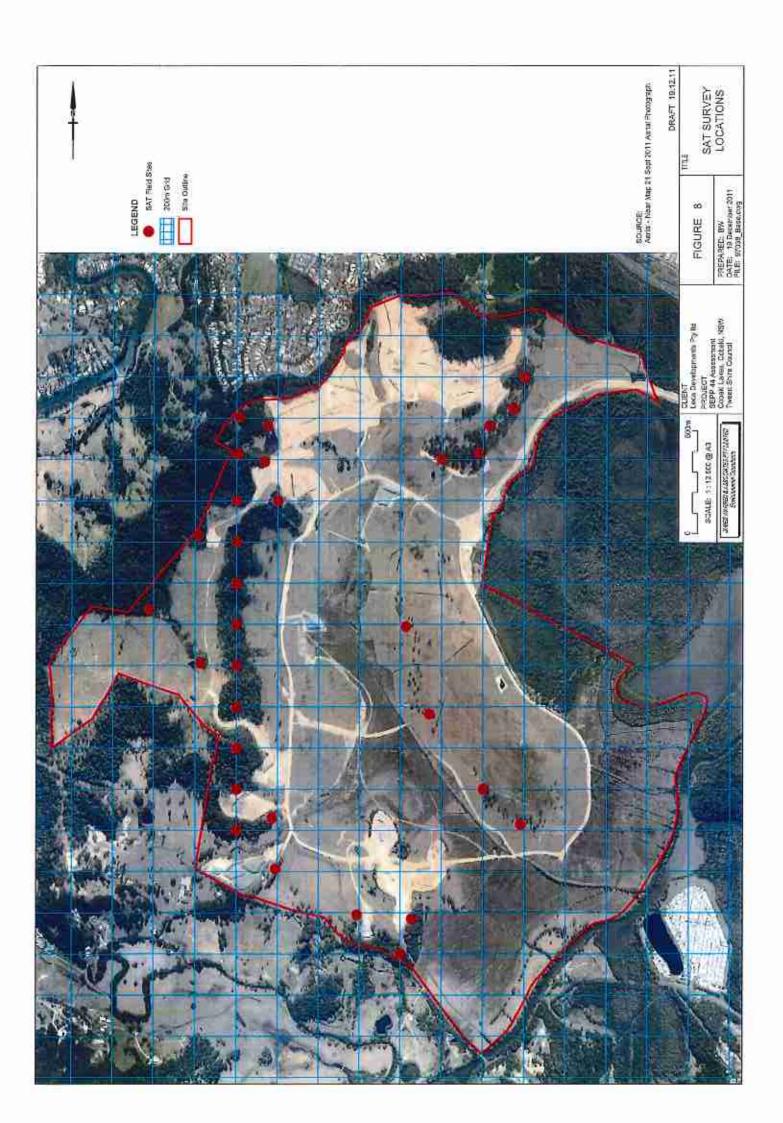
To ensure a uniform and unbiased survey effort across the Cobaki Estate site, a 200m grid was overlaid on an aerial photograph of the site. Grid points, where they

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intersected vegetated areas, were then used as field sites. In instances where the grid points fell on a cleared area adjacent to discrete vegetation patches, the site was relocated accordingly. Thirty-one (31) field sites were identified and surveyed (FIGURE 8). Details of the location of each field site are provided in TABLE 1.

TABLE 1 FIELD SITE LOCATIONS

Field site no.	GPS	Note the second	Brief description
riela site no.	Easting	Northing	brief description
1 547467		6884784	Blackbutt forest with maintained midstorey & groundcover - ridge top
2	547413	6884631	Blackbutt forest with maintained midstorey & groundcover - ridge top
3	547297	6884549	Blackbutt forest (+/- Grey gum) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - moderately steep westerly aspect
4	4 547247		Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - ridge top
5	547067	6884384	Blackbutt forest with maintained midstorey & groundcover - moderately steep south-easterly aspect
6 546891		6883573	Swamp mahogany woodland with maintained midstorey & groundcover - on flat sand plain
7	7 547006		Swamp mahogany woodland with maintained midstorey & groundcover on flat sand plain
8	8 547267		Scribbly gum woodland with maintained midstorey & groundcover - on flat sand plain
9	9 547448		Scribbly gum woodland with maintained midstorey & groundcover - on flat sand plain
10	546867	6881984	Blackbutt forest - steep south-westerly aspect
11	546920	6882154	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - steep easterly aspect
12	546653	6882174	Blackbutt forest and adjacent scattered Forest red gum
13	13 546255		Linear stand of old growth Forest red gum
14	546237	6882644	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - moderately steep easterly aspect
15 546067		6882584	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - steep southerly aspect



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Field site no.	GPS		Brief description		
16	546067	6882784	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - gentle north-easterly aspect		
17	546067	6882984	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) at the top of a very steep rock ridgeline		
18	546067	6883184	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - moderately steep south-easterly aspect		
19	546067	6883384	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - very steep easterly aspect		
20	546067	6883584	Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - steep easterly aspect		
21	546067	6883784	Brushbox forest - steep northerly aspect		
22	546067	6883984	Blackbutt forest in steep eastern facing gully		
23	546267	6884184	Blackbutt forest (+/- Grey gum) - stee southerly aspect		
2.4	546201	6884373	Blackbutt forest - steep westerly aspec		
25	546215	6884550	Brushbox forest - moderately steep easterly aspect		
26	546082	6884589	Blackbutt forest - steep south-easterly aspect		
27	546073	6884412	Very tall Flooded gum forest in easterly facing gully		
28			Brushbox forest in steep northern facing gully		
29	29 545882 6884015		Brushbox forest in steep gully		
30	545645 6883657 Blackbutt forest - gentle eas		Blackbutt forest - gentle easterly aspect		
31 545891 (		6883395	Brief description: Regrowth - gentle westerly aspect		

The Spot Assessment Technique (SAT) was then applied at each of the thirty-one (31) field sites by two (2) scientists on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

Within each field site Koala "activity" was assessed within the immediate area by first selecting and marking an important or centre tree using the following criteria:

- a tree of any species beneath which one or more Koala faecal pellets have been observed; and/or
- a tree in which a Koala has been observed; and/or
- any other tree known or considered to be potentially important for Koalas, or for other assessment purposes.

The twenty-nine (29) closest trees were then similarly marked. For the purposes of the SAT analysis, a tree is defined as a "live woody stem of any plant species except cycads, palms, tree ferns and grass trees" (Phillips & Callaghan 2011).

A systematic search for Koala faecal pellets beneath each of the marked trees was completed. Firstly a quick inspection of the undisturbed ground surface within 100cm from the base of each tree then a more thorough inspection involving disturbance of the leaf litter and ground cover. The search under each tree was concluded when either a single pellet was detected or when two (2) minutes expired.

This process was repeated until each of the 30 trees in the site was assessed. Where the location of faecal pellets falls within overlapping search areas (i.e. two or more trees growing in close proximity to each other) both were positively scored for the pellets. Further details such as the site's location, selection criteria for the centre and the tree species were also recorded.

The activity level for each site is expressed as a proportion of surveyed trees within the site that have a positive koala scat record. For example, if 15 trees out of the 30 surveyed record scat(s) then the resulting activity level is 50%. Sites were then categorised as 'active or 'inactive'.

### 4.2.3 Diurnal surveys for roosting Koalas

All trees surveyed during the SAT analysis were also searched for roosting Koalas. Each tree was viewed from several different angles as roosting Koalas can often be inconspicuous.

Searches were also completed opportunistically whilst moving on foot between SAT analysis field sites.

A pair of binoculars was utilised during searches.

## 4.2.4 Diurnal searches for evidence of Koala activity (i.e. scats & scratches)

Additional to the scat searches completed during the SAT analysis, searches for scats were completed opportunistically whilst moving on foot between SAT analysis field sites. Preferred Koala food tree species were randomly selected and the same methodology applied as during the SAT analysis (i.e. searches within 100cm of the base of the tree for a maximum of 2 minutes).

#### 4.2.5 Spotlighting surveys

At night, predetermined routes on the Cobaki Estate site were driven in a four-wheel drive vehicle at approximately 10km/h. A large spotlight was used to detect 'eye-shine' from nocturnal fauna. If fauna could not be identified from the vehicle, it was

necessary to approach them on foot with a handheld spotlight and to identify them with binoculars.

'On foot' spotlighting was also undertaken regularly during spotlighting surveys to access the gullies on the subject site.

Spotlighting surveys were completed by two (2) JWA scientists on the nights of the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011. A total of eighteen (18) person hours of survey was completed over three (3) nights.

#### 4.2.6 Call playback technique

Koalas were targeted using a 'Call Playback' system. The calls of a male Koala were broadcast from a CD player through a loudspeaker at various locations adjacent to potential habitat. A pause of five (5) minutes was maintained between each series of calls to provide an opportunity for the scientists to listen for a response and to spotlight for the presence of the target species.

#### 4.3 Results

#### 4.3.1 Preliminary site assessment

The preliminary site assessment confirmed the previous vegetation and Koala habitat mapping over the site.

A small number of fresh scats were recorded from a single location on the subject site (FIGURE 9).

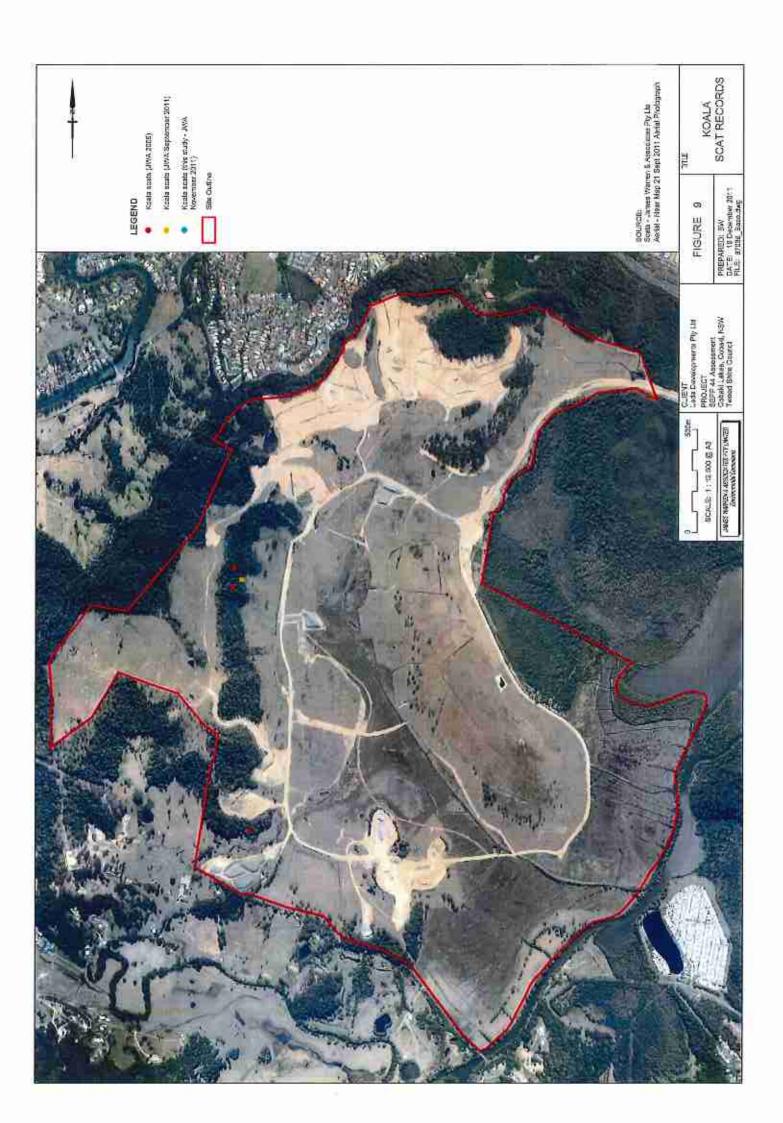
#### 4.3.2 Spot Assessment Technique (SAT)

The SAT was applied at thirty-one (31) field sites, totalling nine-hundred and thirty (930) trees, and failed to record a single scat. Therefore, all field sites were classed as inactive.

Survey sheets for each field site are contained in APPENDIX 1.

#### 4.3.3 Diurnal surveys for roosting Koalas

Searches for Koalas in each tree at each SAT field site, as well as opportunistically whilst moving between each SAT field site, failed to locate any Koalas.



### 4.3.4 Diurnal searches for evidence of Koala activity (i.e. scats & scratches)

Additional to the scat searches completed during the SAT analysis, searches for scats were completed opportunistically whilst moving on foot between SAT analysis field sites.

A small number of Koala scats were recorded at a single location on the site (FIGURE 9). This record generally corresponds with the locations of historical records of low level Koala activity on the site (FIGURE 9).

#### 4.3.5 Spotlighting surveys

Spotlighting surveys on the site failed to locate any Koalas. Spotlighting surveys on the night of 17<sup>th</sup> November particularly focused on the area where a small number of scats were recorded.

## 4.3.6 Call playback technique

Call playback surveys on the site failed to record any Koalas.

# STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY NO. 44 -KOALA HABITAT PROTECTION

In response to the state wide decline of Koala populations, the DoP has legislated State Environmental Planning Policy No. 44 - Koala Habitat Protection (SEPP 44). The aim of the policy is to "encourage the proper conservation and management of areas of natural vegetation that provide habitat for Koalas, to ensure permanent free-living populations over their present range and to reverse the current trend of population decline."

The following questions are posed in order to assess if the SEPP 44 applies to the Cobaki estate.

Yes. The subject site occurs in the Tweed LGA, which is listed under Schedule 1.

Yes.

Does the site contain areas of native vegetation where the trees of types listed in Schedule 2 constitute at least 15% of the total number of trees in the upper or lower strata of the tree component?

Yes. Relatively small and isolated areas of Cobaki Estate support Schedule 2 food trees. An assessment of Koala habitat was completed by JWA in the EA as part of the Preferred Project Report submitted to the NSW Department of Planning (DoP) in 2010 (JWA 2010). Five vegetation communities constitute Koala habitat as follows:

- A Mid-high open woodland in the eastern portion of the site of which 95% of the total number of trees in the upper strata are Eucalyptus robusta (Swamp mahogany).
- A Mid-high open woodland in the south eastern portion of the site of which 95% of the total number of trees in the upper strata are Eucalyptus signata (Scribbly gum).
- A Very tall open/closed sclerophyll forest in the western portion of the site of which at least 15% of the total number of trees in the upper strata are E. microcorys (Tallowwoods).

- A Tall open sclerophyll forest in the south of the site of which E. tereticornis (Forest red gums) constitute at least 15% of the total number of trees in the upper strata.
- A Tall open/closed sclerophyll forest in the north west of the site dominated by Grey gum (E. propingua).

Swamp mahogany, Scribbly gum, Tallowwood and Forest red gum are all listed in Schedule 2 of the SEPP 44 and vegetation dominated by these species is considered as potential Koala habitat. The Grey gum is not a Schedule 2 SEPP 44 listed food tree but is recognised in the Approved Recovery Plan for the Koala as a secondary Koala food tree on the north coast of NSW. Therefore, vegetation dominated by this species is also considered as potential Koala habitat.

No. Where potential habitat is identified, the area must be investigated for core koala habitat. Core Koala habitat is defined in Section 2.1 of Circular No. B35 (DoP 1995) as 'an area of land with a resident breeding population of koalas, evidenced by attributes such as breeding females and recent sightings and historical records of a population'.

The results of this assessment, and previous assessments on the subject site, have indicated that the site does not support core Koala habitat. Whilst the site may be utilised occasionally by one or two Koalas, a resident breeding population of Koalas is not considered to occur.

## 6. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

The assessment resulted in a record of low level Koala activity on the subject site. A small number of scats were found in a single location on the site.

Phillips & Callaghan (2011) state that low activity levels recorded in what might otherwise be medium-high carrying capacity Koala habitat may be a result of contemporary population dynamics, landscape configuration and/or historical disturbances including logging, mining, fire, agricultural activities and/or urban development. Further, it is suggested that low activity levels are also associated with low density Koala populations. Stable, low density Koala populations occur naturally in some areas and generally reflect the absence of primary Koala food tree species and reliance by the population on secondary food tree species only.

Where the results of the of a SAT site returns an activity level within the low use range, the level of use by Koalas is likely to be transitory (Phillips & Callaghan 2011).

Surveys of the Cobaki Estate site over the past thirty (30) years have not recorded a significant population of Koalas on the site. Sporadic records of a small number of Koala scats exist for the site and similar results were again recorded during this assessment.

Whilst several small and isolated patches of primary (SEPP 44 - Schedule 2) Koala food trees occur it is considered that the subject site generally represents secondary habitat for the Koala. Historical evidence of low level activity suggests that a low density Koala population may be present within the vicinity of the site, likely within the vegetated lands to the west. It would appear that the site has over time provided, and continues to provide, forage resources for one (1) or possibly two (2) Koalas as they move through the locality.

The results of the SEPP 44 assessment indicates that the site does not support core Koala habitat.

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# **APPENDIX 1 - FIELD DATA SHEETS**

Field Site No: 1 GPS: 547467; 688478	4				
Brief description: Bla		maintaine	ed midsto	rev & groundcover -	ridge top
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	15m	35cm	0	
2	E. siderophloia	19m	42cm	0	
3	E. pilularis	21m	40cm	0	
4	E. pilularis	22m	45cm	0	
5	E. pilularis	21m	44cm	0	
6	E. siderophloia	20m	48cm	0	
7	E. pilularis	24m	58cm	0	
8	E. pilularis	25m	62cm	0	
9	E. pilularis	25m	60cm	0	
10	E. pilularis	26m	59cm	0	
-11	E. pilularis	23m	40cm	0	
12	E. pitularis	23m	38cm	0	
13	E. pilularis	24m	57cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	22m	42cm	0	
15	E. pitularis	18m	54cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	22m	30cm	0	
17	E. pilularis	24m	43cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	21m	56cm	0	
19	E. pilularis	18m	31cm	0	
20	E. pilularis	19m	44cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	23m	55cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	22m	60cm	0	
23	E. pilularis	24m	52cm	0	
24	E. pilularis	24m	58cm	0	
25	E. pilularis	21m	30cm	0	
26	E. pilularis	24m	44cm	- 0	
27	E. pilularis	24m	42cm	0	
28	E. pilularis	25m	46cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	21m	44cm	0	
30	E. pilularis	25m	45cm	0	

GPS: 547413; 6884631

Brief description: Blackbutt forest with maintained midstorey & groundcover - ridgetop

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	23m	49cm	0	
2	E. pilularis	14m	54cm	0	
3	E. pilularis	22m	40cm	0	
4	E. pitularis	24m	56cm	0.	
5	E. pilularis	24m	52cm	0	
6	E. pilularis	25m	54cm	0	
7	E. pilularis	24m	60cm	0	
8	E. pilularis	24m	66cm	0	
9	E, pilularis	23m	58cm	0	
10	E. pilularis	25m	56cm	0	
11	E. pilularis	25m	60cm	0.	
12	Schefflera actinophylla	8m 50cm 0.		5)	
13	- I was a second of the second		54cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	26m	46cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	25m	64cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	24m	62cm	0	
17	E. pilularis	23m	55cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	24m	53cm	0	
19	E. pilularis	23m	48cm x (2)	0	Twin trunk
20	E. pilularis	26m	58cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	26m	49cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	25m	57cm	0	
23	E. pilularis	26m	50cm	0	
24	E. pilularis	23m	45cm	0	
25	E. pilutaris	12m	40cm	0	Crown snapped off
26	E. pilularis	22m	45cm	0.	
27	E. pilularis	16m	42cm	0	
28	E. pilularis	22m	44cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	22m	56cm	0	
30	E. pilularis	24m	60cm	0	

GPS: 547297; 6884549

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Grey gum) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - moderately steep westerly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes	
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus propinqua	23m	57cm	0		
2	E. siderophloia	25m	52cm	0		
3	E. siderophloia	21m	42cm	0		
4	E. propinqua	25m	45cm	0		
5	E. propinqua	15m	36cm	0		
6	E. pilularis	24m	52cm	0		
7	E. microcorys	19m	46cm	0		
8	E. pilularis	22m	56cm	0		
9	E. pilularis	25m	62cm	0		
10	E. pilularis	26m	58cm	0		
- 11	E. pilularis	26m	55cm	0		
12	E. pilularis	23m	51cm	0		
13	E. pilularis	27m	66cm	0		
14	E. pilularis	22m	40cm	0		
15	E. pilularis	25m	46cm	0		
16	E. pilularis	23m	65cm	0		
17	E. propinqua	23m	44cm	0		
18	E. pilularis	24m	64cm	0		
19	E. pilularis	24m	59cm	0		
20	E. propinqua	20m	40cm	0		
21	E. pilularis	Z1m	40cm	0		
22	E. pilularis	24m	49cm	0		
23	E. pilularis	26m	71cm	O		
24	E. pilularis	25m	57cm	0		
25	Corymbia intermedia	19m	44cm	0		
26	E. pilularis	17m	42cm	0		
27	Lophostemon confertus	22m	28cm	0		
28	E. propinqua	28m	55cm	0		
29	E. propinqua	26m	54cm	0		
30	L. confertus	10m	40cm	0	Crown snapped off	

GPS: 547247; 6884415

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - ridgetop

Tree	Species	Height DBH		Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes	
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus microcorys	22m	90cm	0		
2	E. pilularis	24m	120cm	0	Old growth tree with numerous hollows	
3	E. microcorys	12m	28cm	0		
4	Corymbia Intermedia	12m	22cm	0		
5	E. siderophlola	8m	15cm	0		
6	E. microcorys	22m	38cm	0		
7	E. microcorys	23m	36cm	0		
8	E. pilularis	17m	20cm	0		
9	Lophostemon confertus	7m	12cm	0		
10	C. intermedia	9m	15cm	0		
11	E. microcorys	17m	30cm	0		
12	E. pilularis	16m	25cm	0		
13	E. pilularis	26m	45cm	0		
14	E. pilularis	16m	30cm	0		
15	E. siderophloia	2.9m	60cm	0		
16	C. intermedia	27m	57cm	0		
17	E. pilularis	18m	31cm	0		
18	E. pilularis	10m	16cm	0		
19	E. pilularis	16m	25cm	0		
20	E. pilularis	28m	43cm	0		
21	E. pilularis	26m	42cm	0		
22	E. pilularis	24m	48cm	0		
23	L. confertus	13m	30cm	0		
24	L. confertus	16m	36cm	0		
25	C. intermedia	26m	65cm	0	Basal hollow	
26	E. pilularis	15m	38cm	0		
27	L. confertus	13m	42cm	0		
28	Acacia melanoxylon	8m	15cm	0		
29	C. intermedia	7m	10cm	0		
30	L. confertus	8m	16cm	0	Crown snapped off	

GPS: 547067; 6884384

Brief description: Blackbutt forest with maintained midstorey & groundcover - moderately steep south-

easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes	
<u>Centre tree</u> (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	23m	130cm	0	Old growth tree with numerous hollows	
2	E. pilularis	17m	65cm	0		
3	E. microcorys	6m	15cm	0		
4	Lophostemon suaveolens	8m	22cm	0		
5	E. pilularis	26m	60cm	0		
6	E. pilularis	26m	68cm	0		
7	Corymbia intermedia	21m	40cm	0		
8	L. suaveolens	12m	35cm	0		
9	E. siderophloia	13m	30cm	0		
10	C. intermedia	19m	51cm	0		
11	E. pilularis	25m	42cm	0		
12	E. pilularis	29m	72cm	0		
13	E. siderophloia	25m	52cm	0		
14	L. suaveolens	14m	25cm	0		
15	E. pilularis	23m	33cm	0		
16	E. siderophloia	24m	36cm	0		
17	C. intermedia	7m	25cm	0		
18	E. siderophloia	21m	36cm	0		
19	E. siderophloia	22m	34cm	0		
20	E. pilularis	25m	58cm	0		
21	L. confertus	16m	42cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk	
22.	E. siderophloia	23m	46cm	0		
23	E. pilularis	19m	78cm	0		
24	L. confertus	15m	58cm	0		
25	L. confertus	19m	52cm	0		
26	E. pilularis	21m	59cm	0		
27	E. pilularis	22m	58cm	0		
28	E. propinqua	23m	100cm	0	Old growth tree with numerous hollows + Osprey nest	
29	E. pilularis	18m	60cm	0		
30	E. pilularis	18m	56cm	0		

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GPS: 546891; 6883573

Brief description: Swamp mahogany woodland with maintained midstorey & groundcover - on flat sandplain

Tree	Species	Height	ght DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus robusta	14m	55cm	- 0	
2.	E. robusta	10m	54cm	0	
3	E. robusta	14m	55cm	0	
4	E. robusta	16m	56cm	0	
5	E. robusta	15m	45cm	.0	
6	E. robusta	15m	52cm	.0	
7	E. robusta	15m	54cm	0	
8	E. robusta	17m	61cm	0	
9	E. robusta	15m	60cm	0	
10	E. racemosa	16m	57cm	0	
11.	E. robusta	17m	56cm	0	
12	E. robusta	14m	36cm	0	
13	E. robusta	14m	34cm	0	
14	L. suaveolens	7m	20cm	0	
15	E. robusta	16m	52cm	0	
16	E. robusta	16m	61cm	0	
17	E. robusta	16m	48cm	.0	
18	E. robusta	13m	40cm		
19	E. robusta	12m	44cm	0	
20	E. robusta	14m	49cm	0	
21	E. robusta	16m	56cm	0	
22	E. robusta	10m	32cm	0	
23	E. robusta	18m	60cm	.0	
24	E. robusta	15m	62cm	0	
25	Melaleuca quinquenervia	6m	15cm		
26	E. robusta	10m	32cm	0	
27	E. robusta	12m	34cm	.0	
28	E. robusta	14m	39cm	0	
29	E. robusta	15m	46cm	0	
30	E. robusta	12m	32cm	0	

GPS: 547006; 6883149

Brief description: Swamp mahogany woodland with maintained midstorey & groundcover - on flat sandplain

Tree	Species	Height	F DRH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes	
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus robusta	17m	49cm	0		
2	E. robusta	5m	22cm	0		
3	E. robusta	5m	18cm	0		
4	E. robusta	3m	18cm	0		
5	E. robusta	4m	16cm	0	24	
6	E. robusta	5m	18cm	0		
7	Melaleuca quinquenervia	5m	22cm	0		
8	E. robusta	5m	24cm	0		
9	E. robusta	4m	12cm	0		
10	E. racemosa	5m	25cm	0		
11	M. quinquenervia	7m	31cm	0		
12	E. robusta	5m	18cm	0		
13	M. quinquenervia	5m	14cm	0		
14	E. robusta	17m	40cm	0		
15	E. racemosa	19m	79cm	0	Old growth tree with numerous hollows	
16	E. robusta	14m	40cm	0		
17	E. robusta	13m	35cm	0		
18	E. robusta	16m	42cm	0		
19	E. robusta	17m	56cm	0		
20	E. robusta	17m	61cm	0		
21	E. robusta	14m	40cm	0		
22	E. robusta	14m	34cm	0		
23	M. quinquenervia	14m	36cm	0		
24	E. robusta	15m	66cm	0		
25	E. robusta	16m	35cm	0		
26	E. robusta	17m	48cm	0		
27	E. robusta	17m	38cm	0		
28	E. robusta	15m	45cm	0		
29	E. robusta	14m	40cm	0		
30	E. robusta	18m	60cm	0		

GPS: 547267; 688278	4				
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Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus racemasa	15m	62cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
2	Elaeocarpus reticulatus	6m	20cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
3	E. racemosa	17m	81cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
4	E. racemosa	18m	62cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
5	E. racemosa	19m	71cm	0	
6	E. racemosa	14m	52cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
7	E. racemosa	12m	91cm	0	1
8	E. racemosa	14m	59cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
9	E. racemosa	17m	64cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
10	E. racemosa	17m	79cm	0	
- 11	E. racemosa	18m	81cm	0	Crown snapped off
12	E. racemosa	10m	110cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
13	E. racemosa	19m	100cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
14	E. racemosa	18m	90cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
15	E. racemosa	18m	90cm	0	
16	E. racemosa	19m	58cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
17	E. racemosa	20m	120cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
18	E. racemosa	20m	79cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
19	E. racemosa	19m	84cm	0	
20	E. racemosa	17m	48cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
21	E. racemosa	18m	82cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
22	E. racemosa	16m	74cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
23	E. racemosa	19m	61cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
24	E. racemosa	19m	58cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
25	E. racemosa	19m	65cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
26	E. racemosa	14m	72cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
27	Lophostemon confertus	10m	30cm	0	
28	E. racemosa	16m	56cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
29	E. racemosa	18m	58cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
30	E. racemosa	18m	88cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree

Field Site No: 9			

Brief description: Sc	ribbly gum woodla	ind with ma	sintained mid:	storey & groundcover	- on flat sandplain
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus racemosa	16m	66cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
2.	E. racemosa	17m	72cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
3	E. racemosa	18m	61cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
4	E. racemosa	18m	68cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
5	E. racemosa	17m	100cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
6	E. racemosa	17m	65cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
7	E. racemosa	18m	62cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
8	E. racemosa	17m	78cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
9	E. racemosa	16m	74cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
10	E. racemosa	18m	85cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
11	E. racemosa	20m	90cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
12	E. racemosa	20m	110cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
13	E. racemosa	16m	62cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
14	E. racemosa	18m	72cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
15	E. racemosa	18m	78cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree + Boobook owl roosting + Sulphur-crested cockatoo nesting
16	E. resinifera	17m	51cm	0	
17	E. racemosa	16m	56cm	0	
18	E. resinifera	19m	54cm	0	
19	E. racemosa	13m	55cm	0	
20	E. racemosa	16m	110cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
21	E. racemosa	20m	75cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
22	E. racemosa	21m	90cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
23	E. racemosa	16m	84cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree Wood duck nesting
24	Corymbia intermedia	16m	45cm	0	
25	E. racemosa	11m	110cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
26	C. intermedia	16m	44cm	0	
27	Lophostemon confertus	18m	71cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
28	E. racemosa	19m	76cm	0	Hollow-bearing tree
29	E. racemosa	14m	34cm	0	
30	E. racemosa	16m	58cm	0	

GPS: 546867; 6881984

Brief description: Blackbutt forest - steep south-westerly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	25m	48cm	0	
2	Allocasuarina torulosa	12m	20cm	0	
3	A. torulosa	10m	10cm	0	
4	Cinnamomum camphora	4m	8cm	0	
5	C. camphora	7m	14cm	0	
6	Daviesia arborea	6m	24cm	Ō	
7	E. pilularis	23m	38cm	0	
8	E. pilularis	20m	36cm	0	
9	E. pilularis	6m	16cm	0	
10	E. pilularis	23m	36cm	0	
11	E. pilularis	24m	34cm	0	
12	E. pilularis	21m	46cm	0	
13	E. pitularis	7m	17cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	12m	22cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	26m	36cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	25m	42cm	0	
17	E. pilularis	14m	18cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	18m	34cm	0	
19	E. pilularis	17m	28cm	0	
20	D. arborea	12m	38cm	0	
21	C. camphora	11m	29cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	20m	33cm	0	W-11/0-17
23	Callistemon sp.	11m	21cm	0	Twin trunk
24	E. pilularis	16m	28cm	0	
25	E. pitularis	30m	92cm	0	
26	A. torulosa	12m	12cm	0	
27	E. pilularis	28m	30cm	0	
28	E. pilularis	29m	89cm	0	
29	Callistemon sp.	14m	18cm	0	
30	D. arborea	6m	18cm	0	

Field Site No: 11 GPS: 546920; 6882154 Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - steep easterly aspect Scats Species Height DBH Notes Tree (1 = yes; 0 = no)Centre tree Eucalyptus (Reason for choice: 30m 60cm 0 pilularis Secondary feed tree species) E. microcorys 10m 20cm 0 2 Lophostemon 0 10m 10cm 3 confertus Daviesia 15cm 0 4 4m arborea 0 5 E. pilularis 31m 58cm Cinnamomum 6 6m 15cm 0 camphora 7 E. pilularis 29m 62cm 0 0 8 L. confertus 9m 10cm 0 L. confertus 8m 12cm 9 10 L. confertus 10m 15cm 0 0 11 E. pilularis 28m 51cm 0 12 D. arborea 6m 20cm 13 E. microcorys 9m 16cm 0 0 14 E. pilularis 28m 71cm 0 15 C. camphora 5m 10cm 0 16 E. pilularis 15m 26cm 0 28m 54cm 17 E. pilularis 27m 52cm 0 18 E. pilularis 0 19 C. camphora 6m 14cm 19m 32cm 0 20 E. pilularis 21 D. arborea 4m 8cm 0 0 22 E. pilularis 29m 86cm 18m 38cm 0 Twin trunk 23 L. confertus 0 24 L. confertus 6m 10cm 0 10cm 25 C. camphora 5m 11cm 0 26 L. confertus 12m 0 27 12m 10cm L. confertus 0 12m 15cm 28 L. confertus 29 L. confertus 16m 20cm 0

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GPS: 546653; 6882174					
Brief description: Bla	ackbutt forest and	adjacent s	cattered Fore	st red gum	
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	2.7m	95cm	ŏ	Old growth trees with hollows
2	E. tereticornis	24m	70cm	0	
3	E. tereticornis	26m	62cm	0	
4	E. tereticornis	28m	60cm	0	
5	E. tereticornis	26m	60cm	0	
6	Corymbia intermedia	17m	52cm	Ö	Hollows
7	Ficus watkinsiana	6m	10cm	0	
8	E. pilularis	28m	100cm	0	
9	E. microcorys	16m	45cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
10	E. siderophloia	26m	44cm	0	
11	E. tereticornis	26m	54cm	.0	
12	E. siderophloia	27m	58cm	.0	
13	E. pilularis	29m	72cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	29m	68cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	24m	44cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	27m	42cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
17	E. pilularis	28m	56cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	29m	62cm	0	
19	E. siderophloia	24m	55cm	0	
20	Lophostemon suaveolens	14m	30cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	26m	56cm	0	
22	E, tereticornis	25m	60cm	0	
23	E. tereticornis	26m	51cm	0	
24	E. tereticornis	28m	71cm	0	
25	E. siderophloia	24m	49cm	0	
26	E. pilularis	28m	58cm	0	
27	E. siderophloia	26m	49cm	0	
28	E. tereticornis	26m	47cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	28m	81cm	0	
30	C. intermedia	16m	29cm	0	

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Field Site No: 13

GPS: 546255; 6882398

Brief description: Linear stand of old growth Forest red gum

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus tereticornis	30m	75cm	0	Old growth tree
2	Lophostemon suaveolens	22m	42cm	0	
3	E. tereticornis	28m	87cm	0	Old growth tree
4	Corymbia Intermedia	22m	36cm	0	
5	L. suaveolens	14m	55cm	0	
6	C. intermedia	14m	32cm	0	
7	E. tereticornis	26m	60cm	0	
8	E. tereticornis	29m	120cm	0	Old growth tree
9	E. tereticornis	9m	26cm	0	
10	E. tereticornis	8m	30cm	0	
11	E. tereticornis	6m	22cm	0	
12	E. tereticornis	6m	20cm	0	
13	E. tereticornis	24m	70cm	0	Old growth tree
14	E. tereticornis	21m	50cm	0	
15	C. intermedia	21m	36cm	0	
16	C. intermedia	15m	28cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
17	E. tereticornis	30m	86cm	0	Old growth tree
18	E. tereticornis	30m	76cm	0	Old growth tree
19	L. suaveolens	14m	29cm	0	
20	L. suaveolens	14m	32cm	0	
21	E. tereticornis	30m	130cm	0	Old growth tree
22	E. tereticornis	30m	92cm	0	Old growth tree
23	E. tereticornis	30m	68cm	0	
24	L. suaveolens	10m	30cm	0	
25	L. suaveolens	14m	30cm	0	
26	E. tereticornis	30m	70cm	0	
27	Melaleuca quinquenervia	24m	45cm	0	
28	M. quinquenervia	24m	52cm	0	
29	L. suaveolens	9m	36cm	0	
30	E. tereticornis	30m	96cm	0	Old growth tree

GPS; 546237; 6882644

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - moderately

steep easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus microcorys	22m	68cm	0	
2	Lophostemon confertus	22m	48cm	0	
3	E. microcorys	24m	78cm	0	
4	E. microcorys	4m	10cm	0	
5	E. microcorys	5m	12cm	0	
6	Corymbia intermedia	6m	18cm	0	
7	L. confertus	3m	6cm	0	
8	Eucalyptus pilularis	15m	34cm	0	
9	C. intermedia	22m	42cm	0	
10	E. microcorys	24m	45cm	0	
11	L. confertus	9m	13cm	0	
12	C. intermedia	21m	32cm	0	
13	L. confertus	15m	26cm	0	
14	L. confertus	19m	32cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
15	L. confertus	16m	32cm	0	
16	L. confertus	5m	6cm	0	
17	L. confertus	17m	24cm	0	
18	C. intermedia	18m	29cm	0	
19	L. confertus	18m	24cm	0	
20	L. confertus	19m	33cm	0	
21	L. confertus	19m	28cm	0 .	
22	Eucalyptus pilularis	9m	12cm	0	
23	L. confertus	20m	36cm	0	
24	L. confertus	21m	41cm	0	
25	L. confertus	10m	12cm	0	
26	C. intermedia	21m	27cm	0	
27	E. pilularis	10m	16cm	0	7,0
28	C. intermedia	18m	48cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	25m	45cm	0	
30	L. confertus	22m	42cm	0	

GPS: 546067; 6882584

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - steep southerly

aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus microcorys	23m	42cm	0	
2	Cinnamemum camphora	3m	5cm	0	
3	E. microcorys	25m	56cm	0	
4	Lophostemon confertus	23m	31cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
5	E. pilularis	12m	14cm	0	
6	Glochidion ferdinandi	3m	8cm	0	
7	Notelaea sp.	2m	6cm	0	
8	L. confertus	10m	12cm	0	
9	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
10	Corymbia intermedia	23m	48cm	0	
11	C. intermedia	26m	62cm	0	
12	L. confertus	7m	9cm	0	
13	C. camphora	2m	5cm	0	
14	Trochocarpa laurina	2m	6cm	0	
15	C. camphora	6m	11cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	28m	78cm	0	
17	E. microcorys	20m	28cm	0	
18	C. intermedia	24m	61cm	0	
19	C. camphora	3m	6cm	0	
20	Acacia longissima	4m	7cm	0	
21	C. intermedia	5m	8cm	0	
22	L. confertus	20m	40cm	0	
23	E. pilularis	26m	50cm	0	
24	E. pitularis	28m	54cm	0	
25	L. confertus	16m	28cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
26	L. confertus	15m	32cm	0	
27	C. intermedia	21m	33cm	0	
28	C. intermedia	24m	38cm	0	
29	L. confertus	11m	12cm	0	
30	L. confertus	13m	21cm	0	

GPS: 546067; 6882784

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) with maintained midstorey & groundcover - gentle north-

easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Corymbia intermedia	24m	44cm	0	- -
2	Eucalyptus pilularis	6m	16cm	0	
3	E. pilularis	28m	81cm	0	
4	E. pilularis	27m	67cm	0	
5	Eucalyptus siderophloia	23m	42cm	0	
6	E. pilularis	6m	11cm	0	
7	Lophostemon confertus	4m	8cm	0	
8	L. confertus	4m	7cm	0	
9	L. confertus	4m	7cm	0	
10	E. pilularis	4m	6cm	0	
11	E. pilularis	6m	10cm	0	
12	E. pilularis	6m	18cm	0	
13	E. pilularis	5m	10cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	4m	12cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	6m	12cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	4m	15cm	0	
17	E. pilularis	4m	12cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	5m	10cm	0	
19	E. pilularis	6m	11cm	0	
20	E. pilularis	4m	6cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	3m	7cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	3m	6cm	0	
23	E. pilularis	7m	12cm	0	
24	E. pilularis	7m	18cm	0	
25	C. Intermedia	4m	11cm	0	
26	E. pilularis	28m	42cm	0	
27	E. pilularis	26m	40cm	0	
28	E. pilularis	30m	58cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	30m	62cm	0	
30	E. pilularis	30m	56cm	0	

GPS: 546067; 6882984

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) at the top of a very steep rock ridgeline

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	16m	35cm	0	
2	Allocasuarina torulosa	8m	15cm	0	
3	Lophostemon confertus	14m	22m	0	
4	A. torulosa	4m	10cm	0	
5	Eucalyptus siderophloia	7m	12cm	0	
6	E. pilularis	18m	33cm	0	
7	A. torulosa	5m	12cm	0	
8	A. torulosa	6m	13cm	0	
9	A. torulosa	8m	13cm	0	
10	A. torulosa	9m	17cm	0	
11	E. siderophloia	13m	19cm	0	
12	A. torulosa	10m	16cm	0	
13	E. siderophloia	8m	12cm	0	
14	Corymbia intermedia	5m	7cm	0	
15	A. torulosa	6m	7cm	0	
16	C. intermedia	9m	11cm	0	
17	L. confertus	8m	11cm	.0	
18	C. intermedia	7m	7cm	0	
19	L. confertus	14m	20cm	0	
20	E. pilularis	13m	17cm	0	
21	A. torulosa	6m	12cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	18m	31cm	0	
23	E. siderophloia	20m	33cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
24	C. intermedia	16m	34cm	0	
25	L. confertus	13m	21cm	0	
26	L. confertus	12m	16cm	0	
27	E. pilularis	16m	15cm	0	
28	E. pilularis	14m	21cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	14m	16cm	0	
30	E. pilularis	18m	28cm	O	

GPS: 546067; 6883184

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - moderately steep south-easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	25m	50cm	0	
2	Corymbia intermedia	21m	36cm	0	
3	E. pilularis	7m	12cm	0	
4	Acacia longissima	8m	14cm	0	
5	Lophostemon confertus	6m	7cm	0	
6	Persoonia stradbrokensis	4m	7cm	0	
7	L. confertus	3m	5cm	0	
8	Allocasuarina torulosa	6m	11cm	0	
9	L. confertus	5m	7cm	0	
10	A. torulosa	6m	10cm	0	
11	C. intermedia	7m	11cm	0	
12	E. siderophloia	16m	32cm	0	
13	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	
14	L. confertus	4m	5cm	0	
15	L. confertus	7m	6cm	0	
16	L. confertus	3m	5cm	0	
17	L. confertus	4m	5cm	0	
18	L. confertus	5m	7cm	0	
19	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	
20	C. Intermedia	8m	14cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	24m	59cm	0	
22	L. suaveolens	14m	55cm	0	Numerous hollows
23	E. pilularis	13m	16cm	0	
24	C. intermedia	18m	38cm	0	
25	C. intermedia	18m	31cm	0	F1
26	E. siderophloia	20m	35cm	0	
27	E. pilularis	24m	49cm	0	
28	L. confertus	6m	7cm	0	
29	L. confertus	6m	11cm	0	
30	L. confertus	7m	8cm	0	

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Field Site No: 19 GPS: 546067; 6883384 Brief description: Blac

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Corymbia intermedia	16m	35cm	0	
2	Eucalyptus pilularis	15m	32cm	0	
3	C. intermedia	5m	10cm	0	
4	Lophostemon confertus	5m	11cm	0	
5	Guioa semiglauca	7m	7cm	0	9
6	Jagera pseudorhus	7m	10cm	0	
7	C. intermedia	13m	Z0cm	0	
8	Alphitonia excelsa	6m	12cm	0	
9	E. pilularis	5m	4cm	0	
10	L. confertus	10m	11cm	0	
11	Allocasuarina torulosa	6m	24cm	0	
12	A. torulosa	12m	31cm	0	
13	L. suaveolens	12m	19cm	0	
14	L. suaveolens	10m	14cm	0	
15	C. intermedia	22m	35cm	0	
16	C. intermedia	9m	14cm	0	
17	E. pilularis	11m	13cm	0	
18	G. semiglauca	9m	11cm	0	
19	E. pilularis	14m	21cm	0	
20	L. suaveolens	6m	10cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	15m	19cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	21m	40cm	0	Numerous hollows
23	C. intermedia	20m	34cm	0	
24	E. pilularis	25m	42cm	0	
25	Acacia longissima	8m	9cm	0	
26	L. suaveolens	16m	36cm	0	
27	A. torulosa	4m	11cm	0	
28	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	
29	L. confertus	6m	12cm	0	
30	L. confertus	5m	12cm	0	

Field Site No: 20	)
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GPS: 546067; 6883584

Brief description: Blackbutt forest (+/- Brushbox) - steep easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice; Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus tereticornis	26m	60cm	o	
2	Lophostemon suaveolens	17m	28cm	0	
3	E. siderophloia	24m	35cm	0	
4	L. confertus	6m	10cm	0	
5	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	
6	L. confertus	3m	12cm	0	
7	L. confertus	3m	6cm	0	
8	L. confertus	6m	12cm	0	
9	Schefflera actinophylla	7m	12cm	0	
10	L. confertus	16m	30cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
11	Corymbia intermedia	18m	34cm	0	
12	Guioa semiglauca	4m	6cm	0	
13	E. siderophloia	18m	38cm	0	
14	L. confertus	10m	28cm	0	
15	L. confertus	8m	11cm	0	
16	E. tereticornis	21m	36cm	0	
17	L. confertus	10m	14cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	6m	11cm	0	
19	L. suaveolens	15m	32cm	0	
20	L. confertus	21m	48cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	14m	24cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	16m	31cm	0	
23	L. suaveolens	14m	30cm	0	Twin trunk
24	E. tereticornis	25m	60cm	0	
25	L. confertus	6m	14cm	0	
26	L. confertus	7m	12cm	0	
27	L. confertus	6m	14cm	0	
28	L. confertus	6m	13cm	0	
29	Allocasuarina torulosa	5m	9cm	0	
30	L. confertus	6m	10cm	0	

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GPS: 546067; 688378	***************************************				
Brief description: Br	ushbox forest - ste	ep norther	ly aspect		
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice; Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus microcorys	24m	42cm	0	
2	Lophostemon confertus	13m	15cm	0	
3	L. confertus	13m	15cm	0	
4	L. confertus	12m	10cm	0	
5	L. confertus	10m	11cm	0	
6	L. confertus	9m	6cm	0	
7	L. confertus	9m	7cm	0	
8	Allocasuarina torulosa	12m	10cm	0	
9	E. siderophloia	26m	35cm	0	
10	L. confertus	5m	6cm	0	
11	A. torulosa	6m	7cm	0	
12	L. confertus	9m	11cm	0	
13	L. confertus	6m	16cm	0	
14	Corymbia intermedia	15m	35cm	0	
15	L. confertus	24m	46cm	0	
16	L. confertus	25m	42cm	0	
17	C. intermedia	21m	28cm	0	
18	L. confertus	5m	5cm	0	
19	Acacia melanoxylon	4m	5cm	0	
20	Diploglottis cunninghamii	5m	6cm	0	
21	L. confertus	9m	11cm	0	
22	E. siderophloia	19m	34cm	0	
23	A. torulosa	3m	4cm	0	
24	A. torulosa	10m	16cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
25	E. pilularis	15m	21cm	0	
26	E. pilularis	14m	16cm	0	
27	L. confertus	13m	19cm	0	
28	A. torulosa	7m	17cm	0	
29	E. tereticornis	8m	11cm	0	
30	C. intermedia	26m	36cm	0.	

GPS: 546067; 6883984

Brief description: Blackbutt forest in steep eastern facing gully

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus propingua	21m	32cm	0	
2	Corymbia intermedia	26m	42cm	0	
3	Guioa semiglauca	6m	7cm	0	
4	Macaranga tanarius	6m	11cm	0	
5	C. intermedia	10m	12cm	0	
6	C. intermedia	9m	17cm	0	
7	C. intermedia	9m	8cm	0	
8	C. intermedia	10m	10cm	0	
9	E. pilularis	12m	12cm	0	
10	C. intermedia	18m	36cm	0	
11	C. intermedia	24m	41cm	0	
12	Glochidion ferdinandi	8m	17cm	0	
13	G. ferdinandi	6m	10cm	0	
14	G. ferdinandi	5m	8cm	0	
15	G. ferdinandi	5m	8cm	0	
16	G. ferdinandi	4m	8cm	0	
17	Rhodamnia rubescens	6m	11cm	0	
18	R. rubescens	4m	5cm	0	
19	R. rubescens	6m	5cm	0	
20	R. rubescens	5m	. 5cm	0	
21	R. rubescens	4m	5cm	0	
22	R. rubescens	3m	10cm	0	
23	Lophostemon confertus	15m	24cm	0.	
24	L. confertus	26m	48cm	0	
25	C. intermedia	25m	42cm	0	
26	Allocasuarina torulosa	5m	6cm	0	
27	G. ferdinandi	5m	10cm	0	
28	C. intermedia	10m	10cm	0	
29	A, torulosa	10m	11cm	0	
30	E. propinqua	21m	34cm	0	

GPS: 546267; 6884184	4				
Brief description: Bla	ackbutt forest (+/-	Grey gum	- steep sout	herly aspect	
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus propinqua	25m	41cm	0	
2	Corymbia Intermedia	25m	36cm	0	
3	C. Intermedia	24m	32cm	0	
4	Lophostemon confertus	10m	12cm	0	
5	L. confertus	8m	12cm	0	
6	L. confertus	8m	6cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
7	L. confertus	4m	10cm	0	
8	L. confertus	8m	10cm	0	
9	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	
10	L. confertus	6m	6cm	0	
11	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
12	L. confertus	11m	10cm	0	
13	L. confertus	12m	15cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	27m	44cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	15m	8cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	15m	15cm	0	-
17	E. pilularis	15m	17cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	27m	46cm	0	1.
19	E. pilularis	25m	42cm	0	
20	E. pilularis	10m	15cm	0	
21	E. siderophloia	16m	28cm	0	
22	Guioa semiglauca	10m	15cm	0	
23	Trochocarpa laurina	4m	8cm	0	
24	Schefflera actinophylla	6m	15cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
25	Acacia melanoxylon	14m	15cm	0	
26	L. confertus	22m	31cm	0	
27	E. propinqua	22m	32cm	0	
28	E. propinqua	19m	22cm	0	
29	C. intermedia	21m	32cm	0	
30	E. siderophloia	21m	29m	0	

Field Site No: 24 GPS: 546201; 6884373

Brief description:	Blackbutt	foract ctoon	worterly	arnact
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Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	26m	35cm	0	
2	Lophostemon confertus	3m	4cm	0	
3	Acacia longissima	9m	20cm	0	
4	Corymbia intermedia	22m	34cm	0	
5	E. pilularis	17m	20cm	0.	
6	E. pilularis	24m	37cm	0	
7	E. pilularis	26m	80cm	0	
8	L. confertus	9m	10cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
9	L. confertus	5m	5cm	0	1,000,000,000,000
10	A. lonmgissima	3m	3cm	0	
11	E. pilularis	25m	42cm	0	
12	A. lonmgissima	10m	25cm	0	
13	A. lonmgissima	4m	15cm	0	
14	E. pilularis	24m	40cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	26m	64cm	0	
16	L. confertus	19m	32cm	0.	
17	L. confertus	11m	19cm	0	
18	L. confertus	8m	11cm	0	
19	L. confertus	8m	8cm	0	
20	L. confertus	5m	6cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	22m	34cm	0	
22	E. pitularis	Z6m	41cm	0	
23	L. confertus	5m	4cm	0	
24	L. confertus	4m	3cm	0	
25	L. confertus	8m	10cm	0	
26	L. confertus	11m	14cm	0	
27	L. confertus	10m	15cm	0	
28	L. confertus	9m	10cm	0	
29	L. confertus	10m	8cm	0	
30	L. confertus	8m	15cm	0	

GPS: 546215; 6884550

Brief description: Brushbox forest - moderately steep easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Lophostemon confertus	16m	48cm	0	
2	L. confertus	18m	41cm	0	
3	L. confertus	18m	32cm	0	
4	Cinnamomum camphora	10m	10cm	0	
5	L. confertus	20m	32cm	0	
6	Syzygium sp.	5m	7cm	0	
7	Syzygium sp.	6m	5cm	0	
8	Syzygium sp.	4m	5cm	0	
9	Syzygium sp.	3m	4cm	0	
10	Syzygium sp.	4m	6cm	0	
11	Syzygium sp.	4m	6cm	0	
12	C. camphora	6m	15cm	0	
13	L. confertus	12m	10cm	0	
14	L. confertus	15m	20cm	0	
15	L. confertus	15m	15cm	0	
16	Glochidion ferdinandi	5m	14cm	0	
17	L. confertus	16m	20cm	0	
18	L. confertus	15m	10cm	0	
19	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
20	L. confertus	15m	15cm	0	
21	L. confertus	14m	10cm	0	
22	Syzygium sp.	6m	6cm	0	
23	Syzygium sp.	4m	10cm	0	
24	Syzygium sp.	4m	5cm	Ó	
25	Syzygium sp.	5m	4cm	0	
26	Syzygium sp.	4m	6cm	0	
27	Syzygium sp.	3m	6cm	0	
28	Corymbia intermedia	21m	30cm	0	
29	C. intermedia	17m	26cm	0	
30	L. confertus	21m	34cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk

GPS: 546082; 6884589

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	25m	51cm	0	4:
2	Trochocarpa Iaurina	3m	4cm	0	
3	Syzygium sp.	2m	2cm	0	
4	Syzygium sp.	2m	2cm	0	
5	Syzygium sp.	3m	3cm	0	
6	Syzygium sp.	2m	2cm	0	
7	Syzygium sp.	3m	2cm	0	
8	Syzygium sp.	3m	4cm	0	
9	Notelaea sp.	2m	2cm	0	
10	Jagera pseudorhus	12m	33cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
11	E. pilularis	21m	36cm	0	
12	Glochidion ferdinandi	9m	22cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
13	Flindersia sp.	6m	14cm	0	
14	Acronychia oblongifalia	6m	16cm	0	
15	E. pilularis	20m	35cm	0	
16	Acacia melanoxylon	6m	16cm	0	
17	J. pseudorhus	11m	19cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	12m	15cm	.0	
19	E. pilularis	14m	16cm	0	
20 '	E. pilularis	20m	31cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	14m	14cm	0	
22	T. laurina	2m	2cm	0	
23	Cinnamomum camphora	10m	20cm	0	
24	G. ferdinandi	4m	11cm	0	
25	T. laurina	4m	4cm	0	
26	T. laurina	5m	15cm (x2)	0	Twin trunk
27	E. pilularis	27m	100cm	0	
28	C. intermedia	16m	28cm	0	
29	Cryptocarya glaucescens	2m	3cm	0	
30	C. glaucescens	4m	4cm	0	

Field Site No: 27 GPS: 546073; 6884412	)				
Brief description: Ve	A.S. A.S. A. S. A. S. S. S. S. A.	n forest in	easterly faci	no gully	
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus grandis	38m	45cm	0	
2	L. confertus	22m	34cm	0	
3	E. grandis	32m	32cm	0	
4	Cryptocarya glaucescens	3m	3m	0	
5	Schefflera actinophylla	5m	8cm	0	
6	Cinnamemum camphora	3m	4cm	0	
7	Guioa semiglauca	9m	14cm	0	
8	E. grandis	35m	65cm	0	
9	L. confertus	20m	34cm	0	
10	E. grandis	32m	40cm	0	
11	Notelaea sp.	3m	5cm	0	
12	E. grandis	34m	60cm	0	
13	Wilkaea sp.	3m	4cm	0	
14	C. camphora	10m	17cm	0	
15	L. confertus	15m	15cm	0	
16	Homalanthus populifolius	5m	10cm	0	
17	C. camphora	7m	11cm	0	
18	H. populifolius	6m	10cm	0	
19	Eupomatia laurina	2m	3cm	0	
20	L. confertus	16m	22cm	0	
21	E. grandis	32m	51cm	0	
22	E. grandis	35m	60cm	0	
23	E. grandis	35m	52cm	0	
24	L. confertus	5m	10cm	0	
25	L. confertus	6m	9cm	0	
26	L. confertus	6m	11cm	0	
27	L. confertus	7m	17cm	0	
28	G. semiglauca	12m	8cm	0	
29	Mallotus philippensis	2m	2cm	0	
30	L. confertus	14m	11cm	0	

GPS: 546067; 6884184

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Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus microcorys	16m	30cm	0	
2	Corymbia intermedia	9m	9cm	0	
3	Alphitonia excelsa	4m	4cm	0	
4	Lophostemon confertus	4m	5cm	0	
5	C. intermedia	24m	38cm	0	
6	L. confertus	13m	15cm	0	
7	L. confertus	5m	4cm	0	
8	L. confertus	4m	4cm	0	
9	L. confertus	5m	6cm	.0	
10	L. confertus	8m	18cm	0	
11	L. confertus	7m	12cm	0	
12	L. confertus	4m	10cm	0	
13	L. confertus	3m	5cm	0	
14	L. confertus	4m	5cm	0	
15	L. confertus	5m	5cm	0	
16	E. microcorys	21m	28cm	0	
17	L. confertus	14m	10cm	0	
18	L. confertus	12m	8cm	0	
19	E. microcorys	16m	25cm	0	
20	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
21	Acacia melanoxylon	10m	15cm	0	
22	Eucalyptus propinqua	26m	61cm	0	
23	C. intermedia	25m	49cm	0	
24	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
25	L. confertus	12m	10cm	0	
26	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	
27	L. confertus	6m	15cm	0	
28	L. confertus	7m	15cm	0	
29	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
30	L. confertus	4m	6cm	0	

Field Site No: 29 GPS: 545882: 6884015	
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Brief description: Brushbox forest in steep gully

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus propinqua	25m	50cm	0	٥
2	Corymbia intermedia	23m	40cm	0	
3	E. propinqua	23m	31cm	0	
4	Lophostemon confertus	10m	20cm	0	
5	L. confertus	9m	19cm	0	
6	L. confertus	7m	19cm	0	
. 7	L. confertus	5m	10cm	0.	
8	L. confertus	7m	5cm	0	
9	L. confertus	5m	10cm	0	
10	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
11	L. confertus	12m	15cm	0	
12	L. confertus	14m	21cm	0	
13	L. confertus	10m	10cm	0	
14	L. confertus	7m	10cm	0	
15	Syzygium sp.	7m	11cm	0	
16	Syzygium sp.	5m	5cm	0	
17	Notelaea sp.	4m	4cm	0	
18	Flindersia sp.	5m	5cm	0	
19	E. propinqua	26m	32cm	0	
20	Allocasuarina torulosa	5m	10cm	0	
21	E. propinqua	25m	35cm	0	
22	E. propinqua	26m	41cm	0	
23	L. confertus	22m	32cm	0	
24	L. confertus	20m	35cm	0	
25	L. confertus	18m	32cm	.0	
26	L. confertus	22m	41cm	0	
27	L. confertus	26m	54cm	0	
28	A. torulosa	6m	21cm	0	
29	E. propinqua	12m	16cm	0	
30	Acacia melanoxylon	6m	10cm	0	

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Field Site No: 30 GPS: 545645; 6883657

Brief description: Blackbutt forest - gentle easterly aspect

Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Primary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus microcorys	17m	32cm	0	
2	Callistemon sp.	16m	35cm	0	
3	Eucalyptus pilularis	24m	61cm	0	
4	Corymbia intermedia	25m	56cm	0	
5	C. intermedia	22m	48cm	0	
6	C. Intermedia	25m	47cm	0	
7	E. pilularis	27m	85cm	0	
8	Lophostemon confertus	9m	15cm	0	
9	E. pilularis	26m	58cm	0	
10	L. confertus	6m	6cm	0	
11	L. confertus	4m	4cm	0	
12	L. confertus	3m	4cm	0	
13	L. confertus	6m	3cm	0	
14	L. confertus	5m	5cm	0	
15	L. confertus	5m	10cm	0	
16	E. pilularis	25m	35cm	0	
17	E. pilularis	25m	40cm	0	
18	E. pilularis	24m	48cm	0	
19	E. pilularis	26m	41cm	0	
20	E. pilularis	28m	30cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	26m	38cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	23m	41cm	0	
23	E. pilularis	25m	28cm	0	
24	E. pilularis	21m	29cm	0	
25	C. intermedia	24m	35cm	0	
26	L. confertus	6m	15cm	0	
27	L. confertus	10m	15cm	0	
28	L. confertus	11m	10cm	0	
29	L. confertus	4m	5cm	0	
30	L. confertus	3m	5cm		

Field Site No: 31	÷				
GPS: 545891; 6883395 Brief description: Re		ntle wester	rly aspect		
Tree	Species	Height	DBH	Scats (1 = yes; 0 = no)	Notes
Centre tree (Reason for choice: Secondary feed tree species)	Eucalyptus pilularis	9m	15cm	0	
2	E. pilularis	6m	5cm	0	
3	E. pilularis	4m	6cm	0	
4	E. pilularis	5m	6cm	0	
5	E. pilularis	2m	4cm	0	
6	E. pilularis	5m	7cm	0	
7	E. pilularis	7m	8cm	0	
8	Corymbia intermedia	6m	10cm	0	
9	E. pilularis	6m	8cm	0	
10	E. pilularis	6m	6cm	0	
11	E. pilularis	4m	4cm	0	
12	E. pilularis	3m	4cm	0	
13	E. pilularis	6m	3cm	0	1
14	E. pilularis	5m	5cm	.0	
15	C. intermedia	5m	10cm	0	
16	C. intermedia	5m	5cm	0	
17	Lophostemon confertus	5m	4cm	0	
18	L. confertus	4m	8cm	0	
19	L. confertus	6m	4cm	0	
20	L. confertus	8m	9cm	0	
21	E. pilularis	6m	8cm	0	
22	E. pilularis	3m	4cm	0	ļ — — — — —
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23	E. pilularis	5m	8cm	7.00	
24	E. pilularis	2m	2cm	0	
25	E. pilularis	4m	5cm	0	
26	E. pilularis	6m	5cm	0	
27	E. pilularis	5m	7cm	0	
28	E. pilularis	6m	5cm	0	
29	E. pilularis	4m	5cm	0	
30	E. pilularis	3m	5cm	0	