

NRA Reference: Cooktown IGA EcoAssessment_L03

17 October 2023

Property Projects Australia
Level 1, 618 Brunswick Street
New Farm 4005 QLD

Attention: Alan Irvin, Associate Director

Dear Alan

RE: Cooktown IGA Ecological Assessment

The Cook Shire Council (CSC) has made an Information Request (dated 19 September 2023)¹ in response to a Development Approval application made for the proposed shopping centre, comprising a supermarket, liquor store and laundry² at Savage Street, Cooktown (Lot 212 on C17915 (the project site)). NRA Environmental Consultants (NRA) was commissioned by Property Projects Australia on behalf of Kwikbridge Pty Ltd to provide a desk-based ecological assessment addressing item 7 (Biodiversity) of the information request. This report supersedes and replaces all previous documentation prepared.

Ecological assessment

A desk-based assessment was undertaken to identify the biodiversity and ecological values of the project site with reference to the following information.

- Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999 (EPBC Act) Protected Matters Search Tool (PMST) (DCCEEW 2023) (**Appendix A**)
- Matters of State Environmental Significance environmental report (DES 2023a) (**Appendix B**)
- Regulated Vegetation Management Map (DoR 2023a) (**Appendix C**)
- Queensland *Nature Conservation Act* 1992 (NC Act) Protected Plants Flora Survey Trigger Map (DES 2023b) (**Appendix D**)
- WildNet database (DES 2023c) - a report was generated for an area within 5 km of a point central to the project area (**Appendix E**)
- Atlas of Living Australia database (ALA 2023) – species-specific records
- Regional Ecosystem (RE) mapping (DoR 2023b) and description database (DES 2023d)
- Queensland waterways for waterway barrier works (DAF 2016)
- vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map (DoR 2022)

¹ Provided in email correspondence from Alan Irvin, Associate Director, PPA, to Lindsay Popple, Senior Ecologist, NRA, on 21 September 2023.

² 2022-072 Cooktown – Cornetts Supermarket proposal plans dated 25 August 2023, KwikBridge Pty Ltd, provided in email correspondence from Alan Irvin, Associate Director, PPA, to Lindsay Popple, Senior Ecologist, NRA, on 21 September 2023.

- watercourse identification map (DRDMW 2023)
- literature relevant to flora and fauna species known to occur in the region.

The likelihood of Threatened, Near Threatened and Migratory (T/NT&M) species occurring in the project area was assessed from their known distribution and habitats that occur within or near the project area.

Vegetation communities

The project site falls within the Cape York Peninsula bioregion (Bioregion 3) (DoR 2023). Most of the project site is mapped as Category C high-value regrowth vegetation containing REs with a status of Least Concern under the Queensland *Vegetation Management Act 1994* (VM Act). The remainder of the site is mapped as non-remnant vegetation (**Appendix C**). This is consistent with the *Cook Shire Council Planning Scheme 2017 Version 2.0* Biodiversity Overlay Map (CSC 2018). One RE is mapped (DoR 2023b) in the project site (**Table 1**).

Table 1: RE description and status

RE code	Description ^A	VM Act status
3.12.7	<i>Corymbia clarksoniana</i> , <i>Eucalyptus brassiana</i> open forest on granite ranges.	Least Concern

^A DES (2023d).

The vegetation in the project site is also mapped as ‘essential habitat’ (**Appendix C**) for:

- Eastern Curlew (*Numenius madagascariensis*)
- Greater Sand Plover (*Charadrius leschenaultii*)
- Western Alaskan Bar-tailed Godwit (*Limosa lapponica baueri*).

These species are non-breeding visitors to Australia associated with open estuarine and shoreline tidal habitats (mudflats, sandflats, edges of samphire) (Marchant & Higgins 1993, del Hoyo *et al.* 1996, Pizzey & Knight 2012, BirdLife International 2015). Observations of these species have been recorded in the broader landscape (ALA 2023); however, habitats in the project site are not suitable for these species.

Threatened and Near Threatened Flora

The project site does not contain any ‘high risk’ areas on the Protected Plants Flora Survey Trigger Map (**Appendix D**). No T/NT species identified via the database searches (**Appendix A & E**) were assessed as likely to occur within the project site.

Threatened, Near Threatened and Migratory Fauna

The desk-based assessment identified the potential presence of a number of T/NT&M fauna species within a 5 km search radius of the project site (**Appendix A, B & E**).

The following T/NT&M fauna were assessed as having a moderate to high likelihood of occurrence at the project site (**Table 2**).

Table 2: T/NT&M fauna with moderate to high likelihood of occurring at project site

Species name	Common name	NC Act status	EPBC Act status
<i>Apus pacificus</i>	Fork-tailed Swift	Special Least Concern	Migratory
<i>Cuculus optatus</i>	Oriental Cuckoo	Special Least Concern	Migratory
<i>Erythrotriorchis radiatus</i>	Red Goshawk	Endangered	Endangered
<i>Hipposideros diadema reginae</i>	Diadem Leaf-nosed Bat	Near Threatened	-
<i>Hipposideros semoni</i>	Semon's Leaf-nosed Bat	Endangered	Vulnerable
<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	White-throated Needletail	Vulnerable	Vulnerable Migratory
<i>Macroderma gigas</i>	Ghost Bat	Endangered	Vulnerable
<i>Ninox rufa meesi</i>	Rufous Owl	Near Threatened	-
<i>Rhinolophus robertsi</i>	Greater Large-eared Horseshoe Bat	Endangered	Vulnerable
<i>Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus</i>	Bare-rumped Sheath-tail Bat	Endangered	Vulnerable
<i>Tiliqua scincoides intermedia</i>	Northern Bluetongue	Critically Endangered	-
<i>Tyto novaehollandiae kimberli</i>	Masked Owl	Vulnerable	Vulnerable

These species have the potential to forage above or in the project site on occasion. No T/NT&M fauna species are expected to use the site for breeding, or for roosting on a regular basis. The project site is partly cleared and is unlikely to contain important habitat or sufficient resources to support the life cycle of these species.

Waterways and wetlands

No waterways, watercourses or wetlands are mapped by DAF (2016), DES (2023b), DCCEEW (2023), DoR (2022) and DRDMW (2023) to occur in the project site. However, an unmapped drainage feature passes through the site (**Appendix F**³). The value of this drainage feature for fish passage is unconfirmed.

Potential impacts to ecological values

The proposed development will result in the removal of approximately 1 ha of vegetation within the proposed project site and there is a potential for mortality of fauna during clearing works. The recommendations in the following section are intended to manage the risk and avoid fauna mortality where practicable.

Impacts to regional biodiversity due to the proposed development are anticipated to be negligible. No T/NT flora species are expected to be impacted by the proposed works. T/NT&M fauna species that have been identified as having a moderate to high likelihood of occurrence at the project site are unlikely to be impacted if the recommended management measures provided in the following section are implemented.

The potential for disruption to fish passage associated with the unmapped drainage feature requires further assessment.

³ Provided in email correspondence from Alan Irvin, Associate Director, PPA to Lindsay Popple, Senior Ecologist, NRA, on 12 October 2023.

Recommendations for impact management

The following management measures are proposed to reduce the potential impacts to T/NT&M fauna species during the construction phase.

- Recommendation 1:** A preclearing survey should be undertaken by a licenced spotter catcher/ecologist. Should animal breeding places be identified, these should be managed in accordance with an approved Species Management Program.
- Recommendation 2:** The unmapped drainage feature should be characterised by an ecologist or environmental scientist and relevant approval requirements identified.
- Recommendation 3:** A licenced spotter catcher/ecologist should attend and/or be on call during clearing activities.
- Recommendation 4:** A contingency plan should be in place should wildlife be inadvertently injured during operational works.
- Recommendation 5:** Construction should be undertaken in accordance with the project Environmental Management Plan.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix A – EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

Appendix B – Matters of State Environmental Significance Environmental Report

Appendix C – Regulated Vegetation Management Map

Appendix D – Protected Plants Flora Survey Trigger Map

Appendix E – WildNet species list

Appendix F – Unmapped drainage feature (Reel Planning on behalf of Cook Shire Council, 11 October 2023)

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Appendix A:
EPBC Act Protected Matters
Report



Australian Government

Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected. Please see the caveat for interpretation of information provided here.

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Summary

Matters of National Environment Significance

This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the [Administrative Guidelines on Significance](#).

World Heritage Properties:	None
National Heritage Places:	None
Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar)	None
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park:	None
Commonwealth Marine Area:	None
Listed Threatened Ecological Communities:	None
Listed Threatened Species:	30
Listed Migratory Species:	26

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/heritage>

A [permit](#) may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species.

Commonwealth Lands:	None
Commonwealth Heritage Places:	None
Listed Marine Species:	30
Whales and Other Cetaceans:	None
Critical Habitats:	None
Commonwealth Reserves Terrestrial:	None
Australian Marine Parks:	None
Habitat Critical to the Survival of Marine Turtles:	None

Extra Information

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have

State and Territory Reserves:	1
Regional Forest Agreements:	None
Nationally Important Wetlands:	None
EPBC Act Referrals:	None
Key Ecological Features (Marine):	None
Biologically Important Areas:	None
Bioregional Assessments:	None
Geological and Bioregional Assessments:	None

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

Listed Threatened Species

[\[Resource Information \]](#)

Status of Conservation Dependent and Extinct are not MNES under the EPBC Act.
Number is the current name ID.

Scientific Name

Threatened Category

Presence Text

BIRD

[Calidris canutus](#)

Red Knot, Knot [855]

Endangered

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Calidris ferruginea](#)

Curlew Sandpiper [856]

Critically Endangered

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Charadrius leschenaultii](#)

Greater Sand Plover, Large Sand Plover [877]

Vulnerable

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Erythrotriorchis radiatus](#)

Red Goshawk [942]

Endangered

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Falco hypoleucos](#)

Grey Falcon [929]

Vulnerable

Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

[Hirundapus caudacutus](#)

White-throated Needletail [682]

Vulnerable

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Limosa lapponica baueri](#)

Nunivak Bar-tailed Godwit, Western Alaskan Bar-tailed Godwit [86380]

Vulnerable

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Numenius madagascariensis](#)

Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]

Critically Endangered

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Probosciger aterrimus macgillivrayi Palm Cockatoo (Australian) [67033]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Rostratula australis Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Tyto novaehollandiae kimberli Masked Owl (northern) [26048]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
FISH		
Stiphodon semoni Opal Cling Goby [83909]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
FROG		
Litoria dayi Australian Lace-lid, Lace-eyed Tree Frog, Day's Big-eyed Treefrog [86707]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
MAMMAL		
Dasyurus hallucatus Northern Quoll, Digul [Gogo-Yimidir], Wijingadda [Dambimangari], Wiminji [Martu] [331]	Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Hipposideros semoni Semon's Leaf-nosed Bat, Greater Wart-nosed Horseshoe-bat [180]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Macroderma gigas Ghost Bat [174]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Mesembriomys gouldii rattoides Black-footed Tree-rat (north Queensland), Shaggy Rabbit-rat [87620]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Phascolarctos cinereus (combined populations of Qld, NSW and the ACT) Koala (combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory) [85104]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Pteropus conspicillatus Spectacled Flying-fox [185]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Rhinolophus robertsi Large-eared Horseshoe Bat, Greater Large-eared Horseshoe Bat [87639]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus Bare-rumped Sheath-tailed Bat, Bare-rumped Sheath-tail Bat [66889]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Xeromys myoides Water Mouse, False Water Rat, Yirrkoo [66]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
PLANT		
Bruguiera x hainesii Haines's Orange Mangrove [91351]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Dendrobium johannis Chocolate Tea Tree Orchid [13585]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Leichhardtia araujacea [91900]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Myrmecodia beccarii Ant Plant [11852]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Vappodes phalaenopsis Cooktown Orchid [78894]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
REPTILE		
Egernia rugosa Yakka Skink [1420]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Lepidochelys olivacea Olive Ridley Turtle, Pacific Ridley Turtle [1767]	Endangered	Breeding likely to occur within area
SHARK		

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Pristis pristis Freshwater Sawfish, Largetooth Sawfish, River Sawfish, Leichhardt's Sawfish, Northern Sawfish [60756]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Listed Migratory Species [Resource Information]		
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Migratory Marine Birds		
Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Fregata ariel Lesser Frigatebird, Least Frigatebird [1012]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Fregata minor Great Frigatebird, Greater Frigatebird [1013]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Sternula albifrons Little Tern [82849]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Migratory Marine Species		
Crocodylus porosus Salt-water Crocodile, Estuarine Crocodile [1774]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Lepidochelys olivacea Olive Ridley Turtle, Pacific Ridley Turtle [1767]	Endangered	Breeding likely to occur within area
Pristis pristis Freshwater Sawfish, Largetooth Sawfish, River Sawfish, Leichhardt's Sawfish, Northern Sawfish [60756]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Migratory Terrestrial Species		
Cuculus optatus Oriental Cuckoo, Horsfield's Cuckoo [86651]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail [682]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow [662]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Monarcha frater Black-winged Monarch [607]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Monarcha melanopsis Black-faced Monarch [609]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Myiagra cyanoleuca Satin Flycatcher [612]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Rhipidura rufifrons Rufous Fantail [592]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Symposiachrus trivirgatus as Monarcha trivirgatus Spectacled Monarch [83946]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Migratory Wetlands Species		
Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Calidris canutus Red Knot, Knot [855]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Charadrius leschenaultii Greater Sand Plover, Large Sand Plover [877]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Gallinago hardwickii Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe [863]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Limosa lapponica Bar-tailed Godwit [844]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Pandion haliaetus Osprey [952]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Tringa nebularia Common Greenshank, Greenshank [832]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Listed Marine Species		[Resource Information]
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Bird		
Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Anseranas semipalmata Magpie Goose [978]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Bubulcus ibis as Ardea ibis Cattle Egret [66521]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Calidris canutus Red Knot, Knot [855]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Chalcites osculans as Chrysococcyx osculans Black-eared Cuckoo [83425]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Charadrius leschenaultii Greater Sand Plover, Large Sand Plover [877]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Fregata ariel Lesser Frigatebird, Least Frigatebird [1012]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Fregata minor Great Frigatebird, Greater Frigatebird [1013]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Gallinago hardwickii Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe [863]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Haliaeetus leucogaster White-bellied Sea-Eagle [943]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail [682]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area
Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow [662]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Limosa lapponica Bar-tailed Godwit [844]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Monarcha frater Black-winged Monarch [607]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area
Monarcha melanopsis Black-faced Monarch [609]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area
Myiagra cyanoleuca Satin Flycatcher [612]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area
Numenius madagascariensis Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew [847]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Pandion haliaetus Osprey [952]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Rhipidura rufifrons Rufous Fantail [592]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area
Rostratula australis as Rostratula benghalensis (sensu lato) Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area
Sternula albifrons as Sterna albifrons Little Tern [82849]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Symposiachrus trivirgatus as Monarcha trivirgatus Spectacled Monarch [83946]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area overfly marine area
Tringa nebularia Common Greenshank, Greenshank [832]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area

Reptile

Crocodylus porosus Salt-water Crocodile, Estuarine Crocodile [1774]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Lepidochelys olivacea Olive Ridley Turtle, Pacific Ridley Turtle [1767]	Endangered	Breeding likely to occur within area

Extra Information

State and Territory Reserves		[Resource Information]
Protected Area Name	Reserve Type	State
Great Barrier Reef Coast	Marine Park	QLD

Caveat

1 PURPOSE

This report is designed to assist in identifying the location of matters of national environmental significance (MNES) and other matters protected by the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) which may be relevant in determining obligations and requirements under the EPBC Act.

The report contains the mapped locations of:

- World and National Heritage properties;
- Wetlands of International and National Importance;
- Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves;
- distribution of listed threatened, migratory and marine species;
- listed threatened ecological communities; and
- other information that may be useful as an indicator of potential habitat value.

2 DISCLAIMER

This report is not intended to be exhaustive and should only be relied upon as a general guide as mapped data is not available for all species or ecological communities listed under the EPBC Act (see below). Persons seeking to use the information contained in this report to inform the referral of a proposed action under the EPBC Act should consider the limitations noted below and whether additional information is required to determine the existence and location of MNES and other protected matters.

Where data are available to inform the mapping of protected species, the presence type (e.g. known, likely or may occur) that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. It is the responsibility of any person using or relying on the information in this report to ensure that it is suitable for the circumstances of any proposed use. The Commonwealth cannot accept responsibility for the consequences of any use of the report or any part thereof. To the maximum extent allowed under governing law, the Commonwealth will not be liable for any loss or damage that may be occasioned directly or indirectly through the use of, or reliance

3 DATA SOURCES

Threatened ecological communities

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are generated based on information contained in recovery plans, State vegetation maps and remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Threatened, migratory and marine species

Threatened, migratory and marine species distributions have been discerned through a variety of methods. Where distributions are well known and if time permits, distributions are inferred from either thematic spatial data (i.e. vegetation, soils, geology, elevation, aspect, terrain, etc.) together with point locations and described habitat; or modelled (MAXENT or BIOCLIM habitat modelling) using

Where little information is available for a species or large number of maps are required in a short time-frame, maps are derived either from 0.04 or 0.02 decimal degree cells; by an automated process using polygon capture techniques (static two kilometre grid cells, alpha-hull and convex hull); or captured manually or by using topographic features (national park boundaries, islands, etc.).

In the early stages of the distribution mapping process (1999-early 2000s) distributions were defined by degree blocks, 100K or 250K map sheets to rapidly create distribution maps. More detailed distribution mapping methods are used to update these distributions

4 LIMITATIONS

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in this report:

- threatened species listed as extinct or considered vagrants;
- some recently listed species and ecological communities;
- some listed migratory and listed marine species, which are not listed as threatened species; and
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in Australia in small numbers.

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:

- listed migratory and/or listed marine seabirds, which are not listed as threatened, have only been mapped for recorded
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent

The breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

Refer to the metadata for the feature group (using the Resource Information link) for the currency of the information.

Acknowledgements

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- [-Office of Environment and Heritage, New South Wales](#)
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Appendix B:
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Environmental Reports

Matters of State Environmental Significance

For the selected area of interest
Lot: 212 Plan: C17915

Environmental Reports - General Information

The Environmental Reports portal provides for the assessment of selected matters of interest relevant to a user specified location, or area of interest (AOI). All area and derivative figures are relevant to the extent of matters of interest contained within the AOI unless otherwise stated. Please note, if a user selects an AOI via the "central coordinates" option, the resulting assessment area encompasses an area extending for a 2km radius from the point of interest.

All area and area derived figures included in this report have been calculated via reprojecting relevant spatial features to Albers equal-area conic projection (central meridian = 146, datum Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). As a result, area figures may differ slightly if calculated for the same features using a different co-ordinate system.

Figures in tables may be affected by rounding.

The matters of interest reported on in this document are based upon available state mapped datasets. Where the report indicates that a matter of interest is not present within the AOI (e.g. where area related calculations are equal to zero, or no values are listed), this may be due either to the fact that state mapping has not been undertaken for the AOI, that state mapping is incomplete for the AOI, or that no values have been identified within the site.

The information presented in this report should be considered as a guide only and field survey may be required to validate values on the ground.

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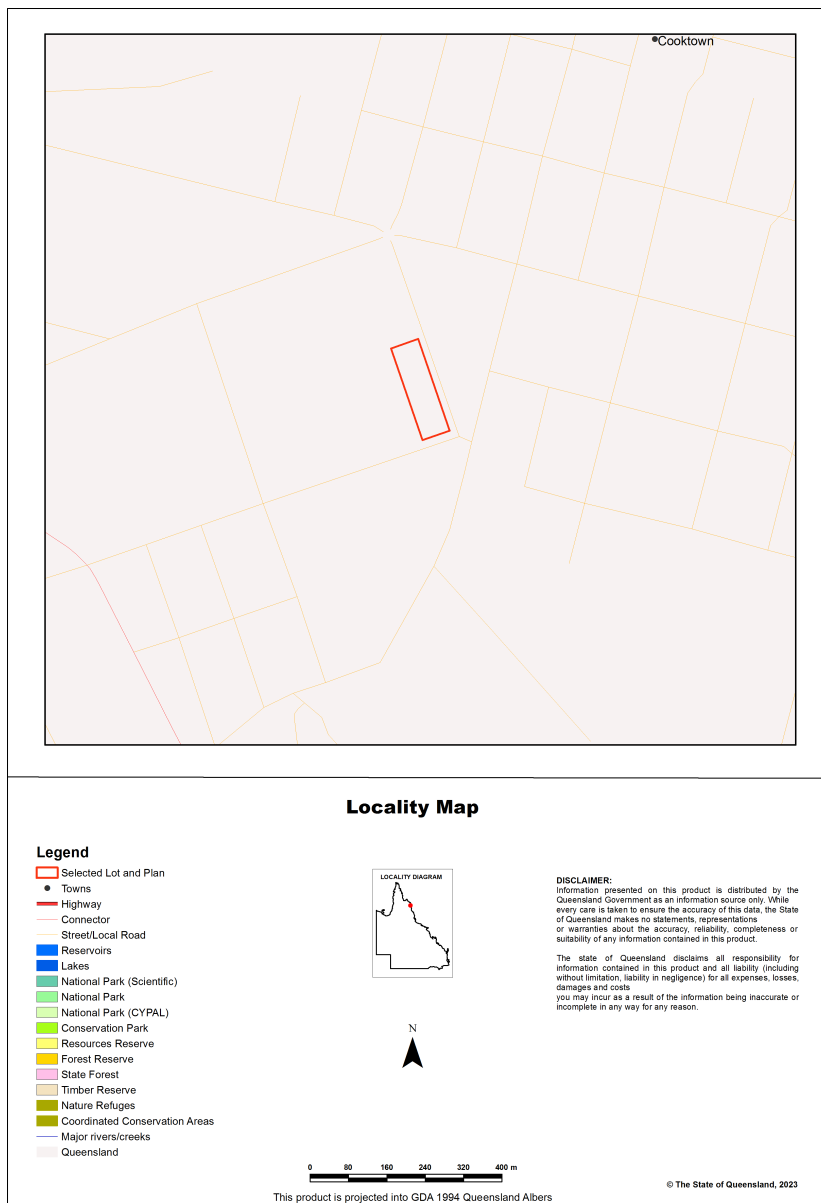
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Assessment Area Details

The following table provides an overview of the area of interest (AOI) with respect to selected topographic and environmental values.

Table 1: Summary table, details for AOI Lot: 212 Plan: C17915

Size (ha)	1.22
Local Government(s)	Cook Shire
Bioregion(s)	Cape York Peninsula
Subregion(s)	Starke Coastal Lowlands
Catchment(s)	Endeavour



Matters of State Environmental Significance (MSES)

MSES Categories

Queensland's State Planning Policy (SPP) includes a biodiversity State interest that states:

'The sustainable, long-term conservation of biodiversity is supported. Significant impacts on matters of national or state environmental significance are avoided, or where this cannot be reasonably achieved; impacts are minimised and residual impacts offset.'

The MSES mapping product is a guide to assist planning and development assessment decision-making. Its primary purpose is to support implementation of the SPP biodiversity policy. While it supports the SPP, the mapping does not replace the regulatory mapping or environmental values specifically called up under other laws or regulations. Similarly, the SPP biodiversity policy does not override or replace specific requirements of other Acts or regulations.

The SPP defines matters of state environmental significance as:

- Protected areas (including all classes of protected area except coordinated conservation areas) under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* ;
- Marine parks and land within a 'marine national park', 'conservation park', 'scientific research', 'preservation' or 'buffer' zone under the *Marine Parks Act 2004* ;
- Areas within declared fish habitat areas that are management A areas or management B areas under the Fisheries Regulation 2008;
- Threatened wildlife under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and special least concern animals under the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006;
- Regulated vegetation under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* that is:
 - Category B areas on the regulated vegetation management map, that are 'endangered' or 'of concern' regional ecosystems;
 - Category C areas on the regulated vegetation management map that are 'endangered' or 'of concern' regional ecosystems;
 - Category R areas on the regulated vegetation management map;
 - Regional ecosystems that intersect with watercourses identified on the vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map;
 - Regional ecosystems that intersect with wetlands identified on the vegetation management wetlands map;
- Strategic Environmental Areas under the *Regional Planning Interests Act 2014* ;
- Wetlands in a wetland protection area of wetlands of high ecological significance shown on the Map of Queensland Wetland Environmental Values under the Environment Protection Regulation 2019;
- Wetlands and watercourses in high ecological value waters defined in the Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009, schedule 2;
- Legally secured offset areas.

MSES Values Present

The MSES values that are present in the area of interest are summarised in the table below:

Table 2: Summary of MSES present within the AOI

1a Protected Areas- estates	0.0 ha	0.0 %
1b Protected Areas- nature refuges	0.0 ha	0.0 %
1c Protected Areas- special wildlife reserves	0.0 ha	0.0 %
2 State Marine Parks- highly protected zones	0.0 ha	0.0 %
3 Fish habitat areas (A and B areas)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
4 Strategic Environmental Areas (SEA)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
5 High Ecological Significance wetlands on the map of Referable Wetlands	0.0 ha	0.0 %
6a High Ecological Value (HEV) wetlands	0.0 ha	0.0 %
6b High Ecological Value (HEV) waterways	0.0 km	Not applicable
7a Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife	1.14 ha	93.4%
7b Special least concern animals	1.14 ha	93.4%
7c i Koala habitat area - core (SEQ)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
7c ii Koala habitat area - locally refined (SEQ)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
7d Sea turtle nesting areas	0.0 km	Not applicable
8a Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category B (remnant)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
8b Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category C (regrowth)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
8c Regulated Vegetation - Category R (GBR riverine regrowth)	0.0 ha	0.0 %
8d Regulated Vegetation - Essential habitat	1.14 ha	93.4%
8e Regulated Vegetation - intersecting a watercourse	0.0 km	Not applicable
8f Regulated Vegetation - within 100m of a Vegetation Management Wetland	0.0 ha	0.0 %
9a Legally secured offset areas- offset register areas	0.0 ha	0.0 %
9b Legally secured offset areas- vegetation offsets through a Property Map of Assessable Vegetation	0.0 ha	0.0 %

Additional Information with Respect to MSES Values Present

MSES - State Conservation Areas

1a. Protected Areas - estates

(no results)

1b. Protected Areas - nature refuges

(no results)

1c. Protected Areas - special wildlife reserves

(no results)

2. State Marine Parks - highly protected zones

(no results)

3. Fish habitat areas (A and B areas)

(no results)

Refer to **Map 1 - MSES - State Conservation Areas** for an overview of the relevant MSES.

MSES - Wetlands and Waterways

4. Strategic Environmental Areas (SEA)

(no results)

5. High Ecological Significance wetlands on the Map of Queensland Wetland Environmental Values

(no results)

6a. Wetlands in High Ecological Value (HEV) waters

(no results)

6b. Waterways in High Ecological Value (HEV) waters

(no results)

Refer to **Map 2 - MSES - Wetlands and Waterways** for an overview of the relevant MSES.

MSES - Species

7a. Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife

Values are present

7b. Special least concern animals

Values are present

7c i. Koala habitat area - core (SEQ)

Not applicable

7c ii. Koala habitat area - locally refined (SEQ)

Not applicable

7d. Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)

Not applicable

Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife habitat suitability models

Species	Common name	NCA status	Presence
<i>Boronia keysii</i>		V	None
<i>Calyptorhynchus lathami</i>	Glossy black cockatoo	V	None
<i>Casuarium casuarium johnsonii</i>	Sthn population cassowary	E	None
<i>Crinia tinnula</i>	Wallum froglet	V	None
<i>Denisonia maculata</i>	Ornamental snake	V	None
<i>Litoria freycineti</i>	Wallum rocketfrog	V	None
<i>Litoria olongburensis</i>	Wallum sedgefrog	V	None
<i>Macadamia integrifolia</i>		V	None
<i>Macadamia ternifolia</i>		V	None
<i>Macadamia tetraphylla</i>		V	None
<i>Melaleuca irbyana</i>		E	None
<i>Petaurus gracilis</i>	Mahogany Glider	E	None
<i>Petrogale persephone</i>	Proserpine rock-wallaby	E	None
<i>Pezoporus wallicus wallicus</i>	Eastern ground parrot	V	None
<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i>	Koala - outside SEQ*	E	None
<i>Taudactylus pleione</i>	Kroombit tinkerfrog	E	None
<i>Xeromys myoides</i>	Water Mouse	V	None

*For koala model, this includes areas outside SEQ. Check 7c SEQ koala habitat for presence/absence.

Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife species records

Scientific name	Common name	NCA status	EPBC status	Migratory status
<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	eastern curlew	E	CE	Y
<i>Limosa lapponica baueri</i>	Western Alaskan bar-tailed godwit	V	V	Y
<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	greater sand plover	V	V	Y

Special least concern animal species records

Scientific name	Common name	Migratory status
<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	whimbrel	Y
<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	common sandpiper	Y
<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	Pacific golden plover	Y
<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	grey plover	Y

Shorebird habitat (critically endangered/ endangered/ vulnerable)

Not applicable

Shorebird habitat (special least concern)

Not applicable

**Nature Conservation Act 1992 (NCA) Status- Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V) or Special Least Concern Animal (SL). Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC) status: Critically Endangered (CE) Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V)*

Migratory status (M) - China and Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (C), Japan and Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (J), Republic of Korea and Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (R), Bonn Migratory Convention (B), Eastern Flyway (E)

To request a species list for an area, or search for a species profile, access Wildlife Online at:

<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/species-list/>

Refer to **Map 3a - MSES - Species - Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife and special least concern animals**, **Map 3b - MSES - Species - Koala habitat area (SEQ)** and **Map 3c - MSES - Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)** for an overview of the relevant MSES.

MSES - Regulated Vegetation

For further information relating to regional ecosystems in general, go to:

<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/>

For a more detailed description of a particular regional ecosystem, access the regional ecosystem search page at:

<https://environment.ehp.qld.gov.au/regional-ecosystems/>

8a. Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category B (remnant)

Not applicable

8b. Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category C (regrowth)

Not applicable

8c. Regulated Vegetation - Category R (GBR riverine regrowth)

Not applicable

8d. Regulated Vegetation - Essential habitat

Values are present

8e. Regulated Vegetation - intersecting a watercourse**

(no results)

8f. Regulated Vegetation - within 100m of a Vegetation Management wetland

Not applicable

Refer to **Map 4 - MSES - Regulated Vegetation** for an overview of the relevant MSES.

MSES - Offsets

9a. Legally secured offset areas - offset register areas

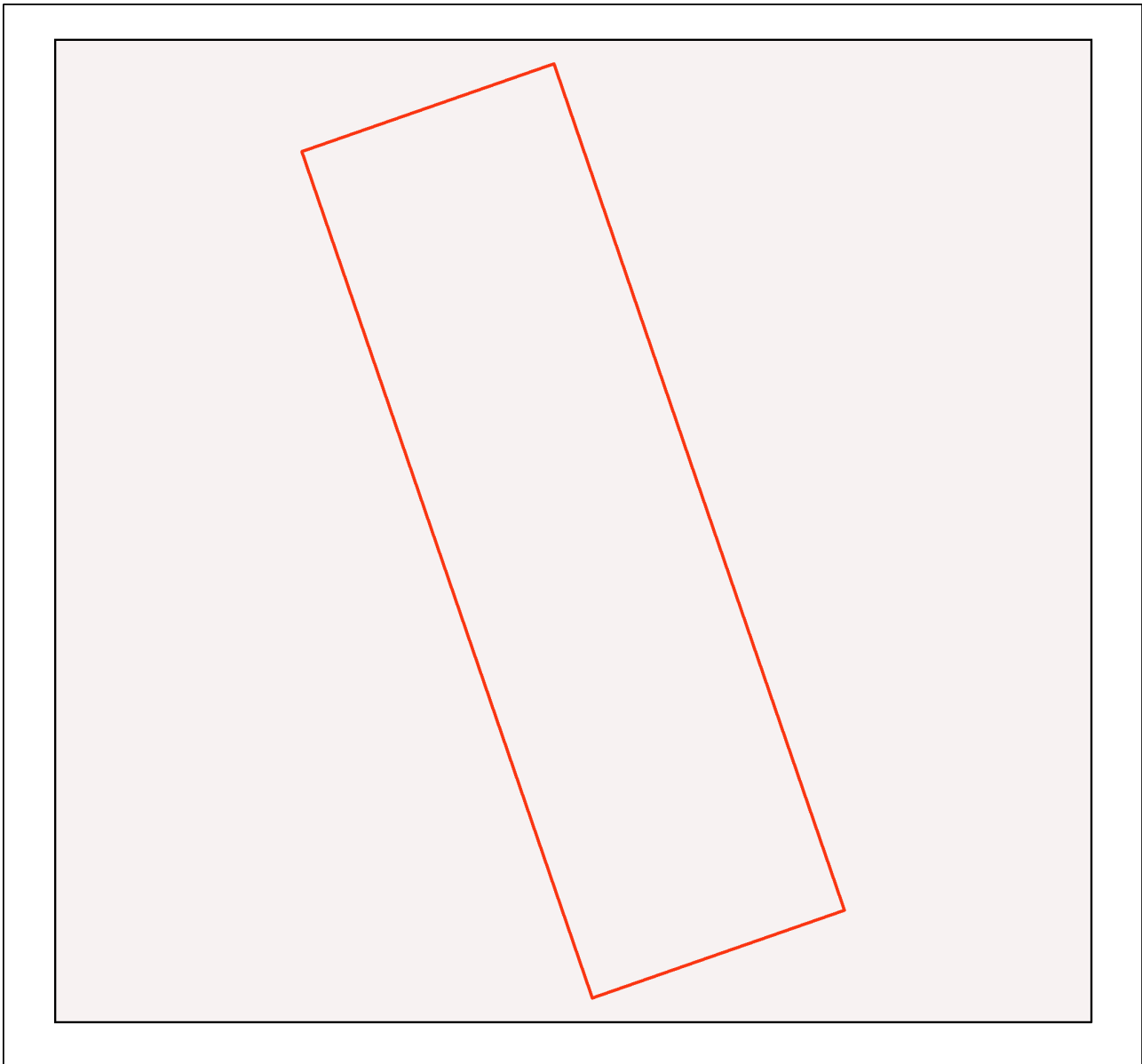
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





Refer to **Map 5 - MSES - Offset Areas** for an overview of the relevant MSES.

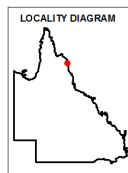
Map 1 - MSES - State Conservation Areas



MSES - State Conservation Areas

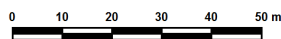
Area of Interest

-  Selected Lot and Plan
-  Towns
-  Freeways/Highways
-  Secondary roads
-  Major rivers/creeks
-  Protected area (estates, nature refuges, special wildlife reserves)
-  Declared fish habitat area (A and B areas)
-  Marine park (highly protected)



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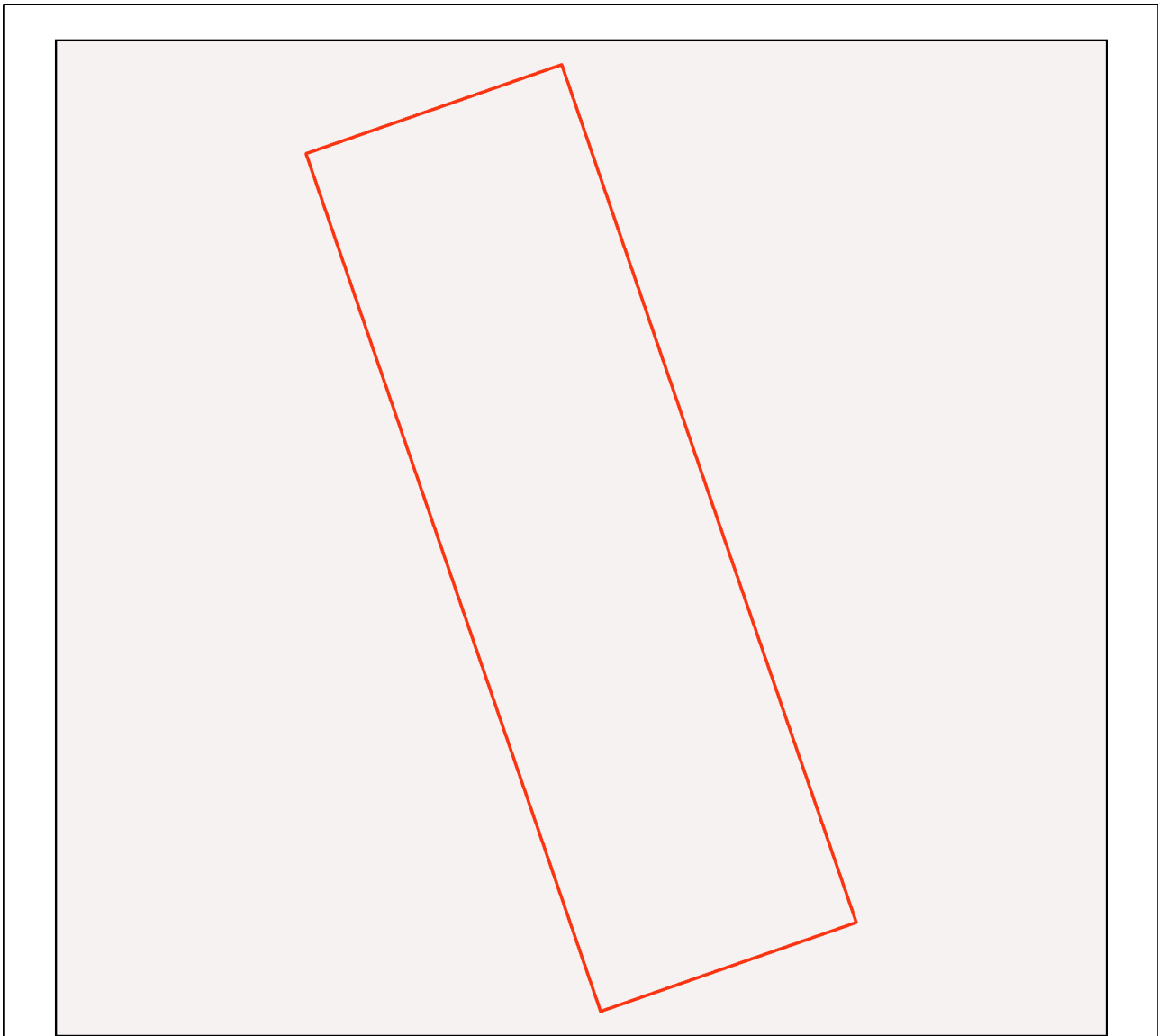
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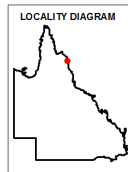
Map 2 - MSES - Wetlands and Waterways



MSES - Wetlands and Waterways

Area of Interest

-  Selected Lot and Plan
-  Towns
-  Freeways/Highways
-  Secondary roads
-  Major rivers/creeks
-  Declared high ecological value waters (watercourse)
-  Strategic environmental area (designated precinct)
-  Declared high ecological value waters (wetland)
-  High ecological significance wetlands



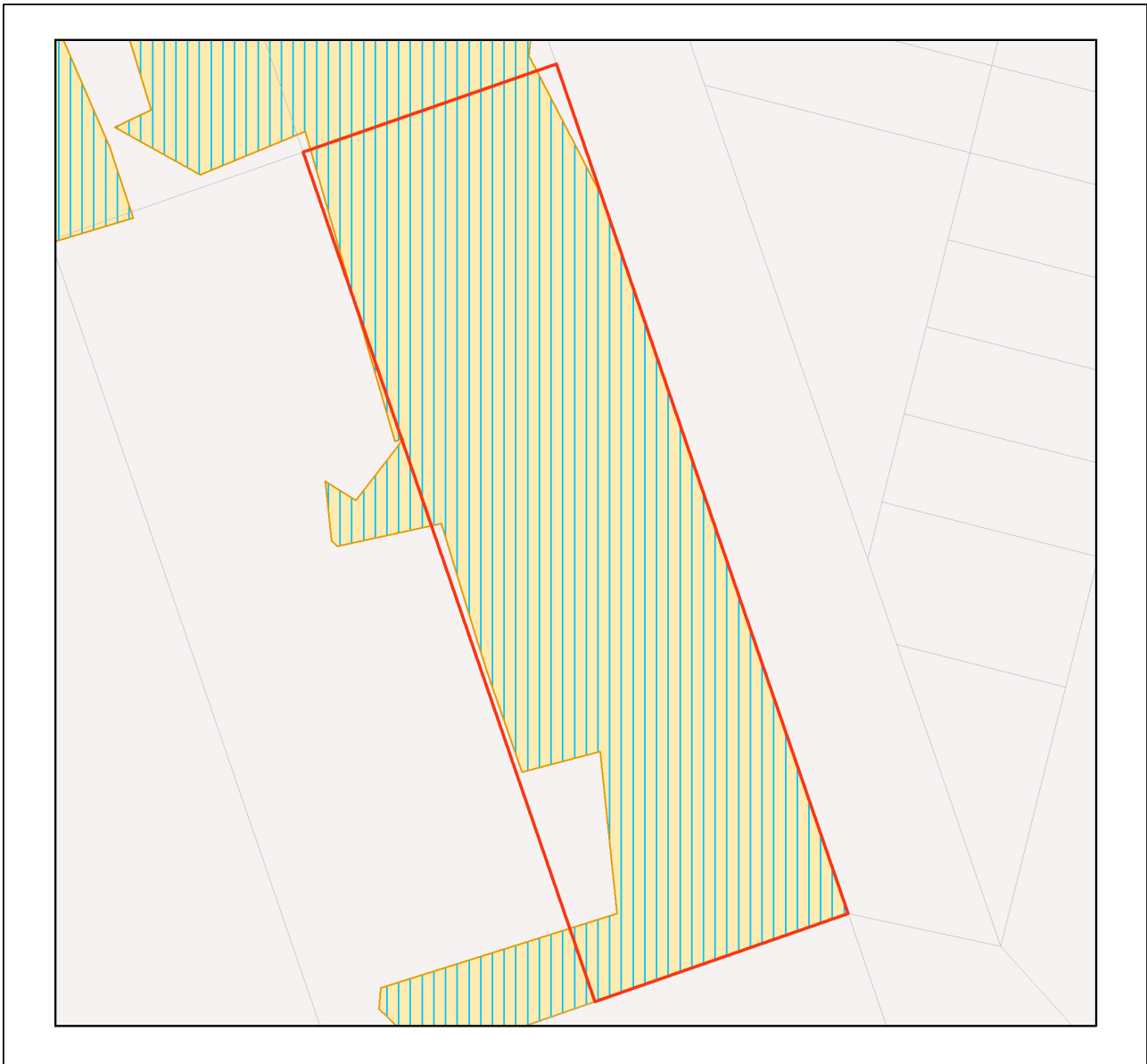
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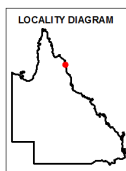
Map 3a - MSES - Species - Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife and special least concern animals



MSES - Species Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife and special least concern animals

Area of Interest

- Selected Lot and Plan
- ▲ Towns
- Freeways/Highways
- Secondary roads
- Major rivers/creeks
- Wildlife habitat (special least concern)
- Wildlife habitat (endangered or vulnerable)



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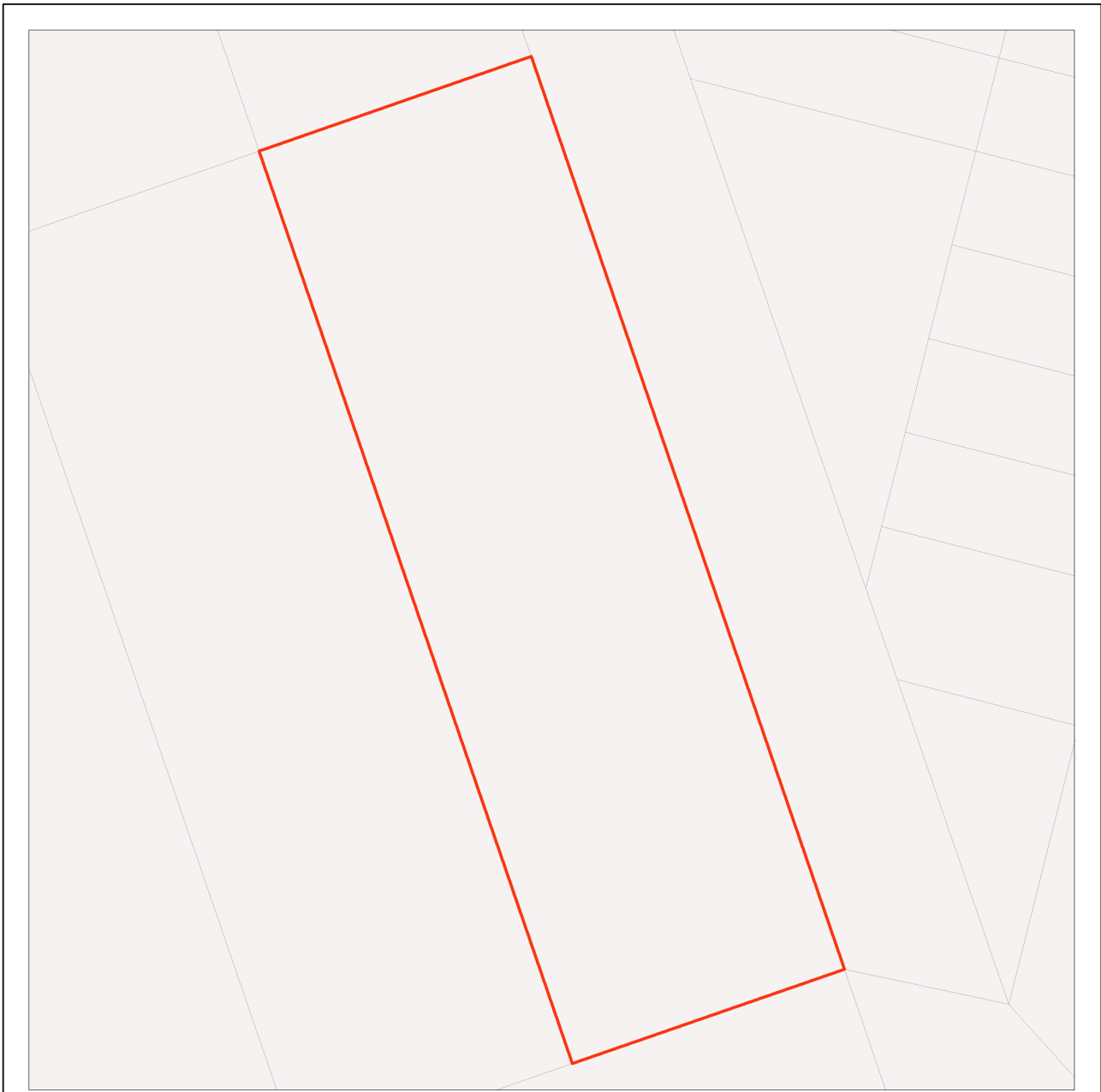
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Map 3b - MSES - Species - Koala habitat area (SEQ)



MSES - Species Koala habitat area (SEQ)

Area of Interest

- Selected Lot and Plan
- Towns
- Freeways/Highways
- Secondary roads
- Major rivers/creeks
- Koala habitat area (core)
- Koala habitat area (locally refined)



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The represented layers for SEQ 'koala habitat area-core' and 'koala habitat area- locally refined' in MSES are sourced directly from the regulatory mapping under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017. Whilst every effort is made to ensure the information remains current, there may be delays between updating versions. Please refer to the original mapping for the most recent version. See <https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping>

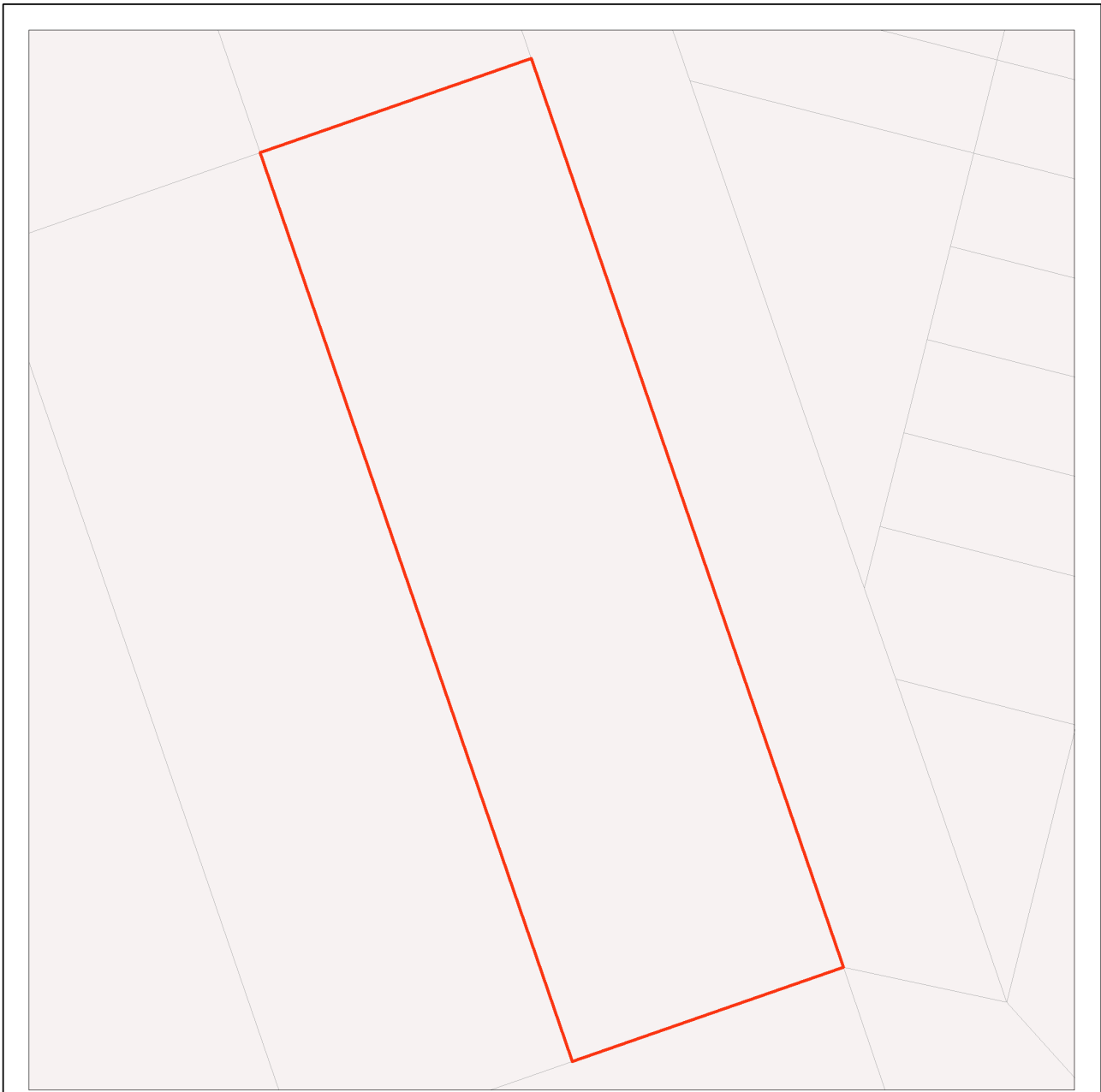
The koala habitat mapping within South East Queensland uses regional ecosystem linework compiled at a scale varying from 1:25,000 to 1:100,000. Linework should be used as a guide only. The positional accuracy of regional ecosystem data mapped at a scale of 1:100,000 is +/- 100 metres.



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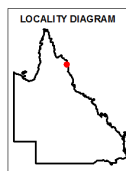
Map 3c - MSES - Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)



MSES - Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)

Area of Interest

- Selected Lot and Plan
- ▲ Towns
- Freeways/Highways
- Secondary roads
- Major rivers/creeks
- Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)

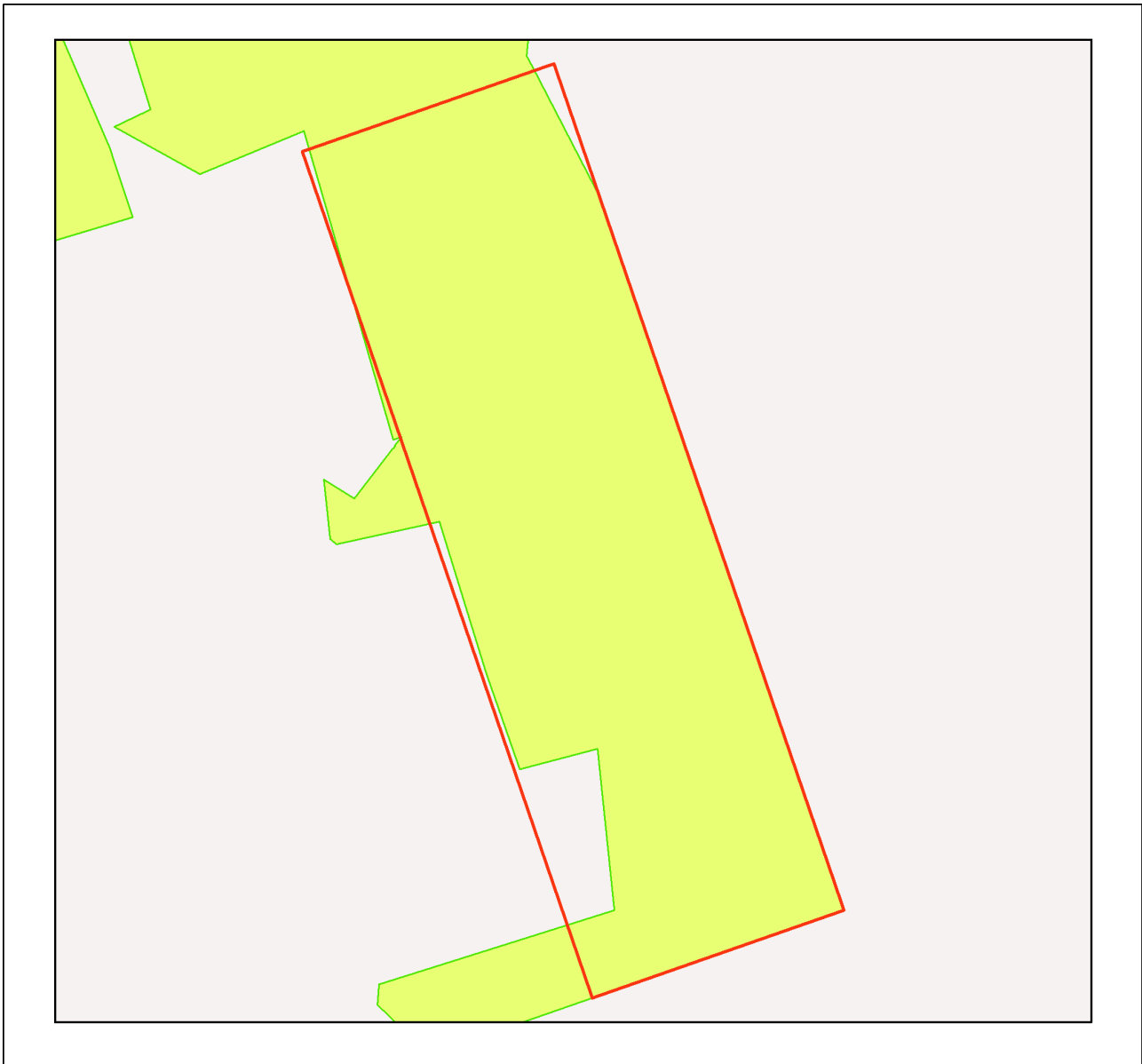


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MSES mapping of sea turtle nesting areas identifies beaches where the recorded number of turtle nests are over 1% of the turtle species or genetic stock. The linework is also deliberately extended along nearby rocky coastlines and headlands to recognise that significant numbers of nesting adults and hatchlings can become disoriented by light pollution from development on rocky coastlines and headlands while navigating offshore from nesting beaches.



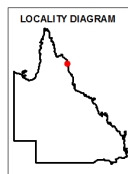
Map 4 - MSES - Regulated Vegetation



MSES - Regulated Vegetation

Area of Interest

- Selected Lot and Plan
- ▲ Towns
- Freeways/Highways
- Secondary roads
- Major rivers/creeks
- Regulated vegetation (intersecting a watercourse)
- Regulated vegetation (100m from wetland)
- Regulated vegetation (category B - endangered or of concern)
- Regulated vegetation (category C - endangered or of concern)
- Regulated vegetation (category R - GBR riverine)
- Regulated vegetation (essential habitat)



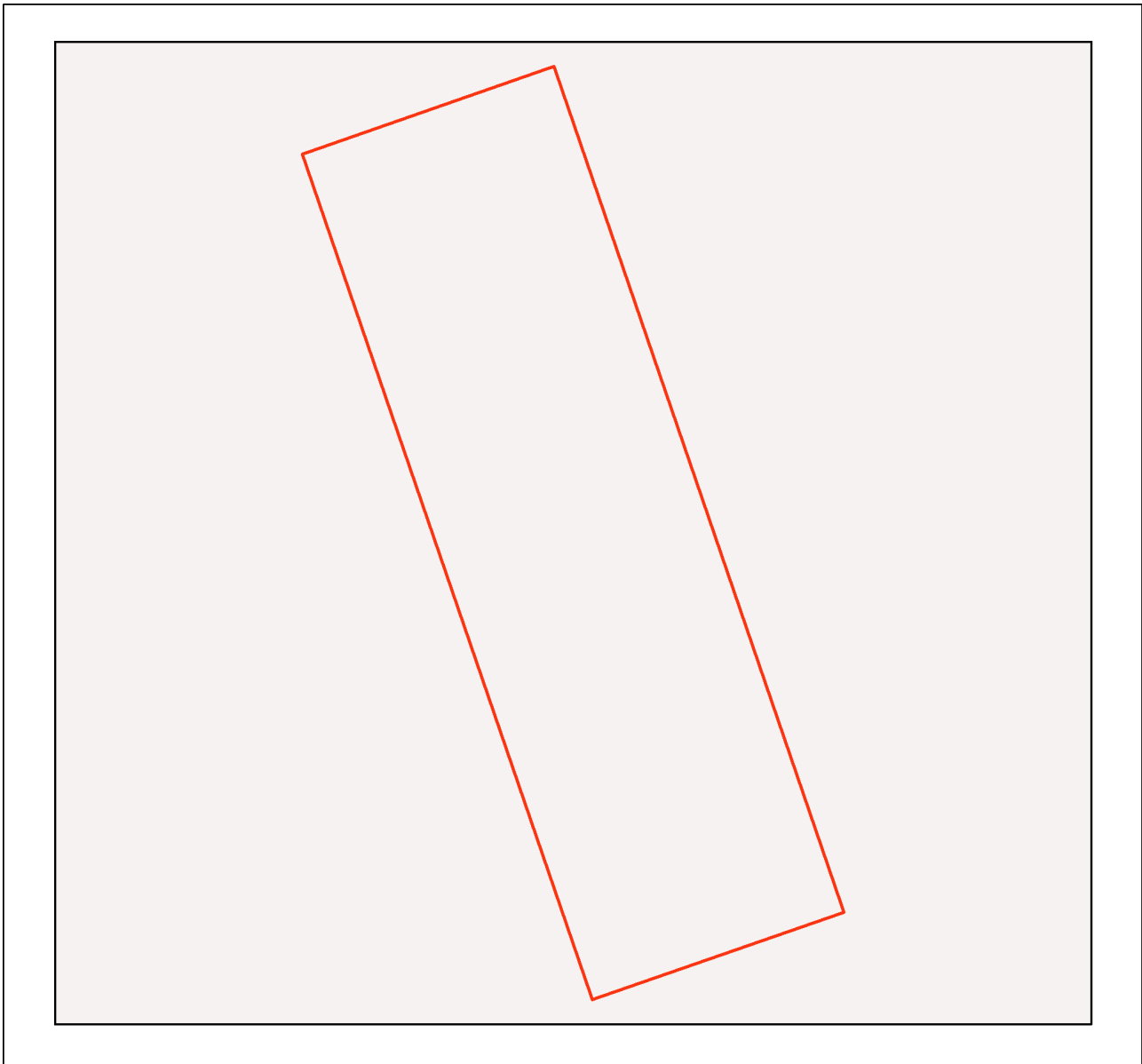
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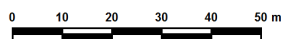
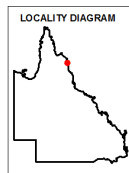
Map 5 - MSES - Offset Areas



MSES - Offsets

Area of Interest

-  Selected Lot and Plan
-  Towns
-  Freeways/Highways
-  Secondary roads
-  Major rivers/creeks
-  Legally secured offset area (offset register)
-  Legally secured offset area (vegetation offsets)



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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Matters of State Environmental Significance (MSES) methodology

MSES mapping is a regional-scale representation of the definition for MSES under the State Planning Policy (SPP). The compiled MSES mapping product is a guide to assist planning and development assessment decision-making. Its primary purpose is to support implementation of the SPP biodiversity policy. While it supports the SPP, the mapping does not replace the regulatory mapping or environmental values specifically called up under other laws or regulations. Similarly, the SPP biodiversity policy does not override or replace specific requirements of other Acts or regulations.

The Queensland Government's "Method for mapping - matters of state environmental significance for use in land use planning and development assessment" can be downloaded from:

<http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/land/natural-resource/method-mapping-mses.html> .

Appendix 2 - Source Data

The datasets listed below are available on request from:

<http://qldspatial.information.qld.gov.au/catalogue/custom/index.page>

- Matters of State environmental significance

Note: MSES mapping is not based on new or unique data. The primary mapping product draws data from a number of underlying environment databases and geo-referenced information sources. MSES mapping is a versioned product that is updated generally on a twice-yearly basis to incorporate the changes to underlying data sources. Several components of MSES mapping made for the current version may differ from the current underlying data sources. To ensure accuracy, or proper representation of MSES values, it is strongly recommended that users refer to the underlying data sources and review the current definition of MSES in the State Planning Policy, before applying the MSES mapping.

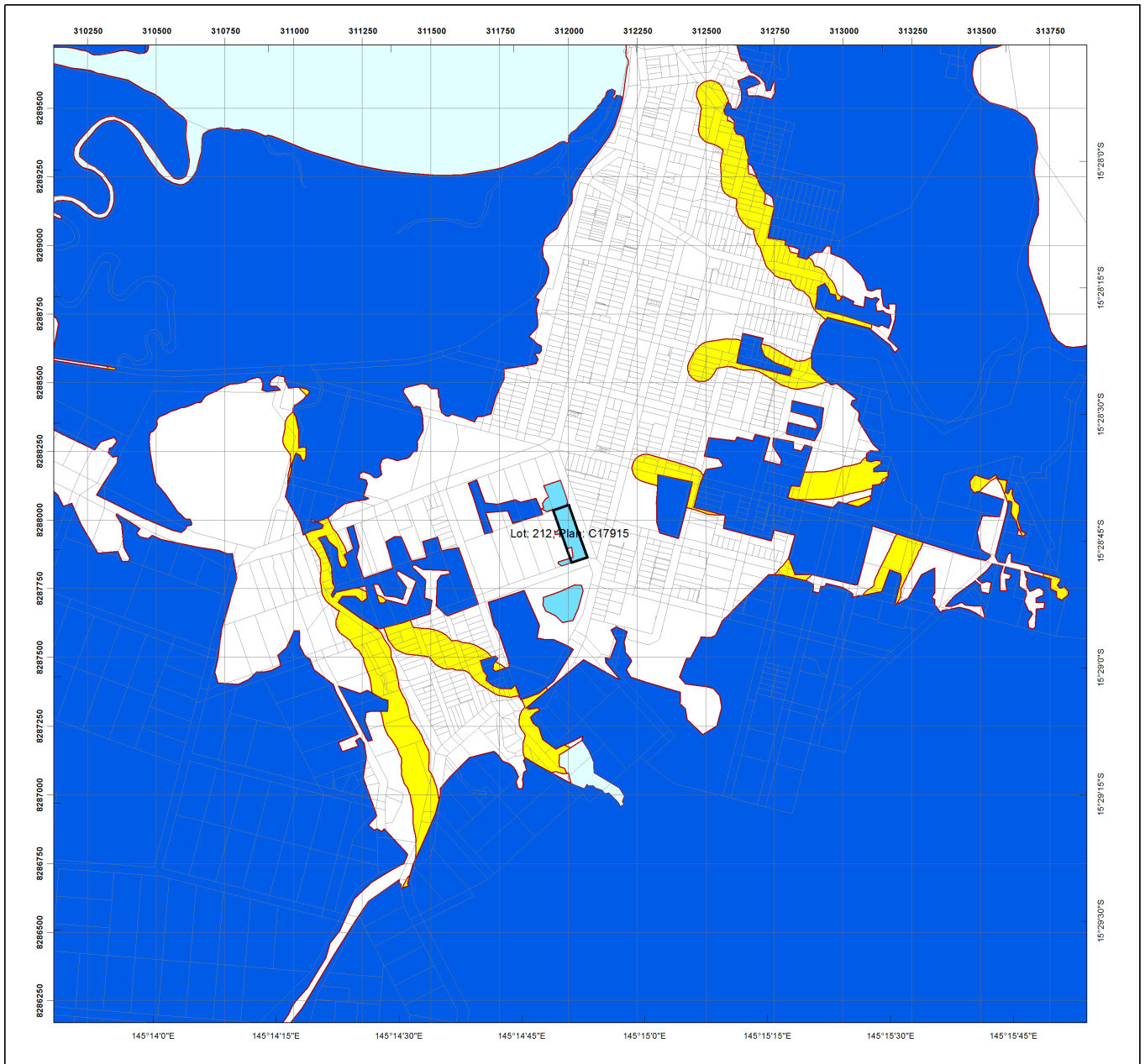
Individual MSES layers can be attributed to the following source data available at QSpatial:

MSES layers	current QSpatial data (http://qspatial.information.qld.gov.au)
Protected Areas-Estates, Nature Refuges, Special Wildlife Reserves	- Protected areas of Queensland - Nature Refuges - Queensland - Special Wildlife Reserves- Queensland
Marine Park-Highly Protected Zones	Moreton Bay marine park zoning 2008
Fish Habitat Areas	Queensland fish habitat areas
Strategic Environmental Areas-designated	Regional Planning Interests Act - Strategic Environmental Areas
HES wetlands	Map of Queensland Wetland Environmental Values
Wetlands in HEV waters	HEV waters: - EPP Water intent for waters Source Wetlands: - Queensland Wetland Mapping (Current version 5) Source Watercourses: - Vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map (1:100000 and 1:250000)
Wildlife habitat (threatened and special least concern)	- WildNet database species records - habitat suitability models (various) - SEQ koala habitat areas under the Koala Conservation Plan 2019 - Sea Turtle Nesting Areas records
VMA regulated regional ecosystems	Vegetation management regional ecosystem and remnant map
VMA Essential Habitat	Vegetation management - essential habitat map
VMA Wetlands	Vegetation management wetlands map
Legally secured offsets	Vegetation Management Act property maps of assessable vegetation. For offset register data-contact DES
Regulated Vegetation Map	Vegetation management - regulated vegetation management map

Appendix 3 - Acronyms and Abbreviations








AOI	- Area of Interest
DES	- Department of Environment and Science
EP Act	- <i>Environmental Protection Act 1994</i>
EPP	- Environmental Protection Policy
GDA94	- Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994
GEM	- General Environmental Matters
GIS	- Geographic Information System
MSES	- Matters of State Environmental Significance
NCA	- <i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i>
RE	- Regional Ecosystem
SPP	- State Planning Policy
VMA	- <i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i>

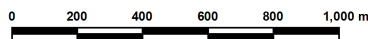
Appendix C:
Regulated Vegetation
Management Map



Regulated Vegetation Management Map

Legend

-  Selected Lot and Plan
-  Category A area (Vegetation offsets/compliance notices/VDecs)
-  Category B area (Remnant vegetation)
-  Category C area (High-value regrowth vegetation)
-  Category R area (Reef regrowth watercourse vegetation)
-  Category X area (Exempt clearing work on Freehold, Indigenous and Leasehold land)
-  Water
- Other land parcel boundaries



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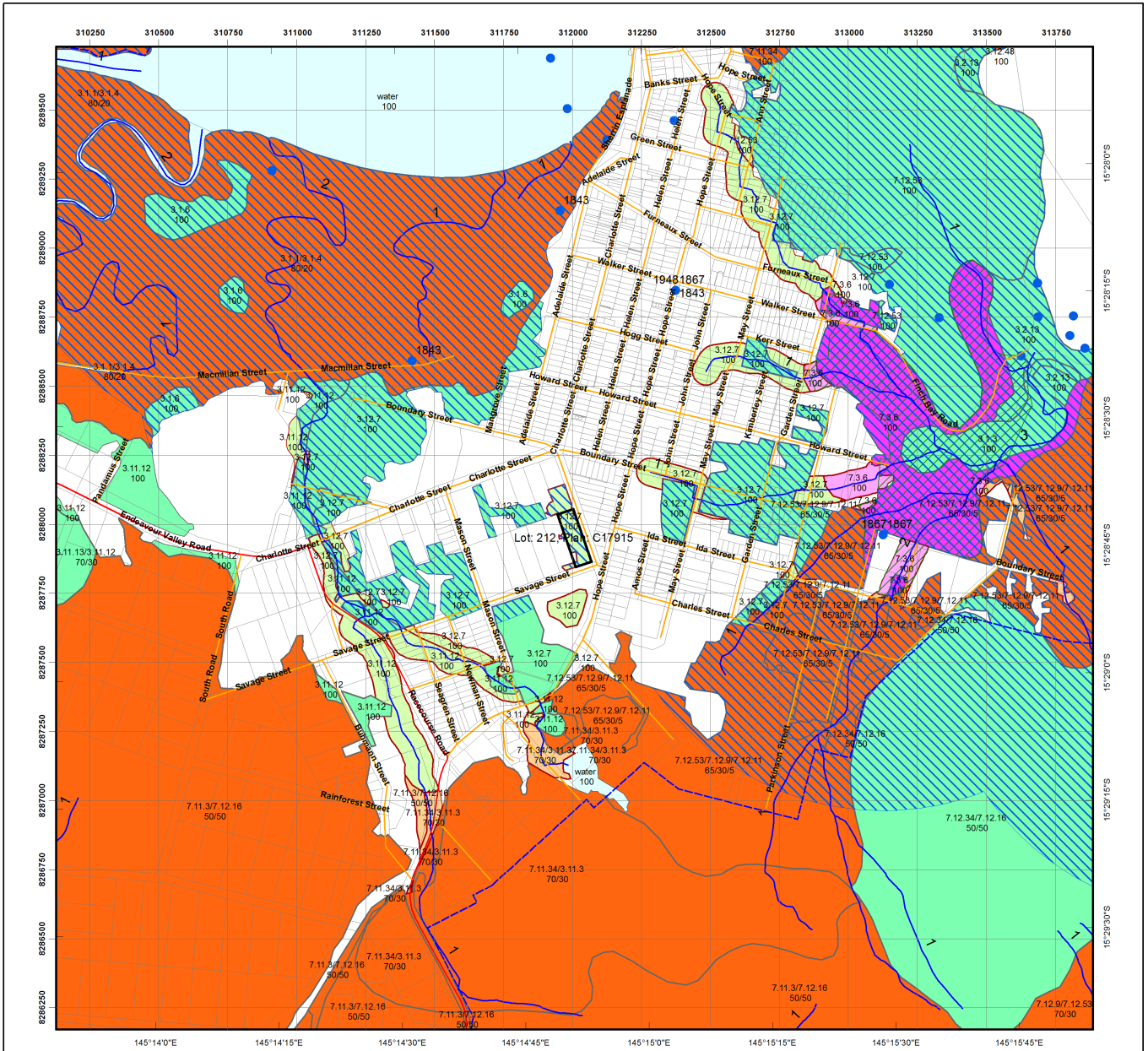
Additional information required for the assessment of vegetation values is provided in the accompanying "Vegetation Management Supporting map". For further information go to the web site: www.resources.qld.gov.au or contact the Department of Resources.

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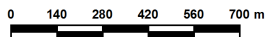
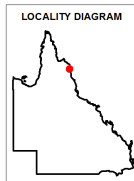




Vegetation Management Supporting Map

Legend

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- Category A or B area that is a least concern regional ecosystem
- Category C or R area containing endangered regional ecosystems
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- Category X area
- Water
- Wetland on the vegetation management wetlands map
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- Connector
- Street/Local Road
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- Other land parcel boundaries



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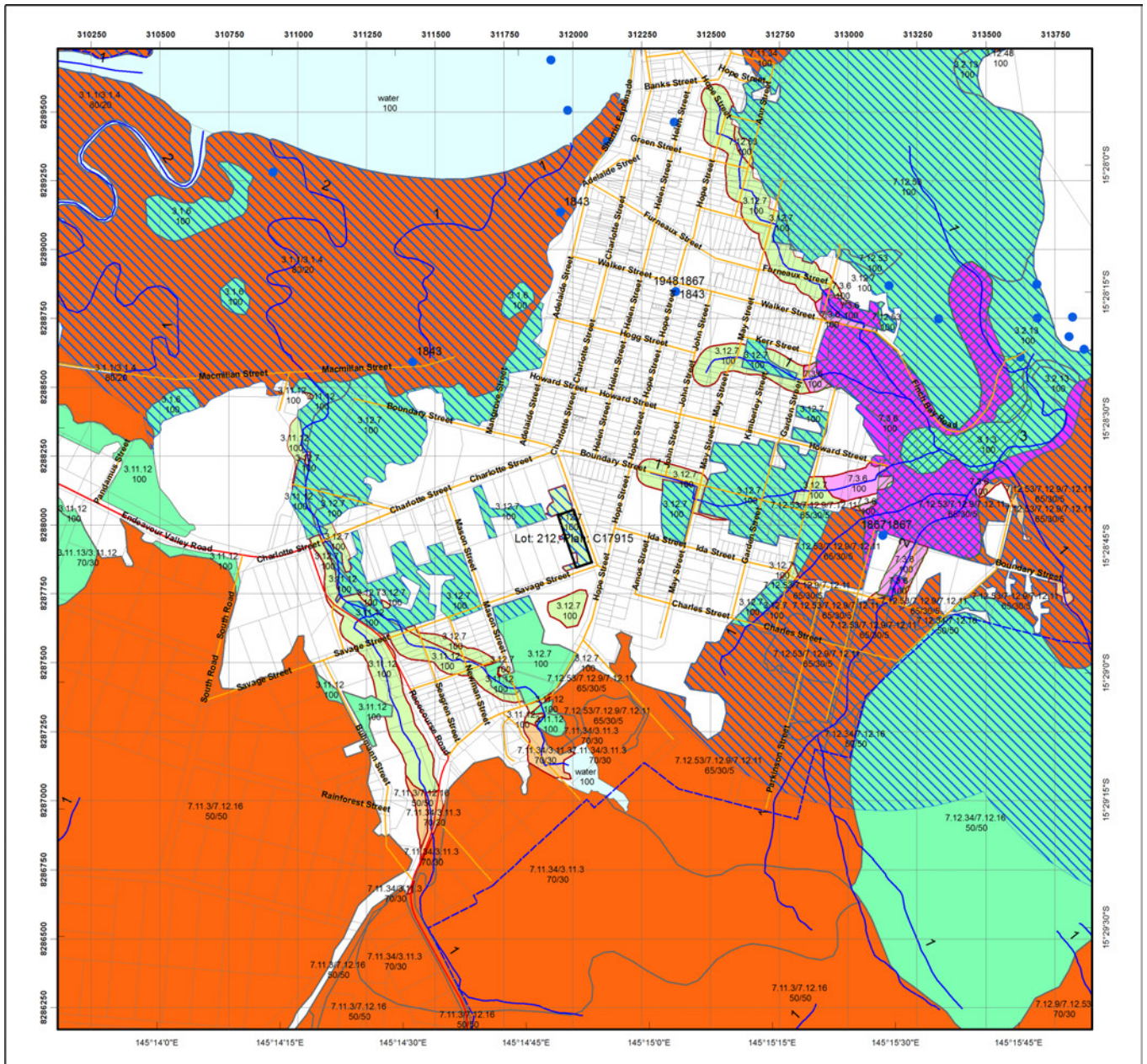
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1867	2.1.1, 2.1.4, 2.1.5, 3.1.6, 7.1.2, 7.1.3, 8.1.2, 8.1.3, 8.1.4, 11.1.1, 11.1.2, 11.1.3, 12.1.2, 12.1.3
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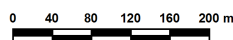
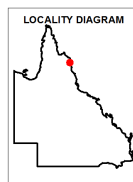
Appendix D:
Protected Plants Flora Survey
Trigger Map



Protected Plants Flora Survey Trigger Map

Legend

-  Selected Lot and Plan
-  High risk area
-  Other land parcel boundaries.
-  Freeways / motorways / highways
-  Secondary roads / streets



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This map shows areas where particular provisions of the Nature Conservation Act 1992 apply to the clearing of protected plants.

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Protected plants flora survey trigger map

The protected plants flora survey trigger map identifies 'high risk areas' where threatened and near threatened plants are known to exist or are likely to exist. Under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (the Act) it is an offence to clear protected plants that are 'in the wild' unless you are authorised or the clearing is exempt, for more information see [section 89](#) of the Act.

Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the [clearing of protected plants](#) for information on what exemptions may apply in your circumstances, whether you may need to undertake a flora survey, and whether you may need a protected plants clearing permit.

Updates to the data informing the flora survey trigger map

The flora survey trigger map will be reviewed, and updated if necessary, at least every 12 months to ensure the map reflects the most up-to-date and accurate data available.

Species information

Please note that flora survey trigger maps do not identify species associated with 'high risk areas'. While some species information may be publicly available, for example via the [Queensland Spatial Catalogue](#), the Department of Environment and Science does not provide species information on request. Regardless of whether species information is available for a particular high risk area, clearing plants in a high risk area may require a flora survey and/or clearing permit. Please see the Department of Environment and Science webpage on the [clearing of protected plants](#) for more information.

Appendix E:
WildNet Species List



Queensland Government

WildNet species list

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Queensland status: Rare and threatened species
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Email: angelina@natres.com.au
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Kingdom	Class	Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	I	Q	A	Records
animals	birds	Accipitridae	<i>Erythrotriorchis radiatus</i>	red goshawk		E	E	6/3
animals	birds	Apodidae	<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	white-throated needletail		V	V	1
animals	birds	Burhinidae	<i>Esacus magnirostris</i>	beach stone-curlew		V		7/1
animals	birds	Casuariidae	<i>Casuarus casuarius johnsonii</i> (southern population)	southern cassowary (southern population)		E	E	1
animals	birds	Charadriidae	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	greater sand plover		V	V	42
animals	birds	Charadriidae	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>	lesser sand plover		E	E	9
animals	birds	Scolopacidae	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	curlew sandpiper		CR	CE	3
animals	birds	Scolopacidae	<i>Limosa lapponica baueri</i>	Western Alaskan bar-tailed godwit		V	V	42
animals	birds	Scolopacidae	<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	eastern curlew		E	CE	59
animals	birds	Turnicidae	<i>Turnix olivii</i>	buff-breasted button-quail		CR	E	2/1
animals	insects	Lycaenidae	<i>Hypochrysops apollo apollo</i>	Apollo jewel (Wet Tropics subspecies)		V		2
animals	mammals	Dasyuridae	<i>Dasyurus maculatus gracilis</i>	spotted-tailed quoll (northern subspecies)		E	E	1
animals	mammals	Emballonuridae	<i>Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus</i>	bare-rumped sheath-tail bat		E	V	1/1
animals	mammals	Hipposideridae	<i>Hipposideros diadema reginae</i>	diadem leaf-nosed bat		NT		1
animals	mammals	Hipposideridae	<i>Hipposideros semoni</i>	Semon's leaf-nosed bat		E	V	2/1
animals	mammals	Megadermatidae	<i>Macroderma gigas</i>	ghost bat		E	V	1
animals	mammals	Rhinolophidae	<i>Rhinolophus philippinensis</i>	greater large-eared horseshoe bat		E	V	1
animals	reptiles	Crocodylidae	<i>Crocodylus porosus</i>	estuarine crocodile		V		4
plants	land plants	Leguminosae	<i>Acacia solenota</i>			E		3/3
plants	land plants	Orchidaceae	<i>Eulophia zollingeri</i>			V		1/1
plants	land plants	Rubiaceae	<i>Randia audasii</i>			NT		1/1

CODES

I - Y indicates that the taxon is introduced to Queensland and has naturalised.

Q - Indicates the Queensland conservation status of each taxon under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

The codes are Extinct (EX), Extinct in the Wild (PE), Critically Endangered (CR), Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V), Near Threatened (NT), Special Least Concern (SL) and Least Concern (C).

A - Indicates the Australian conservation status of each taxon under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The values of EPBC are Extinct (EX), Extinct in the Wild (XW), Critically Endangered (CE), Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V) and Conservation Dependent (CD).

Records - The first number indicates the total number of records of the taxon (wildlife records and species listings for selected areas).

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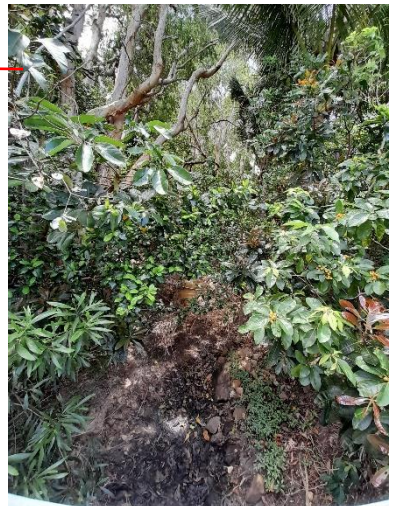
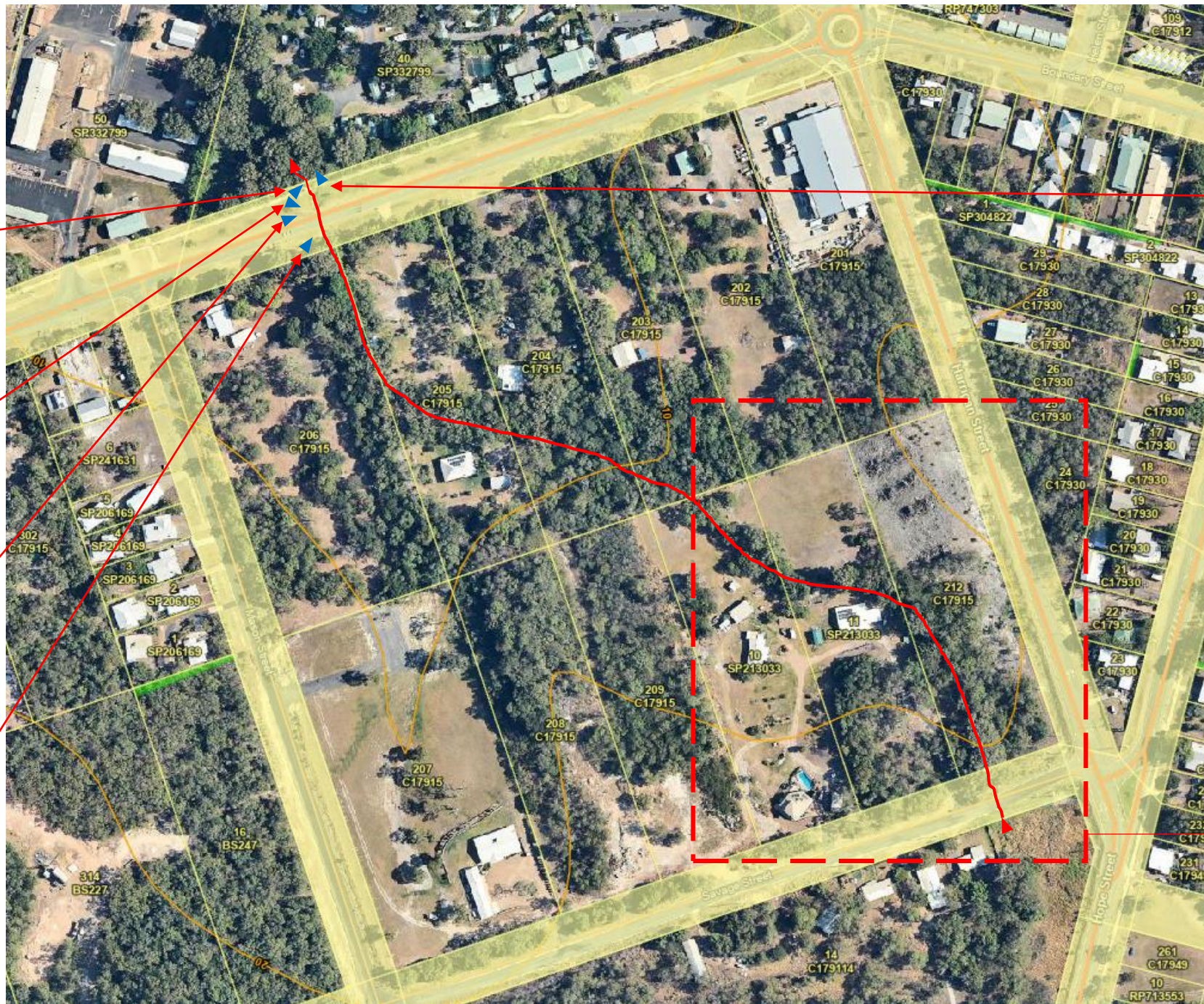
Appendix F:
Unmapped drainage feature
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-  Direction of water flow
-  Approximate Creek profile



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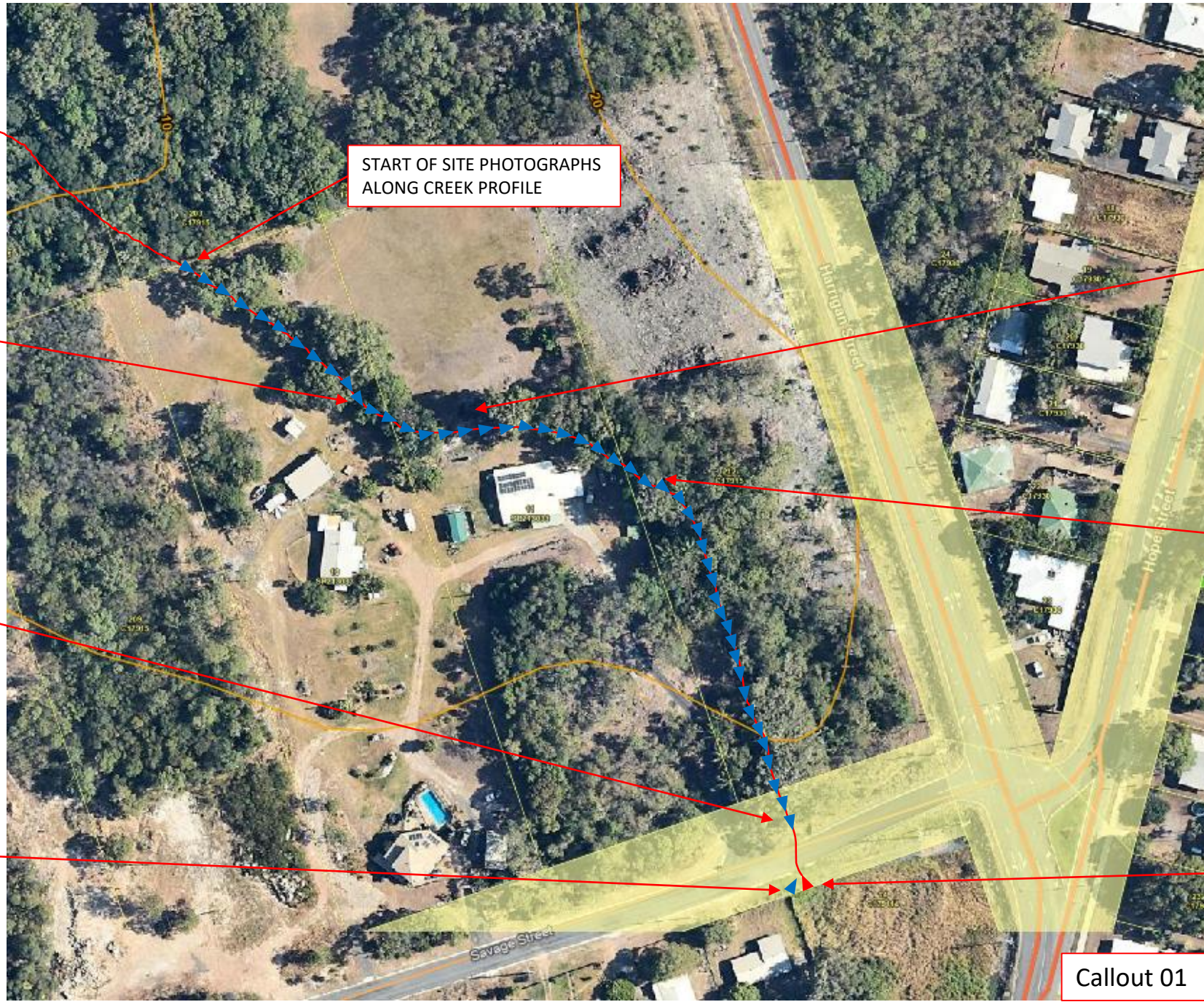
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