

Best Route Looking Northwest Figure 2



Heritage

The route corridor does not impact on World Heritage listed areas or items of national or state heritage registers. Hoskin Wildlife Refugee at Mooball is located within the 1km buffer of the selected route. However it is envisaged that this small lot could be avoided during more detailed site assessment and alignment design.

Land Use/Zoning

The selected route corridor runs close to Mooball and Stotts Island National Parks, although it does not directly impact on these parks. The selected route does traverse five areas zoned environmental protection under the Tweed and Byron LEPs, namely at Terranora Escarpment, three ridges running east of Mooball NP and Chincogan Mountains. Whilst transmission lines are permissible with consent within these zones, the primary purpose of zoning in these areas is to protect visual and habitat qualities. Construction of an overhead transmission line requiring vegetation clearing would be inconsistent with the aims of the zoning. It is very unlikely that either Council or the community would support an overhead transmission line through these environmental protection zoned areas.

The majority of the selected route transverses 1(a) rural zonings which is generally considered to present a low to medium planning constraint. However, social issues such as potential impacts on agricultural production, the perceived impacts and marginalisation of rural communities would require careful and detailed planning and consultation. The impact of an overhead line on cane growers in the Tweed Valley is predicted to be most severe due to incompatible practice of reducing stubble with fire. It is recommended appropriate easements be purchase within this land use zone.

The urban zones of Terranora and the escarpment to the south are likely to be impacted by an overhead transmission line along the selected route. Further, there would be potential impacts on future proposed urban release areas surrounding Terranora and Mullumbimby.

Visual

The potential transmission line route options shown on Map 14 indicate that areas of high scenic value have been avoided as much as possible. However, due to the generally high visual quality throughout the region it is not possible to avoid all of these areas. The approximate lengths of potential transmission line that would pass through various categories of visual quality for the 'best' route are summarised in the following table.



| Visual Quality | 'Best' Route |
|----------------|--------------|
| Very High | 8km |
| High | 30km |
| Medium | 9 km |
| Total | 47km |

Allowance must be made for the method employed for calculating distances to allow for increased length of lines resulting from topographic variation and route alignment within the corridor.

EMF

The transmission line route generally avoids current and future urban areas. In addition the width of the corridor would allow detailed planning of the transmission line alignment provide for reasonable separation from residences.

Undergrounding

There are two sections of recommended undergrounding. They include an 8.4km section heading north from Mullumbimby, and a 9.7km section heading into Terranora. These sections have been recommended where a number of constraints combine to increase the sensitivity of overhead transmission line route selection and where no other option exists for placement of the route. The environmental planning justification of this decision is outlined below:

- In the areas adjoining the urban centres of Terranora and Mullumbimby through which the transmission line would need to pass, the density of rural residential development is relatively high making it more difficult to locate an acceptable overhead transmission line route (see Map 15);
- The visual impacts of an overhead transmission line would potentially affect an increased number of residents in the urban settings and exacerbate the perceived effects on lifestyle and amenity values;
- The value and viability of identified future urban expansion areas could potentially be compromised (see Map 15);



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- Urban release area approved by Tweed and Byron Shire Councils typically contain requirements for the undergrounding of powerlines;
- On the approaches to these urban centres, the transmission line route also traverses land zoned as scenic protection under both the Tweed and Byron LEPs. (see Map 12 and 13);
- The scenic values protected under the LEPs were confirmed by the visual assessment conducted by URS as part of this investigation (see Map 14);
- These scenic zones also contain native vegetation remnants associated with threatened species habitat models and corridors as identified by DEC (Former NPWS see Maps 4a-4c);
- High visual impacts were also recognised along the Tweed River Valley (see Map 14);
- There may also be incompatibilities with the use of fire by sugar cane growers and this conflict is most significant along the Tweed River Valley; and
- There would also be major acid sulphate soil management issues associated with an underground transmission line route across the open Tweed River Valley.

8.2.2 Mitigation Requirements

Standard Conditions of Approval

The standard conditions of approval issued by DIPNR for similar projects have been examined by URS to identify the likely extent and type of conditions that could be expected for the potential transmission line development. It should be noted that only generic conditions can be outlined as each proposal will be unique and require tailored consent requirements. However, a range of standard conditions of approval can be identified. A typical list of requirements can include:

- A Compliance Report
- A 24 hour contact telephone number
- A Traffic Management Plan
- Establishment of a complaints register
- Requirements for Environmental Management Systems (including for contractors in accordance with AS/NZS ISO 14000 or BS 7750-1994 and certified by an accredited certifier
- Employment and approval of an Environmental Management Representative



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- An Environmental Management Plans (EMPs) for construction and operations
- Route Alignment Sheets identifying outstanding issues and features
- Environmental Monitoring Reports
- An Environmental Impact Verification Report
- Electromagnetic Field Measurements
- A Visual Impact Management Strategy
- A Waste Management Strategy
- An Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan
- Indigenous Heritage Management Strategy including local Aboriginal consultation
- A Revegetation Strategy
- Monitoring of Birdstrike (particularly for wetlands and migratory birds)
- A Construction Noise Management Strategy
- A Soil Management Strategy
- Generic Threatened Species Protocols
- Surveys for individual threatened species at specific locations
- A Flora and Fauna Management Strategy

Potential Visual Impact and Mitigation Requirements

URS has identified potential visual impact and mitigation requirements that would be associated with the best route. These are presented in Table 8.1.

| Table 8.1: Visu | al Impact N | Aitigation | Requirements |
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| Section of Powerline Route | Potential Visual Impact | Anticipated Mitigation Requirements |
|--|--|--|
| Urban Development at Terranora | High | - undergrounding within road reserve |
| Terranora Escarpment | High | - undergrounding within road reserve |
| Tweed River Crossing | High | - undergrounding and submarine crossing |
| Sugar Cane Fields of Tweed River Valley | High visual impact (potential impact on sugar cane planting and harvesting operations) | - undergrounding within designated easements |



| Section of Powerline Route | Potential Visual Impact | Anticipated Mitigation Requirements |
|--|----------------------------|--|
| Foothills on southern edge of Tweed Valley | Moderate to high | very careful siting of poles to minimise tree clearing and views from individual residences |
| | | painting of some poles to reduce visual contrast with background |
| | | tree planting to block some views from residences and roads |
| Upper slopes and ridges of central landform | Moderate to high | very careful siting of poles to minimise tree clearing and views from individual residences |
| | | - painting of some poles to reduce visual contrast with background |
| | | - tree planting to block some views from residences and roads |
| | | potential undergrounding in some sections of very high visual quality on ridgelines where tree clearing would be required to construct a section of overhead powerline |
| Rural and scenic landscape north of Mullumbimby | High to moderate | - undergrounding within break in scenic ridgeline; |
| Rural residential and future urban development near Mullumbimby | High | undergrounding within road reserves or property boundaries; |

Table 8.1: Visual Impact Mitigation Requirements (continued)

8.2.3 Likelihood of Approval

Given the constraints listed above, the impacts identified within the selected route and considering the degree of expected public opposition, acceptance of recommended underground sections and the extent of influence of mitigation measures, URS believes that following a detailed environmental and social impact assessment, a long and protracted development assessment process including extensive community consultation would be necessary. URS believes that the route selection process followed and the incorporation of 18km of undergrounding would sufficiently mitigate potential environmental impacts for a transmission line proposal to create a reasonable probability of eventually obtaining environmental and planning approval. However, there is a high probability that, as a result of further assessment and community consultation, DIPNR would impose a large number of approval conditions, some



of which may require additional environmental impact mitigation such as alignment changes or increased undergrounding for a number of very sensitive areas along the route. The likelihood of DIPNR issuing a consent and the nature of any attached conditions would be strongly influenced by the level and strength of community opposition, the views of Tweed and Byron Councils, and the DIPNR's own assessment of the proposal.

8.3 Alternative Route

Map 17 illustrates the 'Alternative Route'. This route is not dissimilar to the 'best' route, but it is aligned west of the major ridgeline between the Tweed River Valley and the coastal zone. Consequently it would be less visible from the Pacific Motorway and development in the coastal zone and the system of valleys extending west of the Motorway. The route is slightly longer at approximately 52km long and with more of the route being underground, approximately 27km. Again, route length calculations have been prepared using GIS, which measures only in one plane, horizontal (i.e. flat) and that additional line distance would be expected to allow for topography and route variations within the identified corridor.

8.3.1 Reasons for Route Selection

Topographical

The route again generally avoids extreme topography while there are additional creek and river crossings, namely Burringbar Ck, Lacks Creek, Dunbible Ck, Rous River. However there is little difference between the number or size of crossings between the 'best' and alternative routes. Figure 2 illustrates the terrain of the selected route.

Ecological

To a lesser extent this route avoids the concentration of areas with threatened species records, habitat and remnant vegetation on the areas of higher elevations dominated by National Park. The alternative route also traverses a longer distance of the disturbed hinterland on the western side of Mooball National Park utilising existing cleared and disturbed areas. Based on aerial photography interpretation it is estimated that approximately 18km of the route or approximately 70 hectares (ha) of vegetation would need to be cleared.

Although outside of the mapped Koala habitat (map 5) the extent of impact on primary and secondary Koala habitats would be greater than the 'best' route thus requiring additional considerations under SEPP 44. There would be no direct impacts on SEPP 14 wetlands or SEPP 26 littoral rainforests although adjacent wetlands on the Tweed River may require preventative



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management practices during construction to avoid indirect impacts. The area requiring management of Acid Sulphate Soils (ASS) would be more extensive for the 'best' route but still restricted to the Tweed River Valley.





Alternate Route Looking Southwest Figure 3



Heritage

Heritage items in Barringbar are located within the 1km buffer of the selected route. However, it is envisaged that impacts could be avoided though detailed selection of the transmission line alignment.

Land Use Zoning

The selected route traverses to the south and west of Mooball National Park. On the SW corner some careful route selection would be required to avoid directly impacting on the National Parks estate.

The alternative route also traverses areas zoned as environmental protection under the Tweed and Byron LEPs. These include Terranora Escarpment, the ridgeline joining Mt Jerusalem and Mooball National Parks and Chincogan Mountains. While transmission lines are permissible with consent within these zones, construction of an overhead line requiring vegetation clearing would be contrary to the intent of the zoning. It is very unlikely that either of the councils involved or the local communities would support overhead line development in these zones.

More of the alternative route transverses 1(a) rural zonings and there is a greater density of rural residential development in the upper Tweed Valley compared to the 'best' route. The social issues including potential impacts on agricultural production and the perceived reduction in amenity of rural communities associated with EMFs as well as visual impacts would be greater than for the 'best' route.

Visual

The potential transmission line route option shown on Map 14 indicate that areas of high scenic value have been avoided as much as possible. However due to the generally high visual quality throughout the region it is not possible to avoid areas of high visual quality. The approximate length of potential transmission line that would pass through various categories of visual quality for the selected route is shown in the table below.

| Visual Quality | Alternate Route Length |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Very High | 5km |
| High | 37km |
| Medium | 10km |
| Total | 52km |



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Allowance must be made for the method employed for calculating distances to allow for increased length of lines due to topographical relief and detailed alignment within route corridor.

EMF

The transmission line route generally avoids existing and future urban areas although there may be an increased number of residences potentially affected due to the greater rural residential densities and the increased distance of the route on the northern side of the Tweed River. The width of the corridor would still allow detailed planning to provide for adequate separation from residences.

Undergrounding

The section from Mullumbimby north remains the same for both the best and alternative routes. A larger amount of undergrounding is required for this more western route in order to access Terranora substation. The northern underground section into Terranora is longer (18.6km) and differs in the following manner:

- The Terranora escarpment, identified as scenic and of high visual significance is traversed for a longer distance;
- On the north side of the escarpment the alternate route passes through areas already experiencing expanding urban and rural residential development (see Map 15);
- The forested escarpment is an area also recognised as containing significant wildlife habitat values (see Map 4a-4c);
- The urban areas and future urban release areas to the east of Kiel Vale and Murwillumbah at the break of slope from the Tweed Valley are additional constraints;
- The length of the Tweed River Valley that would require underground cabling is increased due to the more westerly alignment; and
- Due to the greater distance across the Tweed River Valley there is likely to be more work required to ameliorate potential impacts associated with acid sulphate soils.

8.3.2 Mitigation Requirements

It is anticipated that mitigation requirements would be very similar to those of the 'best' route. However, due to the potentially higher number of rural residential properties effected, a greater length passing through acid sulphate soils and increased amounts of clearing associated with the



alternative route, mitigation measures are likely to be more extensive and apply to a greater length of the alternate route.

8.3.3 Likelihood of Approval

The constraints outlined above for the alternative route have additional impacts identified within the selected route especially in relation to the increase area expected to be cleared of native vegetation and the greater number of rural and urban residents expected to oppose the overhead development. Acceptance of the recommended underground sections is considered mandatory in addition to broader application of mitigation measures. URS believes that following a detailed environmental and social impact assessment, a long and protracted development assessment process including extensive community consultation would be necessary. URS believes that the route selection process for this alternative route and incorporation of 27km of undergrounding would mitigate the potential environmental impacts for a transmission line proposal to a level that would create a reasonable probability of obtaining planning approval in the long term.

However, there is a very high probability that, as a result of further assessment and community consultation, DIPNR would impose a large number of approval conditions, some of which may require additional environmental impact mitigation including alignment changes or increased undergrounding in a number of very sensitive areas along the route such as the section adjoining Mooball National Park. The likelihood of DIPNR issuing consent and the nature of the attached conditions would be strongly influenced by the extent and strength of community opposition, the views of Tweed and Byron Councils, and the DIPNR's own assessment of the proposal.

Recommendations

Based on the results of the assessment carried out by URS the following recommendations are made to progress the project.

- 1. That the 'best' route be adopted for the purposes of estimating the cost of establishing a transmission line from Terranora to Mullumbimby.
- 2. That there are no identified significant issues within the best route that would justify the use of the longer alternative route.
- 3. That a more detailed assessment would increase the environmental, cultural and community constraints placed upon the selected routes.
- 4. Given the identified planning constraints, the impacts identified within the routes and considering the expected degree of public opposition, acceptance of recommended underground sections and the extent of influence of mitigation measures, URS believes that following a detailed environmental and social impact assessment, a long and protracted development assessment process including extensive community consultation would be necessary in order to obtain development approval. There would be a high possibility of major route alignment changes and if approval were obtained from DIPNR it would contain a large number of consent conditions.
- 5. That this report be reviewed by DIPNR, Tweed and Byron Shire Councils to determine:
 - If this desk-top review carried out by URS provides an acceptable standard of assessment of all the material environmental and planning approval issues that would have to be addressed if approval were being sought;
 - If there are any other relevant planning or environmental constraints not identified or adequately addressed in this report; and
 - Whether the assumptions and findings are a reasonable interpretation of the regulatory requirements for such a project.
- 6. URS acknowledges and highlights the limitations associated with undertaking a desktop analysis for such a proposal and notes that additional constraints would be identified at a more detailed level of assessment, which would be necessary for such a project to move forward.

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The following is an excerpt from PlanningNSW EIS Guidelines for Network Electricity Systems and Related Facilities (Draft for discussion - February 2002)

When selecting potentially feasible options, broader environmental, social, economic and land use constraints and opportunities must be considered along with operational, financial and engineering factors.

The greater the potential for adverse effects on the environment or the community, the more important the route selection process. Appropriate route selection studies can avoid or reduce many of the environmental problems with electricity network system proposals and:

- avoid potential delays in the approval process
- reduce the need for technically based environmental and health risk mitigation measures and costly ongoing management measures
- result in substantial savings in establishment and operational costs
- reduce levels of public concern.

A route selection study should be objective, transparent and avoid unsupported or unsubstantiated opinions biased towards a predetermined option. The level of detail in a route selection study should be commensurate with the scale of the proposal, the potential environmental risks associated with the proposal and the potential sensitivity of the location. All route selection studies should involve an appropriate level of consultation with the government and community throughout stages of the interactive process. A systematic- and rigorous approach to route selection is recommended as set out in Figure 2.

Figure 2. Selection of route options – to be added

It should be noted that the selection methodology outlined to assess the suitability of a new route can also be applied to assessing the appropriateness of an existing route for upgrading or augmentation.

The first stage of the selection study can be a cost- effective device to exclude fundamentally unsuitable routes from further consideration. Most route selection studies for new electricity network lines should involve some form of desktop study involving techniques such as constraints and opportunities mapping along with limited site investigations. These techniques allow locations with serious environmental incompatibilities or which are likely to result in major community conflicts to be identified and eliminated as early as possible.

It is important that a scale appropriate to the complexity of the constraints in the study area be used. As a general guide, a scale of 1:25 000 will normally be considered as a minimum for non-urban areas whilst 1:10 000 or larger is likely to be more appropriate for urban areas. Aerial photography, orthophoto maps, topographic maps and GIS are extremely valuable tools in the analysis and assist both the assessment and



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also the community understanding of the issues at stake. When evaluating route options, the following should be considered:

a) Permissibility of land use

At an early stage in the route selection process it is essential to check with the local council to determine where electricity network lines are not permissible under the provisions of the LEP or other planning instruments. If electricity network systems are not permissible in an area proposed, discussions should be held with Council to determine its attitude towards rezoning the route.

| Area | Objective |
|--|---|
| Areas of significant environmental or conservation value identified under relevant legislation or environmental planning instruments, including: National parks; reserves for environmental protection e.g. marine, aquatic, nature, karsts; other areas protected under the <i>National parks and wildlife Act 1974</i>; areas covered by a Conservation Agreement World heritage areas, other historic and heritage areas, building or sites Areas of National environmental significance as specified under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Wilderness areas identified or declared under the <i>Wilderness Act</i>, 1987 SPP 14 – Coastal Wetlands, SEPP 26 – Littoral Rainforests, SEPP 44 – Koala | To avoid the risk of damaging areas of high environmental value |
| Habitat and Native Vegetation Plans under the Native Vegetation Conservation Act 1998 Areas zoned under a LEP or REP for environmental protection purposes, eg. high scenic, scientific, cultural, wetlands or natural heritage. | |
| Sites within an identified drinking water catchment (surface water or groundwater) including any lands nominated or mapped as 'special or protected areas' by water supply authorities or in the vicinity of a drinking water bore | To avoid the risk of polluting drinking water |
| Sites where the substrata is prone to land degradation, land slip or subsidence | To avoid erosion and land degradation |

Table 1. List of Environmentally Sensitive Areas to be Avoided

b) Environmentally sensitive areas

Areas of high environmental value should be identified and wherever possible, excluded from any further consideration as site selection options.

Table 1 provides examples of areas to be avoided.

c) Compatibility with land uses within electricity network system corridors

Another important consideration is the compatibility of the proposal with existing or proposed surrounding land uses. Conflicts commonly arise when the community's amenity is seriously threatened, particularly by impaired visual amenity or potential health concerns. Any potential conflicts and possible options for reducing or preventing conflicts during the route selection process should be considered. In some circumstances, increased separation distances from sensitive land uses can significantly reduce impacts. The need for and extent of separation distances should be determined on a case specific basis.

If the proposal is potentially incompatible with surrounding land uses, consideration should be given to acquiring sufficient land to provide adequate on-site separation from nearby land uses. As the establishment of 'buffer' areas around electricity network systems can lead to unacceptable land sterilisation, separation distances should not be viewed as the only means of ameliorating impacts.

Instead, separation distances should be seen as a last resort option to ensure the amenity of existing land uses can be maintained. The role of separation distances as an impact mitigation measure should simply reinforce the impact mitigation measures provided by other means.

In particular, the principles of "prudent avoidance" should be applied during the options phase. It is suggested that in siting a electricity network line it would be prudent to keep the line as far away as possible from human habitation, or in the case of a new double circuit line to ensure that the phases are in a low reactance or reverse phase configuration.

The following procedure from Gibbs (1991) provides a logical sequence for applying the principle of prudent avoidance to electricity network line proposals:

- Step 1: Calculate the electric and magnetic fields associated with the available electricity network line design options and confirm that the proposed design does not result in electric and magnetic fields that exceed National Health and Medical Research Council Guidelines.
- *Step* 2: Ascertain whether the application of reverse phase technology is applicable to the construction proposed, i.e. double circuit lines or joint use lines. This should be incorporated in the design if appropriate.
- *Step* 3: Ascertain whether the electric and magnetic fields close to dwellings would be significantly increased following the completion of the proposed powerline.
- *Step* 4: Where Step 3 shows a significant increase, then alternative routes should be examined and their cost and environmental impacts assessed.
- *Step* 5: Where the costs and environmental impacts of an alternative route are not significantly greater than for the original proposal, then under the . principle of prudent avoidance, the alternative option should be selected.

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It is not possible to quantify in general terms what is classified as a significant increase in electric and magnetic fields and a significant increase in cost/environmental impact. These factors should be considered with respect to the individual project.

d) Initial route investigations

The purpose of preliminary investigations is to provide an early evaluation of the suitability of the proposed route in terms of management, engineering and environmental factors. The initial investigations can help provide confidence about including or excluding a potential route from the list of potentially feasible routes and when selecting a preferred option. Limited field studies at this stage can help demonstrate whether a route is fundamentally suitable for a electricity network system proposal prior to proceeding with more detailed assessments. Examples of factors which may need to be considered in the initial route assessment are listed in Table 2.

11.1 Detailed project definition

Preliminary selection processes, as described in sections 5.1 and 5.2 above, may establish that there are a number of feasible route options. In order to further eliminate alternatives and to select a cost- effective option which minimises the environmental degradation and maximises the benefits to the community and the environment, further information will be required for both the proposal as well as the environment. In addition to the environmental studies, input from consultation with the community should be included in the analysis during the option selection process.

The option selection study should provide a comparative evaluation of potentially feasible options including the likely costs and effectiveness of mitigation measures.

At this stage, additional information will be required on the proposal parameters such as proposed standards, locations of major structures, approximate earthwork quantities or comparative costs. In some cases, three dimensional modelling may be required to aid in the definition of proposal options to enable an adequate comparison in terms of engineering, financial and environmental factors.

In addition, limited environmental field studies such as preliminary fauna, flora, soils, hydrological and social surveys or studies will be required. A parallel task involves community consultation to assess values, needs, concerns and preferences.

Involvement of the community should be as broad as possible and should not be limited to specific factional interests or targeted at specific individuals. Care should be taken to ensure that any affected disadvantaged groups are given an opportunity to comment.

Option selection should preferably be a staged iterative process with the number of options reduced or refined at each level of decision making. An increasing level of detail may be required to assist in eliminating options in relation to key environmental, operational, engineering, financial and strategic planning issues. Techniques such as multi-criteria analysis, weighted factor analysis or comparisons against pre-determined performance criteria/measures can be helpful in this process. The option analysis



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process can be greatly strengthened when independent technical experts in key environmental areas are consulted and their inputs are considered.

A commitment to preferred options should not be made until community feedback has been considered in the analysis. In addition, the full costs and the potential effectiveness of mitigation measures should be considered. For instance, while option A may seem preferable to option B based on the level of the impacts, when the costs, effectiveness and certainty of mitigation strategies are considered the preference could be reversed. The results of the selection process, along with the reasons for eliminating options, should be publicly available at key decision points. The selection of the preferred option should be clearly justified on the basis of environmental, social and economic goals with an overarching consideration of the principles of ecologically sustainable development.

In some circumstances, the acceptability of a preferred option may still be uncertain following a route selection study. A precautionary approach should be adopted with these types of 'environmentally marginal' routes.

The potential availability of impact mitigation measures alone to alleviate serious environmental deficiencies should not be used to conclude that a location is suitable. Before proceeding with these types of routes, the views of relevant government authorities and the community should be sought regarding the:

- nature of the environmental constraint and its significance for the proposal's likely impacts
- availability and predictability of impact mitigation measures
- comparative merits of alternative routes.

A balanced judgement should be made taking account of all environmental factors. If a route is deemed to be suitable, the EIS should include an outline of the selection process including the

results of the initial investigations and consultation process and a full explanation of the rationale for selecting the route.



Table 2. Matters to be Considered in Initial Route Investigations

Operational requirements

- Does the corridor provide sufficient land area for present and future requirements?
- Is there suitable access for construction and maintenance?
- Are the rainfall patterns or prevailing wind directions likely to cause management difficulties?
- Are there any other operational problems which may affect route selection?

Water Issues

- Are there any constraints so that on-site water management is difficult (including stormwater and stream diversions)?
- Are there risks of surface water pollution because of the proximity or pathways to waterbodies or wetlands?
- Are there risks of groundwater problems because of shallow or rising groundwater tables, or proximity to groundwater recharge areas, or areas with a high vulnerability to pollution?
- Is any part of the route susceptible to flooding?
- Any other water related issues which may affect route selection?

Flora and fauna issues

- Can clearing of vegetation be avoided?
- Can clearing of vegetation of high significance be avoided e.g. vegetation used for visual screening, riparian vegetation, vegetation used as corridors for the movement of fauna?
- Are threatened flora or fauna species, populations or ecological communities or their habitats likely to be affected? Will a Species Impact Statement be required?
- Can areas of native vegetation with associated high bushfire risks be avoided?
- Are there any other ecologically related issues which may affect route selection?

Genealogical or soil issues

- Are the local topographic characteristics likely to result in design and management difficulties?
- Are there any geological characteristics which will cause difficulties in managing impacts (subsidence, slippage, seismic)?
- Are the soils highly erodible; identify any potential sediment management problems?



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• Are there existing soils problems e.g. contaminated soils, acid sulfate or saline soils? Are there any other soils or geological related issues which may affect site selection?

Electricity issues

• Does the proposal in this location enhance the efficiency of the electricity network?

Community issues

- Are any environmental risks or uncertainties appropriately managed eg in relation to electric and magnetic field effects, including the application of "prudent avoidance"?
- Is the proposal likely to be compatible with surrounding existing or proposed land uses, particularly any residential, special uses (such as schools, hospitals, community buildings), any sites of outstanding natural, environmental, agricultural or mineral value or the location of high tech industries?
- Does the route corridor avoid unnecessary dislocation of existing roads, other infrastructure or utility networks? Can dislocation of residential areas be avoided, particularly severance of communities with strong community identity? Can dislocation of the operation of agricultural, forestry, commercial or industrial activities be avoided?
- Is there likely to be a problem in meeting sustained compliance with noise, air or water quality requirements due to the proximity and nature of nearby land uses? Is the proposal likely to pose health risks?
- Is the proposal likely to affect the heritage significance of any Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal heritage items found or likely to be found along the route?
- Is any part of the route highly visible? Can significant visual impacts be avoided?
- Are there any other social or economic issues which may affect route selection?

Cumulative issues

• Is the proposed location likely to contribute to any existing cumulative problems (air, noise, congestion, economic hardship, social issues)?

12.1 Byron Heritage Schedule (LEP)

| Lot/DP | Address | Description |
|---|--------------------------------|--|
| Bangalow | | |
| | | Buildings within Heritage Precinct on map |
| Lot 2 DP 122668 | Deacon Street | Catholic Church |
| Lot 2 DP 719871 | Pacific Highway | Residence, Jelbon Leigh |
| Lot 281 DP 837699 | Byron Bay Road | Residence |
| Byron Bay | | |
| | - | Lighthouse Complex |
| - | Butler Street | Railway Water Tower |
| Lot 387 DP 728536 | Shirley Street | Police Station and old Courthouse |
| Lot 1 DP 736784 | Jonson Street | Old Post Office |
| | Jonson Street | Railway Station |
| Lot 1 DP 827049 | Jonson Street | Station Master's Cottage |
| Lot 1 Section 26 DP 758207 | 27-31 Fletcher Street | Attached buildings |
| Lot 2 Section 26 DP 758207 | 33-35 Fletcher Street | Attached buildings |
| Lot A DP 195700 | 4 Browning Street | Residence, Jasmine House |
| Mullumbimby | | |
| Lots 4 and 5 Section 3 DP 2772 | Burringbar Street | National Bank |
| Lots 21 and 40 Section 4 DP 2772 | Burringbar Street | Westpac Bank |
| Lot 389 DP 728162 | Stuart Street | Heritage Museum |
| Lot 387 DP 728164 | Dalley Street | Court House |
| Lots 69-71 Section 3 DP 2772 | Stuart Street | Church of England |
| Lot 2 DP 875011 | Main Arm Road | "Inverary" |
| Lots 1 and 2 DP 314096, Lot 1 DP 395638, Lot 2 DP 365195 | Wilsons Creek Road | Power Station and Race |
| Lot 4 Section 12 DP 758727 | 140 Dalley Street, Mullumbimby | Cedar House |
| Lot 2 DP 209440 | 12 Azalea Street, Mullumbimby | "Somerset" |

12.2 Tweed Heritage Schedule (LEP)

| Locality | Street & No. | Property description | Item | Significance Level | Listed by |
|-------------|--------------------------|---|--|-----------------------|-----------|
| Burringbar | Broadway Street 61–63 | Lot 11, DP 571794 | Saint Michael's Roman Catholic Church. | Local | |
| | | | Burringbar Railway Station | Regional | |
| Chinderah | Chinderah Road | Lot 493, DP 720407, Lot 49, DP 841783 | Chinderah Cemetery | State | |
| Dulguigan | Dulguigan Road | Lot 6, DP 578144 | Grave site and headstone of Mr Paddy Smith | Local | |
| Dum Dum | Kyogle Road 973 | Lot 3, DP 611094 | Dum Dum Homestead | Local | |
| Dunbible | | Near Stokers Road rail crossing | Dunbible Creek Railway Bridge | Regional | |
| Fingal Head | Lighthouse Road | Lot 1, DP 847751 | Fingal Head Lighthouse | Local | AHC |
| Kynnumboon | Numinbah Road | Pt. Lot 7, DP 817563 | "Lisnagar" House and Dairy | Local | AHC, NTA |
| Midginbil | Midginbil Road 321 | Lot 74, DP 755710 | Bag End Wildlife Refuge | Local | |
| Mooball | Wabba Road | Pt. Lot 1 & Lot 2, DP 873618 | Hoskin Wildlife Refuge | Local | |
| | | | | | |

Appendix 2 – LEP Heritage Items

| Locality | Street & No. | Property description | Item | Significance Level | Listed by |
|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------|
| Murwillumbah | Eyles Avenue 4 | Lots 5 & 6, Sec 28, DP 8950 | "Goldsborough" | Local | |
| | Murwillumbah Street 1–3 | Lot 1, DP 772892 | B.G.F. Building | Local | AHC, NTA |
| | Murwillumbah Street 38 | Lot 1, DP 772600 | National Australia Banking Chambers | Local | NTA |
| | Murwillumbah Street 61–83 | Lot 4, Sec.1, DP 758739 | Murwillumbah Police Station and Courthouse Group (including all trees and spaces between and in front of buildings) | Regional | AHC, NTA |
| | Murwillumbah Street 143 | Lot 2, DP 225827 | Roman Catholic Presbytery | Local | |
| | Queen Street 21 | Lot A, DP 395020 | Former Salvation Army Building | Regional | |
| | Queensland Road 2 | Lot 1,Sec 30, DP 75839 | Former Tweed Shire Council Chambers | Regional | |
| | Riverview Street | Lot 6, DP 820602A | Block A — Murwillumbah High School | State | |
| | Wollumbin Street | Lot 1, DP 772596 | "Austral" Building | Regional | |
| Terragon | Palmers Road | Lot 67 , DP 755754 | Wollumbin Wildlife Refuge | Local | |



Appendix 2 – LEP Heritage Items

| Locality | Street & No. | Property description | Item | Significance Level | Listed by |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------|
| Tweed area | | | Osprey nests as mapped from time to time by the National Parks and Wildlife Service and notified to the Council | Local | |
| Uki | Kyogle Road 1468 | Lot 6, DP 8107 | The Old Bank | Regional | |
| | Kyogle Road 1473 | Lot 116, DP 755730 | Holy Trinity Church | Regional | |
| Wooyung | Old Coast Road | Lot 1, DP 779830 | Natural area north of Brunswick Heads (Ocean Shores) | Local | |



12.3 North Coast Regional Environmental Plan

BYRON

Bangalow

• Former Bangalow Court House (Lot 2 DP 808373), Byron Street (A092)

Mullumbimby

- Cedar House, 140 Dalley Street (A085)
- Mullumbimby Court House and Police Station (including the lock-up on the southern side), 61 Dalley Street (A131)

TWEED

Burringbar

• Burringbar Railway Station (1890s weatherboard building) (A014)

Dunbible

• Dunbible Creek Railway Bridge, near Stokers Road Rail Crossing (A016)

Murwillumbah

- Austral Building (also known as "Tongs Corner"), 1 Wollumbin Street (Lot 1 DP 772596) (A033)
- Former Salvation Army Building, 21 Queen Street (Lot A DP 395020) (A189)
- "Lisnagar" near Kynumboom Bridge
- Murwillumbah Civic Precinct (comprising the Murwillumbah Court House, Police Station with original lock-up and Police Residence), 61–83 Murwillumbah Street (Lot 4 Section 1 DP 758739) (A017)
- Murwillumbah Museum, 2 Queensland Road (Cnr Lot 1 Section 30 DP 758739) (A011)

Uki

- Holy Trinity Church (Lot 116 DP 755730), 1473 Kyogle Road (A185)
- The Old Bank (formerly the ES&A Bank) (Lot 6 DP 8107), 1468 Kyogle Road (A188)



13.1 Byron (TSC Act)

13.1.1 Endangered Populations

Emu, Dromaius novaehollandiae, population in the NSW North Coast Bioregion

Endangered Ecological Communities

Hunter Lowland Redgum Forest in the Sydney Basin and NSW North Coast Bioregions, Lowland Rainforest on Floodplain in the NSW North Coast Bioregion, Byron Bay Dwarf Graminoid Clay Heath Community, and White Box Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum Woodland.

13.1.2 Listed Fauna Species

| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Menura alberti | Albert's Lyrebird | V |
| Botaurus poiciloptilus | Australasian Bittern | V |
| Coracina lineata | Barred Cuckoo-shrike | V |
| Esacus neglectus | Beach Stone-curlew | E1 |
| Ixobrychus flavicollis | Black Bittern | V |
| Pteropus alecto | Black Flying-fox | V |
| Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus | Black-necked Stork | E1 |
| Pterodroma nigripennis | Black-winged Petrel | V |
| Grus rubicundus | Brolga | V |
| Climacteris picumnus | Brown Treecreeper | V |
| Burhinus grallarius | Bush Stone-curlew | E1 |
| Amaurornis olivaceus | Bush-hen | V |
| Todiramphus chloris | Collared Kingfisher | V |
| Irediparra gallinacea | Comb-crested Jacana | V |
| Syconycteris australis | Common Blossom-bat | V |

| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Planigale maculata | Common Planigale | V |
| Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni | Double-eyed Fig-parrot | E1 |
| Miniopterus schreibersii oceanensis | Eastern Bent-wing Bat | V |
| Nyctophilus bifax | Eastern Long-eared Bat | V |
| Cercartetus nanus | Eastern Pygmy-possum | V |
| Nyctimene robinsoni | Eastern Tube-nosed Bat | V |
| Stictonetta naevosa | Freckled Duck | V |
| Mixophyes iteratus | Giant Barred Frog | E1 |
| Calyptorhynchus lathami | Glossy Black-Cockatoo | V |
| Pterodroma leucoptera leucoptera | Gould's Petrel | E1 |
| Tyto capensis | Grass Owl | V |
| Calidris tenuirostris | Great Knot | V |
| Scoteanax rueppellii | Greater Broad-nosed Bat | V |
| Litoria aurea | Green and Golden Bell Frog | E1 |
| Procelsterna cerulea | Grey Ternlet | V |
| Pteropus poliocephalus | Grey-headed Flying-fox | V |
| Phascolarctos cinereus | Koala | V |
| Myotis adversus | Large-footed Myotis | V |
| Miniopterus australis | Little Bentwing-bat | V |
| Sterna albifrons | Little Tern | E1 |
| Potorous tridactylus | Long-nosed Potoroo | V |
| Philoria loveridgei | Loveridge's Frog | V |
| Anseranas semipalmata | Magpie Goose | V |
| Lichenostomus fasciogularis | Mangrove Honeyeater | V |
| Podargus ocellatus | Marbled Frogmouth | V |
| Tyto novaehollandiae | Masked Owl | V |

| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Thersites mitchellae | Mitchell's Rainforest Snail | E1 |
| Pachycephala olivacea | Olive Whistler | V |
| Litoria olongburensis | Olongburra Frog | V |
| Pandion haliaetus | Osprey | V |
| Haematopus longirostris | Pied Oystercatcher | V |
| Assa darlingtoni | Pouched Frog | V |
| Ninox strenua | Powerful Owl | V |
| Erythrotriorchis radiatus | Red Goshawk | E1 |
| Thylogale stigmatica | Red-legged Pademelon | V |
| Calyptorhynchus banksii | Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo | V |
| Phaethon rubricauda | Red-tailed Tropicbird | V |
| Xanthomyza phrygia | Regent Honeyeater | E1 |
| Ptilinopus regina | Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove | V |
| Aepyprymnus rufescens | Rufous Bettong | V |
| Atrichornis rufescens | Rufous Scrub-bird | V |
| Tyto tenebricosa | Sooty Owl | V |
| Haematopus fuliginosus | Sooty Oystercatcher | V |
| Sterna fuscata | Sooty Tern | V |
| Pyrrholaemus sagittatus | Speckled Warbler | V |
| Lophoictinia isura | Square-tailed Kite | V |
| Hoplocephalus stephensii | Stephens' Banded Snake | V |
| Ptilinopus superbus | Superb Fruit-Dove | V |
| Lathamus discolor | Swift Parrot | E1 |
| Crinia tinnula | Wallum Froglet | V |
| Gygis alba | White Tern | V |
| Monarcha leucotis | White-eared Monarch | V |



| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Ptilinopus magnificus | Wompoo Fruit-Dove | V |
| Petaurus australis | Yellow-bellied Glider | V |

Note: Marine Mammals have been removed from this list.

13.1.3 Listed Flora Species

| Family_Name | Scientific_Name | Legal_Status |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Acanthaceae | Harnieria hygrophiloides | E1 |
| Apocynaceae | Ochrosia moorei | E1 |
| Asclepiadaceae | Marsdenia longiloba | E1 |
| Casuarinaceae | Allocasuarina defungens | E1 |
| Corokiaceae | Corokia whiteana | V |
| Cyperaceae | Cyperus rupicola | V |
| Davidsoniaceae | Davidsonia jerseyana | E1 |
| Dilleniaceae | Hibbertia hexandra | E1 |
| Doryanthaceae | Doryanthes palmeri | V |
| Ebenaceae | Diospyros mabacea | E1 |
| Elaeocarpaceae | Elaeocarpus sp. 'Rocky Creek' | E1 |
| Euphorbiaceae | Acalypha eremorum | E1 |
| Fabaceae (Caesalpinioideae) | Senna acclinis | E1 |
| Fabaceae (Faboideae) | Desmodium acanthocladum | V |
| Fabaceae (Mimosoideae) | Acacia bakeri | V |
| Flacourtiaceae | Xylosma terrae-reginae | E1 |
| Grammitaceae | Grammitis stenophylla | E1 |
| Lamiaceae | Plectranthus nitidus | E1 |
| Lauraceae | Cryptocarya foetida | V |

| Family_Name | Scientific_Name | Legal_Status |
|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Meliaceae | Owenia cepiodora | V |
| Menispermaceae | Tinospora tinosporoides | V |
| Myrtaceae | Austromyrtus fragrantissima | E1 |
| Orchidaceae | Diuris sp. aff. chrysantha | E1 |
| Polypodiaceae | Drynaria rigidula | E1 |
| Proteaceae | Floydia praealta | V |
| Rubiaceae | Randia moorei | E1 |
| Rutaceae | Acronychia littoralis | E1 |
| Sapindaceae | Diploglottis campbellii | E1 |
| Sapotaceae | Amorphospermum whitei | V |
| Symplocaceae | Symplocos baeuerlenii | V |

13.2 Tweed (TSC Act)

13.2.1 Endangered Populations

Emu, Dromaius novaehollandiae, population in the NSW North Coast Bioregion.

13.2.2 Endangered Ecological Communities

Hunter Lowland Redgum Forest in the Sydney Basin and NSW North Coast Bioregions, Lowland Rainforest on Floodplain in the NSW North Coast Bioregion and White Box Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum Woodland.

13.2.3 Critical Habitat

Mitchell's Rainforest Snail (Thersites mitchellae), Stotts Island Nature Reserve



13.2.4 Listed Fauna Species

| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Menura alberti | Albert's Lyrebird | V |
| Ninox connivens | Barking Owl | V |
| Coracina lineata | Barred Cuckoo-shrike | V |
| Esacus neglectus | Beach Stone-curlew | E1 |
| Mormopterus beccarii | Beccari's Freetail-bat | V |
| Ixobrychus flavicollis | Black Bittern | V |
| Pteropus alecto | Black Flying-fox | V |
| Turnix melanogaster | Black-breasted Button-quail | E1 |
| Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus | Black-necked Stork | E1 |
| Limosa limosa | Black-tailed Godwit | V |
| Oxyura australis | Blue-billed Duck | V |
| Phascogale tapoatafa | Brush-tailed Phascogale | V |
| Burhinus grallarius | Bush Stone-curlew | E1 |
| Amaurornis olivaceus | Bush-hen | V |
| Todiramphus chloris | Collared Kingfisher | V |
| Irediparra gallinacea | Comb-crested Jacana | V |
| Syconycteris australis | Common Blossom-bat | V |
| Planigale maculata | Common Planigale | V |
| Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni | Double-eyed Fig-parrot | E1 |
| Miniopterus schreibersii oceanensis | Eastern Bent-wing Bat | V |
| Dasyornis brachypterus | Eastern Bristlebird | E1 |
| Mormopterus norfolkensis | Eastern Freetail-bat | V |
| Nyctophilus bifax | Eastern Long-eared Bat | V |
| Nyctimene robinsoni | Eastern Tube-nosed Bat | V |



| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Puffinus carneipes | Flesh-footed Shearwater | V |
| Mixophyes iteratus | Giant Barred Frog | E1 |
| Calyptorhynchus lathami | Glossy Black-Cockatoo | V |
| Kerivoula papuensis | Golden-tipped Bat | V |
| Tyto capensis | Grass Owl | V |
| Calidris tenuirostris | Great Knot | V |
| Scoteanax rueppellii | Greater Broad-nosed Bat | V |
| Charadrius leschenaultii | Greater Sand Plover | V |
| Chelonia mydas | Green Turtle | V |
| Litoria brevipalmata | Green-thighed Frog | V |
| Pteropus poliocephalus | Grey-headed Flying-fox | V |
| Phascolarctos cinereus | Koala | V |
| Chalinolobus dwyeri | Large-eared Pied Bat | V |
| Myotis adversus | Large-footed Myotis | V |
| Charadrius mongolus | Lesser Sand Plover | V |
| Miniopterus australis | Little Bentwing-bat | V |
| Sterna albifrons | Little Tern | E1 |
| Potorous tridactylus | Long-nosed Potoroo | V |
| Philoria loveridgei | Loveridge's Frog | V |
| Anseranas semipalmata | Magpie Goose | V |
| Lichenostomus fasciogularis | Mangrove Honeyeater | V |
| Podargus ocellatus | Marbled Frogmouth | V |
| Tyto novaehollandiae | Masked Owl | V |
| Thersites mitchellae | Mitchell's Rainforest Snail | E1 |
| Pachycephala olivacea | Olive Whistler | V |
| Litoria olongburensis | Olongburra Frog | V |

| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Pandion haliaetus | Osprey | V |
| Haematopus longirostris | Pied Oystercatcher | V |
| Assa darlingtoni | Pouched Frog | V |
| Ninox strenua | Powerful Owl | V |
| Erythrotriorchis radiatus | Red Goshawk | E1 |
| Thylogale stigmatica | Red-legged Pademelon | V |
| Calyptorhynchus banksii | Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo | V |
| Phaethon rubricauda | Red-tailed Tropicbird | V |
| Ptilinopus regina | Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove | V |
| Aepyprymnus rufescens | Rufous Bettong | V |
| Atrichornis rufescens | Rufous Scrub-bird | V |
| Calidris alba | Sanderling | V |
| Tyto tenebricosa | Sooty Owl | V |
| Haematopus fuliginosus | Sooty Oystercatcher | V |
| Dasyurus maculatus | Spotted-tailed Quoll | V |
| Lophoictinia isura | Square-tailed Kite | V |
| Petaurus norfolcensis | Squirrel Glider | V |
| Hoplocephalus stephensii | Stephens' Banded Snake | V |
| Ptilinopus superbus | Superb Fruit-Dove | V |
| Xenus cinereus | Terek Sandpiper | V |
| Coeranoscincus reticulatus | Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink | V |
| Crinia tinnula | Wallum Froglet | V |
| Gygis alba | White Tern | V |
| Cacophis harriettae | White-crowned Snake | V |
| Monarcha leucotis | White-eared Monarch | V |
| Ptilinopus magnificus | Wompoo Fruit-Dove | V |


| Scientific_Name | Common_Name | Legal_Status |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Petaurus australis | Yellow-bellied Glider | V |

Note: Marine Mammals have been removed from this list.

13.2.5 Listed Flora Species

| Family_Name | Scientific_Name | Legal_Status |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Acanthaceae | Isoglossa eranthemoides | E1 |
| Apocynaceae | Ochrosia moorei | E1 |
| Asclepiadaceae | Marsdenia longiloba | E1 |
| Corokiaceae | Corokia whiteana | V |
| Cyperaceae | Cyperus rupicola | V |
| Davidsoniaceae | Davidsonia jerseyana | E1 |
| Doryanthaceae | Doryanthes palmeri | V |
| Ebenaceae | Diospyros mabacea | E1 |
| Elaeocarpaceae | Elaeocarpus williamsianus | E1 |
| Euphorbiaceae | Acalypha eremorum | E1 |
| Fabaceae (Caesalpinioideae) | Cassia brewsteri var. marksiana | E1 |
| Fabaceae (Faboideae) | Desmodium acanthocladum | V |
| Fabaceae (Mimosoideae) | Acacia bakeri | V |
| Flacourtiaceae | Xylosma terrae-reginae | E1 |
| Lauraceae | Cryptocarya foetida | V |
| Marattiaceae | Angiopteris evecta | E1 |
| Meliaceae | Owenia cepiodora | V |
| Menispermaceae | Tinospora tinosporoides | V |
| Myrtaceae | Austromyrtus fragrantissima | E1 |
| Orchidaceae | Geodorum densiflorum | E1 |



| Poaceae | Elyonurus citreus | E1 |
|------------------|-----------------------|----|
| Polypodiaceae | Drynaria rigidula | E1 |
| Proteaceae | Floydia praealta | V |
| Rhamnaceae | Pomaderris notata | E1 |
| Rubiaceae | Oldenlandia galioides | E1 |
| Rutaceae | Acronychia littoralis | E1 |
| Sapindaceae | Cupaniopsis serrata | E1 |
| Sapotaceae | Amorphospermum whitei | V |
| Scrophulariaceae | Euphrasia bella | V |
| Symplocaceae | Symplocos baeuerlenii | V |
| Urticaceae | Dendrocnide moroides | E1 |

13.3 Relevant Threatened and Migratory Species in the Study Area Listed under the EPBC

| Birds | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|---|
| Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Coxen's Fig-Parrot | | area |
| Dasyornis brachypterus | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Eastern Bristlebird | | area |
| Diomedea dabbenena | Endangered | Foraging may occur within area |
| Tristan Albatross | | |
| Lathamus discolor | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Swift Parrot | | area |
| Macronectes giganteus | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Southern Giant-Petrel | | area |
| Macronectes halli | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Northern Giant-Petrel | | area |
| Poephila cincta cincta | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Black-throated Finch (southern) | | area |



| Diana duana a podlasta podlasta | Vale and 1. | Creasing or appains habitat many a sum with i |
|---|----------------|--|
| Pterodroma neglecta neglecta | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Kermadec Petrel (western) | | area |
| Rostratula australis | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Australian Painted Snipe | , united to be | area |
| | | |
| Thalassarche impavida | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Campbell Albatross | | area |
| | | |
| Turnix melanogaster | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Black-breasted Button-quail | | area |
| Vanthouse a changin | Endangered | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Xanthomyza phrygia Regent Honeyeater | Endangered | |
| Regent Honeyeater | | area |
| | Frogs | |
| Litoria aurea * | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Green and Golden Bell Frog | vumerable | |
| Green and Golden Ben Flog | | area |
| Litoria olongburensis * | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Wallum Sedge Frog | | area |
| | | |
| Mixophyes fleayi * | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Fleay's Frog | | area |
| | P 1 1 | |
| Mixophyes iteratus * | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Southern Barred Frog, Giant Barred Frog | | area |
| | Insects | |
| Dhullo dan ing anialis (nanthang suban ANUC 2222) | Endonconad | Suppring on gradies habitat likely to accur within |
| <i>Phyllodes imperialis (southern subsp ANIC 3333)</i> a moth | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| a moti | | area |
| | Mammals | |
| Chaling have demonst | V-lu | |
| Chalinolobus dwyeri | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Large-eared Pied Bat, Large Pied Bat | | area |
| Dasyurus maculatus maculatus (s. lat.) | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| Spot-tailed Quoll, Spotted-tail Quoll, Tiger Quoll | , ameracia | area |
| (south-east mainland and Tasmanian subspecies) | | |
| | | |
| Petrogale penicillata | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby | | area |
| | x7 1 11 | |
| Potorous tridactylus tridactylus | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Long-nosed Potoroo (SE mainland) | | area |
| Pteropus poliocephalus | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| | | |
| | | |
| Grey-headed Flying-fox | | area |



| Reptiles | | |
|--|--------------------------|--|
| Coeranoscincus reticulatus * Three-toed Snake-tooth Skink | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| | Snails, slugs | |
| <i>Thersites mitchellae</i> Mitchell's Rainforest Snail | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| | Plants | |
| Acronychia littoralis Scented Acronychia | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Amyema scandens * | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Arthraxon hispidus Hairy-joint Grass | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Austromyrtus fragrantissima Scale Myrtle, Sweet Myrtle | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Baloghia marmorata Marbled Balogia, Jointed Baloghia | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Bosistoa selwynii</i> Heart-leaved Bosistoa | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Bosistoa transversa Three-leaved Bosistoa | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Bulbophyllum globuliforme Miniature Moss-orchid | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Clematis fawcettii</i> Stream Clematis | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Corchorus cunninghamii Native Jute | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Corokia whiteana | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Cryptocarya foetida Stinking Cryptocarya | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Davidsonia pruriens var. jerseyana Davidson's Plum, Ooray | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |

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|---|--------------------------|--|
| Davidsonia sp. Mullumbimby-Currumbin Ck (A.G.Floyd 1595) | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Desmodium acanthocladum Thorny Pea | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Diospyros mabacea Red-fruited Ebony | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Diploglottis campbellii</i> Small-leaved Tamarind | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Eidothea hardeniana Nightcap Oak | Critically Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Elaeocarpus sp. Rocky Creek (G.Read AQ 562114) Minyon Quandong | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Elaeocarpus williamsianus</i> Hairy Quandong | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Endiandra floydii</i> Floyd's Walnut | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Endiandra hayesii Rusty Rose Walnut; Velvet Laurel | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Floydia praealta</i> * Ball Nut, Possum Nut, Big Nut | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Fontainea australis | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Hicksbeachia pinnatifolia</i> Monkey Nut, Bopple Nut, Red Bopple, Red Bopple Nut, Red Nut, Beef Nut, Red Apple Nut | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Isoglossa eranthemoides * | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Macadamia integrifolia * Macadamia Nut, Queensland Nut, Smooth-shelled Macadamia, Bush Nut, Nut Oak | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Macadamia tetraphylla * Rough-shelled Bush Nut, Macadamia Nut, Rough- shelled Macadamia, Rough-leaved Queensland Nut | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Marsdenia longiloba</i> * Clear Milkvine | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |



| Ochrosia moorei Southern Ochrosia | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
|--|------------|--|
| Owenia cepiodora Onionwood, Bog Onion | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Ozothamnus vagans | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Phaius australis Lesser Swamp-orchid | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Plectranthus nitidus | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Randia moorei Spiny Gardenia | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Sarcochilus fitzgeraldii Ravine Orchid | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Sarcochilus hartmannii Waxy Sarcochilus, Blue Knob Orchid | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Sophora fraseri | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Symplocos baeuerlenii Small-leaved Hazelwood, Shrubby Hazelwood | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Syzygium hodgkinsoniae Smooth-bark Rose Apple, Red Lilly Pilly | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Syzygium moorei Rose Apple, Coolamon, Robby, Durobby, Watermelon Tree, Coolamon Rose Apple | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| <i>Tinospora tinosporoides</i> Arrow-head Vine | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Uromyrtus australis Peach Myrtle | Endangered | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Westringia rupicola | Vulnerable | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Migratory Species [Dataset Information] | Status | Type of Presence |
| Migratory Terrestrial Species | | |
| | Birds | |



| Cyclopsitta diophthalma coxeni Coxen's Fig-Parrot | Migratory | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Haliaeetus leucogaster * White-bellied Sea-Eagle | Migratory | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Monarcha melanopsis Black-faced Monarch | Migratory | Breeding may occur within area |
| Monarcha trivirgatus Spectacled Monarch | Migratory | Breeding likely to occur within area |
| <i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i> Satin Flycatcher | Migratory | Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Rhipidura rufifrons Rufous Fantail | Migratory | Breeding may occur within area |
| Xanthomyza phrygia Regent Honeyeater | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| | Migratory Wetland S | Species |
| | Birds | |
| Gallinago hardwickii | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe | | area |
| Nettapus coromandelianus albipennis Australian Cotton Pygmy-goose | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Numenius phaeopus Whimbrel | Migratory | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Rostratula benghalensis s. lat. Painted Snipe | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| | Migratory Marine l | Birds |
| Diomedea dabbenena | Migratory | Foraging may occur within area |
| Tristan Albatross | | |
| Macronectes giganteus Southern Giant-Petrel | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Macronectes halli Northern Giant-Petrel | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |



| Puffinus pacificus Wedge-tailed Shearwater | Migratory | Breeding known to occur within area |
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| <i>Thalassarche impavida</i> Campbell Albatross | Migratory | Species or species habitat may occur within area |

13.4 Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

| Listed Marine Species | [Dataset Information] Stat | us Type of Presence |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| | Birds | |
| Anseranas semipalmata | Listed - overfl | y Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Magpie Goose | marine area | area |
| Catharacta skua | Listed | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Great Skua | | area |
| Diomedea dabbenena | Listed | Foraging may occur within area |
| Tristan Albatross | | |
| Gallinago hardwickii | Listed - overfl | y Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe | marine area | area |
| Haliaeetus leucogaster * | Listed | Species or species habitat likely to occur within |
| White-bellied Sea-Eagle | | area |
| Hirundapus caudacutus | Listed - overfl | y Species or species habitat may occur within |
| White-throated Needletail | marine area | area |
| Lathamus discolor | Listed - overfl | y Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Swift Parrot | marine area | area |
| Macronectes giganteus | Listed | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Southern Giant-Petrel | | area |
| Macronectes halli | Listed | Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Northern Giant-Petrel | | area |
| Monarcha melanopsis | Listed - overfl | y Breeding may occur within area |
| Black-faced Monarch | marine area | |
| Monarcha trivirgatus | Listed - overfl | y Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Spectacled Monarch | marine area | |
| Myiagra cyanoleuca | Listed - overfl | y Breeding likely to occur within area |
| Satin Flycatcher | marine area | |
| Nettapus coromandelianus albip | | y Species or species habitat may occur within |
| Australian Cotton Pygmy-goose | marine area | area |



| <i>Numenius phaeopus</i> Whimbrel | Listed | Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
|---|------------------------------|--|
| Puffinus pacificus Wedge-tailed Shearwater | Listed | Breeding known to occur within area |
| <i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i> Rufous Fantail | Listed - overfly marine area | Breeding may occur within area |
| Rostratula benghalensis s. lat. Painted Snipe | Listed - overfly marine area | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| <i>Sterna bergii</i> Crested Tern | Listed | Breeding known to occur within area |
| Thalassarche chlororhynchos Yellow-nosed Albatross, Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross | Listed | Species or species habitat may occur within area |
| Thalassarche impavida Campbell Albatross | Listed | Species or species habitat may occur within area |

CERRA World Heritage Listings for National Parks Estate - NSW

| RESERVE NAME | APPROXIMATE AREAS (hectares) |
|--|---------------------------------|
| New South Wales | |
| National parks managed by NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) | |
| Border Ranges (part) | 31508 |
| Mebbin (part) | 11 |
| Nightcap (part) | 4945 |
| Mount Warning | 2380 |
| Koreelah (part) | 769 |
| Mount Clunie (part) | 485 |
| Mount Nothofagus (part) | 650 |
| Toonumbar (part) | 1225 |
| Tooloom (part) | 1665 |
| Richmond Range (part) | 870 |
| Mallanganee | 222 |
| Washpool (part) | 27715 |
| Gibraltar Range (part) | 17273 |
| New England (part) | 30115 |
| Cunnawarra (part) | 270 |
| Dorrigo (part) | 7885 |
| Oxley Wild Rivers (part) | 102820 |



Appendix 4- World Heritage Areas

| 25578 | |
|---|--|
| 1610 | |
| 230 | |
| 39193 | |
| Nature reserves managed by NPWS | |
| 2646 | |
| 858 | |
| 380 | |
| 136 | |
| 1636 | |
| 2360 | |
| 1703 | |
| Flora reserve managed by State Forests of NSW (SFNSW) | |
| 36 | |
| 307174 | |
| | |



Appendix 5 NSW National Parks

NSW National Parks and Wildlife Estate within the Study Area. Billinudgel Nature Reserve, NSW Brunswick Heads Nature Reserve, NSW Couchy Creek Nature Reserve, NSW Cudgen Nature Reserve, NSW Cumbebin Swamp Nature Reserve, NSW Goonengerry National Park, NSW Hattons Bluff Nature Reserve, NSW Inner Pocket Nature Reserve, NSW Julian Rocks Nature Reserve, NSW Marshalls Creek Nature Reserve, NSW Mooball National Park, NSW Mount Jerusalem National Park, NSW Mount Nullum Nature Reserve, NSW Mount Warning National Park, NSW Nicoll Scrub National Park, QLD Nightcap National Park, NSW Numinbah Nature Reserve, NSW Outside NPWS Estate, NSW Snows Gully Nature Reserve, NSW Springbrook National Park, QLD Stotts Island Nature Reserve, NSW Tomewin Conservation Park, QLD Tyagarah Nature Reserve, NSW Wooyung Nature Reserve, NSW