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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction and Site Context

Ecological Perspective was engaged by the Walkerville Foreshore Committee of Management (henceforth, referred to as the Committee) to prepare a *Vegetation Management Plan* for the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve in South Gippsland. The flora and fauna and landscape and amenity values of the site have previously been documented by DEPI (2014) and Tract Consultants (2018). The purpose of the current study was to determine the currency of known vegetation values and threats at the site, and in accordance with these findings, to prepare new management recommendations that seek to enhance and sustain these values, as well as visitor amenity. The resulting plan includes: a description of the site; a synopsis of flora (and fauna values) supported by the site; a description of threatening processes as they pertain to the described values; a management vision and objectives for the subject area; a précis of management strategies; and a set of proposed management actions that were designed to achieve the stated objectives. The term of the plan is five years, with consideration given to an *ongoing maintenance period* of a further five years.

Walkerville Foreshore Reserve is approximately 41.3 hectares in size and falls within the management jurisdiction of the Committee. The reserve (principally) forms part of a large continuous block that includes neighbouring Cape Liptrap Coastal Park. It is subject to high visitation and recreational use, with key assets including the Walkerville Camping Reserve. Visitor amenities also variously include walking trails, boat ramps, picnic facilities, carparks and toilets.

Surveys to inform preparation of the current plan were undertaken from October to December 2023. Notably, for practical purposes, the Foreshore Reserve was divided into three discrete management units in accordance with stipulations by the Committee; namely, the Northern Unit, Central Unit and Southern Unit. Reference is made to these units throughout the discussion of values and threats in the plan, and as pertains to ongoing management.

Flora Values

The Walkerville Foreshore Reserve supports a diverse range of vegetation types that occur across a relatively small and narrow area. The underlying geology of the Walkerville and Waratah Bay area, and also larger Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, coupled with the varied geomorphology and hydrology, and localised climatic conditions (e.g. orographic), have led to the area sustaining a diverse and uncommon assemblage of vegetation communities. The wide array of sheltered environs / habitats has also contributed to the richness of flora both within the reserve and immediate surrounds. Overall, while vegetation within the reserve is of varying condition due to historic and extant land management practices, it principally comprises of floristically and structurally intact flora of varying age classes, and includes examples of several communities that are poorly represented regionally, or have a naturally restricted range (e.g. Riparian Fern Scrub).

Of note, overall, the most intact areas in an ecological / environmental context occurred proximate to Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, where the larger and more extensive patches of remnant vegetation provide a buffer from the *edge effect* and from disturbances associated with neighbouring private properties (e.g. weed incursion and rubbish dumping). Vegetation was comparably more fragmented where it interfaced private properties, and also neighbouring (and within) the Camping Reserve. Here, vegetation has been subject to greater disturbance (including more frequent pedestrian and vehicular access and egress) and has therefore been more prone to weed invasion. In some sections, such as along Bayside Drive, other influences such as coastal erosion and the proximity of the roadside (and associated disturbances) have had a greater impact on the condition of the (now) narrow band of coastal vegetation.

During the site visits completed from October to December 2023, the Foreshore Reserve was found to support eleven Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs); namely, Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2), Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160), Coastal Headland Scrub (EVC 161), Damp Forest (EVC 29), Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 793), Damp Melaleuca

Scrub (EVC 949), Lowland Forest (EVC 16), Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120), Riparian Thicket (EVC 59), Sand Heathland (EVC 6), and Warm Temperate Rainforest (syn. Littoral Rainforest) (EVC 32). It was also found to support a twelfth vegetation type, Tree Fern Gully, that was floristically distinct from the documented benchmarks for the bioregion.

A total of 337 vascular flora species were recorded within the boundary of the reserve during the targeted vegetation mapping exercise. Of the flora, 236 species (70 %) were indigenous taxa, and 101 (30 %) were exotic taxa or naturalised species that occur beyond their natural range. Overall, observations made during the site visits, revealed that the flora was highly diverse, and included a range of both terrestrial and riparian trees, small and medium shrubs, tree ferns, ground ferns, climbers, orchids, herbs and graminoids, as well as a smaller array of epiphytes. Notably, the rich assemblage of species that occur within the reserve is reflective of the range *ecological niches* and *microclimates* that the area affords. Saliently, for a number of species, the study area represents the westerly extent of their *known range*; with examples of taxa in this category including the endangered *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* (FFG Act 1988) listed *Hakea decurrens* subsp. *platytaenia* (Coast Needle-wood), and the regionally significant *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia).

In addition to *Hakea decurrens* subsp. *platytaenia* (Coast Needle-wood), the flora recorded during the October – December 2023 surveys included three other taxa that are listed on the FFG Act 1988; namely, the tree *Eucalyptus kitsoniana* (Bog Gum), the shrub *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood), and the herb *Wurmbea uniflora* (One-flower Early Nancy). Of the flora, *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood) was the most widespread, and was recorded in all three management units. Although not formally documented (i.e. referenced in the VBA), *Eucalyptus kitsoniana* (Bog Gum) and *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood) were known to occur at Walkerville Foreshore prior to the current study, with the other two taxa representing new records / findings.

Further to the listed flora recorded for the site, a number of regionally significant taxa were also observed during the October – December 2023 surveys. They included flora that are currently only known from a small number of locations within the South Gippsland region, and that have typically been observed to be in population decline. Of these, noteworthy species included *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia), *Carex gunniana* var. *gunniana* (Swamp Sedge), *Phyllangium divergens* (Wiry Mitre-wort), and *Xanthorrhoea australis* (Austral Grass-tree).

Fauna Values

Observations made during the October – December 2023 field surveys also highlighted the significance of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve as faunal habitat, principally given that the site contains several distinct habitat types that range from forests to woodlands, to heathlands and scrub, to coastlines. The diversity of the available habitats, coupled with the maturity of several of the forest types, and the connectedness of the site to the surrounding landscape (e.g. Cape Liptrap Coastal Park), suggests the site has the capacity to support populations of a range of invertebrate, amphibious, fish, avian, reptilian and mammalian taxa. Notably, the significance of some of these species (as well as the site's capacity to support listed rare and threatened species) may aid in informing future management priorities at the reserve; specifically, with respect to prioritising vegetation management actions, and possibly as grounds for sourcing funding / grants. For example, a number of *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999* (EPBC Act 1999) and / or FFG Act 1988 listed fauna were observed during 2023, and it is probable that the presence of further taxa (such as Burrowing Crayfish (*Engaeus* spp.) and Swamp Skink (*Lissolepis conventryi*)) would be revealed should the site be subject to additional targeted survey.

Threatening Processes

During the 2023 surveys, the core processes that threaten the ecological integrity of vegetation within the reserve were found to be: environmental weed incursion; invasive (and / or overabundant) indigenous shrubs and trees; habitat

fragmentation; and anthropogenic disturbances (for example, resulting from recreational activities (i.e. trampling of vegetation, and rubbish dumping). The potential for climate change to adversely impact biodiversity values was also noted. Other processes that threaten the ecological integrity of the Foreshore Reserve, as both flora and fauna habitat, were observed to include pest animal intrusion in the form of grazing, and predation by introduced fauna; namely, deer, foxes, rabbits, and also potentially cats. Several of these are listed as potentially threatening under the FFG Act 1988 (DELWP, 2022b) including: the reduction in biodiversity of native vegetation by deer, specifically Fallow Deer (*Dama dama*); predation of native wildlife by the Red Fox (**Vulpes Vulpes*); and predation of native wildlife by the Feral Cat (**Felis catus*).

During the site visits, 52 species were designated *priority environmental weeds* in the context of the Foreshore Reserve, and population data were collected to facilitate their active management. Thirty-three of the 52 *priority weeds* are nominated as *Very High* or *High Risk* in Victoria (White *et al.*, 2022). Four taxa, **Asparagus scandens* (Asparagus Fern), **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Box-thorn), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Salix X fragilis* (Crack Willow), are also deemed *Weeds of National Significance* (WONS) by Weeds Australia (2023), and together with three additional taxa (namely, **Allium triquetrum* (Angled Onion), **Cynara cardunculus* subsp. *flavescens* (Artichoke Thistle) and **Foeniculum vulgare* (Fennel)) are listed as *regional controlled* or *restricted weeds* within the West Gippsland Catchment under the *Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994* (*Vic*) (CaLP Act 1994) (Agriculture Victoria, 2017). **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) is also present on the FFG Act 1988 *'Potentially Threatening Processes List,'* given its ability given its ability 'to invade native vegetation' (DELWP, 2022b).

The site inspections in 2023 indicated that the cover and distribution of priority weeds across the Foreshore Reserve was varied, and that priorities for control will also vary depending on the quality of vegetation they occur within, and the values each area supports. Overall, weed dispersal patterns were often found to reflect neighbouring land use. For example, those parts of the reserve that lay adjacent to house sites supported an array of 'garden escapees', while those closer to large core blocks of remnant vegetation were more likely to support more 'well-established' environmental weeds that are dispersed by animals. The inspections also revealed that several locally indigenous species had become 'overabundant' or invasive across parts of the Foreshore Reserve, where these taxa include #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) and #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum); and, where the latter is listed as on the FFG Act 1988 'Potentially Threatening Processes List,' given its ability given its ability 'to invade native vegetation' (DELWP, 2022b).

Management Vision, Strategies and Plan

The overarching vision for management of the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, and thus of this plan, is to: retain, protect and enhance the ecological values and functioning of the site, and to appropriately manage threatening processes that may act to degrade these, while increasing landscape amenity and promoting active and passive recreation within discrete sections of the Foreshore Reserve.

Based on the findings of the field surveys, a series of objectives and management strategies were derived to address this vision. Notably, to facilitate the necessary *on-ground works*, each of the three management units was further divided into a series of discrete zones, and management recommendations were then tailored to the character of each zone. Zone delineation was based on vegetation and habitat type and condition, coupled with the range of threatening processes/management issues evident at the time of survey; consideration was also given to visitor amenity.

Strategic weed control will be fundamental to successful management for the benefit of flora and fauna populations supported by the Foreshore Reserve, and also to improve visitor amenity; as will the management of overabundant indigenous flora including #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) and #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum). To facilitate the active management of weed infestations and overabundant flora across each management unit, a series of

actions has been proposed. For each of the priority weeds / overabundant flora that were recorded during the 2023 surveys, an overall *strategy* has been assigned to the unit (e.g. *eradicate, control* or *contain*), as well as appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference was also made to the *zone* / (s) where works should occur, the *sequencing of works* (i.e. whether they should be undertaken in Year 1 to Year 5 or a combination thereof), and the appropriate *frequency* (e.g. once per year or quarterly) and *timing* (e.g. spring / summer) of each action. Notably, the most efficacious strategies and treatment methods will differ across the management units (and the zones within), and in accordance with type and condition of surrounding vegetation.

Revegetation and species enrichment plantings will also have a role in *reinstating vegetation structure*, and *diversifying available habitat*. Notably, given that much of the Foreshore Reserve comprises of a high cover of indigenous vegetation that is principally intact, the need for intervention in the form of revegetation works is lessened. In these areas, facilitating the natural regeneration of indigenous flora through appropriate management (e.g. targeted weed control to limit competition, coupled with protection from tramping (pedestrian and vehicular)) is likely to be adequate, and will be a less expensive and more successful form of intervention over the longer-term. Revegetation and / or enrichment plantings are, however, recommended for a selection of the more degraded parts of the Foreshore Reserve, and in some parts, will be necessary to reinstate and diversify structural components of the flora. Here, one of the core objectives of such plantings would be to link patches of remnant vegetation, and thus create more contiguous habitat for resident flora and fauna. Notably, in Walkerville North, past efforts to revegetate sections of the reserve have resulted in some increases in vegetation cover, however, are likely to benefit from supplementary planting.

Saliently, revegetation works and species enrichment plantings are only likely to succeed if properly planned, protected from grazing, and subject to follow-up management such as weed control. Congruent with previous efforts, plantings along the foreshore should seek to link patches of remnant vegetation with other areas of remnant vegetation. Post-and-wire fencing should also continue to be used as a tool to delineate works area / recovering vegetation, and will likely be necessary to prevent encroachment from campers (e.g. trampling of establishing flora by pedestrians and vehicles). The fencing should be used in conjunction with tree guards, and will be fundamental to successful plant establishment in many areas, including with the Camping Reserve.

Note: while other threatening processes (including coastal erosion and pest animal intrusion) are referenced throughout the plan, and more specifically in the descriptions of each Management Unit (and zones within), recommendations regarding their mitigation are beyond the purview of the study. They have, nonetheless, been flagged so that appropriate investigations / actions can be considered in due course.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of the Plan

Ecological Perspective was engaged by the Walkerville Foreshore Committee of Management (henceforth, referred to as the Committee) to prepare a *Vegetation Management Plan* for the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve in South Gippsland. The flora and fauna and landscape and amenity values of the site have previously been documented by DEPI (2014) and Tract Consultants (2018). The purpose of the current study was to determine the currency of known vegetation values and threats at the site, and in accordance with these findings, to prepare new management recommendations that seek to enhance and sustain these values, as well as visitor amenity. The resulting plan includes: a description of the site; a synopsis of flora (and to a lesser extent, fauna values) supported by the site; a description of threatening processes as they pertain to the described values; a management vision and objectives for the subject area; a précis of management strategies; and a set of proposed management actions that were designed to achieve the stated objectives. The term of the plan is five years, with consideration given to an *ongoing maintenance period* of a further five years.

Note: the scope of the current plan differs to those prepared by DEPI (2014) and Tract Consultants (2018); themes such as cultural heritage management and fire management are covered in the *Walkerville North Reserve Master Plan* (for example), however, are not addressed in the current plan. Similarly, other known issues such as coastal erosion along Bayside Drive, and the bank slumping on the north side of Bayside Drive, have also been excluded as their mitigation requires detailed technical investigation / advice that is beyond the scope of the authors.

1.2 Plan Preparation

To inform preparation of the vegetation management plan, a review of the previous plans for the site was completed. Supplementary tasks included searches of the Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (VBA) (DELWP, 2023a - f) to identify flora and fauna that had been previously recorded within the Foreshore Reserve, as well as rare and threatened flora and fauna species that have been recorded within a 5-kilometre radius of the site. Similar searches were completed to identify vegetation types that were common to the study area (e.g. predictive mapping by the Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (DEECA), 2023) was reviewed), and historic vegetation descriptions such as those compiled as part of the *Gippsland Regional Forest Agreement* (RFA, 1999), were revisited.

Field surveys were also completed from October – December 2023, when the length of the reserve was traversed on foot. During the course of these site visits, remnant native vegetation was identified and assigned to Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs) with consideration to predictive vegetation mapping undertaken by DEECA (2023) and EVC benchmarks for the Strzelecki Ranges and Gippsland Plain Bioregion (DSE, 2012a and DSE, 2012b). Vegetation was also mapped into broad condition classes that consider the amenity of the site. Flora lists were also compiled, and the extant distribution of *priority weeds* was mapped. Populations of these, and the location/(s) of other features of interest (such as rare and threatened and significant flora), were spatially referenced with a Garmin GPSMAP78S handheld GPS (GDA2020 MGA Zone 55 Datum and Projection). Following the field surveys, the noxious status of recorded weeds under the *Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994* (Vic) (CALP Act 1994) (Agriculture Victoria, 2017) was determined, as was their status as *Weeds of National Significance* (WONS) (Weeds Australia, 2023). Rankings were also assigned as per the non-statutory classification the Advisory List of environmental weeds in Victoria4 (White *et al.*, 2022).

1.3 Nomenclature and Conservation Listings

The Bioregional Conservation Status of EVCs referenced in this report is as per DSE (2004a). Status is determined with reference to the Bioregion where an EVC occurs and is a measure of the current extent and quality for the EVC, when compared to it's original (pre-1750) extent and condition (DSE, 2004a). A description of the categories used to describe Bioregional Conservation Status is provided in Box 1.

Box 1 Bioregional Conservation Status Categories for Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs) (source: DSE, 2004a)

Presumed Extinct	Probably no longer present in the bioregion		
Endangered	Contracted to less than 10% of former range; OR		
	Less than 10% pre-European extent remains; OR		
	Combination of depletion, degradation, current threats and rarity is comparable overall to the above:		
	• 10 to 30% pre-European extent remains and severely degraded over a majority of this area; or		
	• naturally restricted EVC reduced to 30% or less of former range and moderately degraded over a majority of this area; or		
	rare EVC cleared and/or moderately degraded over a majority of former area.		
Vulnerable	10 to 30% pre-European extent remains; OR Combination of depletion, degradation, current threats and rarity is comparable overall to the above:		
	• greater than 30% and up to 50% pre-European extent remains and moderately degraded over a majority of this area; or		
	• greater than 50% pre-European extent remains and severely degraded over a majority of this area; or		
	naturally restricted EVC where greater than 30% pre-European extent remains and moderately degraded over a majority of this area; or		
	• rare EVC cleared and/or moderately degraded over a minority of former area.		
Depleted	Greater than 30% and up to 50% pre-European extent remains; OR		
	Combination of depletion, degradation and current threats is comparable overall to the above and:		
	• greater than 50% pre-European extent remains		
	and moderately degraded over a majority of this area.		
Rare	Rare EVC (as defined by geographic occurrence) but neither depleted, degraded nor currently threatened to an extent that would qualify as Endangered, Vulnerable or Depleted.		
Least Concern	Greater than 50% pre-European extent remains and subject to little to no degradation over a majority of this area		

Plant taxonomy follows the Flora of Victoria, Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria (VicFlora, 2023) and the Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (DELWP, 2022c). Generally reporting of flora follows the convention *Scientific Name* (Common Name). An asterisk (*) prefix denotes flora species of exotic origin, and a hash (#) denotes those that are native, but where some stands may be alien.



Common Names and Life Forms are as per the Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (DELWP, 2022c). A description of the categories used to describe life forms is provided in Table 5.

Table 1 Vic Life Form categories	(source: DSE, 2004b)
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Life Form	Description
Tree or Large Shrub	Woody plants greater than 5 m in height, with single stems that never form part of the tree canopy.
Medium Shrub	Woody plants between 1 m and 5 m in height.
Small Shrub	More or less erect, woody plants that are between 20 cm and 1 m in height.
Prostrate Shrub	Woody plants with stems and branches that often trail along the ground and do not exceed 20 cm in height.
Large Herb	More or less erect, non-woody plants with non-grassy leaves, greater than 50 cm tall.
Medium Herb	More or less erect, non-woody plants with non-grassy leaves, between 5 cm and 50 cm tall
Small or Prostrate Herb	More or less erect, non-woody plants with non-grassy leaves, less than 5 cm in height. Many of this group are ephemerals (i.e. germinate, reproduce and die within a few weeks). The group includes prostrate and carpet-forming herbs.
Large Tufted Graminoid	A robust grass, sedge, rush or similar, usually with more than one flower stalk. Usually large numbers of leaves arising from a common, often broad base or clump, more than 1m tall. Includes trunked <i>Xanthorrhoea</i> spp. and palm-like sedges, such as <i>Gahnia clarkei</i> .
Medium to Small Tufted Graminoid	A grass, sedge, rush or similar, usually with more than one flower stalk. Usually large numbers of leaves arising from a common base or clump, between 10 cm and 1 m tall.
Large Non-Tufted Graminoid	A robust grass or sedge, with leaves arranged along single, erect flower stalks, which in turn arise from rhizomes or stolons (creeping above or below ground stems), more than 1 m tall.
Medium to Tiny Non-Tufted Graminoid	A grass, sedge, rush or similar with leaves arranged along single, erect flower stalks, which in turn arise from rhizomes or stolons (creeping above or below ground stems), not exceeding 1 m tall. Also, includes plants with a few grass-like leaves arising from a common base (e.g. some lilies, orchids).
Ground Fern	A fern-like non-flowering plant, usually with several to many fronds (i.e. Deeply divided into leaflets or segments) arising from a common base. Usually growing less than 1 m.
Tree Fern	A large tree-like fern or palm, with a distinct, fibrous or scaly trunk (made up of the persistent leaf bases) and a crown of very large divided fronds or leaves.
Epiphyte	A plant that grows entirely upon other plants (root system not immersed in the soil or water). Includes aerial parasites, such as mistletoes but not dodder laurels (included under scrambler or climber).
Scrambler or Climber	Woody or non-woody plants that rely upon other plants (dead or alive) or other structures (rocks or logs) for support. The main difference between this category and plants described as 'prostrate', is the habit of using other plants to lean on or climb. Species in this group may form dense colonies.

In text references to fauna follow the convention Common Name (*Scientific Name*). An asterisk (*) prefix denotes fauna species of introduced origin.

The conservation status of flora and fauna species referenced in the report is as per the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act 1999) and *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* (FFG Act 1988) (see Box 2)¹. Where presented as acronyms, those shown in upper case reference the conservation status on the EPBC Act 1999, while those in lower case reference the FFG Act 1988. A description of the *Categories* used to describe *Conservation Status* under the Acts is provided in Box 2.

¹ Note: the *FFG Act 1988 – Threatened List* that is referenced in this report is the updated version released by DELWP in September 2022. The Victorian Advisory Lists were revoked upon release of an October 2021 version of this document and were replaced by the new list which contains a single comprehensive list of threatened flora and fauna species for Victoria. As per DELWP (2022c), in the new list, the listing categories and criteria for species (but not communities) align with those set out in the Common Assessment Method (CAM), and the CAM Categories and criteria match the *International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List categories*.

Box 2 Conservation Categories for Flora and Fauna Species as per the EPBC Act 1999 and FFG Act 1988 (source: IUCN, 2018, EPBC Act 1999)

Category of Threat	Description
Extinct (EX)	A taxon is Extinct when there is no reasonable doubt that the last individual has died. A taxon is presumed Extinct when exhaustive surveys in known and/or expected habitat, at appropriate times (diurnal, seasonal, annual), throughout its historic range have failed to record an individual. Surveys should be over a time frame appropriate to the taxon's life cycle and life form.
Extinct in the Wild (EW)	A taxon is Extinct in the Wild when it is known only to survive in cultivation, in captivity or as a naturalized population (or populations) well outside the past range. A taxon is presumed Extinct in the Wild when exhaustive surveys in known and/or expected habitat, at appropriate times (diurnal, seasonal, annual), throughout its historic range have failed to record an individual. Surveys should be over a time frame appropriate to the taxon's life cycle and life form.
Critically Endangered (CR)	A taxon is Critically Endangered when the best available evidence indicates that it meets any of the criteria A to E for Critically Endangered (see Section V), and it is therefore considered to be facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild.
Endangered (EN)	A taxon is Endangered when the best available evidence indicates that it meets any of the criteria A to E for Endangered (see Section V), and it is therefore considered to be facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild.
Vulnerable (VU)	A taxon is Vulnerable when the best available evidence indicates that it meets any of the criteria A to E for Vulnerable (see Section V), and it is therefore considered to be facing a high risk of extinction in the wild.
Conservation Dependent (CD)	A native species is eligible for listing in the Conservation Dependent category if it meets the requirements of section 179(6)(b) of the EPBC Act. That is, it must be a species of fish that is the focus of a plan of management in force under law, which provides for management actions necessary to stop the decline of, and support the recovery of, the species so that its chances of long term survival in nature are maximised, and the cessation of which would adversely affect the conservation status of the species.

2.0 SITE DESCRIPTION

2.1 Site Context



Figure 1 Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

The Committee are responsible for managing the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, a coastal reserve that is approximately 41.3 hectares in size, and which runs parallel to the coast between the townships of Walkerville North and Walkerville South, in South Gippsland (see Figure 2, page 6). The Foreshore Reserve comprises of several large blocks of remnant vegetation that extend upslope and adjoin Cape Liptrap Coastal Park to the west, and also encompasses areas of the foreshore at both Walkerville and South Walkerville. The Reserve includes a dedicated camping and caravan park which has both powered and non-powered camp sites (namely, the Walkerville Camping Reserve) to the north, two boat ramps (at Walkerville North and Walkerville South, respectively), public toilets at Walkerville South, and numerous picnic areas. The site also has a range of formal and informal access points to the beach.

The Foreshore Reserve is principally located in the Strzelecki Ranges Bioregion, however lies close to the Gippsland Plain Bioregion. It falls within the jurisdiction of the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority, and lies within the South Gippsland Shire. The site comprises of numerous land parcels that are zoned for *Public Conservation and Resource* under the South Gippsland Shire Planning Scheme (Department of Transport and Planning, 2023).

For the purposes of this plan, the Foreshore Reserve has been divided into three discrete management units in accordance with stipulations by the Committee; namely, the Northern Unit, Central Unit and Southern Unit. The extent of each unit is shown in Figure 3 (page 7), and reference is made to the units throughout the discussion of values and threats within the Foreshore Reserve, and as pertains to ongoing management.



Figure 2 Location of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve



Location an	d Extent of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve
Legend	
•	Locality
Relief *	Mountain/Hill Top/Point
Hydrology	
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or Drain
Roads	
	Sealed Road
	Unsealed Road
	4WD Track
	Walking and or Bicycle Trail
Land Form	
	Beach
	Вау
Land Class	ification
	Walkerville Coastal Reserve
	Cape Liptrap Coastal Park
$\langle NN \rangle$	Walkerville Camping Reserve
200	400 600 800 1.000 1.200
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Figure 3 Extent of Vegetation Management Units, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve



Notably, the areas surrounding the Foreshore Reserve have a combination of private and public tenure. The southern parts of the Reserve at South Walkerville, for example, abut grazed farm lands, while large areas to the north wand west of the Reserve flank large blocks of remnant vegetation with Cape Liptrap Coastal Park. Of the privately-owned properties that neighbour the Reserve, many comprise of a high proportion of bushland, or are (otherwise) well vegetated; with numerous of these being holiday homes.

The unique landscape and cultural heritage of the Walkerville region (and through to Cape Liptrap more broadly), has been well documented (see for example, DEPI (2014) and Tract Consultants (2018)). Key features, for example, include:

- The Lime Kilns and associated historical features that are of *State significance* and included on the *Victorian Heritage Register* (H2043);
- Landscape values that were categorised as of *State Significance* in the Coastal Spaces study of the Victorian coast (Planisphere/DSE 2006); and
- The section of the coastline from Arch Rock to Walkerville North which is considered a *Geoheritage* Site of National Significance (pers. comm, N. Rosengren).

With respect to the Foreshore Reserve itself, an account of historical and current operations is provided by DEPI (2014, p. 19):

"The major early impacts of European settlement were stock grazing and the operation of six lime kilns at South and one near Digger Island. The remains of the kilns and associated village at South are of State significance. The activities associated with lime burning have been well documented (Fleming 1975, Sharrock 1987, Harington 2000, Ward 2001/2003) and many photographs remain dating back to about 1900.

At Waratah (Walkerville South), lime burning was associated with the formation of an isolated settlement which ultimately declined with the industry it served. Whilst the majority of buildings remained at least until the Second World War, they were progressively removed thereafter. Today, the kilns survive as the principal relics. (Ward 2003)/ Other relics in the Foreshore Reserve include stone walls and remains of several buildings. Ongoing protection and conservation of these relics is important. Many plants also remain from the 1920s including figs, nasturtiums, mint, Abizzia and various bulbs, providing a link with the past.

Following closure of the lime operations in 1927, the population dwindled and the area was largely forgotten. The importance of the kilns and associated township, cemetery and quarry have been recognised in more recent times. Conservation works were commenced in 1993-4 and a conservation plan prepared (Ward 2003). Interpretation signs have also been installed since the 2001 management plan was prepared to enhance appreciation of the lime-burning era. There are opportunities for the Committee to provide additional on-site interpretation of relics at South, and to encourage further research on local history."

#### 2.2 Natural Environment

DEPI (2014, p. 15) provide the following characterisation of the geology and landforms of the Walkerville area:

"The Walkerville area has complex geology and landforms, the full extent of which is beyond the scope the current study. The oldest rocks along the Victorian coast, 570-million-year-old Cambrian greenstones, are exposed south of Bird Rock. Three types of early limestone have also been identified in the area including Waratah Limestone, which was extensively quarried for lime from 1878. The striking rock-stacks at Bird Rock were formed when softer limestone was gradually eroded by wave action. The sandstone and mudstone shore platforms at North are part of the 400-million-year-old Liptrap Formation and show strong bedding and folding. The Waratah Fault visible at the Bluff (in Cape Liptrap Coastal Park) is considered to be the best exposure of a fault in Victoria (Wallis, pers. comm.). The Walkerville area provides outstanding opportunities for interpretation and education and there are opportunities to increase use by educational groups."

Other environmental / climatic factors that have influenced the extant condition of the study area, include high rainfall, with the mean rainfall at Walkerville ranging between 944 mm per year (at Cape Liptrap Weather Station-Illawong) and 938 mm per year (at Cape Liptrap, 360 Degrees). Notably, this rainfall, coupled with coastal meteorological influences, have contributed to locally high moisture levels, that are reflected in the composition of vegetation in the area. Principally, they have afforded the presence of a diverse flora that is typically associated with sheltered wet forest types. These conditions have also influenced the extent of sub-soil seepage at the break of slope across the Waratah Bay area.



Figure 4 Macpherson Gully, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

Key taxa include *Eucalyptus obliqua* (Messmate Stringybark) in the foreground, with *Pomaderris aspera* (Hazel Pomaderris), *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood) and *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum).

Of note, two named waterways (i.e. MacPhersons Creek and Second Creek) flow through the lower reaches of the Foreshore Reserve; with the catchments of both. found within the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park. There are a number of other minor gully lines that occur throughout the Reserve, where these have varying levels of seasonal flow and associated remnant vegetation.

There is groundwater seepage at the break of slope at several locations, including around the Walkerville Camping Reserve. The presence of the endangered vegetation type *Riparian Fern Scrub* (which contains some very mature stands old Paper-barks, and provides habitat for extensive colonies of Burrowing Crayfish (*Engaeus* spp.)) provide an excellent indication of the volume of groundwater seepage that is occurring in these areas. While gully lines and creeks are more

limited in Walkerville South, there are two unnamed seasonal gully lines; one occurs south of Walkerville South Road, and there are two small gullies upslope of the Walkerville South Boat Ramp. Saliently, during the 2023 site visits, there was evidence of a marked increase in deer activity and damage along the gully lines and in areas with ground water seepage.



Figure 5 Second Creek, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

#### 2.3 Management History

The scope of historic interventive vegetation management across the Foreshore Reserve has been varied, and in large parts, has been limited to maintaining the amenity of high use areas (e.g. slashing and vegetation removal proximate to walking tracks), with targeted weed removal and revegetation also completed at a number of locations (e.g. rock-beaching (see Figure 6, page 11), and revegetation within the Camping Reserve). The focus of works in recent years, has been the targeted control of a subset of the *high priority environmental weeds* known from the Reserve, however, many of the recorded infestations will require follow-up treatment or ongoing management over the longer-term.

Saliently, the nature of both historic and future *on-ground works* is varied, and will require the engagement of an array of different contractors that specialise in the maintenance of key assets such as car parks, boat ramps, and toilet blocks, as well as skilled bushland practioners that are adept at *sensitively* managing vegetation of high ecological value that provides habitat for a diverse range of flora and fauna.



Figure 6 An example of rock walling, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023



Figure 7 The track to the toilet block, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, November 2023

There is some stonework in the foreground and *Myoporum insulare* (Common Boobialla) falling across track. Example where vegetation could be cleared back from the track.



## 3.0 FLORA VALUES

### 3.1 Ecological Vegetation Classes

During the site visits completed from October to December 2023, the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve was found to support eleven EVCs; namely, Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2), Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160), Coastal Headland Scrub (EVC 161), Damp Forest (EVC 29), Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 793), Damp Melaleuca Scrub (EVC 949), Lowland Forest (EVC 16), Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120), Riparian Thicket (EVC 59), Sand Heathland (EVC 6), and Warm Temperate Rainforest (syn. Littoral Rainforest) (EVC 32) (Table 2). It was also found to support a twelfth vegetation type, Tree Fern Gully, that was floristically distinct from the documented benchmarks for the bioregion.

Table 2 Ecological Vegetation	Classes recorded	within the Walke	rville Foreshore	Reserve, by	y management unit	October -
December 2023						

	Number	Bioregional Conservation Status ^		Management Unit		
Ecological Vegetation Class			Distribution and Extent	Northern	Central	Southern
Coast Banksia Woodland	2	Vulnerable	Largely restricted to Walkerville North on the lower terrace between Coastal Dune Scrub and EVCs upslope. Large, modified areas within the Camping Reserve.	yes	yes	
Coastal Dune Scrub	160	Depleted (GipP)	Limited to a linear strip along Walkerville North – Bayside Drive. Increasingly fragmented and prone to coastal erosion.	yes	yes	
Coastal Headland Scrub	161	Vulnerable	Large extent of cliffed areas and upslope on exposed hills. There are two distinct floristic assemblages; namely South Gippsland and Walkerville.	yes	yes	yes
Damp Forest	29	Least Concern	Sheltered slopes and adjacent gully lines, fairly restricted with its extent.	yes		yes
Damp Heathy Woodland	793	Depleted	Restricted to the more elevated areas of Walkerville South.			yes
Damp Melaleuca Scrub	949	Not assigned	Derived example of the EVC: restricted to small area in the south.			yes
Lowland Forest	16	Vulnerable	Widespread and one the more common EVCs within the Foreshore Reserve.	yes	yes	yes
Riparian Fern Scrub	A120	Endangered (GipP) ^^	Restricted to the break of slope where there is sufficient ground water seepage. Most prominently Walkerville North and within the Camping Reserve.	yes		yes
Riparian Thicket	59	Vulnerable	Restricted to small area in the south.			yes
Sand Heathland	6	Rare (GipP)	Restricted to small, exposed areas with deep sands.	yes		
Tree Fern Gully	NA	Not assigned	Restricted to minor gullies in the north and south.	yes		yes
Warm Temperate Rainforest (syn. Littoral Rainforest)	32	Endangered	Occupies areas along both major and minor gully lines.	yes	yes	

^ Bioregional conservation status for the Strzelecki Ranges (Strz) Bioregion as per DSE (2004) unless otherwise stated; in the latter instance, Bioregional conservation status is for the Gippsland Plain (GipP) Bioregion as per DSE (2004). ^ Status as per Frood and Papas (2016)



Of the EVCs present, several (including Coast Banksia Woodland, Coastal Headland Scrub, Lowland Forest and Riparian Thicket) have a *bioregional conservation status* of *Vulnerable* in the Strzelecki Ranges bioregion, while Damp Heathy Woodland is considered *Depleted*, and Warm Temperate Rainforest, *Endangered*.

A brief description of the structural and floristic composition of each EVC is provided in the succeeding pages. As appropriate, reference is made to the descriptions provided in the relevant Benchmarks for each EVC (as per DSE, 2012a; DSE 2012b; and Frood and Papas, 2016), as well as site-specific floristics and condition. The spatial distribution of the EVCs is depicted in Figure 8 to Figure 10 (page 14 to page 16), for each of the three management units in turn. For Coast Banksia Woodland and Riparian Fern Scrub, a distinction has been made between 'more intact' examples and 'modified' examples of the two vegetation types.

Overall, the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve was found to support a diverse range of vegetation types, where these occur across a relatively small and narrow area. The underlying geology of the Walkerville and Waratah Bay area, and also larger Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, coupled with the varied geomorphology and hydrology, and localised climatic conditions (e.g. orographic), have led to the area sustaining a diverse and uncommon assemblage of communities. The wide array of sheltered environs / habitats has also contributed to the richness of flora within the reserve and immediate surrounds.

Saliently, as the recorded vegetation types do not often occur in close association across the South Gippsland region, there were several instances where current EVC typology failed to adequately represent the assembled flora, or where the assembled flora was inconsistent with the EVC benchmarks for the bioregion. EVC assignment and the demarcation of boundaries between EVCs was also confounded by several taxa (as well as some vegetation communities) occurring at the outer extent of their *known geographic range*. For example, with respect to the former, the population of *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia) within the study area occurs at the western extent of its natural range, and consequently does not neatly align with the EVCs the taxon is typically associated with. Past land management is also likely to have influenced some aspects of vegetation structure and age class, and also reduced the cover and richness of *character species* indicative of the various EVCs; again, confounding EVC assignment.





Figure 8 Distribution of Ecological Vegetation Classes, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 9 Distribution of Ecological Vegetation Classes, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 10 Distribution of Ecological Vegetation Classes, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Ecological Vegetation Classes

Legend	
Elevation	
	Contour (intermediate)
	Index Contour
Hydrology	
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or Drain
Roads	
	Sealed Road
	Unsealed Road
	Walking and or Bicycle Trail
Ecological	Vegetation Class
	Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 161)
	Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville Variant) (EVC 161)
	Damp Forest (EVC 29)
	Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 793)
	Damp Melaleuca Scrub (EVC 948)
	Lowland Forest (EVC 16)
	Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120)
	Riparian Thicket (EVC 59)
	Tree Fern Gully (EVC N/A)
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Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)



Figure 11 Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, December 2022

Coast Banksia Woodland is a woodland that is typically dominated by an overstorey of *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia) that grows to 15 metres tall. This layer lies above a medium shrub component and an understorey comprised of herbs, sedges and scramblers (DSE, 2012b). As per the benchmark for the vegetation type, Coast Banksia Woodland is generally restricted to near coastal localities, and occupies secondary or tertiary dunes behind Coastal Dune Scrub.

During the 2023 site visits, Coast Banksia Woodland was found to be largely restricted to Walkerville North (i.e. the Northern Management Unit), where it occurred on the lower terraces between Coastal Dune Scrub and the EVCs further upslope. Notably, there was marked variation in the condition of the vegetation type, with large modified sections found within the boundary of the Walkerville Camping Reserve.

When inspected in 2023, examples of Coast Banksia Woodland within the study area were routinely found to be dominated by *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia); although, *Bursaria spinosa* subsp. *spinosa* var. *macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria), *Allocasuarina verticillata* (Drooping Sheoak) and *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coast Tea-tree) were often also present. Taxa such as *Pteridium esculentum subsp. esculentum* (Austral Bracken), *Lomandra longifolia* (Spiny-headed Mat-rush), *Ficinia nodosa* (Knobby Club-rush), *Poa labillardierei* (Common Tussock-grass) and *Tetragonia implexicoma* (Bower Spinach) were amongst the dominant ground flora, with a range of small herbs also variously present.

Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160)



Figure 12 Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

This photograph was taken proximate to Bayside Drive, approximately 20 metres north of Waratah Street, within the Central Management Unit. Dominant taxa included *Leucopogon parviflorus* (Coastal Beard-heath), *Myoporum insulare* (Common Boobialla), *Lepidosperma gladiatum* (Coastal Sword-sedge), *Poa poiformis* var. *poiformis* (Coast Tussock-grass) and *Rubus parvifolius* (Small-leaf Bramble).

As described in the benchmark for the EVC, Coastal Dune Scrub is a closed scrub to 5 metres tall, with occasional emergents (DSE, 2012a). Coastal Dune Scrub occupies secondary dunes along ocean and bay beaches, and lake shores, and occurs on siliceous and calcareous sands that are subject to high levels of saltspray. It is subject to continuous disturbance from onshore winds.

Coastal Dune Scrub was mapped as occurring in the Northern and Central Management Units at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve in 2023, where it was limited to a narrow, linear band that ran proximate to the seaward-side of the Camping Reserve and along Bayside Drive. Saliently, there was evidence that this vegetation type was subject to coastal erosion, and was becoming increasingly fragmented within the Foreshore Reserve.

The floristic composition of Coastal Dune Scrub was varied across the study area. Some areas were dominated by *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coast Tea-tree), *Leucopogon parviflorus* (Coast Beard-heath) and *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia), as well as *Bursaria spinosa subsp. spinosa var. macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria). Comparably, the more open areas, which were transitional to Berm Grassy Shrubland, were dominated by taxa such as *Lomandra longifolia* (Spiny-headed Mat-rush), *Ficinia nodosa* (Knobby Club-rush), *Dianella sp. aff. revoluta* (Coastal) (Coast Flax-lily), *Spinifex sericeus* (Hairy Spinifex), *Carpobrotus rossii* (Karkalla), *Poa poiformis* var. *poiformis* (Coast Tussock-grass), *Lepidosperma gladiatum* (Coast Sword-sedge), *Imperata cylindrica* (Blady Grass), *Tetragonia implexicoma* (Bower Spinach), *Rhagodia candolleana subsp. candolleana* (Seaberry Salt-bush) and *Muehlenbeckia adpressa* (Climbing Lignum).

Coastal Headland Scrub (EVC 161)

Coastal Headland Scrub was one of the more widespread and common vegetation types within the Foreshore Reserve, and in 2023 was mapped across all three management units; where it occupied cliffed areas and exposed hills further upslope. There were two distinct floristic assemblages within the study area; namely, South Gippsland and Walkerville.



Figure 13 Coastal Headland Scrub (EVC 161) (South Gippsland), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

South Gippsland

The benchmark for the South Gippsland variant of Coastal Headland Scrub describes the vegetation type as a scrub or low shrubland to 2 metres tall that occurs of steep, rocky coastal headlands often associated with cliffs exposed to the stresses of extreme salt-laden winds and salt spray from the southwest (DSE, 2012b).

Within the study area, examples of this EVC were principally restricted to the limestone cliffs around South Walkerville and Bird Rock. The unusual limestone geology of this part of the coastline, which is not typical of the South Gippsland coast, renders this an unusual example of the EVC. Here, vegetation was principally dominated by an overstorey of *Allocasuarina verticillata* (Drooping Sheoak) and *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coast Tea-tree); where the latter was dominant across the more disturbed areas. Small shrubs variously included *Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria* (Bassian Pomaderris), *Alyxia buxifolia* (Sea Box), *Myoporum insulare* (Common Boobialla), *Senecio odoratus* (Scented Groundsel), *Olearia phlogopappa* subsp. *insularis* (Dusty Daisy-bush), *Olearia ramulosa var. ramulosa* (Twiggy Daisybush) and *Goodenia ovata* (Hop Goodenia). The grass and sedge component comprised of taxa such as *Austrostipa stipoides* (Prickly Spear-grass), *Austrostipa flavescens* (Coastal Spear-grass), *Lepidosperma sieberi* (Sandhill Swordsedge), *Diplarrena moraea* (White Iris), *Dianella brevicaulis* (Small-flower Flax-lily) and *Poa poiformis* var. *poiformis* (Coast Tussock-grass).



This photograph was taken approximately 70 metres south of Second Creek, within the Northern Management Unit. Vegetation was dominated by *Bursaria* spinosa var. *macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria), *Monotoca glauca* (Currant Wood) and *Pteridium esculentum* (Austral Bracken).

Walkerville Variant

A second and floristically distinct variant of Coastal Headland Scrub was also observed during the 2023 site visits. The 'Walkerville Variant' of Coastal Headland Scrub had affinities with the sub-community described in the RFA (1999). As per the RFA (1999), the vegetation type is found in areas less prone to salt spray, where tall scrub develops, such as at Walkerville. It occurs on a range of geologies and at elevations between 20 and 40 metres above sea level. The average rainfall in areas where the sub-community occurs is 1000 mm, and the sub-community is described as intermediate in floristic composition between Lowland Forest and Coastal Dune Scrub Mosaic (RFA, 1999).

Notably, within the context of the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, the Walkerville variant of Coastal Headland Scrub was more developed than suggested in the RFA (1999), and was typically found on the upper slopes between Lowland Forest, Coast Banksia Woodland and Tree-fern Gullies.

Within the study area, examples of this vegetation type were dominated by a mix of with *Bursaria spinosa* subsp. *spinosa var. macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria), *Allocasuarina verticillata* (Drooping Sheoak), *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood), *Acacia verticillata* (Prickly Moses), *Daviesia ulicifolia* (Gorse Bitter-pea) (restricted) and *Platylobium parviflorum* (Narrow-leaf Flat-pea). The ground layer included a range of graminoids such as *Poa labillardierei* (Common Tussock-grass), *Microlaena stipoides* var. *stipoides* (Weeping Grass), *Lomandra longifolia* (Spiny-headed Mat-rush), *Lepidosperma elatius* (Tall Sword-sedge), *Gahnia sieberiana* (Red-fruited Saw-sedge) and *Diplarrena moraea* (White Iris).

Damp Forest (EVC 29)



Figure 15 Damp Forest (EVC 29), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

As described in the benchmark for the EVC, Damp Forest grows on a wide range of geologies on well-developed generally colluvial soils on a variety of aspects, from sea level to montane elevations (DSE, 2012b). This vegetation type is dominated by a eucalypt tree layer to 30 metres tall, which occurs over a medium to tall dense shrub layer of broad-leaved species typical of wet forest mixed with elements from dry forest types, and a ground layer that includes herbs and grasses as well as a variety of moisture-dependent ferns including occasional tree ferns (DSE, 2012b).

During the 2023 site visits, Damp Forest was found to be restricted to several small pockets in each of the Northern and Southern Management Units at the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, where it occupied sheltered gully lines and lower slopes. Notably, where Damp Forest was present, it typically graded into other EVCs within the immediate landscape, making delineation of the boundaries of the vegetation type difficult.

Within the study area, the overstorey of Damp Forest was characterised by stands of *Eucalyptus obliqua* (Messmate), with *Eucalyptus radiata* (Narrow-leaf Peppermint) also present, although to a lesser extent. The composition of the middle and lower strata varied floristically, where this variation occurred in response to differences in aspect, surface geology, and fire frequency. Understorey species typical of the EVC, however, generally included *Pittosporum bicolor* (Banyalla), *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood), *Coprosma quadrifida* (Prickly Currant-bush), *Lepidosperma elatius* (Tall Swordsedge), *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern), *Calochlaena dubia* (Common Ground-fern), *Pteridium esculentum* (Austral Bracken), *Polystichum proliferum* (Mother Shield-fern) and *Blechnum cartilagineum* (Gristle Fern).

Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 793)



Figure 16 Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 793), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, January 2024

As described in the benchmark for the vegetation type, Damp Heathy Woodland is a woodland to 10 metres tall that has a tall dense heathy understorey, and a ground layer that comprises of grasses, herbs, small shrubs and tough-leaved monocots (DSE, 2012b). The EVC is common to developed sandy soils of moderate to low fertility and, as per DSE (2012b) is typically wet in winter due to the impeding soil layer, and dry in summer. It is known to transition to tall scrub in high rainfall areas when long unburnt. It recruits episodically with fire, with the desirable period between disturbance events circa 30 years (DSE, 2012b).

When inspected in 2023, Damp Heathy Woodland was found to be restricted to an elevated section along the southwestern boundary of the Southern Management Unit at the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve. Notably, vegetation in this section of the reserve did not represent a typical example of the EVC; rather, vegetation composition and structure had been impacted by historic clearance, and was found to be transitioning into other adjoining EVCs. Damp Heathy Woodland was, however, observed to more widespread and common at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, where there were more typical examples of the vegetation type.

Within the study area, the overstorey of Damp Forest was a mix of *Eucalyptus radiata* (Narrow-leaf Peppermint) and *Eucalyptus obliqua* (Messmate), with a secondary tree layer of *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia), *Bursaria spinosa* subsp. *macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria), *Allocasuarina littoralis* (Black Sheoak), *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coast Tea-tree), *Leucopogon parviflorus* (Coast Beard-heath) and *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia). The ground layer had been highly modified, with a high proportion of pasture related grasses such as **Anthoxanthum odoratum* (Sweet Vernal-grass) now common. Elsewhere, the ground flora was dominated by taxa such as *Pteridium esculentum* subsp. *esculentum* (Austral Bracken) and *Xanthorrhoea australis* (Austral Grass-tree).

Damp Melaleuca Scrub (EVC 948)



Figure 17 Damp Melaleuca Scrub (EVC 948), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, January 2024

Damp Melaleuca Scrub is a low, grassy or bracken-dominated eucalypt forest or open woodland that reaches a height of up to 15 metres. It features a large shrub layer and a ground layer rich in herbs, grasses, and orchids. This vegetation type typically occurs in flat or undulating areas where there are moderately fertile, well-drained, deep sandy or loamy topsoils over heavier subsoils (referred to as duplex soils).

During the 2023 site visits, vegetation with affinities with Damp Melaleuca Scrub was found to be restricted to the Southern Management Unit of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve. A derived example of the vegetation type was mapped in the south-eastern corner of the unit, in a small pocket that lies between a section of Riparian Thicket and the adjoining farmlands. Here, vegetation comprised of dense low thickets of *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark), with a sparse understorey that has (principally) been depleted by intense deer activity in the area.
Lowland Forest (EVC 16)

Lowland Forest is a Eucalypt forest to 25 metres tall that occurs on a range of geologies and occupies a range of soil types (DSE, 2012b). As described in the benchmark for this EVC, examples of this vegetation type in the Strzelecki Ranges bioregion commonly have a heathy understorey that is characterised by a diversity of life forms and species including a range of shrubs, grasses and herbs. Within the Strzelecki Ranges, the EVC is typically restricted to north and north-westerly aspects (DSE, 2012b).



Figure 18 Lowland Forest (EVC 16), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

This photograph was taken approximately 40 metres south of Macpherson Creek, within the Central Management Unit. Key Taxa include *Eucalyptus obliqua* (Messmate Stringybark), with *Bursaria spinosa* (Sweet Bursaria), *Coprosma quadrifida* (Prickly Currant-bush), *Olearia lirata* (Showy Daisy-bush) and *Pteridium esculentum* (Austral Bracken).

Lowland Forest was one of the more widespread and common vegetation types within the Foreshore Reserve, and in 2023 was mapped across all three management units; where it generally occupied the upper slopes.

Within the study area, the overstorey of Lowland Forest was dominated by *Eucalyptus obliqua* (Messmate), with a sparse tree layer in most areas that comprised of species such as *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood), *Bursaria spinosa* (Sweet Bursaria) and *Coprosma quadrifida* (Prickly Currant-bush). The ground layer was principally dominated by taxa such as *Pteridium esculentum* subsp. *esculentum* (Austral Bracken), *Xanthorrhoea australis* (Austral Grass-tree), *Lepidosperma elatius* (Tall Sword-sedge), *Lomandra longifolia* (Spiny-headed Mat-rush), *Diplarrena moraea* (White Iris), *Tetrarrhena juncea* (Forest Wire-grass), and *Gahnia sieberiana* (Red-fruited Saw-sedge), with a range of small herbs also present at low frequency.

Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120)

The benchmark for Riparian Fern Scrub describes a dense tall shrubby vegetation with a primarily ferny ground-layer, that is associated with waterlogged and inundation-prone soils with a substantial organic content (Frood and Papas, 2016). Frood and Papas (2016, p. 126) state that the vegetation type is distinguished from Riparian Scrub (EVC 191) and Riparian Thicket (EVC 59) "by greater height and more open and diverse ferny understorey", and from Swamp Scrub (EVC 53) "by being dominated by Scented Paperbark as well as by understorey character." They also note that Riparian Fern Scrub is localised in the Otway Ranges, and probably also higher rainfall parts of the Gippsland Plain (Frood and Papas, 2016).

Riparian Fern Scrub was mapped across the Northern and Southern Management Units during the 2023 site visits to Walkerville Foreshore Reserve. Here, it was restricted to the lower sections of gully lines, and the break of slope, where there was sufficient ground water seepage. It was one of the more common vegetation types at the Walkerville Camping Reserve.

Within the study area, the overstorey of Riparian Fern Scrub was dominated by *Melaleuca squarrosa* (Scented Paperbark) and *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark), with *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry) and *Coprosma quadrifida* (Prickly Currant-bush) at lower frequency. Typically, there was a combination of tree ferns including *Dicksonia antarctica* (Soft Tree-fern), *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern) and *Todea barbara* (Austral King-fern). Ground ferns included *Blechnum minus* (Soft Water-fern), *Blechnum nudum* (Fishbone Water-fern), *Blechnum wattsii* (Hard Water-fern), *Gleichenia microphylla* (Scrambling Coral-fern), *Histiopteris incisa* (Bat's Wing Fern), *Hypolepis glandulifera* (Downy Ground-fern) and *Pteris tremula* (Tender Brake). Sedges and graminoids such as *Gahnia clarkei* (Tall Saw-sedge), *Tetrarrhena juncea* (Forest Wire-grass) and *Juncus pauciflorus* (Loose-flowered Rush) were also present.



Figure 19 Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

This photograph was taken at the Walkerville Camping Reserve, within the Northern Management Unit. Vegetation had an overstorey of *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark) with *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern) and *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry).



Riparian Thicket (EVC 59)

Riparian Thicket is a closed scrub with a component of ferns and large sedges (Frood and Papas, 2016). Frood and Papas (2016) state that the vegetation type typically occurs along swampy drainage lines with acidic soils, at altitudes intermediate between the habitats of Riparian Scrub (EVC 191) and Montane Riparian Thicket (EVC 41) (c. 450–700 m).

During the 2023 site visits, vegetation with affinities with Riparian Thicket was found to be restricted to the Southern Management Unit of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve. A small pocket of Riparian Thicket was mapped in the south-east corner of the unit, and was characterised by an overstorey of *Melaleuca squarrosa* (Scented Paperbark), and an understorey dominated by *Gleichenia microphylla* (Scrambling Coral-fern), with *Machaerina tetragona* (Square Twigsedge) and *Gahnia sieberiana* (Red-fruit Saw-sedge) also common.



Figure 20 Sand Heathland (EVC 6), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

The benchmark for Sand Heathland describes a treeless heathland (or a heathland with occasional emergent malleeform eucalypts and/or Banksias) that occurs on deep infertile sands (DSE, 2012b). The vegetation type consists of a low, dense heathy shrub layer and a number of sedges and sedge-like species (DSE, 2012b). The benchmark states that grasses and herbs are notably absent or infrequent.

Vegetation with affinities with Sand Heathland was mapped across two small pockets of the Northern Management Unit at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve in 2023; both of these occurred within the Walkerville Camping Reserve. While the mapped examples are not typical of the vegetation type, Sands Heathland was found to be the most fitting EVC assignment; the site's exposure to the prevailing winds, coupled with the deeper sands, have afforded the presence of this vegetation type.



At both locations, flora was dominated by a mix of *Xanthorrhoea australis* (Austral Grass-tree), *Leptospermum myrsinoides* (Heath Tea-tree), *Leptospermum continentale* (Prickly Tea-tree), *Monotoca scoparia* (Prickly Broom-heath), *Platylobium obtusangulum* (Common Flat-pea), *Aotus ericoides* (Common Aotus) and *Pteridium esculentum* (Austral Bracken). The area also supported the only known stands of *Hakea decurrens subsp. platytaenia* (Coast Needlewood) that occur within the boundary of the Foreshore Reserve; this being, despite the taxon being more common at nearby Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.

Tree Fern Gully



Figure 21 A small waterfall on Tree Fern Gully, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

This photograph was taken at the Walkerville Camping Reserve, within the Northern Management Unit. Vegetation was dominated by an overstorey of *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern) with a range of ground ferns such as *Lastreopsis acuminata* (Shiny Shield-fern), *Blechnum patersonii* (Strap Water-fern) and *Blechnum nudum* (Fishbone Water-fern).

During the 2023 site visits, the label 'Tree Fern Gully' was assigned to a small section of vegetation in the Northern Management Unit, and two small pockets in the Southern Unit. While this community is not formally recognised using extant EVC typology, vegetation at these locations was floristically distinct from the surrounding vegetation types. Typically, the community was associated with minor (seasonal) creeks and gully lines, did not contain Eucalypts, and had only scattered emergent trees. Generally, it occupied the upper banks and comprised of species such as *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood), *Pomaderris aspera* (Hazel Pomaderris), *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry), *Lomatia fraseri* (Tree Lomatia) and *Myrsine howittiana* (Muttonwood); the latter, to a lesser extent. On the more minor of the gully lines, the tree and shrub component was largely restricted to the outer margins as vegetation transitioned to the adjoining EVCs.

The community was largely dominated by a tree fern canopy of *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern) and *Dicksonia antarctica* (Soft Tree-fern), while ground ferns variously included *Lastreopsis acuminata* (Shiny Shield-fern), *Pteris tremula* (Tender Brake), *Blechnum patersonii* subsp. *patersonii* (Strap Water-fern), *Microsorum pustulatum subsp.*

pustulatum (Kangaroo Fern) (this species was also present as an epiphytic fern), *Blechnum minus* (Soft Water-fern), *Blechnum nudum* (Fishbone Water-fern), *Blechnum wattsii* (Hard Water-fern), *Gleichenia microphylla* (Scrambling Coral-fern), *Histiopteris incisa* (Bat's Wing Fern), *Hypolepis glandulifera* (Downy Ground-fern) and *Hymenophyllum cupressiforme* (Common Filmy-fern). Vines included *Pandorea pandorana* (Wonga Vine), *Parsonsia brownii* (Twining Silkpod) and *Clematis aristata* (Mountain Clematis).

Warm Temperate Rainforest (syn. Littoral Rainforest) (EVC 32)



Figure 22 Warm Temperate Rainforest (EVC 32) with *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood), Second Creek, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

The photograph was taken at the base of an escarpment where there is a large stand of *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood), *Pomaderris aspera* (Hazel Pomaderris), *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern), *Polystichum proliferum* (Mother Shield-fern), and *Lastreopsis acuminata* (Shiny Shield-fern).

Warm Temperate Rainforest is a closed forest to 20 metres tall that occurs along small streams and narrow coastal fringes associated with lakes and estuaries (DSE, 2012b). As per the benchmark for the vegetation type, the EVC is dominated by a range of non-eucalypt canopy species above an understorey of smaller trees and shrubs, and is usually visually dominated by ferns and climbers (DSE, 2012b).

Warm Temperate Rainforest was mapped as occurring in the Northern and Central Management Units at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve in 2023, where it was found proximate to Second Creek and Macpherson Gully in turn. Despite being assigned to this EVC, vegetation in these areas resembled an undescribed type of littoral rainforest that was restricted to the south-east facing lower slopes, beach terraces and gully lines, and was observed to often occur in transition between other vegetation types including Riparian Fern Scrub, Coast Banksia Woodland and Tree-fern Gully.

Within the study area, vegetation that was assigned the label Warm Temperate Rainforest was dominated by a range of non-eucalypt canopy species such as *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia), *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry), *Pittosporum bicolor* (Banyalla), *Pomaderris aspera* (Hazel Pomaderris) and *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood), and at

Second Creek, *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood). Typically, there was also a combination of tree ferns including *Dicksonia antarctica* (Soft Tree-fern), *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern) and *Todea barbara* (Austral King-fern) present, while ground ferns variously included *Blechnum minus* (Soft Water-fern), *Blechnum nudum* (Fishbone Water-fern), *Blechnum wattsii* (Hard Water-fern), *Gleichenia microphylla* (Scrambling Coral-fern), *Histiopteris incisa* (Bat's Wing Fern), *Hypolepis glandulifera* (Downy Ground-fern) and *Pteris tremula* (Tender Brake). *Gahnia clarkei* (Tall Saw-sedge), *Tetrarrhena juncea* (Forest Wire-grass) and *Juncus pauciflorus* (Loose-flowered Rush) were also components of the flora, as were the vines *Pandorea pandorana* (Wonga Vine) and *Clematis glycinoides* (Forest Clematis).



Figure 23 Warm Temperate Rainforest (EVC 32), Second Creek, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

Vegetation had an overstorey of *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood), *Pomaderris aspera* (Hazel Pomaderris), *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia), with *Cyathea australis* (Rough Tree-fern) and *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry).



A second thematic map series that depicts the broad condition of vegetation within the Foreshore Reserve is presented in Figure 24 to Figure 26 (page 31 and page 33). In addition to referencing the ecological / environmental condition of vegetation, the classes also consider the amenity value of the mapped areas (see Table 3), where an understanding of the spatial distribution of the latter will be instrumental to effectively managing the dual environmental and social / recreational values of the study area.

Of note, overall, the most intact areas in an ecological / environmental context occurred proximate to Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, where the larger and more extensive patches of remnant vegetation provide a buffer from the *edge effect* and from disturbances associated with neighbouring private properties (e.g. weed incursion and rubbish dumping). Vegetation was comparably more fragmented where it interfaced private properties, and also neighbouring (and within) the Camping Reserve. Here, vegetation has been subject to greater disturbance (including more frequent pedestrian and vehicular access and egress) and has therefore been more prone to weed invasion. In some sections, such as along Bayside Drive, other influences such as coastal erosion and the proximity of the roadside (and associated disturbances) have had a greater impact on the condition of the (now) narrow band of coastal vegetation.

Table 3 Key to Vegetation Condition Classes, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve

Condition Class	Description
High Quality Environmental	The most intact / significant vegetation within the reserve. Characteristically, these sections have a high cover of native vegetation, support a diverse assemblage of species that are typical of the constituent EVCs, and have a low cover of environmental weeds.
Moderate Quality Environmental - High Amenity	Areas where vegetation structure is more degraded and where there is a lower number of species reflective of the constituent EVCs, and / or where there is an increase in the diversity and extent of high priority environmental weeds; however, where there is also high visitation by the public and where visitor amenity is important (e.g. Walkerville Camping Reserve).
Moderate Quality Environmental	Areas where the vegetation structure is more degraded, and where there is a lower number of species reflective of the constituent EVCs, and / or where there is an increase in the diversity and extent of high risk environmental weeds.
Low Quality Environmental - High Amenity	Areas that are largely dominated by exotic flora and / or have a very low cover of native vegetation and / or where persisting native vegetation is highly modified / degraded; however, where there is also high visitation and where visitor amenity is important (e.g. walking tracks).
Low Quality Environmental	Areas that are largely dominated by exotic flora and / or have a very low cover of native vegetation and / or where persisting native vegetation is highly modified / degraded.



Figure 24 Condition Classes assigned to vegetation, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 25 Condition Classes assigned to vegetation, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 26 Condition Classes assigned to vegetation, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





3.2 Flora Species

A total of 337 vascular flora species were recorded within the boundary of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve during the targeted vegetation mapping exercise completed from October – December 2023. An inventory of these flora, by management unit, is presented in Appendix 1. Of the flora, 236 species (70 %) were indigenous taxa, and 101 (30 %) were exotic taxa or naturalised species that occur beyond their natural range.

Overall, observations made during the site visits, revealed that the reserve supported intact vegetation that comprised of a high diversity of flora species, including a range of both terrestrial and riparian trees, small and medium shrubs, tree ferns, ground ferns, climbers, orchids, and herbs and graminoids, as well as a smaller array of epiphytes. Notably, the rich assemblage of species that occur within the reserve is reflective of the range *ecological niches* and *microclimates* that the area affords. Saliently, for a number of species, the study area represents the westerly extent of their *known range*; taxa in this category, for example, include the endangered FFG Act 1988 listed *Hakea decurrens* subsp. *platytaenia* (Coast Needle-wood), and the regionally significant *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia) (see Section 3.3 and Section 3.4 respectively).

A review of data held within the VBA revealed a dearth of historic records for the study area. That is, prior to the 2023 targeted survey, only 53 species had been formally documented as occurring within the site boundary (DELWP, 2023d; DELWP, 2023e; DELWP, 2023f). The currency of these database records spanned from 1997 to 2020, however, most were derived from surveys completed in 1997 and 2012, respectively. The 1997 records comprised of two *species lists for a defined area*; one compiled proximate to Second Creek in the Northern Management Unit, and a second near Macpherson Gully in the Central Management Unit. The 2012 records derived from a single quadrat sampled in the south-east corner of the reserve, in the Southern Management Unit.

A second VBA search revealed that the area immediately surrounding the reserve had also been subject to limited survey; with only an additional 28 unique species documented within this search distance. Aggregating records from both the database searches and the targeted survey revealed that, to date, 351 unique flora species have been recorded within the boundary of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, and that 365 unique flora species have been recorded within 100 lineal metres of the reserve boundary (DELWP, 2023d; DELWP, 2023e; DELWP, 2023f). An inventory of these taxa is presented in Appendix 2.

3.3 Rare and Threatened Flora Species

The flora recorded during the October – December 2023 surveys included four taxa that are listed on the FFG Act 1988; namely, the tree *Eucalyptus kitsoniana* (Bog Gum), the shrubs *Hakea decurrens* subsp. *platytaenia* (Coastal Needlewood) and *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood), and the herb *Wurmbea uniflora* (One-flower Early Nancy). An inventory of these taxa, by management unit, together with notes regarding habitat and distribution is provided in Table 4 (page 35). Of the flora, *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood) was the most widespread, and was recorded in all three management units. Although not formally documented (i.e. referenced in the VBA), *Eucalyptus kitsoniana* (Bog Gum) and *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood) were known to occur at Walkerville Foreshore prior to the current study, with the other two taxa representing new records / findings. The locations of the populations recorded from October – December 2023 are depicted in Figure 27 and Figure 28 (page 36 and 37), for the Northern and Southern Management Units respectively². The only taxon recorded in the Central Unit was *Monotoca glauca* (Currant-wood), and this taxon was not mapped due to its widespread and dispersed nature.

² Note: the maps also include populations of several regionally significant flora (see Section 3.4).

Conse Sta	rvation Itus	Coiontifia Nomo	Common Nome	life Form / Hobitet / Distribution A	Ma	anagement U	nit
EPBC	FFG		Common Name		Northern	Central	Southern
	cr	Eucalyptus kitsoniana	Bog Gum	Tree			yes
				Victorian endemic. Occurring on coastal lowlands from Yarram west to Cape Otway, and Mt Richmond near Portland. It also occurs on top of Mt Oberon (Wilsons Promontory) and on nearby Snake Is.			
				Widespread within Cape Liptrap Coastal Park and the surrounding district.			
	en	Hakea decurrens	Coast Needlewood	Medium shrub	yes		
		subsp. <i>platytaenia</i>		Currently recorded only from windswept coastal heaths on Wilsons Promontory and in the Mallacoota area, but possibly more widespread in similar sites.			
				Recorded in Sands Heathland.			
				This subspecies is also known to occur across the heathlands at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.			
	en	Monotoca glauca	Currant-wood	Medium shrub	yes	yes	yes
				Occurs on infertile sandy soils at sea- level or on near-coastal high-rainfall ranges. Grows in open-forest, heathy woodland, wet closed scrub and margins of cool-temperate rainforest.			
				Widespread through the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve and Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.			
	vu	Wurmbea uniflora	One-flower Early	Medium herb	yes		
			Nancy	An uncommon species, mostly from moist, heathy lowland sites (e.g. Portland, Halls Gap, Bairnsdale, Wangarabell near Genoa), with an isolated upland record from Mt Hedrick, north of Maffra.			
				The species has a very patchy distribution across the site, limited to mown area within Cape Liptrap Coastal Reserve.			

Table 4 Rare and threatened flora species recorded within the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

Conservation status is as per the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act 1999) and Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 (FFG Act 1988) - CR: Critically Endangered; EN: Endangered; and VU: Vulnerable. Acronyms shown in upper case reference the conservation status on the EPBC Act 1999; those in lower case reference the FFG Act 1988.

^ Habitat descriptions and distribution information were sourced from VicFlora (2023) Flora of Victoria, Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria [Online] Available: http://data.rbg.vic.gov.au/vicflora/ [accessed 5/12/2023].



Figure 27 Rare and threatened and regionally significant flora, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October - December 2023





Figure 28 Rare and threatened and regionally significant flora, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October - December 2023



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	Eucalyptus kitsoniana (Bog Gum) [cr]
Regionally	Significant Flora Records
•	Banksia serrata (Saw Banksia)
•	Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria (Bassian Pomaderris)
0	Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis (Dusty Daisy- bush)
•	Phyllangium divergens (Wiry Mitrewort)
•	Xanthorrhoea australis (Austral Grass-tree)
Hydrology	
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or Drain
Roads	
	Sealed Road
	Unsealed Road
	Walking and or Bicycle Trail
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Figure 29 The FFG Act 1988 listed herb Wurmbea uniflora (One-flower Early Nancy), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

A database search for rare and threatened flora recorded with a 5-kilometre radius of the study area yielded records for a total of 11 taxa. A synopsis of the currency of the database records (earliest/most recent record and count of records) is presented in Table 5 (page 39); for each taxon, reference is made to the likelihood that they may occur within the bounds of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve. The inventory also includes rare and threatened flora recorded during the current study. With respect to proximity to the study area, only one database record fell within 100 metres of the Foreshore Reserve boundary. The EPBC Act 1999 and FFG Act 1988 listed scrambler *Calystegia soldanella* (Sea Bindweed) was recorded just beyond the *area of interest* in 1984; more specifically, on the beach side at the southern end of the Walkerville Camping Reserve.

Table 5 Database records for rare and threatened flora species recorded within 5000 metres of the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, with reference to flora recorded during the October – December 2023 surveys

Conservation Status		Oniontifie Norma	Common Nama	Life Form	Currency of Da	atabase Records with	in 5000 metres	Provimity of Pacards to Earashara Pasarya / Likalik	
EPBC	FFG				Earliest	Most Recent	Count	Proximity of Records to Poresnore Reserve / Likelir	
	en	Argentipallium dealbatum	Silver Everlasting	Medium herb	1983	1983	2	Previously record at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park; two dis north-east of the northern extent of the study area. Taxon may occur within heathland vegetation within th conditions.	
	en	Banksia saxicola	Rock Banksia	Tree or large shrub	1973	1973	1	Previously recorded at one location approximately 3000 An unusual record that requires validation.	
	en	Burnettia cuneata	Lizard Orchid	Medium herb	1983	1983	1	Previously recorded at one location in Cape Liptrap C Bay. There is restricted habitat available for the taxon within occur within the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.	
EN	en	Caladenia orientalis	Eastern Spider-orchid	Medium herb	2007	2009	4	Previously recorded at three locations within Cape approximately 2000 metres from the study area. There is restricted habitat available for the taxon within Liptrap Coastal Park.	
	en	Calystegia soldanella	Sea Bindweed	Scrambler or climber	1991	2009	2	Database record within the Reserve boundary for 2009 Also recorded north-west of the study area on Fish-Cre Very interesting record. Species likely to be impacted b	
	cr	Eucalyptus kitsoniana	Bog Gum	Mallee tree	1966	2011	5	No previous database records within the Reserve boun surveys. Very restricted within the study area boundary but more	
	en	Hakea decurrens subsp. platytaenia	Coast Needlewood	Medium shrub	-	-	-	No previous database records within 5000 metres, how an area mapped as supporting Sands Heathland. Despite the absence of database records, also known f	
	en	Monotoca glauca	Currant-wood	Medium shrub	1982	2011	8	Recorded within the reserve during October – December Previously recorded at multiple locations within Cape Li Walkerville Road).	
	en	Pteris epaleata	Netted Brake	Ground fern	2002	2002	1	Previously recorded at a single location approximately Very interesting record although species not recorded e	
	en	Pterostylis pedoglossa	Prawn Greenhood	Medium herb	1970	1970	2	Previously recorded at two locations in Cape Liptrap Pa	
	vu	Sowerbaea juncea	Rush Lily	Large herb	1972	1995	3	Previously recorded along a tributary of Cooks Creek in of Waratah Bay. This represents a highly disjunct occur	
	en	Tmesipteris parva	Small Fork-fern	Epiphyte	1977	1997	5	Previously recorded at multiple locations to the north represents a highly disjunct occurrence of the taxon giv	
	vu	Wurmbea uniflora	One-flower Early Nancy	Medium herb	-	-	-	No previous database records within 5000 metres of 0 October – December 2023 surveys. This represents a Significant range extension with the species not previou	

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Data Sources: Targeted Survey (October – December 2023) and Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023d) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (restricted) - VBA_FLORA_RESTRICTED [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023, and Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023e) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (unrestricted) for sites with high spatial accuracy - VBA_FLORA25 [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.



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00 metres west of the southern extent of the study area.

Coastal Park; approximately 1500 metres west of the township of Waratah

the Foreshore Reserve, and it typically only flowers after fire. Likely to still

e Liptrap Coastal Park; known from the western boundary of the park

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n of the study area (in Cape Liptrap Coastal Park) and to the south. This ven that it occurs so close to the coast.

Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, however, recorded in the Reserve during a highly disjunct occurrence. Small population (<10 plants) in one locality. busly recorded within South Gippsland.

# 3.4 Regionally Significant Flora Populations

Further to the listed flora recorded for the site, a number of regionally significant taxa were also observed during the October – December 2023 surveys. They include flora that are currently only known from a small number of locations within the South Gippsland region, and that have typically been observed to be in population decline. A summary of these is presented in Table 6.

While a comprehensive review of the full suite of flora known from Walkerville Foreshore Reserve was not completed as part of the current study, cursory observation suggested that noteworthy species at the site included *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia), *Carex gunniana* var. *gunniana* (Swamp Sedge), *Phyllangium divergens* (Wiry Mitre-wort), and *Xanthorrhoea australis* (Austral Grass-tree).

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form / Habitat / Distribution *	Northern	Central	Southern
Banksia serrata	Saw Banksia	Medium shrub In Victoria confined to coastal and hinterland areas east of Waratah Bay. Often locally common on sandy soils in open-forests. The recorded population represents the westerly extent of the taxon's range.			yes
Carex gunniana var. gunniana	Swamp Sedge	Medium to small tufted graminoid Rather uncommon, occurring mainly on swampy ground adjacent to watercourses in the lowlands of the south-west, with a single collection from Eucalyptus pauciflora woodland on Major Mitchell Plateau, and with a few occurrences in the eastern part of the state (e.g. Beenak, Wilsons Promontory, Nunniong Plateau etc.). Known from only a small number of plants such as those recorded along the lower reaches of Cooks Creek.	yes		
Olearia argophylla	Musk Daisy-bush	<i>Tree or large shrub</i> Widespread in gullies and wetter forests through much of the State, but surprisingly absent from the Grampians. Rare on the Volcanic Plain (e.g. at Tower Hill near Koroit) The occurrence of this species and others such as <i>Bedfordia arborescens</i> (Blanket leaf) illustrate just how sheltered/wet that the gullies and creeklines are in the Foreshore Reserve.	yes		
Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis	Dusty Daisy-bush	Small shrub Restricted to coastal heath and woodland, on and west Wilsons Promontory (Inverloch, Waratah Bay, Cape Patterson), with isolated records from the Gippsland Lakes area and Mallacoota, generally in deep sands on the leeward side of primary dunes and secondary dunes. The taxon is relatively common where suitable habitat exists within the Foreshore Reserve.			yes

#### Table 6 Regionally significant flora species recorded within the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Colontific Norma	Common Nama	life Form / Hobitet / Distribution A	M	lanagement Ur	nit
	Common Name	Life Form / Habitat / Distribution **	Northern	Central	Southern
Phyllangium divergens	Wiry Mitrewort	Small or prostrate herb Occurs in open habitats on periodically wet sandy and clayey soils, often overlying rock. A small annual species that would be readily overlooked. There is a significant range gap from the populations of Wilsons Promontory.			yes
Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria	Bassian Pomaderris	Medium shrub Occurs on low exposed dunes and in coastal scrub on deep siliceous sands on coasts between Cape Patterson and the Ninety Mile Beach. Restricted to suitable habitat type where still present but occurs on relatively low numbers.			yes
Xanthorrhoea australis	Austral Grass-tree	Large tufted graminoid Often abundant in sandy soils in heathlands communities or on rocky hillsides. Iconic species. Some significant populations still persist within the Foreshore Reserve. Notably, the species is highly susceptible to Cinnamon Fungus ( <i>Phytophthora</i> <i>cinnamomi</i> ).	yes		yes

^ Habitat descriptions and distribution information were sourced from VicFlora (2023) Flora of Victoria, Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria [Online] Available: http://data.rbg.vic.gov.au/vicflora/ [accessed 5/12/2023].



Figure 30 Banksia serrata (Saw Banksia), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023

# 4.0 OTHER VALUES

# 4.1 Fauna Habitat

Observations made during the October – December 2023 field surveys highlighted the significance of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve as faunal habitat, principally given that the site contains several distinct habitat types that range from forests to woodlands, to heathlands and scrub, to coastlines. The diversity of the available habitats, coupled with the maturity of several of the forest types, and the connectedness of the site to the surrounding landscape (e.g. Cape Liptrap Coastal Park), suggests the site has the capacity to support populations of a range of invertebrate, amphibious, fish, avian, reptilian and mammalian taxa. Notably, the significance of some of these species (as well as the site's capacity to support listed rare and threatened species) may aid in informing future management priorities at the reserve; specifically, with respect to prioritising vegetation management actions, and possibly as grounds for sourcing funding / grants.

Although a field survey was beyond the purview of the current study, a total of 96 fauna species were observed accessing / utilising the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve during the course of the 2023 vegetation mapping exercise. An inventory of the recorded taxa is presented in Appendix 3. Of the fauna, 92 species (96 %) were native taxa, and 4 (4 %) were introduced taxa.



Figure 31 Tasmanian Morepork (Ninox novaeseelandiae leucopsis), Cape Liptrap Coastal Reserve, October 2023



To further inform fauna utilisation of the site, a review of records held within the VBA was completed. Similar to the flora search, the fauna search garnered limited historic information pertaining to the site, with records for only 48 taxa returned (DELWP, 2023a; DELWP, 2023b; DELWP, 2023c) (see Appendix 4). The records spanned from 1999 to 2020, although a large portion derived from observations made at a single location along the northern foreshore in 2004. The remaining records generally comprised of incidental observations, with a higher concentration of sightings in the Southern Management Unit.

Extending the search parameter to encompass a distance of 100 lineal metres from the reserve boundary (i.e. to encompass the immediate surrounds of the reserve), returned records for an additional 23 unique taxa, and thus 72 species in total. Aggregating records from both the databases search and the 2023 observations revealed that, to date, 122 unique fauna species have been recorded within 100 lineal metres of the reserve boundary (DELWP, 2023a; DELWP, 2023b; DELWP, 2023c). An inventory of these taxa is presented in Appendix 4.

Overall, while some faunal groups (e.g. birds and mammals) have been subject to reasonable study with the Foreshore Reserve, as well as at the neighbouring Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, other taxon types appear to have been undersampled. For example, despite suitable habitat at the Reserve for Burrowing Crayfish (*Engaeus* spp.), to date, there are no VBA records that confirm the presence of this genus within the study area. Likewise, there are relatively few reptile records that pertain to the Foreshore Reserve, and no records for the Swamp Skink (*Lissolepis conventryi*); the latter being despite evidence of the species occurring at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.

Also of note, the broader area surrounding the Reserve is recognised for providing habitat to a range of species that occur beyond what is their *known range*. For example, the area supports the Superb Lyrebird (*Menura novaehollandiae*), with the resident population a significant outlier deriving from the Strzelecki Ranges where annual surveys are undertaken to garner knowledge of population size and distribution. The Morepork (*Ninox novaeseelandiae*), the Tasmanian species of the Boobook, is another example of an avian species that visits the region on a regular, in this case annual, basis; this taxon is known to congregate in the South Gippsland area around Cape Liptrap each year before returning to Tasmania. Further, although not within the immediate study area, in recent months the Turquoise Parrot (*Neophema pulchella*) has been recorded at two nearby locations, again demonstrating that the study area may serve as a *range extension* for bird species not previously known to occur in the region.

# 4.2 Rare and Threatened Fauna Species

The fauna recorded during the October – December 2023 site visits included eight taxa that are listed on either the EPBC Act 1999 and / or the FFG Act 1988 (see Table 7). The EPBC Act 1999 listings pertained to three avian fauna; namely the Blue-winged Parrot (*Neophema chrysostoma*), Gang-gang Cockatoo (*Aythya australis*) and White-throated Needletail (*Hirundapus caudacutus*).

Conservation Status		Common Name	Scientific Name	Taxon Type	Habitat on Site / Population Notes		
EPBC	FFG						
VU		Blue-winged Parrot	Neophema chrysostoma	Non-passerine bird	Previously recorded at multiple locations in Cape Liptrap Coastal Park; both to the north and north-west of the study area. Although there are no database records within the site boundary, suitable habitat occurs within the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, and the taxon is regularly sighted utilising the Reserve.		

Table 7 Rare and threatened fauna species recorded within the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Conse Sta	rvation itus	Common Namo	Scientific Name		Habitat on Site / Population Notes
EPBC	FFG				
	vu	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	Wader	Prefers coastal wetlands and shorelines; likely, recorded at Cooks Creek in 2023. Possible vagrant along the shoreline.
EN		Gang-gang Cockatoo	Callocephalon fimbriatum	Non-passerine bird	Previously recorded at multiple locations across Cape Liptrap Coastal Park. Despite the absence of database records, suitable habitat occurs within Walkerville Foreshore Reserve and the taxon is regularly sighted.
	en	Lace Monitor	Varanus varius	Reptile	Occupies various habitats; suitable habitat within the Reserve and sighted during the 2023 surveys. Various sized animals anecdotally observed in the area indicating there are multiple animals but unclear of the population size.
	vu	vu Powerful Owl Ninox strenua		Non-passerine bird	Occupies forests and woodlands. Recorded close by Casuarina Road, Walkerville South (Rob Dabal, <i>pers.</i> <i>comm</i> ). Population or numbers of breeding pairs across the broader area is unknown.
	en	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	Haliaeetus leucogaster	Non-passerine bird	Regularly recorded accessing the Reserve including during the 2023 surveys and known to nest close by Walkerville South area.
	vu	White-footed Dunnart	Sminthopsis leucopus	Mammal	Requires forest, woodland and heathlands with a dense understorey. Was recorded in the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve in 2023. Species is possibly still widespread in the area.
VU	vu	White-throated Needletail	Hirundapus caudacutus	Non-passerine bird	Regularly recorded accessing the airspace around the Reserve including during the 2023 surveys.

Note: some taxa were not recorded during the targeted vegetation mapping, however, were recorded immediately prior to.

A database search for rare and threatened fauna recorded with a 5-kilometre radius of the study area yielded records for 34 taxa. A synopsis of the currency of the database records (earliest/most recent record and count of records) is presented in Table 8 (page 45); for each taxon, reference is made to the likelihood that they may occur within the bounds of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve. The inventory also includes reference to rare and threatened fauna recorded during the current study. Notably, a number of the listed fauna are pelagic sea birds which are unlikely to use the study area as part of their habitat.

The records date from 1964 to 2021, however, a large number were collected during a 1974 bird survey to the north of the study area at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.

With respect to proximity to the study area, database records for three taxa fell within the boundary of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve itself; namely for the Hooded Plover (*Thinornis cucullatus*), White-bellied Sea-Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucogaster*), and White-throated Needletail (*Hirundapus caudacutus*); of which the latter two were again sighted in 2023.

Table 8 Database records for rare and threatened fauna species recorded within 5000 metres of the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, with reference to fauna recorded during the October – December 2023 surveys

Conservat	tion Status				Curre	ency of Database Re	cords	
EPBC	FFG	Common Name	Scientific Name	Taxon Type	Earliest	Most Recent	Count	Proximity of Records to Poreshore Reserve / Likelinood
EN	cr	Australasian Bittern	Botaurus poiciloptilus	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Prefers wetlands; unlikely to occur within the Foreshore Res
	vu	Australasian Shoveler	Spatula rhynchotis	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Prefers wetlands; unlikely to occur within the Foreshore Res
	cr	Barking Owl	Ninox connivens	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Prefers woodlands; suitable habitat within the Reserve, how
VU		Black-browed Albatross	Thalassarche melanophris	Marine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Pelagic species; possibly vagrant.
VU		Blue-winged Parrot	Neophema chrysostoma	Non-passerine birds	1972	2010	9	Previously recorded at multiple locations in Cape Liptrap Co Although there are no database records within the site bound the taxon is regularly sighted utilising the Reserve.
	vu	Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	Waders	1974	2010	3	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxin study area. Also recorded on multiple occasions at Bears G of the study area Occupies open water bodies; and there is suitable habitat in
	vu	Chestnut-rumped Heathwren	Calamanthus pyrrhopygius	Passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Suitable habitat within the Reserve; however, unlikely to occ
	vu	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	Waders	1986	1986	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park; approx southern extent of the Central Management Unit. Prefers coastal wetlands and shorelines; likely, recorded at
CR	cr	Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	Waders	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxin study area. Occupies coastal wetlands and shorelines; possible vagrant
CR	cr	Eastern Curlew	Numenius madagascariensis	Waders	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxin study area. Occupies coastal wetlands and shorelines; possible vagrant
VU	cr	Fairy Tern	Sternula nereis	Waders	2019	2019	2	Recorded on multiple occasions at Bears Gully (in Cape Lip Sheltered coastal waters, sandy spits and beaches. May pe
	en	Freckled Duck	Stictonetta naevosa	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxin study area. Prefers wetlands; unlikely to occur within the Reserve due to

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ndary, suitable habitat occurs within the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, and

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EPBC	FFG	Common Name	Scientific Name	Taxon Type	Earliest	Most Recent	Count	Proximity of Records to Foreshore Reserve / Likelihood
EN		Gang-gang Cockatoo	Callocephalon fimbriatum	Non-passerine birds	1974	2019	4	Previously recorded at multiple locations across Cape Liptra Despite the absence of database records, suitable habitat sighted.
VU	cr	Glossy Black-Cockatoo	Calyptorhynchus lathami	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Occupies Black Sheoak dominated vegetation, which occurs Peninsula. Possible that birds moving through may use the a
	en	Grey Goshawk	Accipiter novaehollandiae	Non-passerine birds	2017	2017	1	Previously recorded on the boundary of Cape Liptrap Coast study area, and south-west of the intersection of Acacia Roa Occupies a range of habitat types from open woodlands and
VU	vu	Grey-headed Flying-fox	Pteropus poliocephalus	Mammals	2006	2006	1	Previously recorded on the western boundary of Cape Liptra Walkerville road; approximately 2200 metres north-west of the Species will opportunistically use a range of habitat types ar
	en	Ground Parrot	Pezoporus wallicus	Non-passerine birds	2017	2017	1	Previously recorded in Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim Occupies dense low coastal heathlands; with suitable habita
VU	vu	Hooded Plover	Thinornis cucullatus	Waders	1974	2019	92	Variously recorded along the coastline between Waratah B Reserve in 2004. Occupies open sand beaches; pairs known from beaches in
VU	en	Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross	Thalassarche carteri	Marine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recoded within Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, appro Pelagic species; possibly vagrant.
	en	Lace Monitor	Varanus varius	Reptiles	1994	2021	4	Previously recorded at multiple locations within Cape Liptra and south of the study area. Occupies various habitats; suitable habitat found within the surveys.
	vu	Little Eagle	Hieraaetus morphnoides	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Occupies various habitats; with suitable habitat found within
	vu	Musk Duck	Biziura lobata	Non-passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Prefers wetlands; unlikely to occur within the Walkerville For
VU		Pilotbird	Pycnoptilus floccosus	Passerine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Occupies forests. Suitable habitat within the Walkerville For
	vu	Powerful Owl	Ninox strenua	Non-passerine birds	1974	2008	10	Recorded at multiple locations within Cape Liptrap Coasta extent of the study area. Occupies forests and woodlands. Recorded close by to the

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d open country. Suitable habitat within the area.

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nd flowering species, and is adapted to foraging fruit trees and gardens.

nately 1500 metres west of the study area.

tat occurring within Walkerville Foreshore Reserve.

Bay and Walkerville including within the boundary of Walkerville Foreshore

the area.

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reshore Reserve; however, unlikely to occur due to population decline.

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Reserve (Rob Dabal, pers. comm).

Conservation Status		0	Scientific Name	Taxon Type	Curre	ency of Database Re	cords	Provinity of Poosedo to Forschere Poservo (Likelihood	
EPBC	FFG	Common Name	Scientific Name	Taxon Type	Earliest	Most Recent	Count	Proximity of Records to Foreshore Reserve / Likelihood	
VU	cr	Sooty Albatross	Phoebetria fusca	Marine birds	2005	2005	1	Previously recorded approximately 4000 metres west of the Pelagic species; possibly vagrant.	
EN	en	Southern Giant-Petrel	Macronectes giganteus	Marine birds	1974	1974	1	Previously recorded at Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, approxim study area. Pelagic species; possibly vagrant.	
	en	Southern Toadlet	Pseudophryne semimarmorata	Amphibians	1964	1977	10	Previously recorded at a single location in Cape Liptrap Co study area), and near Buffalo – Waratah Road (4300 west south of Walkerville South. Occupies small, seasonal wetlands along drainage lines. S records within the area, but suitable habitat still present.	
VU	vu	Swamp Antechinus	Antechinus minimus maritimus	Mammals	1976	2017	7	Previously recorded at multiple locations within Cape Liptra Occupies dense heathland and heathy woodlands; with suit	
EN	en	Swamp Skink	Lissolepis coventryi	Reptiles	1974	2000	5	Restricted database records are held for this taxon in this metres of the study area. Occupies salt marsh and dense swampy vegetation. Althoug Walkerville Foreshore Reserve.	
	en	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	Haliaeetus leucogaster	Non-passerine birds	1974	2020	12	Previously recoded at numerous locations within Cape Liptr Regularly recorded accessing the Walkerville Foreshore Re	
	vu	White-footed Dunnart	Sminthopsis leucopus	Mammals	1975	2017	8	Previously recorded at multiple locations within Cape Liptrage Requires forest, woodland and heathlands with a dense unc	
VU	vu	White-throated Needletail	Hirundapus caudacutus	Non-passerine birds	1974	2018	12	Previously recorded at multiple locations within Cape Liptrap Regularly recorded accessing the Walkerville Foreshore Re	

Conservation status is as per the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act 1999) and Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 (FFG Act 1988) - CR: Critically Endangered; EN: Endangered; and VU: Vulnerable. Acronyms shown in upper case reference the conservation status on the EPBC Act 1999; those in lower case reference the FFG Act 1988.

Data Sources: Incidental Observations (October – December 2023) and Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023d) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (restricted) - VBA_FLORA_RESTRICTED [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023, and Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023e) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (unrestricted) for sites with high spatial accuracy - VBA_FLORA25 [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

Note: aquatic mammals such as whales have been excluded from the results as they are not relevant to the current study.

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# 5.0 THREATENING PROCESSES

# 5.1 Environmental Weed Incursion

During site visits completed between October and December 2023, 52 species were designated *priority environmental weeds* in the context of the Foreshore Reserve, and population data were collected to facilitate their active management. An inventory of these species, by Management Unit, is provided in Table 9 (page 49), together with their noxious status and bioregional ranking. The spatial distribution of all recorded weed populations is depicted, by Management Unit, in Section 7.3, and population abundance is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

Thirty-three of the 52 *priority weeds* are nominated as *Very High* or *High Risk* in Victoria (White *et al.*, 2022). Four taxa, **Asparagus scandens* (Asparagus Fern), **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Box-thorn), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Salix X fragilis* (Crack Willow), are also deemed *Weeds of National Significance* (WONS) by Weeds Australia (2023), and together with three additional taxa (namely, **Allium triquetrum* (Angled Onion), **Cynara cardunculus* subsp. *flavescens* (Artichoke Thistle) and **Foeniculum vulgare* (Fennel)) are listed as *regional controlled* or *restricted weeds* within the West Gippsland Catchment under the *Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994* (*Vic*) (CaLP Act 1994) (Agriculture Victoria, 2017). **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) is also present on the FFG Act 1988 '*Potentially Threatening Processes List*,' given its ability given its ability 'to invade native vegetation' (DELWP, 2022b).

An account of weeds that occupy specific sections of the Foreshore Reserve is provided in Section 7.0, together with a summary of the taxa that are considered an immediate management priority. Notably, ongoing programs for controlling environmental weeds across the site are essential to prevent steady decline of biodiversity values, and to maintain landscape amenity and character.

The site inspections in 2023 indicated that the cover and distribution of priority weeds across the Foreshore Reserve was varied, and that priorities for control will also vary depending on the quality of vegetation they occur within, and the values each area supports. Vegetation, and exotic flora, of the reserve, however, was generally characterised by the following:

- Large core areas of remnant vegetation, where typical environmental weeds that have good dispersal mechanisms (i.e. are animal dispersed) such as *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) have been able to establish (albeit at relatively low numbers and extent), and where there are some small, localised populations of species such as **Cestrum elegans* (Poison Elegant-berry), **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spur-flower), **Ilex aquifolium* (English Holly). Note: management of these populations should be the highest priority; these taxa also represent some of the easiest species to control.
- The encroachment of weeds from house sites, where the increased use of horticultural species that have the potential to *naturalise*, and the *edge effect* which has been created by clearing of remnant bushland, have led to optimal conditions for the establishment and spread of a number of species. Weeds more typical of these areas included some which are slower to spread such as *Agapanthus praecox (Agapanthus) and *Kniphofia uvaria (Red-hot Poker), as well as more invasive species such as *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry) and *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon).
- Native plantings that are associated with public areas such as the Walkerville Camping Reserve and Picnic Sites. These types of plantings include a range of species that are known to only sparingly establish outside of their *natural range*. For many of these species, their extent has been mapped, however, they are not deemed as a high priority to be controlled at this time. It is, however, possible that in time and under different climatic conditions that these species will begin to naturalise further and warrant interventive management.

						Bioregional Status		M	anagement Unit and Zo	ne
Origin	Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Life Form	CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Northern	Central	Southern
	Graminoids									
*	Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	Poaceae	Large tufted graminoid	-	-	High Risk		4	5
*	Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Iridaceae	Medium to small tufted graminoid	-	-	Very High Risk	3	3	5
	Herbs									
*	Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Alliaceae	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk	3	2, 3	1, 2, 4, 6
*	Allium cepa	Onion	Alliaceae	Large herb	-	-	-			6
*	Allium triquetrum	Angled Onion	Alliaceae	Medium herb	Restricted Weed	-	High Risk	4		
*	Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	Araceae	Large herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk	3		6
*	Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	Hemerocallidaceae	Medium herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk	3		1
*	Crassula multicava subsp. multicava	Shade Crassula	Crassulaceae	Small or prostrate herb	-	-	High Risk	3		
*	Crassula muscosa var. muscosa	Clubmoss Crassula	Crassulaceae	Medium herb	-	-	High Risk		2	
*	Cynara cardunculus subsp. flavescens	Artichoke Thistle	Asteraceae	Large herb	Regionally Prohibited Weed	-	Medium Risk			1
*	Dimorphotheca pluvialis	Cape Marigold	Calenduleae	Medium herb	-	-	Lower Risk	3		
*	Foeniculum vulgare	Fennel	Apiaceae	Medium herb	Restricted Weed	-	Very High Risk	3		
*	Gazania linearis	Gazania	Asteraceae	Medium herb	-	-	Very High Risk	4		
*	Kniphofia uvaria	Red-hot Poker	Asphodelaceae	Large herb	-	-	High Risk		3	2
*	Plectranthus ciliatus	African Spur-flower	Lamiaceae	Large herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk	1, 4		
*	Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Araceae	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk	1	1, 2	2, 4, 5, 6
	Palms		1	1					1	
*	Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage-tree	Agavaceae	Palm	-	-	High Risk	4		1, 6
*	Washingtonia spp.	Fan Palm	Arecaceae	Palm	-	-	-	4		
	Scramblers and Climbers									
*	Asparagus scandens	Asparagus Fern	Asparagaceae	Scrambler or climber	Restricted Weed	YES	Very High Risk	1		
*	Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Asteraceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	1, 3, 4	1, 3	1, 2, 6

# Table 9 Life form and bioregional status of priority environmental weeds recorded within the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, by Management Unit and Zone, October – December 2023

	Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Life Form	Bioregional Status			Management Unit and Zone		
Origin					CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Northern	Central	Southern
*	Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	Fabaceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	3		2, 3, 4, 5, 6
*	Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	Araliaceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	3	1, 3, 5	
*	Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk			4, 5
*	Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	Passifloraceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Medium Risk	1		4, 6
*	Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Rosaceae	Scrambler or climber	Regionally Controlled Weed	YES	High Risk	1, 2, 3	1, 2, 3, 5	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
*	Tradescantia fluminensis	Wandering Jew	Commelinaceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	3		
*	Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Apocynaceae	Scrambler or climber	-	-	High Risk	3, 4	5	6
	Small and Medium Shrubs									
*	Cestrum elegans	Elegant Poison-berry	Solanaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	2		
*	Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Rubiaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	3	3	1, 2, 3, 4
*	<i>Grevillea</i> spp./cv.	Grevillea (cultivated)	Proteaceae	Small shrub	-	-	-	3		
*	Hakea drupacea	Sweet Hakea	Proteaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	High Risk			2
*	Hakea laurina	Pincushion Hakea	Proteaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk			4
*	Hebe spp.	Hebe	Scrophulariaceae	Small shrub	-	-	-		3	
*	Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	Hydrangeaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	Lower Risk	3		3
*	Lycium ferocissimum	African Box-thorn	Solanaceae	Medium shrub	Regionally Controlled Weed	YES	High Risk			1, 3, 6
#	Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	Myrtaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk	3		6
*	Physalis peruviana	Cape Gooseberry	Solanaceae	Small shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk			1
*	Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	Rosaceae	Medium shrub	-	-	High Risk	4		1
	Trees and Large Shrubs									
*	Acacia elata	Cedar Wattle	Mimosaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk			6
#	Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	Mimosaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	4		1, 2, 4, 6
*	Corymbia ficifolia	Flowering Gum	Myrtaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	-	3		
*	Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	Rosaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk	4		
*	Eucalyptus botryoides	Southern Mahogany	Myrtaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk	4		

Origin	Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Life Form	Bioregional Status			Management Unit and Zone		
					CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Northern	Central	Southern
*	Ficus carica	Fig	Moraceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk	3	1	6
*	Fraxinus spp.	Ash	Oleaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High or Very High Risk	4		
*	llex aquifolium	English Holly	Aquifoliaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	3	1	
*	Melaleuca hypericifolia	Hillock Bush	Myrtaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk			6
*	Pinus radiata	Radiata Pine	Pinaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk			3
#	Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Pittosporaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	1, 2, 3, 4	1, 2	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
*	Salix X fragilis	Crack Willow	Salicaceae	Tree or large shrub	Restricted Weed	YES	Very High Risk	3		
#	Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	Myrtaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Medium Risk	3		6
*	Yucca spp.	Yucca	Agavaceae	Tree or large shrub	-	-	-			4

Origin - an asterisk (*) denotes species of exotic origin, and a hash (#) denotes those that are native, but where some stands may be alien.

CaLP Act 1994 – Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994

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Agriculture Victoria (2017) Victorian Noxious Weeds List – Alphabetical by Scientific Name – current 20th July 2017 [Online] Available: https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0003/538149/Victorian-noxious-weeds-list-by-scientific-name-20-July-2017.pdf [accessed 8/10/2022]. Weeds Australia (2023) Profiles for Weeds of National Significance [Online] Available: https://weeds.org.au/weeds-profiles/ [accessed 5/12/2023]. Examples of the more common weed flora recorded at the Foreshore Reserve in 2023 are provided in the following photographic series (see Figure 32 to Figure 36).



Figure 32 The invasive shrub *Cestrum elegans (Elegant Poison-berry), Second Creek, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, November 2023



Figure 33 The invasive scrambler **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023 This photograph was taken within the Southern Management Unit. This extensive infestation will require sustained management over a prolonged period.





Figure 34 The invasive scramblers **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honeysuckle) and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), gully west of Walkerville Road, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023



Figure 35 *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), Macpherson Creek, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October 2023 This photograph was taken within the Central Management Unit. Native ferns that dominate the area include Polystichum proliferum (Mother Shield-fern).





Figure 36 **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle) incursion from the carpark into native vegetation, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, November 2023

### 5.2 Overabundant Indigenous Flora

In Victoria, the ability for locally indigenous species at a given site to become *invasive* or *overabundant*, or to have a *negative impact* on other flora and fauna values as a consequence of alterations to ecological processes, is well documented. *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coastal Tea-tree), for example, is prone to this behaviour across the isthmus at Wilsons Promontory, with other species such *Leptospermum continentale* (Prickly Tea-tree), *Phragmites australis* (Common Reed) and *Typha orientalis* (Broad-leaf Cumbungi), commonly considered *overabundant* across other parts of Victoria. *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), is also known to exhibit such behaviour, with '*the spread of Pittosporum undulatum in areas outside its natural distribution*', recognised as a '*Potentially Threatening Process*,' under the FFG Act 1988 (DELWP, 2022b).

In a bioregional context, there has been substantial discussion relating to the pre-1750 distribution of *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), and the extent to which it once occurred beyond the Warm Temperate Rainforest areas of the Strzelecki Ranges. Even within its *natural range*, for example, the species is known to become dominant where it occurs beyond its recognised habitat niche. In the context of Waratah Bay and the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, and thus with respect to the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, for example, *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) is considered to overabundant when found outside of most sheltered gully lines (and even at times, within these areas). Where *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) is found in EVCs such as Lowland Forest and Coastal Headland Scrub, for example, it has been identified as having the potential to become overabundant, and displace other components of the local flora, and populations in these areas are therefore considered to warrant interventive management.

#Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) also falls in this category, although assessments of its potential overabundance are more problematic as there are two subspecies that occur in Victoria; one that is local to the West Gippsland area, and

one from East Gippsland, with the latter commonly of planted in gardens. The non-local subspecies #Acacia longifolia subsp. *longifolia* (Sallow Wattle), has been identified by VicFlora (2023) as "spreading rapidly in southern Australia, and becoming more common, possibly as a result of garden-escapes". Comparably, the local subspecies Acacia longifolia subsp. *sophorae* (Coast Wattle) is thought to be largely restricted to the foredunes along the coast, although as VicFlora (2023) does acknowledge, is "possibly invading the hinterland", and the "subsp. grades almost imperceptibly into subsp. sophorae".

These dispersal patterns highlight the complexities, both with respect to resolving the taxonomy of the species, and with respect determining its potential habitat niche, and thus adopting appropriate management at a localised scale and site level. In each scenario, and in the context of the Foreshore Reserve, appropriate management needs to be based on the current ecological value of a given area, and the potential for either subspecies to shift this; where this in turn, may lead to ecological simplification of vegetation. Saliently, when adopting this approach, there are occasions in the study area, where interventive management is warranted, and select populations of #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) should be actively controlled.

Note, although *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coastal Tea-tree) also has the potential to become overabundant within the study area, it has not been deemed a priority for management at this time. There are areas where the taxon forms an important component of vegetation structure, including within Coastal Dune Scrub and Coast Banksia Woodland vegetation, and the 2023 assessments suggested it has not becomes invasive in these scenarios.

#### 5.3 Pest Animal Intrusion

During the October – December 2023 site visits, there was evidence of other processes that threaten the ecological integrity of the Foreshore Reserve, both as flora and fauna habitat. They included pest animal intrusion in the form of grazing, and predation by introduced fauna; namely, deer, foxes, rabbits, and also potentially cats. Several of these are listed as *potentially threatening* under the FFG Act 1988 (DELWP, 2022b) including: the reduction in biodiversity of native vegetation by deer, specifically Fallow Deer (*Dama dama*); predation of native wildlife by the Red Fox (**Vulpes Vulpes*); and predation of native wildlife by the Feral Cat (**Felis catus*).

Notably, fauna at risk of predation within the reserve include ground-dwelling avian taxa and nesting birds such as Hooded Plovers (*Thinornis rubricollis*), Southern Emu-wren (*Stipiturus malachurus*), ground-dwelling reptiles such as Swamp Skinks (*Lissolepis coventryi*)), and forest birds including Powerful Owl (*Ninox strenua*). Often, as in the case of Powerful Owl (*Ninox strenua*), young (i.e. chicks) are more vulnerable to this type of threat.

## 5.4 Other Disturbances

During the October – December 2023 site visits, several instances of anthropogenic disturbance were also sighted within the Foreshore Reserve; for example, there was evidence of dumped garden waste at a number of locations (and in surrounding bushland), and of the encroachment of campers (both pedestrian and vehicular) into remnant vegetation was also witnessed. There were also several instances where adjoining land owners had extended management beyond the boundaries of their properties and into the Reserve itself; where the latter took the form of garden plantings (often weeds), mowing regimes, and in some instances, vegetation clearance to maintain sight lines to the ocean. There were also occasions where storm-water piping had been directed into the Reserve. In addition to altering the local character of the landscape, intrusions of this nature are often problematic in that they can promote or further weed invasion, and as they can compromise the success of management intervention within the reserve itself. They can also lead to increased nutrient loading, which will in turn alter the floristic composition of the site.

It is recommended that the Committee continue to work with neighbouring land owners to ensure that practices such as dumping garden waste cease, and similarly, with regard to the cessation of vegetation removal to maintain sight lines. It is also recommended that the Committee work with land owners to manage 'high risk' weeds that occur only the outer boundaries of the reserve. The recent construction of the stormwater pipe from a new dwelling into MacPherson Creek has the potential to become a point source for both weed invasion and erosion issues, and should also be addressed.

# 6.0 MANAGEMENT VISION AND OBJECTIVES

The overarching vision for management of the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, and thus of this plan, is to:

Retain, protect and enhance the ecological values and functioning of the site, and to appropriately manage threatening processes that may act to degrade these, while also improving landscape amenity and promoting active and passive recreation within discrete sections of the Foreshore Reserve

The following objectives provide a broad framework for the management of vegetation (and landscape amenity) at the site. A series of management strategies have been identified for vegetation management that address these objectives.

Management objectives:

- to maintain, enhance and protect native vegetation communities and faunal habitat;
- to maintain and improve the amenity of the natural landscapes throughout the reserve;
- to protect and enhance habitat for threatened flora (and fauna species); and
- to reduce the extent and cover of high risk weeds (including those listed on the CaLP Act 1994) and eliminate these where possible.

Management strategies:

- to identify and develop strategic management zones for the management of indigenous and exotic vegetation;
- to promote natural regeneration and protect indigenous species at critical stages in their life cycles;
- to implement a revegetation and species enrichment program using site appropriate species to increase the richness and cover of indigenous species, reinstate structural components, and to increase visual amenity and landscape character;
- to monitor the survival rate of revegetation and enrichment plantings, and to undertake supplementary planting where necessary;
- to monitor the diversity and distribution of weed populations in the reserve;
- to monitor the diversity of distribution of indigenous flora that are deemed to be overabundant across the reserve
- to implement a strategic weed control program that *eradicates* (where practical) environmental weeds that threaten the ecological character and amenity of the reserve, and / or *reduces* their cover or *contains* their extent;
- to monitor for new and emerging weeds and abate their incursion within the reserve; and
- to employ an adaptive management approach that regularly reviews management and monitoring actions in accordance with changes in site and environmental conditions.

# 7.0 MANAGEMENT PLAN

# 7.1 Plan Structure

The plan comprises two core elements that encompass the strategies itemised in Section 6.0: the first pertains to *revegetation / natural regeneration and species enrichment*; and, the second pertains to *weed management*. A précis of each element for the Foreshore Reserve is provided in Section 7.2, with further details as they relate to each of the three management units provided in Section 7.3. Thematic weed maps that will aid in the execution of *on-ground works*, and a summary of proposed management actions for each unit is also provided in Section 7.3. Note, to facilitate *on-ground works*, each of the three management units has been further divided into a series of discrete zones, and management recommendations have been tailored to the character of each zone. For example, the zones account for the discrete assemblages of flora and fauna supported, as well as the prevalence and impact of threats at a localised scale. They also reference visitor amenity, and address means for enhancing / improving this where appropriate.

Note also, given the similar nature of on-ground remediation works, *weed management* also encompasses the management of indigenous species that are deemed *'out of balance'*, and taxa that fall in this category are also included in inventories of priority weed flora.

Saliently, while other threatening processes (including coastal erosion and pest animal intrusion) are referenced throughout the plan, and more specifically in the descriptions of each Management Unit (and zones within), recommendations regarding their mitigation are beyond the purview of the study. They have, nonetheless, been flagged so that appropriate investigations / actions can be considered in due course.

# 7.2 Plan Elements

# 7.2.1 Revegetation / Natural Regeneration and Species Enrichment Plantings

Given that much of the Foreshore Reserve comprises of a high cover of indigenous vegetation that is principally intact, the need for intervention in the form of revegetation works is lessened. In these areas, facilitating the natural regeneration of indigenous flora through appropriate management (e.g. targeted weed control to limit competition, coupled with protection from tramping (pedestrian and vehicular)) is likely to be adequate, and will be a less expensive and more successful form of intervention over the longer-term.

Revegetation and / or enrichment plantings are, however, recommended for a selection of the more degraded parts of the Foreshore Reserve, and in some parts, will be necessary to reinstate and diversify structural components of the flora. Here, one of the core objectives of such plantings would be to link patches of remnant vegetation, and thus create more contiguous habitat for resident flora and fauna. Notably, in Walkerville North, past efforts to revegetate sections of the reserve have resulted in some increases in vegetation cover, however, are likely to benefit from supplementary planting.

A planting schedule that details proposed revegetation / enrichment plantings for the Foreshore Reserve is provided in Table 10 (page 59). The proposed works are limited to a small number of distinct areas that would benefit from this type of intervention. Examples of these include:

- Rehabilitation of the areas associated with the rock-walling at Walkerville North (Central Management Unit, Zone 4). This area
  is close to the Walkerville Hall, walking track, and boat ramp, and therefore has a high amenity value. Revegetation works
  have previously occurred in the area; however, additional planting is required to aid in the overall rehabilitation of this part of
  the reserve.
- Further revegetation works along the foreshore in the Northern Management Unit; specifically, Zone 3. Again, this is an area of high amenity, and is also prone to coastal erosion. Here, the successful establishment of additional plants is likely to aid in slowing further erosion.

- In the Northern Management Unit, Zone 4, strategic revegetation and facilitation of the natural recruitment of species (specifically *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark) between camp sites (largely non-powered sites) that back onto management Zone 1. Vegetation in these areas is becoming increasingly fragmented due to the incremental encroachment of campers over time, and the natural character of the area is becoming degraded.
- The Walkerville South western gully line (Southern Management Unit, Zone 5). The canopy species in this area have become fragmented and are declining in health; likely as a result of changes to the hydrology of the area. Here, revegetation of areas where the canopy species have been lost will aid in weed suppression and improve the overall condition of vegetation.

Notably, revegetation works and enrichment plantings are only likely to succeed if properly planned, protected from grazing, and are subject to follow-up management such as weed control. Further, all planted material should be of local provenance. There is also need for varied planting styles and densities, coupled with EVC appropriate species selection. Due consideration should also be given to the underlying values of each area; for example, in some areas, large trees that obscure coastal views are likely to be inappropriate (e.g. parts of the Central Management Unit, Zone 4), while in other instances, the selection of taxa will be governed by environmental conditions. For example, suitable screening trees within the Camping Reserve will need be to tolerant of the soil and hydrological conditions. Employing bushland restoration contractors that are adept at managing natural regeneration will also be imperative.

Saliently, congruent with previous efforts, plantings along the foreshore should seek to link patches of remnant vegetation with other areas of remnant vegetation. Post-and-wire fencing should also continue to be used as a tool to delineate works area / recovering vegetation, and will likely be necessary to prevent encroachment from campers (e.g. trampling of establishing flora by pedestrians and vehicles). The fencing should be used in conjunction with tree guards, and will be fundamental to successful plant establishment in many areas, including with the Camping Reserve.

It is also recommended that the survival rate of revegetation and enrichment plantings be monitored, and supplementary planting undertaken where necessary.

### Table 10 Planting schedule for revegetation of specified areas, by Management Unit and Zone, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve

Management Unit	Zone	Location Description	Objective / Target / Action	Planting Density	Species
Northern Northern	4	Walkerville Camp Ground-break of slope towards the foreshore Walkerville Camp Ground-foreshore areas	Revegetate to help delineate and screen areas between camp sites to help create more secluded areas           Build on existing revegetation through the area which is currently sparse making it more prone to weed invasion	1 shrub/tree per 2m ² (create a screen density) 1 shrub/tree per 1m ²	Trees         • Acacia melanoxylon (Blackwood)         • Banksia integrifolia (Coast Banksia)         • Myrsine howittiana (Mutton-wood)         • Pittosporum bicolor (Banyalla)         • Pomaderris aspera (Hazel Pomaderris)         Trees         • Allocasuarina verticillata (Drooping Sheoak)         • Banksia integrifolia (Coast Banksia)
Northern	4	Walkerville Camp Ground-car park areas	Build on existing revegetation through the area which is currently sparse making it more prone to weed invasion	2 shrub/tree per 2m ²	Trees         • Allocasuarina verticillata (Drooping Sheoak)         • Banksia integrifolia (Coast Banksia)         Medium shrubs         • Atriplex cinerea (Coast Saltbush)         • Bursaria spinosa var. macrophylla (Tree Bursaria)         • Correa alba (White Correa)         • Leptospermum laevigatum (Coast Tea-tree)         • Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis (Dusty Daisy         • Rhagodia candolleana (Sea-berry Saltbush)
Central	4	Walkerville North-Rock Wall Beaching	Improve the amenity of the area by softening the interface between the rock wall and walking track. Species selection should focus on low-growing shrub species that won't impede the view lines along the coast.	4 plants per 1m ²	<ul> <li>Medium shrubs</li> <li>Adriana quadripartita (Coast Bitter-bush)</li> <li>Atriplex cinerea (Coast Saltbush)</li> <li>Correa alba (White Correa)</li> <li>Rhagodia candolleana (Sea-berry Salt-bush)</li> </ul>
Southern	5	Gully line west of Walkerville Road	Changes to the hydrological flow patterns and likely nutrient enrichment has led to a decline in canopy species, specifically Melaleuca squarrosa (Scented Paper-bark). Infill plantings where there has been a dieback of the Melaleuca squarrosa (Scented Paper-bark)	1 Swamp Paper-bark per 2m ² 1 Eucalyptus per 20m ²	<ul> <li>Trees</li> <li>Eucalyptus kitsoniana (Gippsland Bog Gum)</li> <li>Eucalyptus ovata (Swamp Gum)</li> </ul>
Southern	6	South Walkerville - Toilet Block and surrounds	Some areas around the toilet block area require infill plantings or will when short-lived species such as <i>Solanum aviculare</i> (Kangaroo Apple) start to senesce. Also encourage the natural regeneration of fern species through the area	1 shrub/tree per 5m ²	<ul> <li>Trees</li> <li>Acacia melanoxylon (Blackwood),</li> <li>Myrsine howittiana (Mutton-wood)</li> <li>Pittosporum bicolor (Banyalla).</li> </ul>
Southern	-	Regionally significant species	There are opportunities to increase the number of Banksia serrata (Saw Banksia) in the area. Very little natural recruitment was observed in the areas they occurred.	as required	Medium shrubs <ul> <li>Banksia serrata (Saw Banksia)</li> </ul>

#### Medium shrubs

• Hedycarya angustifolia (Austral Mulberry)

### Medium shrubs

- Bursaria spinosa var. macrophylla (Tree Bursaria)
- Leptospermum laevigatum (Coast Tea-tree)
- Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis (Dusty Daisy-bush)
- Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria (Bassian Pomaderris)

## Graminoids

- Lepidosperma gladiatum (Coast Sword-sedge)
- Poa poiformis var. poiformis (Coast Tussock-grass)
- Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria (Bassian Pomaderris)

#### sy-bush)

### Graminoids

- Austrostipa stipoides (Prickly Spear-grass)
- Ficinia nodosa (Knobby Club-sedge)
- Poa poiformis (Coastal Tussock-grass)

#### Medium shrubs

• Melaleuca ericifolia (Swamp Paper-bark)
# 7.2.2 Weed Management

# Overview

It is recommended that a *strategic weed control program* that *eradicates* (where practical) environmental weeds that threaten the ecological character and amenity of the reserve, and / or *reduces* their cover or *contains* their extent, be implemented. Details of the proposed strategies for individual taxa (i.e. *eradicate*, *control* or *contain*) for each of the three management units are provided in Section 7.3, together with appropriate treatment methods.

Generally, the most efficacious and strategic control of exotic species relies on the adoption of underpinning management principles such as: (i) the control of weeds that pose the highest threat/risk first; (ii) the control of weeds within the highest quality areas of vegetation before those in lower quality areas; (iii) the control of outlying individuals before targeting the larger infestations; and (iv) early detection and intervention of new and emerging weeds. It should also consider the feasibility with which individual species can be controlled, and prioritise efforts accordingly. For example, easy to control species that pose a high risk should be prioritised over species that are difficult to control and pose a low threat to surrounding vegetation and assets. The adoption of these principles is advocated for the management of weeds across the Foreshore Reserve.

Saliently, sensitive weed control by practioners experienced at working in remnant bushland will be instrumental to rehabilitating the site, and control techniques should be selected with consideration to localised conditions such as surrounding vegetation. It is also recommended that contractors be afforded sufficient time to walk through the site periodically to assess progress towards meeting weed management objectives, and to determine the need for re-treating invasions where appropriate. Routine monitoring should be undertaken to detect new and emerging weeds; where possible new infestations should be controlled before they reach maturity.

In summary, *survey* and *active* intervention will be necessary. The foci and treatment techniques described in the succeeding paragraphs will be variously appropriate across the Foreshore Reserve, however, should be varied in accordance with the Management Unit and Zone specifications provided in Section 7.3. Broadly, however,

- Across each of the three Management Units, works should be prioritised in areas mapped as supporting *high quality environmental* vegetation, followed by those supporting *moderate quality environmental* vegetation or *moderate quality environmental* vegetation with *high amenity*.
- Within areas mapped as supporting *high quality environmental* vegetation:
- Weed control works should first target isolated plants in the highest quality vegetation, and then work out towards the edges of each zone, where there is a more consistent cover of weeds and / or where vegetation is more disturbed (i.e. there is a lower cover of native flora).
- Additional efforts should be directed towards the boundaries of each core patch of remnant vegetation. In many instances, this part of the zone appears to be the point source of emerging weeds, and where routine maintenance could prevent further incursion across other parts of the zone.
- Routine monitoring should also be undertaken to detect new and emerging weeds; where possible new infestations should be controlled before they reach maturity.

#### Strategies, Treatment Frequency, and Timing

The number of treatments required to successfully *eradicate / control* priority weed flora in the Foreshore Reserve will also vary, as will the number of consecutive years over which interventive management is required. Some taxa can be treated with only a small number of weed control runs in a given area, and can largely be treated over a short period of time, or over consecutive years (e.g. **Cestrum elegans* (Poison Elegant-berry), **Ilex aquifolium* (English Holly), **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spur-flower) and **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Box-thorn)). Other taxa will require a sustained approach over several years, where ideally, works will initially target vegetation in the most intact areas where there are currently, smaller infestations. Taxa is this latter category include **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honey-suckle), **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle) and **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy). For these species, the foci of initial works should be two-fold; with management resources directed to both *controlling smaller infestations*, as well as *cutting and painting aerial stems in the larger infestations* (e.g. Southern Management Unit, Zone 5 and 6). While this approach is likely to be more resource intensive, it is also likely to result in the successful treatment of the target species, and reduce off-target damage in areas with high ecological value.

Saliently, the long-term *eradication* of **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) from the Foreshore Reserve is likely to be difficult, and therefore it is recommended that efforts be directed to *reducing the cover* of this taxon. Notably, previous efforts to control **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) within the boundary of the reserve have used Clopyralid-based herbicides. This herbicide is known to be residual and have a prolonged effect on soils, with research suggesting composting transfers the active ingredients. Given there are saturated soils in a number of instances where **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and other vines have been observed growing, coupled with the potential for large populations of *Engaeus* spp. (Burrowing Crayfish), a precautionary approach is suggested, and it recommended that this type of herbicide no longer be used. The appropriateness of other herbicides that target broad-leaf species should also be carefully considered; i.e. to ensure that there are no known off-target impacts for indigenous fern species, and that the herbicides have limited life in the soils.

The manner in which herbicide is delivered should also vary with the age class of the target taxon, and the life form, and across the reserve. For example, the initial focus of efforts to control elevated vines should be the *cut and painting* of larger stems, as this will minimise any *over-spraying* of plants, and therefore reduce off-target damage. More generally, the over-spraying of plants should be restricted to areas where there is little groundwater seepage, and should only be undertaken once all elevated plants have been *cut and painted*. It is not recommended that over-spraying be undertaken on aerial infestations.

Management strategies and techniques will also need to be tailored in response to the size of infestations, and the current quality / condition of surrounding vegetation. As an example, in the Northern Management Unit, there is an overlap between infestations of several scramblers in Zone 4 and Zone 1, including taxa such as *Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle). **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle), for example, is present at low levels across the break of slope. Here, away from the seepage areas mapped as Riparian Fern Scrub this species could be over-sprayed, however, this technique should be limited in areas that were mapped as supporting Riparian Fern Scrub. Likewise, in high quality vegetation where there are only small infestations (e.g. <4m²) of scramblers such as **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), cut and paint is the preferred treatment method. In this instance, given the diversity and extent of ferns in many of the areas mapped as supporting high quality vegetation, adopting this method will likely reduce the extent of off-target damage while still treating the infestation effectively³.

³ Note: not all weed control contractors are experienced with the *cut and paint* method, and this reflects the difference between employing bushland restoration contractors that are focused on *maintaining and improving* existing remnant vegetation and other contractors whose sole mandate is *weed control*.

Generally, it has been recommended that taxa including *Agapanthus praecox (Agapanthus), *Kniphofia uvaria (Red-hot Poker), *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-Iily) and other garden escapees, be eradicated from the Foreshore Reserve; that is, populations of these taxa are likely to gradually expand without interventive management. Initial efforts should, however, focus on their active control in areas that were mapped as supporting high environmental quality vegetation or vegetation with high amenity.

A different strategy should be adopted for managing overabundant native flora such as *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), and also *#Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle). With respect to *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), typically, the large core areas of remnant vegetation across the Foreshore Reserve were found to have a relatively low number of plants, while there was a marked increase in the size and extent of populations in areas that were closer to development and / or housing sites; for example, the Southern Management Unit contained the largest populations. It is recommended that management efforts be initially focused on treating the smaller isolated populations, before then moving towards the larger populations. Within the larger populations, efforts should initially be directed towards controlling juvenile and female plants only, and once these populations have become 'more-or-less managed', then the removal of other mature plants should be considered.

With respect to #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), the extent to which the taxon is considered 'out of balance' varies across the Foreshore Reserve. For example, away from Coastal Dune Scrub, the taxon is unlikely to be considered a character species (e.g. it is not characteristic of Lowland Forest), and could therefore be managed in areas supporting this vegetation type.

Note: all contractors should be made aware of the populations of *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood) that occur within the Foreshore Reserve. In the past, these have been misidentified as *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet **Pittosporum)** and have been treated as a weed. This includes both mature and juvenile stands of *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood). Bushland restoration contractors should have sufficient skill to be able to identify the difference between these species, and if it is determined that any populations are found to be treated, then the contractors' future engagement should be reviewed.

#### **Treatment Methods**

The following treatments will be variously appropriate across the Foreshore Reserve, however, again, selected should be tailored to the target taxon and the condition of vegetation in the Management Unit and Zone where the technique will be deployed.

# Hand-weeding

Hand weeding refers to any removal of exotic plants undertaken by hand. This is the preferred method when controlling exotic herbs and grasses within high quality patches of groundflora due to the potential for off-target damage when using herbicide. Hand-weeding is also the preferred method for juvenile woody weeds that have yet to develop deep root systems. It is important that any exotic herbs and grasses that bear seed are removed from the site. This plan does not recommend widespread use of hand weeding, particularly of herbs and grasses, due to the priority to control larger woody weeds and climbers across the reserve. Hand weeding is more likely to be used for removal of young woody plants.

## Herbicide application

Herbicide application refers to any spraying of herbicide, typically undertaken using a knapsack or boom spray. All herbicide application must be completed in accordance with standard operating procedures.

There are various methods and types of herbicides, the use of which depends on the target weed and the quality of the vegetation. These include grass-specific herbicides that do not affect surrounding non-grass species, herbicides that are suited to broad leaf weeds and others that are suitable for woody species. Due to the high potential for off-target damage when spraying herbicide, it is essential that practitioners have a high level of plant identification skills. Spraying within 2-3 metres of waterbodies, except during dry phases, is not to be undertaken due to the potential to impact water quality, frogs, burrowing crayfish and other aquatic fauna. Additionally, care should be taken to ensure that herbicide is not used in areas where there is a high diversity and cover of ferns due to the herbicides ability to impact these species.

# Cut-paint

The 'cut-paint' method involves cutting woody plants at ground level and then immediately painting the stem with a systemic herbicide, usually Glyphosate. This can be undertaken throughout the year but is best implemented when the plant is actively growing, generally over the warmer months of the year. Treatment using this method may have a poor result if the plant is dormant (e.g. deciduous plants over winter) or if applied during very hot weather. This method will be required across the management period to control larger woody weeds such as *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) and **Ilex aquifolium* (English Holly).

# Drill-fill

The 'drill-fill method is implemented by drilling a series of short holes around the base of the stem of exotic woody plants and then injecting a systemic herbicide, usually Glyphosate. This method is ideal for larger woody plants that may have thick stems/trunks that are difficult to cut through. Similar to the 'cut-paint' method, treatment using this method may have a poor result if the plant is dormant (e.g. deciduous plants over winter) or if applied during very hot weather.

## Windrow or Stockpile Burning

In areas where large amounts of woody weeds have been removed/controlled, the removal of treated material and/or stockpiling for burning may be more appropriate than leaving the treated material *in-situ*. This is particularly the case for species such as **llex aquifolium* (English Holly), which are not only difficult to move through (if left on site), however also have the potential to repsrout and provide cover and protection for the establishment of juvenile plants. In such circumstances, the removed material should be burnt-off.



# 7.3 Description of Management Zones and Management Recommendations

# 7.3.1 Northern Management Unit

# 7.3.1.1 Overview

The Northern Management Unit has been divided into four zones (see Table 11 for an overview); the spatial extent of these is depicted in Figure 37 (page 65). The delineation of zones was based on vegetation and habitat type and condition, coupled with the range of threatening processes/management issues evident at the time of survey. Consideration was also given to visitor amenity.

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Management Zone	Land Form / Character	Area
Zone 1	<ul> <li>The northernmost section of the Management Unit (and the Foreshore Reserve) that lies east of Walkerville Road and is flanked by Cape Liptrap Coastal Park along the western and northern boundaries, and the Walkerville Camping Reserve to the east.</li> <li>The zone, which largely comprises of remnant vegetation, supports a range of forest and woodland types that include a number of regionally significant EVCs, and has a relatively low cover of priority weeds.</li> <li>The FFG Act 1988 listed <i>Hakea decurrens</i> subsp. <i>platytaenia</i> (Coast Needlewood) is known from the zone.</li> <li>Visitor amenities include a walking track.</li> </ul>	73,640 m² (7.4 Ha)
Zone 2	<ul> <li>A core block of vegetation that encompasses Second Creek and is flanked by Cape Liptrap Coastal Park to the north, west and south, and Walkerville Road to the east.</li> <li>The zone, which largely comprises of remnant vegetation, supports a range of forest and woodland types that include a number of regionally significant EVCs, and has a relatively low cover of priority weeds.</li> </ul>	55,725 m² (5.6 Ha)
Zone 3	<ul> <li>The southernmost section of the Management Unit that lies south of the Walkerville Camping Reserve and the north of Waratah Street. The zone encompasses two discrete blocks west of Bayside Drive that flank Zone 2 to the north-west and abut private properties to the west, and a series of segments to the east of Bayside Drive that lie between the road and the beach.</li> <li>The zone contains some intact patches of remnant vegetation, however, also comprises a high proportion of environmental weeds that will require active management over the longer term.</li> <li>The FFG Act 1988 listed <i>Wurmbea uniflora</i> (One-flower Early-Nancy) is known from the zone.</li> <li>Visitor amenities include a car park, rotunda and BBQ.</li> </ul>	24,465 m² (2.45 Ha)
Zone 4	<ul> <li>The zone encompasses the Walkerville Camping Reserve and its immediate surrounds.</li> <li>Visitor amenities include the Camping Reserve, access points to the beach, picnic tables, and walking tracks.</li> <li>Vegetation condition across the zone is highly varied, with a combination of highly modified sections that grade into more significant patches of remnant vegetation.</li> <li>While the zone generally has a low cover of woody weeds, there are many localised high-density infestations, and these populations require targeted control to prevent widespread establishment.</li> </ul>	36,170 m² (3.62 Ha)

A detailed description of each zone, coupled with a discussion of management recommendations specific to that zone, is provided in Section 7.3.1.2 to Section 7.3.1.5. The descriptions also reference the flora and fauna supported by each zone, as well as the broad vegetation condition classes that were assigned following the site visits.

An inventory of the weeds mapped across the Northern Management Unit during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.1.6, and a summary of proposed management actions for the unit is provided in Section 7.3.1.7.



Figure 37 Vegetation Management Zones, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, December 2023



# 7.3.1.2 Zone 1

Zone 1							
Site Context							
Area	• 73,640 m ² (7.4 Ha)						
Location / Character	<ul> <li>The northernmost section of the Management Ur Walkerville Road and is flanked by Cape Liptral boundaries, and the Walkerville Camping Reserve to</li> <li>The zone, which largely comprises of remnant vegeta that include a number of regionally significant EVCs,</li> </ul>	it (and the Foreshore Reserve) that lies east of o Coastal Park along the western and northern o the east. ation, supports a range of forest and woodland types and has a relatively low cover of priority weeds.					
Social and Amenity Features	Walking Track between Camping Reserve and up in	to the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park					
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	High Quality Environmental						
Synopsis of Values and Threats							
Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville) (EVC 161)     Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)     Damp Forest (EVC 29)     Lowland Forest (EVC 16)     Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120)     Sand Heathland (EVC 6)     Tree-fern Gully							
Vegetation Composition and Condition	<ul> <li>An extensive area of intact remnant vegetation that for Liptrap Coastal Park.</li> <li>The zone contains several small patches of EVCs to such as Riparian Fern Scrub and Sand Heathland.</li> </ul>	rms part of a large contiguous habitat link with Cape hat have a limited distribution across the Reserve,					
Threatened and Significant Flora	Hakea decurrens subsp. platytaenia (Coast Needlewood)	<ul> <li>Myrsine howittiana (Mutton-wood)</li> <li>Xanthosia pilosa (Woolly Xanthosia)</li> </ul>					
Threatened and Significant Fauna	<ul> <li>Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma)</li> <li>Gang-gang Cockatoo (Callocephalon fimbriatum)</li> <li>White-bellied Sea-Eagle (Haliaeetus leucogaster)</li> <li>Although not previously recorded accessing the zon Powerful Owl (Ninox strenua) and Burrowing Crayfis</li> <li>It is also likely that this section of the Foreshore Reser fauna species; where these that have gone undetect</li> </ul>	White-throated Needletail ( <i>Hirundapus</i> <i>caudacutus</i> )     White-footed Dunnart ( <i>Sminthopsis leucopus</i> )     e, observations suggest there is suitable habitat for sh ( <i>Engaeus</i> spp.).     rve provides habitat for a number of other threatened ted due the low survey effort across the site.					
Priority Environmental Weeds	*Asparagus scandens (Asparagus Fern)     *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy)     *Passiflora edulis (Black Passion-fruit)     #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum)	<ul> <li>*Plectranthus ciliatus. (African Spur-flower)</li> <li>*Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)</li> <li>*Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily)</li> </ul>					
Pest Animals	Deer, foxes and rabbits						

# Threatened and Significant Flora

Zone 1 supports populations of the FFG Act 1988 listed endangered shrub *Hakea decurrens* subsp. *platytaenia* (Coast Needlewood), which was recorded across the small patches mapped as Sand Heathland during the October – December 2023 surveys. Other regionally significant plants including *Xanthosia pilosa* (Woolly Xanthosia) were also variously present across the zone.

# Threatened and Significant Fauna

A range of rare and threatened fauna have been recorded more broadly across the Northern Management Unit and within the immediate surrounds of the Foreshore Reserve. The diversity of habitats provided by Zone 1 suggests that a subset of these could utilise the site, and it is probable that additional surveys would lead to the detection of a range of additional taxa. The Superb Lyrebird (*Menura novaehollandiae*), for example, was observed and heard within the area during the October – December 2023 surveys.

#### Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 1 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *High Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 1 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.1.6. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

#### High Quality Environmental

### **Composition and Condition**

Zone 1 comprises of a core block of remnant vegetation that supports a diversity of EVCs across a relatively small area. The zone also abuts the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park and therefore provides for the continuous passage of fauna to the north and west of the Foreshore Reserve. While all vegetation within the zone has been mapped as *high quality*, the most intact and diverse vegetation occurs across the upper slopes, with an increase in environmental pressures and weed invasion observed towards the eastern boundary of the zone where it meets Zone 4.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Asparagus scandens* (Asparagus Fern), **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Passiflora edulis* (Black Passion-fruit), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spur-flower), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

Generally, weed control works across the zone should target isolated plants in the highest quality vegetation (e.g. upslope) first, where weed incursion is principally limited to isolated plants of *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum). The core focus of efforts in this area should be to ensure that (primarily) the extent and cover of woody weeds is reduced; where, ideally, this would mean that no mature plants set seed, and that there is no further growth of elevated climbers. Works should then extend down towards the boundary of Zone 4 and the Camping Reserve, where there is a more consistent cover of weeds and / or where vegetation is more disturbed (i.e. there is a lower cover of native flora).

Notably, many of the weeds along the lower boundary of the zone are climbers and scrambler such as **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) that will be difficult to control and / or eradicate from the site. These infestations will require repeated treatments over the long term; however, in the interim there are preliminary approaches that can be adopted to help reduce their ongoing spread. For **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), for example, limiting the extent of aerial growth is an important first strategy, where this should be undertaken by manually cutting back stems. Saliently, **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) infestations that occur in areas mapped as supporting Riparian Fern Scrub are likely to have saturated soils that potentially support the FFG Act 1988 listed Burrowing Crayfish. This means that herbicide application should be limited in these areas (e.g. no large-scale spraying, and no spraying at times when herbicide may move through the soil).

Of note, the unusual presence of **Plectranthus ciliatus*. (African Spur-flower), which has become an issue within Riparian Fern Scrub vegetation, is reflective of the wet conditions. Management of this species (cut and paint (removal)) should be completed in late summer at the driest times, in order to prevent excessive pugging of the soil and impacting fern growth and potential Burrowing Crayfish habitat.

# 7.3.1.3 Zone 2

Zone 2								
Site Context								
Area	• 55,725 m² (5.6 Ha)							
Location / Character	<ul> <li>A core block of vegetation that encompasses Second Creek and is flanked by Cape Liptrap Coastal Park to the north, west and south, and Walkerville Road to the east.</li> <li>The zone, which largely comprises of remnant vegetation, supports a range of forest and woodland types that include a number of regionally significant EVCs, and has a relatively low cover of priority weeds.</li> </ul>							
Social and Amenity Features	<ul> <li>No constructed features; although, there is an ir Cape Liptrap Coastal Park) to the parking area</li> </ul>	nformal trail from the walking track from southern hill (in at the picnic table.						
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	High Quality Environmental							
Synopsis of Values and Threats								
Ecological Vegetation Classes	<ul> <li>Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville) (EVC 161)</li> <li>Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)</li> <li>Damp Forest (EVC 29)</li> <li>Lowland Forest (EVC 16)</li> <li>Warm temperate Rainforest (syn. Littoral Rainforest) (EVC 32)</li> </ul>							
Vegetation Composition and Condition	<ul> <li>A large block of intact remnant vegetation that forms part of a large contiguous habitat link with Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.</li> <li>The zone contains significant patches of Warm Temperate Rainforest which is locally uncommon; these lay adjacent to Second Creek.</li> </ul>							
Threatened and Significant Flora	• Olearia argophylla (Musk Daisy-bush)	Myrsine howittiana (Mutton-wood)						
Threatened and Significant Fauna	<ul> <li>Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma)</li> <li>Climbing Galaxia (Galaxias brevipinnis)</li> <li>Gang-gang Cockatoo (Callocephalon fimbriatum)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>)</li> <li>White-footed Dunnart (<i>Sminthopsis leucopus</i>)</li> <li>White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>)</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Although not previously recorded accessing the zone, observations suggest there is suitable habitat for Powerful Owl (<i>Ninox strenua</i>) and Burrowing Crayfish (<i>Engaeus</i> spp.).</li> <li>It is also likely that this section of the Foreshore Reserve provides habitat for a number of other threatened fauna species: where these that have gone undetected due the low survey effort across the site</li> </ul>							
Priority Environmental Weeds	*Cestrum elegans (Elegant Poison-berry)     #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum)	<ul> <li>*Plectranthus ciliatus. (African Spur-flower)</li> <li>*Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)</li> </ul>						
Pest Animals	Deer, foxes and rabbits	1						

## Threatened and Significant Flora

Zone 2 supports a local variation of Warm Temperate Rainforest which is restricted to a small handful of creeklines within the area surrounding the Foreshore Reserve. While individual taxa within the community do not have conservation listings (e.g. the EPBC Act 1999 or FFG Act 1988), the community includes a number of species that are not typical of such low-lying areas close to the coast.

# Threatened and Significant Fauna

A range of rare and threatened fauna have been recorded more broadly across the Northern Management Unit and within the immediate surrounds of the Foreshore Reserve. The diversity of habitats provided by Zone 2 suggests that a subset of these could utilise the site, and it is probable that additional surveys would lead to the detection of a range of additional taxa. The Superb Lyrebird (*Menura novaehollandiae*), for example, was observed and heard within the area during the October – December 2023 surveys. It is also highly likely that Climbing Galaxia (*Galaxias brevipinnis*) use Second Creek; they were observed at MacPhersons Creek (Central Management Unit Zone 1) during the 2023 surveys.

#### Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 2 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *High Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 2 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.1.6. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

#### **High Quality Environmental**

### **Composition and Condition**

Akin to Zone 1, Zone 2 comprises of a core block of remnant vegetation that supports a diversity of EVCs across a relatively small area. The zone also abuts the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park and therefore provides for the continuous passage of fauna to the north, west and south of the Foreshore Reserve. While all vegetation within the zone has been mapped as high quality, environmental pressures and weed invasion were observed to increase towards the eastern boundary of the zone where it meets Zone 3.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Cestrum elegans* (Elegant Poison-berry). #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spur-flower) and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry).

The core focus of efforts in this area should be to ensure that (primarily) the extent and cover of woody weeds is reduced; where, ideally, this would mean that no mature plants set seed. The isolated stand of **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spurflower) that occurs along the lower reaches of Second Creek, and the sole **Cestrum elegans* (Poison Elegant-berry) patch that also occurs proximate to Second Creek are a priority for treatment and control. **Cestrum elegans* (Poison Elegant-berry), in particular, has the ability to disperse widely within the sheltered gully lines, and from here has the capacity to develop into a significant management issue; it should therefore be controlled where encountered. **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spur-flower) is a, comparably, slow-moving weed, however, has a high tolerance for shaded environments and has the ability to spread vegetatively along waterways. For this reason, not only should the species be treated and controlled; where possible, the cut material should also be removed from the site to prevent re-establishment and colonisation of the area.

Other weed infestations in Zone 2 were principally limited to isolated plants of *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), which will require targeted management to prevent the taxon from dominating any one area, and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), which occurs at relatively low levels and predominately within sections where there is increased light such as along the margins of the roadside.

# 7.3.1.4 Zone 3

Zone 3								
Site Context								
Area	• 24,465 m ² (2.45 Ha)							
Location / Character	<ul> <li>The southernmost section of the Management Unit that lies south of the Walkerville Camping Reserve and the north of Waratah Street. The zone encompasses two discrete blocks west of Bayside Drive that flank Zone 2 to the north-west and abut private properties to the west, and a series of segments to the east of Bayside Drive that lie between the road and the beach.</li> <li>The zone contains some intact patches of remnant vegetation, however, also comprises a high proportion of environmental weeds that will require active management over the longer term.</li> <li>There was evidence of encroachment from neighbouring private properties into the foreshore reserve, where this extended to active management of the secure interference.</li> </ul>							
Social and Amenity Features	Car Park, Rotunda, BBQ     Formal (stairs) and informal beach access point	s						
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity     Moderate Quality Environmental	y						
Synopsis of Values and Threats								
Ecological Vegetation Classes	<ul> <li>Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160)</li> <li>Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)</li> <li>Lowland Forest (EVC 16)</li> <li>Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120)</li> </ul>							
<ul> <li>Vegetation condition within the zone is variable, with some parts retaining structural of species diversity. The overall condition of vegetation in these areas could be maintain should they be subject to ongoing targeted weed control.</li> <li>The dumping of garden waste and clearance of native vegetation within the foreshore reproperty owners is leading to increased weed invasion and negatively impacting the envir of the area.</li> <li>Significant weed issues included the large patches of *Hedera hibernica (Atlantic Ivy) v</li> </ul>								
Threatened and Significant Flora	Wurmbea uniflora (One-flower Early-Nancy)	• Carex gunniana subsp. gunniana (Swamp Sedge)						
Threatened and Significant Fauna	<ul> <li>Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma)</li> <li>Climbing Galaxia (Galaxias brevipinnis) Gang-gang Cockatoo (Callocephalon fimbriatum)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>)</li> <li>White-footed Dunnart (<i>Sminthopsis leucopus</i>)</li> <li>White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>)</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Although not previously recorded accessing the zone, observations suggest there is suitable habitat for Powerful Owl (<i>Ninox strenua</i>) and Burrowing Crayfish (<i>Engaeus</i> spp.).</li> <li>It is also likely that this section of the Foreshore Reserve provides habitat for a number of other threatened fauna species; where these that have gone undetected due the low survey effort across the site.</li> </ul>							
Priority Environmental Weeds	<ul> <li>*Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus)</li> <li>*Chlorophytum comosum (Spider Plant)</li> <li>*Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush)</li> <li>*Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora (Montbretia)</li> <li>*Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon)</li> <li>*Hedera hibernica (Atlantic Ivy)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>*Hydrangea macrophylla (Hydrangea)</li> <li>*Ilex aquifolium (English Holly)</li> <li>#Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum)</li> <li>*Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)</li> <li>*Salix X fragilis (Crack Willow)</li> <li>#Syzygium smithii (Lily Pilly)</li> <li>*Vinca major (Blue Periwinkle)</li> </ul>						
Pest Animais	Foxes and tabbits							

### Threatened and Significant Flora

The FFG Act 1988 listed herb *Wurmbea uniflora* (One-flower Early Nancy) was recorded in Zone 3 during the October – December 2023 surveys. The occurrence of this species at Walkerville is a significant range extension on the known distribution of this taxon in Victoria. The species was recorded from a mown section of the Foreshore Reserve, with only a small number of plants present. A small patch of the regionally significant *Carex gunniana* subsp. *gunniana* (Swamp Sedge) was also recorded within the zone.

#### Threatened and Significant Fauna

A range of rare and threatened fauna have been recorded more broadly across the Northern Management Unit and within the immediate surrounds of the Foreshore Reserve. Akin to the other zones in the Management Unit, the diversity of habitats provided by Zone 3 suggests that a subset of these could utilise the site, and it is probable that additional surveys would lead to the detection of a range of additional taxa.

## Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 3 was assigned to two condition classes; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity* and *Moderate Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of these classes, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 3 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.1.6. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

## Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity Condition Class

#### **Composition and Condition**

A small block at the northern extent of Zone 3 has been assigned to this vegetation condition class.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Chlorophytum comosum* (Spider Plant), **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy) and **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle).

## Moderate Quality Environmental

#### **Composition and Condition**

The majority of Zone 3 has been assigned to this vegetation condition class. These areas comprise of a series of relatively narrow blocks of remnant vegetation that have been segmented by roads, driveways and private properties making them more prone to weed invasion due to the edge effect. The gradient from the linear band of Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160) / Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2) on the eastern side of Bayside Drive through to the areas of Lowland Forest (EVC 16) / Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120) to the west has led to the retention of much of the localised environmental character, with vegetation structurally and floristically diverse. Reducing small localised infestations of environmental weeds from developing and mitigating further weed invasion is the main priority for these areas.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Overall, Zone 3 (and areas mapped as 'Moderate Quality') has a more diverse priority weed flora than the zones to the north. While some of these will likely be effectively controlled with a single treatment, others will require repeated treatments over the longer term.

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Agapanthus praecox* subsp. *orientalis* (Agapanthus), **Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora* (Montbretia), **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Hydrangea macrophylla* (Hydrangea), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), #*Syzygium smithii* (Lily Pilly), **Tradescantia fluminensis* (Wandering Jew) and **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle).

As the degree of weed invasion across the zone is varied, the most efficacious strategy is likely to involve first targeting those taxa that currently have relatively restricted distributions or those that will be more troublesome to manage should they expand further. These include:

- *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon), which was mapped as a single patch with the Coastal Dune Scrub and is a high priority for treatment;
- *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus), which is a relatively slow-moving species but is difficult to manage once established. Given the low number of infestations extant populations are a high priority for treatment; and
- Climbers and scramblers such as *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy) and *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry). These are of greatest concern within areas mapped as Riparian Fern Scrub. Given the complexity with managing these species, the susceptibility of ferns to some herbicides and the potential presence of other threatened species such as the Burrowing Crayfish any management needs to implemented carefully. Preventing any further elevated growth of *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy) and *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry) should be a high priority.

## Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Effectively managing the interface between bushland areas and private properties can be challenging, and during the October – December 2023 surveys, multiple instances were sighted where vegetation within the bounds of the Foreshore Reserve (principally shrubs) had been cleared to maintain view lines to the ocean, where mowing regimes had extending beyond private properties, and where garden waste had been dumped into surrounding bushland. Some of these interventions such as mowing have been indirectly beneficial to some indigenous flora in parts; for example, the decrease in cover and competition has allowed taxa such as *Wurmbea uniflora* (One-flower Early-Nancy) and a number of other herbs and orchids to persist. If, however, mowing was to occur at non-optimal times (e.g. during the active growth phase), then this is likely to be detrimental.

With respect to 'expectations' regarding management of the Foreshore Reserve, it is recommended that the Committee continue to work with neighbouring land owners, particularly with regards to the cessation of rubbish dumping. This practice is leading to weed invasion and increased nutrient loading in some areas, and is undermining the local character of the site.

# 7.3.1.5 Zone 4

Zone 4							
Site Context							
Area	• 36,170 m ² (3.62 Ha)						
Location / Character	The zone encompasses the Walkerville Camping	Reserve and its immediate surrounds.					
Social and Amenity Features	<ul> <li>Walkerville Camping Reserve</li> <li>Beach Access Points</li> <li>Public Picnic Tables</li> <li>Walking Track to Cape Liptrap Coastal Park (Pron</li> </ul>	n Views)					
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	<ul> <li>Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity</li> <li>Moderate Quality Environmental</li> <li>Low Quality Environmental – High Amenity</li> </ul>						
Synopsis of Values and Threats							
Ecological Vegetation Classes	<ul> <li>Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)</li> <li>Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160)</li> <li>Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120)</li> </ul>						
Vegetation Composition and Condition	<ul> <li>Vegetation condition across the zone is highly varied, with a combination of highly modified sections that grade into more significant patches of remnant vegetation.</li> <li>The zone includes some highly intact areas just upslope of the Camping Reserve that should be protected.</li> <li>While the zone generally has a low cover of woody weeds, there are many localised high-density infestations, and these populations require targeted control to prevent widespread establishment.</li> </ul>						
Threatened and Significant Flora	None recorded						
Threatened and Significant Fauna	None recorded						
Priority Environmental Weeds	<ul> <li>#Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle)</li> <li>*Allium triquetrum (Angled Onion)</li> <li>*Cordyline australis (New Zealand Cabbagetree)</li> <li>*Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy)</li> <li>*Gazania linearis (Gazania)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>#Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum)</li> <li>*Plectranthus ciliatus. (African Spur-flower)</li> <li>*Prunus cerasifera (Cherry Plum)</li> <li>*Vinca major (Blue Periwinkle)</li> <li>*Washingtonia spp. (Fan Palm)</li> </ul>					
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits						

Note: specific management relating to the operations of the Walkerville Camping Reserve such as mowing regimes, spraying around infrastructure including toilet blocks and car parks, and camp site layout, are not addressed here. The management objectives provided for Zone 4 are limited to improving/maintaining the landscape amenity, with attention also directed to improving the public amenity within this area. There are areas within the zone where long-term management intervention is required and revegetation is necessary ensure that the values of the Camping Reserve are maintained.

# Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 4 was assigned to three condition classes; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity, Moderate Quality Environmental* and *Low Quality Environmental – High Amenity*. A description of the composition and condition of these vegetation types, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of all the weeds mapped across Zone 4 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.1.6. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

# Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity Condition Class

#### **Composition and Condition**

The majority of Zone 4 has been assigned to this vegetation condition class which encompasses most of the areas associated with the Walkerville Camping Reserve. Given the mixed-use nature of the space, the objective of management works in this area should be to enhance *visual amenity* and natural *landscape values*, with this outcome best achieved by maintaining local character through actively protecting and managing remnant patches of vegetation, and by improving the camping experience through creating a sense of *private camping spaces* using strategic revegetation.

As at December 2023, much of the class supported vegetation that had been historically cleared yet has been left to naturally regenerate, and now supports a reasonable cover of native vegetation; however, generally lacks species diversity, and has a high cover of woody weeds and other taxa that are difficult to control. Throughout the Camping Reserve, there are also a number of restoration areas that have been delineated with post and wire fences, including along the foreshore.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Vegetation in this condition class includes a range of non-indigenous and exotic species, however, the focus of weed control efforts should be on those species that will adversely affect local character over time, as well as those that have the capacity spread more widely into the surrounding remnant areas of vegetation. Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), *Plectranthus ciliatus (African Spur-flower), *Prunus cerasifera (Cherry Plum) and *Vinca major (Blue Periwinkle). Generally, grass and herb weeds pose a reduced risk when compared to the larger infestations of species such as *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy). In some sections, for example, there are extensive sections of elevated growth of this taxon through the Banksia integrifolia (Coast Banksia).

For **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), limiting the extent of aerial growth is an important first strategy, where this should be undertaken by manually cutting back stems. Saliently, **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) infestations that occur in areas mapped as supporting Riparian Fern Scrub are likely to have saturated soils that potentially support the FFG Act 1988 listed Burrowing Crayfish. This means that herbicide application should be limited in these areas (e.g. no large-scale spraying, and no spraying at times when herbicide may move through the soil).

Overall, weed control efforts across the Northern Management Unit should initially be directed towards managing areas mapped as supporting *High Quality Vegetation*, before moving into areas supporting *Moderate Quality Vegetation*. Within the *Moderate Quality Condition Class*, there should be an emphasis on consolidating the larger, core blocks of native vegetation rather than targeting the smaller areas at the ends of some of the peninsulas. Should the zone be subject to future fuel reduction burns, then significant resources should be allocated to targeted weed control in the 1-2 years following the burn operation. This vegetation type, coupled with the composition of exotic species in the surrounding area, suggest there would be substantial post-fire recruitment.

# Revegetation / Natural Regeneration / Species Enrichment Plantings

Given this part of the zone is subject to high visitation, it is likely that the small coppice of *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark) will incrementally decrease in size thus creating a more open site and losing the natural character of the area. Adopting a balance between more *open powered-sites* for caravans and sites for campers looking for a more *secluded spot* may be beneficial. Other appropriate actions to facilitate natural regeneration will include limiting encroachment by campers by delineating some of the camp sites with post and wire fencing; which has aided the process elsewhere in the Camping Reserve.



Towards the back of the sites, enrichment plantings using taxa such as *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood), *Pittosporum bicolor* (Banyalla), *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood) and *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry), would also be appropriate. These species are tolerant of wetter and shaded positions, will provide a dense screen between the camp sites, and have suitable form to be grown near the sites. Nearer the foreshore, enrichment with species such as (but not restricted too) *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia), *Allocasuarina verticillata* (Drooping Sheoak), *Leptospermum laevigatum* (Coast Tea-tree), *Pomaderris oraria* subsp. *oraria* (Bassian Pomaderris), *Olearia phlogopappa* subsp. *insularis* (Dusty Daisy-bush), and *Bursaria spinosa* var. *macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria), planted in dense blocks, would help to break the easterly winds into the more exposed sites.

#### **Moderate Quality Environmental**

#### **Composition and Condition**

This condition class corresponds with the interface between the Camping Reserve and the core areas of remnant vegetation further upslope in Zone 1. Although highly modified, these areas have been mapped as supporting a combination of Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120) and Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2). The core focus of efforts in this condition class should be to ensure that (primarily) the extent and cover of woody weeds is reduced; where, ideally, this would mean that no mature plants set seed, and that there is no further growth of elevated climbers. Additionally, efforts should be directed towards aiding natural regeneration, where effective strategies may include the erection of post-and-wire fencing to delineate camp sites and prevent incremental encroachment (vehicular and foot traffic) into these areas.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Allium triquetrum* (Angled Onion), **Cordyline australis* (New Zealand Cabbage-tree), **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Plectranthus ciliatus* (African Spur-flower), **Prunus cerasifera* (Cherry Plum) and **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle). Overall, there is a higher concentration of weeds in the immediate vicinity above the camp sites, however, weed cover steadily decreases as the cover of more stable remnant vegetation increases.

Generally, weed control works across this part of the zone should target isolated plants in the highest quality vegetation, and then work out towards the edges where there is a more consistent cover of weeds and / or where vegetation is more disturbed (i.e. there is a lower cover of native flora); this will likely involve working from the upper slopes towards the camp sites. Scramblers such as **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle) will be difficult to control and / or eradicate from the site. These infestations will require repeated treatments over the long term; however, in the interim there are preliminary approaches that can be adopted to help reduce their ongoing spread. For **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), for example, limiting the extent of aerial growth is an important first strategy, where this should be undertaken by manually cutting back stems. Saliently, **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) infestations that occur in areas mapped as supporting Riparian Fern Scrub are likely to have saturated soils that potentially support the FFG Act 1988 listed Burrowing Crayfish. This means that herbicide application should be limited in these areas (e.g. no large-scale spraying, and no spraying at times when herbicide may move through the soil). Notably, many of the herbicides available to target this species will be unsuccessful in eradicating the plants. Routine monitoring should therefore be undertaken to detect new and emerging individuals; and, where possible new infestations should be controlled before they reach maturity

# Revegetation / Natural Regeneration / Species Enrichment Plantings

As these areas comprise of the most intact vegetation across the zone, it is probable that with suitable management there will be high degree of natural recruitment and therefore little need for broad-scale revegetation. Appropriate actions to facilitate natural regeneration will include limiting encroachment by campers by delineating some of the camp sites with post and wire fencing; which has aided the process elsewhere in the Camping Reserve. Enrichment plantings with

species such as *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood), *Pittosporum bicolor* (Banyalla), *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood) and *Hedycarya angustifolia* (Austral Mulberry) are also recommended. These species are tolerant of wetter and shaded positions, would provide a dense screen between camp sites and have suitable form to be grown near camp sites. Site appropriate weed management that is undertaken by skilled bushland restoration practioners is also likely to promote the natural regeneration of ferns, and it is strongly recommended that this be encouraged to facilitate the return of character species.

### Low Quality Environmental – High Amenity

#### **Composition and Condition**

Areas assigned to this class include several linear strips along the foreshore between the rock beaching and Camping Reserve. These areas are heavily modified, with little native remnant vegetation persisting, and have a high concentration of problematic environmental weeds such as the dense mat-forming grasses **Cenchrus clandestinus* (Kikuyu) and **Stenotaphrum secundatum* (Buffalo Grass). Without effective control across large areas, the presence of these grasses is likely to limit the success of infill revegetation (with trees and shrubs), and it is therefore recommended that any revegetation works through these areas be delayed until such a time that large sections can be revegetated at once.

# **Environmental Weeds**

The focus of management across this class should be to prevent the expansion of weeds into adjoining patches of higher quality vegetation, where appropriate intervention is likely to include continued slashing of the boundary tracks.

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control across the class include **Allium triquetrum* (Angled Onion), as well as dense-mat forming grasses such as *Cenchrus clandestinus* (Kikuyu) and **Stenotaphrum secundatum* (Buffalo Grass).

### **Other Management Concerns / Provisions**

The access points created by the Committee to limit movement between the foreshore and the Camping Reserve have been successful, with revegetation either side of many of the points resulting in a high cover of vegetation which improves the landscape amenity by providing more continuity of habitat. The works also aid in bank stabilisation, and provide a buffer to the campers from the sea breezes, and it is recommended that they continue to be managed in such a way. Likewise, there are a small number of areas where post and wire fencing has helped to delineate between some of the camping sites and the remnant vegetation/revegetation areas creating a greater sense of privacy and intimacy for the campers hiring the sites. It is strongly recommended that this method of limiting movement in this fairly unobtrusive way be expanded into other parts of the reserve, particularly those areas where there is encroachment into the more intact remnant areas, or where remnant vegetation is currently providing this natural partition between camp sites (e.g. 44, 44a, 50-53, 56, 58, 61-70, 72, 73, 77-80, 82 and 83); this strategy which will help maintain the local character of the camp sites over time. In a number of instances these areas are grading into areas of Riparian Fern Scrub with ground water seepage.

The walking track within the Camping Reserve (near the cabins) requires routine annual maintenance to clear vegetation away from the track (<1m) and remove it from the immediate vicinity. Saliently, when completing weed control adjacent to the track contractors need to be made aware of the populations of *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood) in the area; they are <u>not</u> #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) and <u>should not be controlled.</u>

#### 7.3.1.6 Inventory of Priority Weeds and Thematic Map Series

An inventory of the priority weeds mapped within the Northern Management Unit, by zone, during the October - December site visits is provided in Table 12. Maps that depict the diversity of the recorded weed flora are provided in Figure 38 to Figure 41 (page 79 to page 82). The first set of maps portrays the richness of herbs, graminoids and scramblers; both by species, and by species with reference to the underlying management zone. The second set of maps portrays the richness of trees and shrubs; by species, and by species with reference to the underlying management zone. The age class and abundance of several of the more populous weeds across the unit (e.g. *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), *Plectranthus ciliatus (African Spur-flower) and *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry)) is depicted in Figure 42 to Figure 45 (page 83 to page 86).

# Table 12 Life form and bioregional status of priority environmental weeds recorded by zone, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

	Common Nome	Life Form		Bioregional Status			Presence	e by Zone			
Scientific Name	Common Name	Lite Form	CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Population Notes	
Graminoids	·		·					•			
Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Medium to small tufted graminoid	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Restricted range within management zone	
Herbs											
Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Allium triquetrum	Angled Onion	Medium herb	Restricted Weed	-	High Risk				yes	Possibly more widespread than current mapping indicates.	
Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	Large herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk			yes		Restricted range within management zone	
Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	Medium herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk			yes		Restricted range within management zone	
Crassula multicava subsp. multicava	Shade Crassula	Small or prostrate herb	-	-	High Risk			yes		Restricted range within management zone	
Dimorphotheca pluvialis	Cape Marigold	Medium herb	-	-	Lower Risk			yes		Restricted range within management zone	
Foeniculum vulgare	Fennel	Medium herb	Restricted Weed	-	Very High Risk			yes		Restricted range within management zone	
Gazania linearis	Gazania	Medium herb	-	-	Very High Risk				yes	Restricted range within management zone	
Plectranthus ciliatus	African Spur-flower	Large herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk	yes	yes		yes	Limit the use of herbicide/over spraying in area due to high diversity of ferns, saturated soils and potential impacts to Burrowing Crayfish populations. Ideally control during summer or when area most dry. Remove material from site to prevent re-establishing.	
Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk	yes				Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Palms									_		
Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage-tree	Palm	-	-	High Risk				yes	Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Washingtonia spp.	Fan Palm	Palm	-	-	-				yes	Restricted range within management zone	
Scramblers and Climbers									_		
Asparagus scandens	Asparagus Fern	Scrambler or climber	Restricted Weed	YES	Very High Risk	yes				-	
Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	yes		yes	yes	Species difficult to eradicate, will require ongoing management and follow-up to prevent the species spreading elsewhere within the zone.	
Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.	



				Bioregional Status			Presenc	e by Zone				
Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Population Notes		
Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.		
Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Medium Risk	yes				Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.		
Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Scrambler or climber	Regionally Controlled Weed	YES	High Risk	yes	yes	yes		Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.		
Tradescantia fluminensis	Wandering Jew	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.		
Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Scrambler or climber	-	-	High Risk			yes	yes	Species largely in the more degraded areas, contain populations here. Where the species currently has a low density, and is within areas of higher ecological value the species should be treated.		
Small and Medium Shrubs												
Cestrum elegans	Elegant Poison-berry	Medium shrub	-	-	Very High Risk		yes			Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely.		
Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Medium shrub	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely.		
Grevillea spp./cv.	Grevillea (cultivated)	Small shrub	-	-	-			yes		Planted, currently within reserve being managed as private garden		
Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	Medium shrub	-	-	Lower Risk			yes		Species currently within reserve being managed as private garden		
Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	Medium shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk			yes		Planted specimens in high profile areas around picnic grounds		
Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	Medium shrub	-	-	High Risk				yes	Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely.		
Trees and Large Shrubs												
Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk				yes	-		
Corymbia ficifolia	Flowering Gum	Tree or large shrub	-	-	-			yes		Planted specimens in high profile areas around picnic grounds		
Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk				yes	Planted specimens		
Eucalyptus botryoides	Southern Mahogany	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk				yes	Planted specimens in high profile areas around picnic grounds		
Ficus carica	Fig	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk			yes		Planted specimens in high profile areas around picnic grounds		
Fraxinus spp.	Ash	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High or Very High Risk				yes	Planted specimens in high profile areas around picnic grounds		
llex aquifolium	English Holly	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk			yes		Small number of plants recorded		
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes	yes	yes	Widespread at low density, target high quality areas first		
Salix X fragilis	Crack Willow	Tree or large shrub	Restricted Weed	YES	Very High Risk			yes		Small number of plants recorded		
Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Medium Risk			yes		Small number of plants recorded		



Figure 38 Priority environmental weeds by life form (herbs, graminoids and scramblers), Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 39 Priority environmental weeds by life form (herbs, graminoids and scramblers) and zone, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 40 Priority environmental weeds by life form (palms, shrubs and trees), Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 41 Priority environmental weeds by life form (palms, shrubs and trees) and zone, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 42 Extent and abundance of *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 43 Extent and abundance of #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 44 Extent and abundance of *Plectranthus ciliatus (African Spur-flower), Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 45 Extent and abundance of *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry), Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



# 7.3.1.7 Summary of Proposed Works by Year and Zone

Weed management actions that are proposed for the Northern Management Unit are itemised in Table 13. An action is given for each of the priority weeds/overabundant flora that were recorded during the 2023 surveys, and an overall *strategy* has been assigned (e.g. eradicate, control or contain) for each taxon, as well as appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference is also made to the *zone* where works should occur, the *sequencing of works* (i.e. whether they should be undertaken in Year 1 to Year 5), and the appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference is provided to the *priority* assigned to each action. Should it not be possible to complete all proposed actions in each Year, then consideration should be given to the *priority* assigned to each action, and high priority actions completed ahead of medium and low priority actions. Sequencing is provided for Year 1 – Year 5, as well as an ongoing maintenance period.

# Table 13 Summary of proposed weed management actions by year and zone, Northern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve

Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Graminoids														
Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all plants across the zone	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3		
Herbs	·						•							
Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3					
Allium triquetrum	Angled Onion	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Ensure that the species does not spread into adjoining areas	Once per year	Winter/Spring	Zone 4					
Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			
Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3				
Crassula multicava subsp. multicava	Shade Crassula	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			
Dimorphotheca pluvialis	Cape Marigold	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all garden escapee populations within the zone	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3				
Foeniculum vulgare	Fennel	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3				
Gazania linearis	Gazania	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4				
Plectranthus ciliatus	African Spur-flower	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Cut and Paint	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Summer/Autumn	Zone 1, 2, 4					
Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Spring/Summer	Zone 1					
Palms														
Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage-tree	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Spring/Summer	Zone 4	Zone 4				
Washingtonia spp.	Fan Palm	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4				
Scramblers and Climbers														

Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Asparagus scandens	Asparagus Fern	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Summer	Zone 1	Zone 1				
Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	Spring/Summer	Zone 1, 3, 4					
Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	At any time	Zone 3					
Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3		
Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1	Zone 1	Zone 1	Zone 1		
Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut and paint in areas with good understorey and or fern diversity. Back pack elsewhere.	Once per year	Summer	Zone 1, 2, 3					
Tradescantia fluminensis	Wandering Jew	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3		
Vinca major ⁴	Blue Periwinkle	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3, 4					
Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Low	Prevent the expansion outside of these areas or until other management objectives are met before treatment here.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3, 4					
Small and Medium Shrubs														
Cestrum elegans	Elegant Poison- berry	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Remove or stack any cut material upslope and not in contact with the ground to prevent reshooting.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 2	Zone 2	Zone 2			
Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3				
Grevillea spp./cv.	Grevillea (cultivated)	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3					
Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Remove or stack any cut material upslope and not in contact with the ground to prevent reshooting.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			

⁴ Two strategies are proposed for the management of *Vinca major* in the Northern Management Unit. The *Eradicate* strategy applies to where the species currently has a low density, and is within areas of higher ecological value the species should be treated. The *Contain* strategy applies where the species largely occurs in the more degraded areas.

Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			
Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	Summer	Zone 4	Zone 4				
Trees and Large Shrubs														
Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target juvenile plants initially and mature plants in high quality area.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4
Corymbia ficifolia	Flowering Gum	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			
Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4			
Eucalyptus botryoides	Southern Mahogany	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4			
Ficus carica	Fig	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	yes	yes	yes			
Fraxinus spp.	Ash	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4	Zone 4			
llex aquifolium	English Holly	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3 (follow-up)				
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Initially targeting female and juvenile plants in areas with high density, elsewhere control all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4
Salix X fragilis	Crack Willow	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	Summer	Zone 3	Zone 3 (follow-up)				
Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Target all plants	Once per year	Summer	Zone 3					

# 7.3.2 Central Management Unit

# 7.3.2.1 Overview

The Central Management Unit has been into five zones (see Table 14 for an overview); the spatial extent of these is depicted in Figure 46 (page 91). The delineation of zones was based on vegetation and habitat type and condition, coupled with the range of threatening processes/management issues evident at the time of survey. Consideration was also given to visitor amenity.

Management Zone	Land Form / Character	Area
Zone 1	<ul> <li>A core block of vegetation that encompasses Macpherson Creek and is flanked by Cape Liptrap Coastal Park to the west, and Bayside Drive to the east.</li> <li>The zone, which largely comprises of remnant vegetation, supports a range of forest and woodland types that include a number of regionally significant EVCs, and has a relatively low cover of priority weeds.</li> </ul>	22,080 m² (2.21 Ha)
Zone 2	<ul> <li>A narrow linear band of vegetation between Bayside Drive and the beach; the northern extent of the zone approximately aligns with Waratah Street, while the southern extent approximately aligns with Macpherson Creek.</li> <li>The zone principally comprises of remnant native vegetation with a relatively low cover of weeds, however, the structure of vegetation has been modified, and species richness is lower than typical of the constituent EVCs.</li> <li>There is informal beach access from parts of the zone.</li> </ul>	3,565 m² (0.36 Ha)
Zone 3	<ul> <li>Area adjacent to the Walkerville North Boat Ramp and the extension of Bayside Drive at the southern end of the Management Unit.</li> <li>Some remnant native vegetation persists, although it has high cover of problematic environmental weeds.</li> <li>Vegetation was typically characterised by modified structure and lower than typical species diversity for the constituent EVC.</li> <li>Visitor amenities include the Walkerville North Boat Ramp.</li> </ul>	1,970 m² (0.20 Ha)
Zone 4	<ul> <li>Area of rock beaching alongside Bayside Drive; the zone runs from approximately south of Macpherson Creek to just south of the Walkerville North Boat Ramp.</li> <li>Patchy revegetation works undertaken following the installation of rock.</li> <li>Visitor amenities include walking tracks and formal (stepped) access to the beach.</li> </ul>	3,400 m² (0.34 Ha)
Zone 5	<ul> <li>A small block of vegetation to the west of Bayside Drive, that is bordered by Bayside Drive to the east and flanked by private properties in Waratah Street to the west.</li> <li>Vegetation is structurally intact in areas, however, has a high proportion of weed including scramblers and climbers.</li> <li>Some sections of the zone are currently being managed by neighbouring landowners.</li> </ul>	1,985 m² (0.20 Ha)

A detailed description of each zone, coupled with a discussion of management recommendations specific to that zone, is provided in Section 7.3.2.2 to Section 7.3.2.6. The descriptions also reference the flora and fauna supported by each zone, as well as the broad vegetation condition classes that were assigned following the site visits.

An inventory of the weeds mapped across the Central Management Unit during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.2.7, and a summary of proposed management actions for the unit is provided in Section 7.3.2.8.



Figure 46 Vegetation Management Zones, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, December 2023



# 7.3.2.2 Zone 1

Zone 1					
Site Context					
Area	• 22,080 m ² (2.21 Ha)				
Location / Character	<ul> <li>A core block of vegetation that encompasses Macpherson Creek and is flanked by Cape Liptrap Coastal Park to the west, and Bayside Drive to the east.</li> <li>The zone, which largely comprises of remnant vegetation, supports a range of forest and woodland types that include a number of regionally significant EVCs, and has a relatively low cover of priority weeds.</li> </ul>				
Cultural Heritage Features	Incorporates an old house site and plantings such as Fig Tree				
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	High Quality Environmental     Moderate Quality Environmental				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	<ul> <li>Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 161)</li> <li>Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville) (EVC 161)</li> <li>Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)</li> <li>Lowland Forest (EVC 16)</li> <li>Warm temperate Rainforest (syn. Littoral Rainforest) (EVC 32)</li> </ul>				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	<ul> <li>A large block of intact remnant vegetation that forms part of a large contiguous habitat link with Cape Liptrap Coastal Park.</li> <li>The zone contains significant patches of Warm Temperate Rainforest which is locally uncommon; these lay adjacent to Macpherson Creek.</li> </ul>				
Threatened and Significant Flora	<ul> <li>None recorded, however, suitable habitat for a number of species</li> <li>The zone supports a threatened EVC that is poorly represented in the area</li> </ul>				
Threatened and Significant Found	<ul> <li>Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma)</li> <li>Climbing Galaxia (Galaxias brevipinnis)</li> <li>Gang-gang Cockatoo (Callocephalon fimbriatum)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>)</li> <li>White-footed Dunnart (<i>Sminthopsis leucopus</i>) White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>)</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Although not previously recorded accessing the zone, observations suggest there is suitable habitat for Powerful Owl (<i>Ninox strenua</i>) and Burrowing Crayfish (<i>Engaeus</i> spp.).</li> <li>It is also likely that this section of the Foreshore Reserve provides habitat for a number of other threatened fauna species; where these that have gone undetected due the low survey effort across the site.</li> </ul>				
Priority Environmental Weeds	<ul> <li>*Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy)</li> <li>*Hedera hibernica (Atlantic Ivy)</li> <li>*Ilex aquifolium (English Holly)</li> </ul>	#Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum)     *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)     *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-Iily)			
Pest Animals	Deer, foxes and rabbits	•			

# Threatened and Significant Flora

Zone 1 supports a local variation of Warm Temperate Rainforest which is restricted to a small handful of creeklines within the area surrounding the Foreshore Reserve. While individual taxa within the community do not have conservation listings (e.g. the EPBC Act 1999 or FFG Act 1988), the community includes a number of species that are not typical of such low-lying areas close to the coast.

# Threatened and Significant Fauna

A range of rare and threatened fauna have been recorded more broadly across the Northern Management Unit and within the immediate surrounds of the Foreshore Reserve. Akin to the other zones in the Management Unit, the diversity of habitats provided by Zone 3 suggests that a subset of these could utilise the site, and it is probable that additional surveys would lead to the detection of a range of additional taxa. Climbing Galaxia (*Galaxias brevipinnis*), for example, were observed in Macpherson Creek during the October – December 2023 surveys.

#### Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 1 was assigned to two condition classes; namely *High Quality Environmental* and *Moderate Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of these classes, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 1 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.2.7. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

#### **High Quality Environmental Condition Class**

### **Composition and Condition**

The majority of Zone 1 has been assigned to this condition class. This part of the zone abuts Cape Liptrap Coastal Park and therefore provides for the continuous passage of fauna to the west of the Foreshore Reserve. It is also floristically and structurally diverse and supports a range of EVCs.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Overall, key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy), **Ilex aquifolium* (English Holly), *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

The core focus of efforts in this area should be to impede further weed incursion, and to ensure that (primarily) the extent and cover of woody weeds is reduced; where, ideally, this would mean that no mature plants set seed, and that there is no further growth of elevated climbers. Actively managing the stands of **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy) along the boundaries of the zone, and along the boundary of Cape Liptrap Coastal Park, is a high priority; with the objective of intervention being to help prevent the further spread of weeds into this core block of remnant vegetation. *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) will also require targeted management to prevent the taxon from dominating any one area, as will **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), which occurs at relatively low levels and predominately within sections where there is increased light.

Due to the local significance placed on other **Ficus carica* (Fig) in the Walkerville South area (see Significant trees of South Gippsland), it is recommended that the recorded individuals of this taxon not be treated. This approach is feasible as **Ficus carica* (Fig) do not readily naturalise, and are therefore unlikely to become a management issue more widely.

# **Moderate Quality Environmental**

#### **Composition and Condition**

Two small patches in Zone 1 were assigned to this condition class; they encompass Macpherson Creek, and a section of the northern boundary that abuts private land. These patches were considered lower quality due to the higher proportion of environmental weeds and disturbance to vegetation structure including around the old house site.

## **Environmental Weeds**

Overall, key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy), **Ilex aquifolium* (English Holly), *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

Akin to areas mapped as High Quality, the core focus of efforts in this area should be to impede further weed incursion, and to ensure that (primarily) the extent and cover of woody weeds is reduced; where, ideally, this would mean that no mature plants set seed, and that there is no further growth of elevated climbers. Actively managing the stands of **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily) along the creekline are a high priority; with the objective of intervention being to help prevent the further spread of weeds into this core block of remnant vegetation. #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) will also require targeted management to prevent the taxon from dominating any one area, as will **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), which occurs at relatively low levels and predominately within sections where there is increased light.

## Other Management Concerns / Provisions

The new house that was constructed on the northern boundary of Zone 1 has storm water run-off points into the reserve; as well as constructed swale that has resulted in vegetation clearance. One of the pipes is above a steep section to the waterway which may lead to erosion in the future. Additionally, the landowners dumping of garden waste into the reserve has the potential to increase weed invasion and nutrient loading, and it is recommended that the Committee investigate options for preventing further activity.

# 7.3.2.3 Zone 2

Zone 2					
Site Context					
Area	• 3,565 m ² (0.36 Ha)				
Location / Character	<ul> <li>A narrow linear band of vegetation between Bayside Drive and the beach; the northern extent of the zone approximately aligns with Waratah Street, while the southern extent approximately aligns with Macpherson Creek.</li> <li>The zone principally comprises of remnant native vegetation with a relatively low cover of weeds, however, the structure of vegetation has been modified, and species richness is lower than typical of the constituent EVCs.</li> </ul>				
Social and Amenity Features  • Bayside Drive and informal access points to the beach		beach			
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	Coast Banksia Woodland (EVC 2)     Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160)				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	<ul> <li>A linear strip of vegetation between Bayside Drive and the foreshore.</li> <li>The area is prone to coastal erosion with some sections less than 5 metres wide.</li> </ul>				
Threatened and Significant Flora	None recorded				
Threatened and Significant Fauna	<ul> <li>Common sandpiper (Actitis hypoleucos)</li> <li>Hooded Plover (Thinomis rubricollis)</li> <li>Pied Oystercatcher (Haematopus longirostris)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sooty Oystercatcher (Haematopus fuliginosus)</li> <li>White-bellied Sea-Eagle (Haliaeetus leucogaster)</li> <li>White-throated Needletail (Hirundapus caudacutus)</li> </ul>			
Priority Environmental Weeds	<ul> <li>*Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus)</li> <li>*Crassula muscosa var. muscosa (Clubmoss Crassula)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>#Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum)</li> <li>*Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)</li> <li>*Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily)</li> </ul>			
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits				



### Threatened and Significant Fauna

The beach zone to the rock platforms along the coast provide suitable habitat for a range of threatened avian fauna (e.g. Hooded Plover (*Thinornis cucullatus*)).

# Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 2 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 1 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.2.7. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

## Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity Condition Class

# **Composition and Condition**

Zone 2 lies at the northern extent of the Management Unit and comprises of a narrow linear strip of vegetation that runs proximate to the foreshore and is bound by Bayside Drive to the west. Vegetation within the zone is subject to a range of pressures, with coastal erosion on the ocean side and human / traffic related disturbances along the roadside, and this has resulted in modifications to the structure and floristics. While the wider section of the foreshore reserve can be managed to improve the conservation values, ultimately coastal erosion through this area is likely to require a much high level of management that is beyond the scope of the current plan. In the interim, however, increasing the resilience of vegetation by creating a stable fore-dune environment will aid in the rate at which erosion detrimentally impacts vegetation.

## **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Agapanthus praecox* subsp. *orientalis* (Agapanthus), **Crassula muscosa var. muscosa* (Clubmoss Crassula), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

As the degree of weed invasion across the zone is varied, the most efficacious strategy is likely to involve first targeting those taxa that currently have relatively restricted distributions or those that will be more troublesome to manage should they expand further. These include:

- *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus) and *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily), which are relatively slow-moving species but are difficult to manage once established. Given the low number of infestations, extant populations are a high priority for treatment;
- Climbers and scramblers such as *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry); and
- Isolated #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum).

# Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Given the narrow width of the foreshore reserve across this part of the site, people accessing the beach by informal means is inevitable. Of greater concern, however, is vehicles parking adjacent to the road and incrementally encroaching on vegetation that is already very prone to erosion.
#### 7.3.2.4 Zone 3

Zone 3							
Site Context							
Area	• 1,970 m ² (0.20 Ha)						
Location / Character	<ul> <li>Area adjacent to the Walkerville North Boat Ramp and the extension of Bayside Drive at the southern end of the Management Unit.</li> <li>Some remnant native vegetation persists, although it has high cover of problematic environmental weeds.</li> <li>Vegetation was typically characterised by modified structure and lower than typical species diversity for the constituent EVC.</li> </ul>						
Social and Amenity Features	Walkerville North Boat Ramp						
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	s Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity						
Synopsis of Values and Threats	Synopsis of Values and Threats						
Ecological Vegetation Classes	Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160)						
Vegetation Composition and Condition	Linear strip of vegetation between Bayside Driv	e and the foreshore.					
Threatened and Significant Flora	None recorded						
Threatened and Significant Fauna	<ul> <li>Common sandpiper (Actitis hypoleucos)</li> <li>Hooded Plover (Thinomis rubricollis)</li> <li>Pied Oystercatcher (Haematopus longirostris)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sooty Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus fuliginosus</i>)</li> <li>White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>)</li> <li>White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>)</li> </ul>					
Priority Environmental Weeds	<ul> <li>*Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus)</li> <li>*Coprosma repens (Mirror bush)</li> <li>*Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora (Montbretia)</li> <li>*Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>*Hebe spp. (Hebe)</li> <li>*Hedera hibernica (Atlantic Ivy)</li> <li>*Kniphofia uvaria (Red-hot Poker)</li> <li>*Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)</li> </ul>					
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits						

#### Threatened and Significant Fauna

Akin to Zone 2, in Zone 3, the beach zone to the rock platforms along the coast provide suitable habitat for a range of threatened avian fauna (e.g. Hooded Plover (*Thinornis cucullatus*)).

# Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 3 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 3 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.2.7. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

### Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity Condition Class

#### **Composition and Condition**

Zone 3 comprises of a narrow linear strip of vegetation that lies at the southern extent of the Management Unit, south of Holt Street. The zone runs proximate to the foreshore, and is bound by the Walkerville North Boat Ramp to the north, and Bayside Drive (and its extension) to the west. Vegetation within the zone retains some structure, however, is subject to a range of pressures, with coastal erosion on the ocean side and human / traffic related disturbances along the roadside. There is also a diverse weed flora, in addition the pressure from horticultural plantings along the upper edge of

the zone which include **Agapanthus praecox* (Agapanthus) and **Kniphofia uvaria* (Red Hot Poker). Vegetation within the zone has also been managed to maintain view lines from neighbouring properties.

### **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Agapanthus praecox* subsp. *orientalis* (Agapanthus), **Coprosma repens* (Mirror Bush), **Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora* (Montbretia), **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Hebe* spp. (Hebe), **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy), **Kniphofia uvaria* (Red-hot Poker) and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry).

Given the diversity of weeds across the zone, including several taxa that are difficult to control, it is recommended that works across the zone focus on limiting the spread of existing weeds. This will include:

- Preventing the aerial growth of climbers and scramblers such as *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), *Hedera hibernica (Atlantic Ivy) and *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry), and limiting their further spread; and
- Actively controlling *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus), *Kniphofia uvaria (Red Hot Poker) and *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-Iily), which are relatively slow-moving species but are difficult to manage once established.

## Other Management Concerns / Provisions

With respect to 'expectations' regarding management of the Foreshore Reserve, it is recommended that the Committee continue to work with neighbouring land owners, particularly with regards to the appropriateness of plantings along the roadside verge. It is imperative that selected plants do not spread and become a management issue elsewhere in the Foreshore Reserve.

Although beyond the purview of the current plan, it is noted that periodic clearance of vegetation around the access points to the boat ramp will be necessary.

7.3.2.5 Zo	ne 4
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Zone 4						
Site Context						
Area	• 3,400 m ² (0.34 Ha)					
Location / Character	<ul> <li>Area of rock beaching alongside Bayside Drive; the zone runs from approximately south of Macpherson Creek to just south of the Walkerville North Boat Ramp.</li> <li>Patchy revegetation works following the installation of rock.</li> </ul>					
Social and Amenity Features	Walking track alongside the road and formal (stepped) access points to the beach					
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Low Quality Environmental – High Amenity					
Synopsis of Values and Threats						
Ecological Vegetation Classes	Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160) (modified)					
Vegetation Composition and Condition	Linear strip of vegetation between Bayside Drive and the foreshore					
Threatened and Significant Flora	None recorded					
Threatened and Significant Fauna	None recorded					
Priority Environmental Weeds	• * <i>Cortaderia selloana</i> subsp. <i>selloana</i> (Pampas Grass)					

#### Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 4 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Low Quality Environmental – High Amenity*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 4 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.2.7. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

#### Low Quality Environmental – High Amenity

#### **Composition and Condition**

Zone 4 has little to no persisting remnant vegetation, rather it principally comprises of the rock beaching / stabilisation works, which have altered the character of the landscape. Given proximity to the boat ramp, toilet facilities and the public hall, the zone is considered to have high amenity value. The management focus on this section should therefore be site appropriate revegetation, and weed management that will soften the rock beaching while maintaining sight lines along the bay.

#### **Environmental Weeds**

Given the recent earth works through this area, most weeds are limited to opportunistic herbs and grasses that will only require management during the revegetation phase. There are, however, isolated plants of **Cortaderia selloana* subsp. *selloana* (Pampas Grass) that should be targeted for control.

### Revegetation / Natural Regeneration / Species Enrichment Plantings

As this area has been significantly modified, it is recommended that site appropriate revegetation be undertaken to soften the rock beaching. Appropriate species include low-growing sedges, grasses and shrubs such as *Ficinia nodosa* (Knobby Club-sedge), *Poa poiformis* (Coastal Tussock-grass), *Austrostipa stipoides* (Prickly Spear-grass), *Rhagodia candolleana* (Sea-berry Salt-bush), *Atriplex cinerea* (Coast Saltbush), *Correa alba* (White Correa) and *Adriana quadripartite* (Coast Bitter-bush). Due the high level of pedestrian usage, coupled with current openness of the site, it is recommended that plantings be high density (e.g. 3 plants per m²).

### **Other Management Concerns / Provisions**

Although beyond the purview of the current plan, it is noted that periodic vegetation clearance will be required to maintain clear access along the walking paths.



#### 7.3.2.6 Zone 5

Zone 5						
Site Context						
Area	• 1,985 m ² (0.20 Ha)	1,985 m² (0.20 Ha)				
Location / Character	• A small block of vegetation to the west of Bayside Drive, that is bordered by Bayside Drive to the east and flanked by private properties in Waratah Street to the west.					
Social and Amenity Features	Informal walking tracks from private properties to the beach					
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity					
Synopsis of Values and Threats						
Ecological Vegetation Classes	<ul><li>Coastal Dune Scrub (EVC 160)</li><li>Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC</li></ul>	161)				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	<ul> <li>Linear strip of vegetation between Bayside Drive and the private properties including steep sections.</li> <li>Vegetation is structurally intact in areas, however, has a high proportion of weed including scrambl and climbers.</li> <li>Some sections of the zone are currently being managed by neighbouring landowners.</li> </ul>					
Threatened and Significant Flora	None recorded					
Threatened and Significant Fauna	None recorded					
Priority Environmental Weeds	* <i>Hedera hibernica</i> (Atlantic Ivy)     * <i>Vinca major</i> (Blue Periwinkle)     *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry)					

### Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 5 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 5 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.2.7. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

# Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity Condition Class

#### **Composition and Condition**

Vegetation across Zone 5 is structurally intact in areas, however, has a high cover of weeds including scramblers and climbers. It has variously been subject to management intervention by neighbouring property owners.

### **Environmental Weeds**

Key taxa that occur across the zone include **Hedera hibernica* (Atlantic Ivy), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle). Saliently, before widespread weed control is undertaken across the zone, it is recommended that the bank slumping be investigated. Prior to appropriate investigations, weed control should be limited to the southern boundary of the zone.

#### Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Although beyond the purview of the current plan, there was evidence that parts of the zone had been subject to land slippages, with indications that some remediation works had been undertaken. There were also sections that appeared to have been disturbed more recently. Until investigations are completed by appropriate professionals, it is recommended that all vegetation be left *in situ*.



# 7.3.2.7 Inventory of Priority Weeds and Thematic Map Series

An inventory of the priority weeds mapped within the Central Management Unit, by zone, during the October – December site visits is provided in Table 15. Maps that depict the diversity of the recorded weed flora are provided in Figure 47 to Figure 50 (page 101 to page 104). The first set of maps portrays the richness of herbs, graminoids and scramblers; both by species, and by species with reference to the underlying management zone. The second set of maps portrays the richness of trees and shrubs; by species, and by species with reference to the underlying management zone. The age class and abundance of several of the more populous weeds across the unit (e.g. **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily)) is depicted in Figure 51 to Figure 53 (page 105 to page 107).

# Table 15 Life form and bioregional status of priority environmental weeds recorded by zone, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

			Bioregional Status			Presence by Zone						
Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5	Population Notes	
Graminoids												
Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	Large tufted graminoid	-	-	High Risk				yes		Small population	
Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Medium to small tufted graminoid	-	-	Very High Risk			yes			-	
Herbs												
Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk		yes	yes			Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Crassula muscosa var. muscosa	Clubmoss Crassula	Medium herb	-	-	High Risk		yes				Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Kniphofia uvaria	Red-hot Poker	Large herb	-	-	High Risk			yes			Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes				Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.	
Scramblers and Climbers	Scramblers and Climbers											
Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	yes		yes			Species difficult to eradicate, will require ongoing management and follow-up to prevent the species spreading elsewhere within the zone.	
Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	yes		yes		yes	Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow up will be required.	
Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Scrambler or climber	Regionally Controlled Weed	YES	High Risk	yes	yes	yes		yes	Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.	
Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Scrambler or climber	-	-	High Risk					yes	Species largely in the more degraded areas, contain populations here	
Small and Medium Shrubs												
Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Medium shrub	-	-	Very High Risk			yes			Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely.	
Hebe spp.	Hebe	Small shrub	-	-	-			yes			Planted specimens	
Trees and Large Shrubs												
Ficus carica	Fig	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk	yes					Planted specimens that may be of historic value	
llex aquifolium	English Holly	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	yes					Small number of plants recorded	
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes				Widespread at low density, target high quality areas first.	



Figure 47 Priority environmental weeds by life form (herbs, graminoids and scramblers), Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 48 Priority environmental weeds by life form (herbs, graminoids and scramblers), Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 49 Priority environmental weeds by life form (shrubs and trees), Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 50 Priority environmental weeds by life form (shrubs and trees) and zone, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 51 Extent and abundance of #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 52 Extent and abundance of *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry), Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





Figure 53 Extent and abundance of *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-Iily), Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



### 7.3.2.8 Summary of Proposed Works by Year and Zone

Weed management actions that are proposed for the Central Management Unit are itemised in Table 16. An action is given for each of the priority weeds/overabundant flora that were recorded during the 2023 surveys, and an overall *strategy* has been assigned (e.g. eradicate, control or contain) for each taxon, as well as appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference is also made to the *zone* where works should occur, the *sequencing of works* (i.e. whether they should be undertaken in Year 1 to Year 5), and the appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference is provided to the *priority* assigned to each action. Should it not be possible to complete all proposed actions in each Year, then consideration should be given to the *priority* assigned to each action, and high priority actions completed ahead of medium and low priority actions. Sequencing is provided for Year 1 – Year 5, as well as an ongoing maintenance period.

### Table 16 Summary of proposed weed management actions by year and zone, Central Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve

Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Graminoids														
Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all plants across the zone	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4 (follow-up)				
Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all plants across the zone	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3		
Herbs														
Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 2, 3	Zone 2, 3	Zone 2, 3	Zone 2, 3	Zone 2, 3	
Crassula muscosa var. muscosa	Clubmoss Crassula	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 2	Zone 2	Zone 2			
Kniphofia uvaria	Red-hot Poker	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			
Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Spring/Summer	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2
Scramblers and Climbers									•			·		
Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Control	Prevent aerial growth and reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	Spring/Summer	Zone 1, 3	Zone 1, 3	Zone 1, 3	Zone 1, 3	Zone 1, 3	Zone 1, 3
Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1, 3, 5	Zone 1, 3, 5	Zone 1, 3, 5	Zone 1, 3, 5		
Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut and paint in areas with good understorey and or fern diversity. Back pack elsewhere.	Once per year	Summer	Zone 1, 2, 3, 5	Zone 1, 2, 3, 5	Zone 1, 2, 3, 5	Zone 1, 2, 3, 5		
Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Prevent the expansion outside of these areas or until other management objectives are met before treatment here.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 5	Zone 5	Zone 5	Zone 5	Zone 5	Zone 5
Small and Medium Shrubs												·		
Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3		

Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Hebe spp.	Hebe	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3	Zone 3			
Trees and Large Shrubs														
Ficus carica	Fig	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1	Zone 1	Zone 1			
llex aquifolium	English Holly	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1	Zone 1 (follow-up)				
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Initially target female and juvenile plants in areas with high density, elsewhere control all plants			Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2	Zone 1, 2

# 7.3.3 Southern Management Unit

# 7.3.3.1 Overview

The Southern Management Unit has been divided into six zones (see Table 17 for an overview); the spatial extent of these is depicted in Figure 54 (page 111). Akin to the other management units, the delineation of zones was based on vegetation and habitat type and condition, coupled with the range of threatening processes/management issues evident at the time of survey. Consideration was also given to visitor amenity.

Table	17 lı	nventory	of zones,	Southern	Management	Unit,	Walkerville	Foreshore	Reserve
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Management Zone	Land Form / Character	Area
	<ul> <li>The zone lies to the north-east of Walkerville South Road and encompasses the headland areas of the foreshore reserve from the Walkerville South Boat Ramp, past Bird Rock to the south-east extent of the Management Unit (and also the Foreshore Reserve).</li> <li>The vorate time trace/EVCo encode the zone are reflective of the geology of the grap. The condition</li> </ul>	
Zone 1	<ul> <li>The vegetation types/EVCs across the 20he are reflective of the geology of the area. The conductive of remnant vegetation is varied, and there are small populations of a number of environmental weeds. In some parts, vegetation structure has been modified, and species richness in lower than typical of the constituent EVCs.</li> </ul>	15,880 m² (1.59 Ha)
	Visitor amenities include Walkerville South Boat Ramp, walking tracks and the lighthouse signal.	
	• The zone comprises of three discrete parcels of land that lie between the northern and southern passes of Walkerville South Road.	
Zone 2	<ul> <li>Remnant vegetation across the zone is largely intact, with relatively small weed populations and/or only supports weeds that are easy to control. The upper section of the two larger parcels are subject to increased weed incursion.</li> </ul>	10,640 m² (1.06 Ha)
	Visitor amenities include walking tracks.	
	<ul> <li>A lower section of gully line that runs down to Robs Spot, and lies in the south-east corner of the Management Unit (and also the Foreshore Reserve).</li> </ul>	
Zone 3	<ul> <li>Remnant vegetation within the zone is largely intact, with relatively small weed populations and/or only supports weeds that are easy to control.</li> </ul>	19,700 m² (1.97 Ha)
	Visitor amenities include walking tracks.	
	• The zone comprises of several discrete blocks and encompasses the area between Walkerville South Road and the Landy Property. It also includes the Carpark.	
Zono 4	• Vegetation within the zone is principally intact structurally, however, the flora is less diverse than	$27.830 \text{ m}^2 (2.78 \text{ Hz})$
2016 4	typical of the constituent EVCs. There is also evidence of increased weed incursion particularly near the carpark and around the houses.	27,030 III (2.70 Ha)
	Visitor amenities include a car park.	
Zone 5	<ul><li>The zone incorporates Riddler's Creek, .the main gully line south-west of Walkerville South Road.</li><li>Vegetation within the zone is highly modified, and comprises of a high proportion of weeds, and</li></ul>	4,675 m² (0.47 Ha)
	has lower species diversity than is typical of the constituent EVC.	
	• The zone comprises of two discreate blocks and encompasses the lower slopes adjacent to the Walkerville South Boat Ramp.	
Zone 6	<ul> <li>Vegetation within the zone is characterised by a high proportion of environmental weeds, and modified indigenous vegetation structure.</li> </ul>	3 380 m ² (0 34 Ha)
	• The FFG Act 1988 listed <i>Eucalyptus kitsoniana</i> (Bog Gum) is known from the boundary of the zone.	0,000 m (0.04 ma)
	<ul> <li>Visitor amenities include a car park and toilet block.</li> </ul>	

A detailed description of each zone, coupled with a discussion of management recommendations specific to that zone, is provided in Section 7.3.3.2 to Section 7.3.3.7. The descriptions also reference the flora and fauna supported by each zone, as well as the broad vegetation condition classes that were assigned following the site visits.

An inventory of the weeds mapped across the Southern Management Unit during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.3.8, and a summary of proposed management actions for the unit is provided in Section 7.3.3.9.



Figure 54 Vegetation Management Zones, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, December 2023



Vegetation Management Zones

vegetation	Management Zones				
Legend					
•	Locality				
	Site / Visitor Amenity				
Elevation					
	Contour (intermediate)				
	Index Contour				
Hydrology					
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or	Drain			
Roads					
	Sealed Road				
	Unsealed Road				
	Walking and or Bicycle T	rail			
Manageme	ent Zone				
	Zone 1				
	Zone 2				
	Zone 3				
	Zone 4				
	Zone 5				
	Zone 6				
0 20	40 60 80	100 120			
		metres			
Coordinate System Projection: Transve	1: GDA2020 MGA Zone 55 erse Mercator	W RE			
Datum: GDA2020					
Project: Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Vegetation Management Plan Map prepared by Holocene Environmental Science 16th January 2024 Surveyors: Dylan Osler (Ecological Perspective) Survey Period: October - December 2023					
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7.3.3.2 Zone 1

Zone 1					
Site Context					
Area	• 15,880 m ² (1.59 Ha)				
	 The zone lies to the north-east of Walkerville South foreshore reserve from the Walkerville South Boat F Management Unit (and also the Foreshore Reserve) 	Road and encompasses the headland areas of the Ramp, past Bird Rock to the south-east extent of the).			
Location / Character	 The vegetation types / EVCs across the zone are reflective of the geology of the area. The condition of remnant vegetation is varied, and there are small populations of a number of environmental weeds. In some parts, vegetation structure has been modified, and species richness in lower than typical of the constituent EVCs. 				
Cultural Haritaga Egaturas	Section of stone wall from settlement relating to the	Lime Kilns			
Cultural Hemage Features	Area of National Geographic/Geomorphological Sign	nificance			
	Walkerville South Boat Ramp				
Social and Amenity Features	Walking Tracks				
Lighthouse (signal)					
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	High Quality Environmental				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	 Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 16 Lowland Forest (EVC 16) 	31)			
Vegetation Composition and Condition	 Although some of the areas closer to the private how the majority of the headland scrub is intact with good 	use sites have more degraded vegetation condition, d structure and species diversity.			
Threatened and Significant Flora	• Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria (Bassian Pomaderri	is)			
Threatened and Significant Fauna	 Common Sandpiper (<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>) Sooty Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus fuliginosus</i>) Pied Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus longirostris</i>) 	 White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>) White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>) 			
Priority Environmental Weeds	 #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus) *Chlorophytum comosum (Spider Plant) *Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush) *Cordyline australis (New Zealand Cabbage-tree) 	 *Cynara cardunculus (Artichoke Thistle) *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy) *Lycium ferocissimum (African Box-thorn) *Physalis peruviana (Cape Gooseberry) #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum) *Prunus cerasifera (Cherry Plum) *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry) 			
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits				

Threatened and Significant Flora

A number of regionally significant flora were recorded in Zone 1 including the shrub *Pomaderris oraria* subsp. *oraria* (Bassian Pomaderris).

Threatened and Significant Fauna

The beach zone to the rock platforms along the coast provide suitable habitat for a range of threatened avian fauna (e.g. Hooded Plover (*Thinornis cucullatus*)).

Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 1 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *High Quality Environmental*, however, is also considered to have *high amenity* due to the presence of walking tracks and the nearby boat ramp. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 1 during the October – December site visits is provided

in Section 7.3.3.8. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

High Quality Environmental Condition Class

Composition and Condition

The dominant vegetation type across Zone 1 is Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland), with the majority of vegetation across the headland found to be in good structural condition, and supporting the expected diversity of flora for the EVC. Saliently, the zone comprises of a complex mix of ecological values, geological significance, social significance (small number of stone walls), and presumably cultural significance.

Environmental Weeds

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus), *Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush), *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), *Lycium ferocissimum (African Box-thorn), #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), *Prunus cerasifera (Cherry Plum) and *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry).

The weed flora across the zone is varied, and includes some taxa which were not detected elsewhere in the Foreshore Reserve such as the isolated occurrence of **Cynara cardunculus* (Artichoke Thistle) which was found on the headland and should be actively controlled. There were also numerous small populations of **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Boxthorn) across the exposed sections of Coastal Headland Scrub (EVC 161); this taxon, which also currently has a limited distribution within the Management Unit yet is more common on the Bird Rock Formations, should also be actively managed.

Young *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) and **Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle) are reasonably abundant across some sections of the zone. Management of the (primarily) young plants (and for Sweet Pittosporum, the female plants also) should be implemented within this area as both species are likely to become significant management issues if left untreated. Mature **Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle) plants should also be controlled in high quality areas.

Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Note: this section of the Foreshore Reserve contains some exposed rock walls that are presumably associated with the development of the Lime Kilns and any works in the area should ensure that any culturally heritage values are protected or not inadvertently impacted by any proposed weed control works.

Management of the vegetation along the walking tracks throughout Zone 1 should be undertaken on an annual basis, or more frequently when required. During this task, ideally the removed vegetation will be taken off-site and not left/dumped adjacent to the track as this can lead to further weed invasion; particularly, with respect to species such as **Delairea* odorata (Cape Ivy).

It is recommended that further advice be sought from stone masons with respect to how to protect the small section of rock walls; where the scope of this advice should include management of vegetation in the immediate vicinity of walls.

During the October – December 2023 site visits, it was evident that some neighbouring landowners had extended management into parts of the Foreshore Reserve; particularly across the upper part of the zone, where vegetation appears to have had been removed to maintain ocean sight lines.

7.3.3.3 Zone 2

Zone 2						
Site Context						
Area	• 10,640 m ² (1.06 Ha)					
Location / Character	 The zone comprises of three discrete parcels of land that lie between the northern and southern passes of Walkerville South Road. Remnant vegetation across the zone is largely intact, with relatively small weed populations and/or only supports weeds that are easy to control. The upper section of the two larger parcels are subject to increased weed incursion. There are small intermittent drainage flows through one of the blocks. 					
Cultural Heritage Features	Area of National Geographic/Geomorphological	Significance				
Social and Amenity Features	Walking Tracks					
Mapped Condition Classes • High Quality Environmental						
Synopsis of Values and Threats						
 Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 161) Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville) (EVC 161) Damp Forest (EVC 29) Lowland Forest (EVC 16) 						
Vegetation Composition and Condition	 Although vegetation is more degraded across vegetation across the zone is principally intact w 	some of the areas closer to the private house sites, ith good structure and species diversity.				
Threatened and Significant Flora	Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis (Dusty Daisy-bush)	• Xanthorrhoea australis (Austral Grass-tree)				
Threatened and Significant Fauna	 Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma) Lace Monitor (Varanus varius) White-footed Dunnart (Sminthopsis leucopus) 	 White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>) White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>) 				
Priority Environmental Weeds	 *Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus) *Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush) *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy) *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon) *Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) *Hakea drupacea (Sweet Hakea) *Hakea drupacea (Sweet Hakea) *Hakea drupacea (Sweet Hakea) *Hakea drupacea (Sweet Hakea) *Kniphofia uvaria (Red-hot Poker) *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry) *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily) 					
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits					

Threatened and Significant Flora

A number of regionally significant flora where recorded in the vicinity of Zone 2 including *Xanthorrhoea australis* (Austral Grass-tree) and *Olearia phlogopappa* subsp. *insularis* (Dusty Daisy-bush). Although not detected during the October – December 2023 surveys, there is also suitable habitat for *Corybas fimbriatus* (Fringed Helmut-orchid).

Threatened and Significant Fauna

The forested areas of Zone 2 are likely to be used by species such as Blue-winged Parrot (*Neophema chrysostoma*), Lace Monitor (*Varanus varius*) and White-footed Dunnart (*Sminthopsis leucopus*) which have both been recorded in close proximity to the area.

Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 2 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *High Quality Environmental*, however, is also considered to have *high amenity* due to the presence of walking tracks that link the upper and lower car parks. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 2 during the October –

December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.3.8. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

High Quality Environmental Condition Class

Composition and Condition

Vegetation within Zone 2 is structurally intact and comprises of a mix of EVCs that are reflective of changes in aspect and difference in soil profiles. During the October – December 2023 site visits, there was evidence that the upper sections of the two larger parcels were subject to increased weed incursion.

Environmental Weeds

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus), *Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush), *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon), *Hakea drupacea (Sweet Hakea), *Kniphofia uvaria (Red-hot Poker), #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry) and *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-Iily).

The small patches of **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon) are a high management priority for the zone, as are the scattered **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

There were several concentrated patches of *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) and **Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle) in the upper sections of the zone, with dispersed seedlings and juveniles elsewhere. Management of the (primarily) young plants (and for Sweet Pittosporum, the female plants also) should be implemented within this area as both species are likely to become significant management issues if left untreated. Mature **Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle) plants should also be controlled in high quality areas.

Revegetation / Natural Regeneration / Species Enrichment Plantings

Once *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) and **Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle) have been managed across the upper parts of the zone, in some parts (particularly the north-east parcel), there will relatively limited canopy or overstorey structure. To aid in the return of overstorey structure, these areas may need to be revegetated and/or naturally recruiting plants afforded protection. Revegetation works may also be used to increase in the population size of the *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia). Other appropriate species include (but are not restricted too) *Banksia integrifolia* (Coast Banksia), *Allocasuarina verticillata* (Drooping Sheoak) and *Bursaria spinosa var. macrophylla* (Tree Bursaria).

Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Akin to Zone 1, management of the vegetation along the walking tracks throughout Zone 2 should be undertaken on an annual basis, or more frequently when required. During this task, ideally the removed vegetation will be taken off-site and not left/dumped adjacent to the track as this can lead to further weed invasion; particularly, with respect to species such as **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy).

7.3.3.4 Zone 3

Zone 3					
Site Context					
Area	• 19,700 m ² (1.97 Ha)				
Location / Character	 A lower section of gully line that runs down to Robs Spot, and lies in the south-east corner of the Management Unit (and also the Foreshore Reserve). Remnant vegetation within the zone is largely intact, with relatively small weed populations and/or only supports weeds that are easy to control. 				
Cultural Heritage Features	Area of National Geographic/Geomorphological Significance				
Social and Amenity Features	Walking Tracks				
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	High Quality Environmental				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	 Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 161) Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville Variant) (EVC 161) Damp Forest (EVC 29) Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 793) Damp Melaleuca Scrub (EVC 948) Lowland Forest (EVC 16) Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120) Riparian Thicket (EVC 59) Tree Fern Gully 				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	• Although vegetation is more degraded across some of the areas closer to the private house sites, vegetation across the zone is principally intact with good structure and species diversity.				
Threatened and Significant Flora	Phyllangium divergens (Wiry Mitrewort)				
Threatened and Significant Fauna	 Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma) Lace Monitor (Varanus varius) White-footed Dunnart (Sminthopsis leucopus) White-throated Needletail (Hirundapus caudacutus) 				
Priority Environmental Weeds	* Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush) * Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon) *Hydrangea macrophylla (Hydrangea) *Lycium ferocissimum (African Box-thorn) *				
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits				

Threatened and Significant Flora

A number of regionally and locally significant flora were recorded in Zone 3 including the small annual species *Phyllangium divergens* (Wiry Mitrewort) which has not previously been recorded within the Cape Liptrap/Walkerville area.

Threatened and Significant Fauna

The zone is likely to be used by species such as Blue-winged Parrot (*Neophema chrysostoma*), Lace Monitor (*Varanus varius*) and White-footed Dunnart (*Sminthopsis leucopus*), which have all been recorded in close proximity to the area. The area also has suitable habitat for Swamp Skink (*Lissolepis coventryi*), although the taxon has not previously been recorded in the area.

Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 3 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *High Quality Environmental*, however, is also considered to have *high amenity* due to the presence of walking tracks. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory

of the weeds mapped across Zone 3 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.3.8. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

High Quality Environmental Condition Class

Composition and Condition

Remnant vegetation within the zone is largely intact, with relatively small weed populations and/or only weeds that are easy to control. The range of EVCs supported by the zone is reflective of the differing aspects, varying soils profiles, and hydrological influences. This is the only zone within the Foreshore Reserve that supports Damp Melaleuca Scrub (EVC 948) and Riparian Thicket (EVC 59).

Environmental Weeds

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Coprosma repens* (Mirror Bush), **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Hydrangea macrophylla* (Hydrangea), **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Box-thorn), **Pinus radiata* (Radiata Pine), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry).

The patches of **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon) are a high management priority for the zone, as are small number of scattered **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry). *#Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) is widespread across the zone and should be a high management priority. Isolated stands of **Coprosma repens* (Mirror Bush) and **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Box-thorn) occur semi-frequently along the eastern side of the zone and should also be a priority.

Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Akin to Zones 1 and 2, management of the vegetation along the walking tracks throughout Zone 3 should be undertaken on an annual basis, or more frequently when required. During this task, ideally the removed vegetation will be taken offsite and not left/dumped adjacent to the track as this can lead to further weed invasion; particularly, with respect to species such as **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon).

7.3.3.5 Zone 4

Zone 4					
Site Context					
Area	• 27,830 m ² (2.78 Ha)				
Location / Character	 The zone comprises of several discrete blocks and encompasses the area between Walkerville South Road and the Landy Property. It also includes the Carpark. Vegetation within the zone is principally intact structurally, however, the flora is less diverse than typical of the constituent EVCs. There is also evidence of increased weed incursion particularly near the carpark and around the houses. 				
Cultural Heritage Features	Area of National Geographic/Geomorphological	Significance			
Social and Amenity Features	Carpark				
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Moderate Quality Environmental				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	 Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 161) Damp Forest (EVC 29) Damp Heathy Woodland (EVC 930) Lowland Forest (EVC 16) Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120) 				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	Overall, vegetation has good structure, however maintain the current condition or improve the ov	r, requires a higher level of active management to either rerall condition of vegetation structure.			
Threatened and Significant Flora	• Banksia serrata (Saw Banksia)				
Threatened and Significant Fauna	 Blue-winged Parrot (Neophema chrysostoma) Lace Monitor (Varanus varius) White-footed Dunnart (Sminthopsis leucopus) 	 White-bellied Sea-Eagle (<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>) White-throated Needletail (<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>) 			
Priority Environmental Weeds	 #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus) *Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush) *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon) *Hakea laurina (Pincushion Hakea) 	 *Lonicera japonica (Japanese Honeysuckle) *Passiflora edulis (Black Passion-fruit) #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum) *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry) *Yucca spp. (Yucca) *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily) 			
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits				

Threatened and Significant Flora

A number of regionally significant flora where recorded in Zone 4 during the October – December 2023 surveys, including *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia). As almost all plants are mature with very little recruitment evident, some management to improve the natural recruitment of the species may be necessary.

Threatened and Significant Fauna

The zone is likely to be used by species such as Blue-winged Parrot (*Neophema chrysostoma*), Lace Monitor (*Varanus varius*) and White-footed Dunnart (*Sminthopsis leucopus*), which have all been recorded in close proximity to the area. The area also has suitable habitat for Swamp Skink (*Lissolepis coventryi*), although the taxon has not previously been recorded in the area.

Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 4 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 4 during the October – December site visits is provided

in Section 7.3.3.8. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

Moderate Quality Environmental

Composition and Condition

The zone still contains a high cover of character species relating to each of the constituent EVCs, however, the ground layer typically has a high proportion of pasture related weeds which is reflective of the close proximity to the adjoining cleared pastures. Vegetation across the zone also contains a high number and cover of high threat environmental weeds.

Environmental Weeds

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus), *Coprosma repens (Mirror Bush), *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon), *Hakea laurina (Pincushion Hakea), *Lonicera japonica (Japanese Honeysuckle), *Passiflora edulis (Black Passion-fruit), #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry) and *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily).

#Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum) and **Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle) are both common across the zone. Management of the (primarily) young plants (and for Sweet Pittosporum, the female plants also) should be implemented within this area as both species are likely to become significant management issues if left untreated.

Controlling the infestations of scramblers such as **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honey-suckle) and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) is also a high priority, with at a minimum any elevated growth to be cut and painted.



7.3.3.6 Zone 5

Zone 5					
Site Context					
Area	• 4,675 m ² (0.47 Ha)				
Location / Character	 The zone incorporates Riddler's Creek, sthe main gully line south-west of Walkerville South Road. Vegetation within the zone is highly modified, and comprises of a high proportion of weeds, and has lower species diversity than is typical of the constituent EVC. 				
Cultural Heritage Features	Area of National Geographic/Geomorphological S	ignificance			
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Low Quality Environmental				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	Riparian Fern Scrub (EVC A120)				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	 Vegetation is highly modified in terms of both struct management is required to either maintain the cu vegetation structure. 	cture and species diversity, and a higher level of active irrent condition or improve the overall condition of the			
Threatened and Significant Flora	• Banksia serrata (Saw Banksia)				
Threatened and Significant Fauna	Although not previously recorded accessing the zone, observations suggest there is suitable habitat for Burrowing Crayfish (<i>Engaeus</i> spp.) and Swamp Skink (<i>Lissolepis coventryi</i>).				
Priority Environmental Weeds	 *Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana (Pampas Grass) *Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora (Montbretia) *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon) 	 *Lonicera japonica (Japanese Honeysuckle) #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum) *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry) *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-Iily) 			
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits				

Threatened and Significant Flora

The regionally significant flora *Banksia serrata* (Saw Banksia) was recorded near the boundary of Zone 4 and Zone 5 during the October – December 2023 surveys. As almost all plants are mature with very little recruitment evident, some management to improve the natural recruitment of the species may be necessary.

Threatened and Significant Fauna

The area has suitable habitat for Swamp Skink (*Lissolepis coventryi*) and Burrowing Crayfish (*Engaeus spp.*), although neither taxon has previously been recorded in the zone.

Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 5 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Low Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 5 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.3.8. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

Low Quality Environmental

Composition and Condition

Vegetation within the zone comprises of a high cover and diversity of high threat environmental weeds. While the zone still contains a high cover of character species relating to each of the constituent EVCs, the ground layer typically has a

high proportion of pasture related weeds which is reflective of the close proximity of the zone to the adjoining cleared pastures. In part, the decrease in cover of structural species is likely to reflect changes to the landscape and water flow patterns which have led to more prolonged periods of soil saturation and increased nutrient loads.

Environmental Weeds

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana (Pampas Grass)*, **Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora* (Montbretia), **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honeysuckle), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

Controlling the infestations of scramblers such as **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honey-suckle) and **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry) is a high priority, with at a minimum any elevated growth to be cut and painted. Managing the small clusters of #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum) is also a priority.

Notably, there are some instances in Zone 5 (and also Zone 6) where the high priority weeds such as **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honey-suckle) extend between the Foreshore Reserve, adjoining properties and/or the Cape Liptrap Coastal Park. In these instances, while the control the infestations on the Foreshore Reserve is the primary focus, in order for control to successful over the longer term, the adjoining sources for reinvasion will also need to be treated.

Revegetation / Natural Regeneration / Species Enrichment Plantings

A combination of revegetation and measures to protect recruiting plants is likely to be beneficial in areas where there are significant gaps in the canopy (predominately *Melaleuca squarrosa* (Scented Paper-bark)). Given the changes to the hydrological flow patterns and nutrient loading it is recommended the any revegetation plantings use *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark) rather than *Melaleuca squarrosa* (Scented Paper-bark); generally, *Melaleuca ericifolia* (Swamp Paper-bark) has a higher tolerance for both prolonged soil saturation and increased nutrient loads.

7.3.3.7 Zone 6

Zone 6					
Site Context					
Area	• 3,380 m ² (0.34 Ha)				
Location / Character	 The zone comprises of two discreate blocks and encompasses the lower slopes adjacent to the Walkerville South Boat Ramp. Vegetation within the zone is characterised by a high proportion of environmental weeds, and modified indigenous vegetation structure. 				
Cultural Heritage Features	Area of National Geographic/Geomorphological S	ignificance			
Social and Amenity Features	Toilet BlockCarpark				
Mapped Vegetation Condition Classes	Moderate Quality Environmental – High Amenity				
Synopsis of Values and Threats					
Ecological Vegetation Classes	 Coastal Headland Scrub (South Gippsland) (EVC 161) Coastal Headland Scrub (Walkerville) (EVC 161) Lowland Forest (EVC 16) Tree Fern Gully 				
Vegetation Composition and Condition	 Vegetation is modified in terms of both structure management is required to either maintain the cu vegetation structure. 	e and species diversity, and a higher level of active irrent condition or improve the overall condition of the			
Threatened and Significant Flora	• Eucalyptus kitsoniana (Bog Gum)				
Threatened and Significant Fauna	None recorded				
Priority Environmental Weeds	 *Acacia elata (Cedar Wattle) #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle) *Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis (Agapanthus) *Cordyline australis (New Zealand Cabbage- tree) *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy) *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon) *Ficus carica (Fig) *Lycium ferocissimum (African Box-thorn) 	 #Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris (Giant Honey-myrtle) *Melaleuca hypericifolia (Hillock Bush) *Passiflora edulis (Black Passion-fruit) #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum) *Rubus anglocandicans (Blackberry) #Syzygium smithii (Lily Pilly) *Vinca major (Blue Periwinkle) *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily) 			
Pest Animals	Foxes and rabbits				

Note: specific management relating to the operations of the Walkerville South Toilet Block such as mowing regimes and spraying around infrastructure are not addressed here. The management objectives provided for Zone 6 are limited to improving/maintaining the landscape amenity, with attention also directed to improving the public amenity within this area.

Vegetation Description by Condition Class

Vegetation in Zone 6 was assigned to a single condition class; namely *Moderate Quality Environmental*. A description of the composition and condition of this vegetation, together with a summary of key weed flora and management priorities is provided below. An inventory of the weeds mapped across Zone 6 during the October – December site visits is provided in Section 7.3.3.8. Thematic maps depicting the diversity of the weed flora and the abundance and extent of some of the more populous flora are also provided. The abundance of all recorded populations is specified in the accompanying GEODATABASE.

Composition and Condition

The zone comprises of two discreate blocks and encompasses the lower slopes adjacent to the Walkerville South Boat Ramp. Remnant vegetation within the zone is highly modified and contains a high proportion of environmental weeds. While the zone still contains a high cover of character species relating to each of the constituent EVCs, the ground layer typically had a high proportion of pasture related weeds which is reflective of the close proximity to the adjoining cleared areas. Of note, the zone contains a range of public use features such as the public toilets and car park areas.

Environmental Weeds

Key taxa that should be targeted for active control include **Acacia elata* (Cedar Wattle), #*Acacia longifolia* (Sallow Wattle), **Agapanthus praecox* subsp. *orientalis* (Agapanthus), **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy), **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon), **Hakea laurina* (Pincushion Hakea), **Lonicera japonica* (Japanese Honeysuckle), **Lycium ferocissimum* (African Box-thorn), **Passiflora edulis* (Black Passion-fruit), #*Pittosporum undulatum* (Sweet Pittosporum), **Rubus anglocandicans* (Common Blackberry), **Vinca major* (Blue Periwinkle) and **Zantedeschia aethiopica* (White Arum-Iily).

Akin to the other zones in the Southern Management Unit, controlling the infestations of scramblers such as *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon), *Lonicera japonica (Japanese Honey-suckle), *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry) and *Vinca major (Blue Periwinkle), is a high priority, with at a minimum any elevated growth to be cut and painted. Controlling *Acacia elata (Cedar Wattle) is also a high priority due its capacity to spread more widely.

Management of weeds in the areas upslope is problematic due to the area of freehold land that intersects the two sections of public land. Many of the priority environmental weeds within the zone have a higher concentration on this property, which mean that the success of the weed control will be fairly limited due to the potential for reintroduction from the neighbouring private lands.

Revegetation / Natural Regeneration / Species Enrichment Plantings

Sections of the zone where there are significant gaps in canopy species such as above the toilet block may benefit from enrichment plantings. Species selection should be restricted to those taxa that are tolerant of shaded, wet conditions such as *Acacia melanoxylon* (Blackwood), *Myrsine howittiana* (Mutton-wood) and *Pittosporum bicolor* (Banyalla).

Other Management Concerns / Provisions

Note: this section of the Foreshore Reserve contains some exposed rock walls that are presumably associated with the development of the Lime Kilns and any works in the area should ensure that any culturally heritage values are protected or not inadvertently impacted by any proposed weed control works.

Management of the vegetation along the access track to the toilet block and around the historical stonework should be undertaken on an annual basis, or more frequently when required. During this task, ideally the trimmed vegetation will be taken off-site and not left/dumped adjacent to the track as this can lead to further weed invasion; particularly, with respect to species such as **Delairea odorata* (Cape Ivy) and **Dipogon lignosus* (Common Dipogon).

It is also suggested that the vegetation around the toilet block be 'up lifted'; that is, the lower branches should be removed to help create a more open approach to the toilet block. Currently the *Myoporum insulare* (Common Boobialla) and other species in the area create a dense lower shrub layer, which obscures access to and egress from the area. Having clear site lines to and from the toilets will be more aesthetically pleasing and create a more welcoming environment. Restoration works within the area should also look at increasing the amount of ground and tree ferns. Species such as *Pteris tremula* (Tender Brake) are already quite common and it is likely that with appropriate management other ferns will colonise the area.

Inventory of Priority Weeds and Thematic Map Series 7.3.3.8

An inventory of the priority weeds mapped within the Southern Management Unit, by zone, during the October - December site visits is provided in Table 18. Maps that depict the diversity of the recorded weed flora are provided in Figure 55 to Figure 58 (page 126 to page 129). The first set of maps portrays the richness of herbs, graminoids and scramblers; both by species, and by species with reference to the underlying management zone. The second set of maps portrays the richness of trees and shrubs; by species, and by species with reference to the underlying management zone. The age class and abundance of several of the more populous weeds across the unit (e.g. #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon), #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry) and *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily)) is depicted in Figure 59 to Figure 65 (page 130 to page 136).

Table 18 Life form and bioregional status of priority environmental weeds recorded by zone, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

				Bioregional Status				Presence	e by Zone			
Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	CaLP Act 1994	Weed on National Significance	Victorian Weed Advisory Risk Ranking	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	Population Notes
Graminoids	1											1
Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	Large tufted graminoid	-	-	High Risk					yes		Small population
Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Medium to small tufted graminoid	-	-	Very High Risk					yes		-
Herbs		•					•		1			
Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes		yes		yes	Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.
Allium cepa	Onion	Large herb	-	-	-						yes	Small population
Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	Large herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk						yes	Restricted range within management zone
Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	Medium herb	-	-	Moderately High Risk	yes						Restricted range within management zone
Cynara cardunculus subsp. flavescens	Artichoke Thistle	Large herb	Regionally Prohibited Weed	-	Medium Risk	yes						Restricted range within management zone; may require rope access to treat
Kniphofia uvaria	Red-hot Poker	Large herb	-	-	High Risk		yes					Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.
Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Large herb	-	-	Very High Risk		yes		yes	yes	yes	Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.
Palms		·					•				•	
Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage-tree	Palm	-	-	High Risk	yes					yes	Species slow to establish/spread but can be problematic. Impacts the environmental character of the area.
Scramblers and Climbers												-
Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes				yes	Species difficult to eradicate and will require ongoing management and follow-up treatments to prevent the species spreading elsewhere within the zone.
Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	Very large populations within each zone that will require a sustained management effort. The Committee should also look to work with adjoining properties to manage infestations.
Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Very High Risk				yes	yes		-
Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	Scrambler or climber	-	-	Medium Risk				yes		yes	-
Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Scrambler or climber	Regionally Controlled Weed	YES	High Risk	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes		Species currently restricted within zone and eradication of mature plants possible. Ongoing follow-up will be required.
Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Scrambler or climber	-	-	High Risk						yes	Species largely occurs in the more degraded areas; contain populations here
Small and Medium Shrubs									·			·

				Bioregional Status				Presence	e hv Zone			
Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form		Wood on National	Victorian Wood Advisory							Population Notes
			CaLP Act 1994	Significance	Risk Ranking	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5	Zone 6	
Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Medium shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes	yes	yes			Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely
Hakea drupacea	Sweet Hakea	Medium shrub	-	-	High Risk		yes					Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely
Hakea laurina	Pincushion Hakea	Medium shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk				yes			Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely
Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	Medium shrub	-	-	Lower Risk			yes				Species is currently localised but high priority due to the ability for the species to spread widely
Lycium ferocissimum	African Box-thorn	Medium shrub	Regionally Controlled Weed	YES	High Risk	yes		yes			yes	Species is currently localised but occurs in a high amenity area along the foreshore. Some access may be required
Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	Medium shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk						yes	Some planted specimens
Physalis peruviana	Cape Gooseberry	Small shrub	-	-	Moderately High Risk	yes						-
Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	Medium shrub	-	-	High Risk	yes						Species is currently localised but is a high priority due to its capacity to spread widely
Trees and Large Shrubs												
Acacia elata	Cedar Wattle	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk						yes	Species is currently localised but is a high priority due to its capacity to spread widely
Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes		yes		yes	-
Ficus carica	Fig	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk						yes	Planted specimens may be of historic value
Melaleuca hypericifolia	Hillock Bush	Tree or large shrub	-	-	High Risk						yes	-
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	Widespread at low density, target high quality areas first
Pinus radiata	Radiata Pine	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Very High Risk			yes				Restricted, one mature tree
Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	Tree or large shrub	-	-	Medium Risk						yes	Small number of plants recorded
Yucca spp.	Уисса	Tree or large shrub	-	-	-				yes			Small number of plants recorded



Figure 55 Priority environmental weeds by life form (herbs, graminoids and scramblers), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Priority Environmental Weeds: Herbs, Graminoids and Scramblers

Legend						
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Hydrology						
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Roads						
	Sealed	Road				
	Unseal	ed Road				
	Walking	g and or I	Bicycle Ti	rail		
20	40	60	80	100	120	140

Coordinate System: GDA2020 MGA Zone 55 Projection: Transverse Mercator , Datum: GDA2020

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Figure 56 Priority environmental weeds by life form (herbs, graminoids and scramblers) and zone, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Priority Environmental Weeds: Herbs, Graminoids and Scramblers

Legend					
Hydrology					
~~~	Minor Creek,	Channel or	Drain		
Roads					
	Sealed Road				
	Unsealed Roa	ıd			
	Walking and o	r Bicycle Tr	ail		
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Figure 57 Priority environmental weeds by life form (palms, shrubs and trees), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Priority Env	ironmenta	al Weeds: Pa	lms, Shrub	s and Tro	ees
Legend					
	Manager	ment Unit			
Hydrology					
~~~	Minor Cre	eek, Channel o	or Drain		
Roads					
	Sealed R	oad			
	Unsealed	Road			
	Walking a	and or Bicycle	Trail		
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Figure 58 Priority environmental weeds by life form (palms, shrubs and trees) and zone, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Priority Environmental Weeds: Palms, Shrubs and Trees

Lege	end						
Hydr	ology						
~	~~	Minor C	reek, Cł	nannel or	Drain		
Road	ds						
		Sealed	Road				
		Unseale	d Road				
		Walking	and or	Bicycle Tr	ail		
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Figure 59 Extent and abundance of #Acacia longifolia (Sallow Wattle), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023







Figure 60 Extent and abundance of *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Priority Weeds: *Delairea odorata (Cape Ivy)

Legend	
	Management Unit
Size of Pate	ch
0	< 5 square metres
$\bigcirc$	6 - 25 square metres
•	26 - 100 square metres
•	101 - 200 square metres
	201 - 300 square metres
	> 300 square metres
+ + + + +	Scattered plants
Hydrology	
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or Drain
Roads	
	Sealed Road
	Unsealed Road
	Walking and or Bicycle Trail
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Figure 61 Extent and abundance of *Dipogon lignosus (Common Dipogon), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023





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Figure 62 Extent and abundance of *Lycium ferocissimum (African Box-thorn), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023







Figure 63 Extent and abundance of #Pittosporum undulatum (Sweet Pittosporum), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023







Figure 64 Extent and abundance of *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



Priority Wee	ds: *Rubus anglocandicans (Common Blackberry)
Legend	
	Management Unit
Size of Pate	ch
0	1 square metre
0	2 - 5 square metres
•	6 - 20 square metres
•	21 - 50 square metres
	51 - 100 square metres
	> 100 square metres
+ + + + + + + + + +	Scattered plants
Hydrology	
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or Drain
Roads	
	Sealed Road
	Unsealed Road
	Walking and or Bicycle Trail
20	40 60 80 100 120
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Figure 65 Extent and abundance of *Zantedeschia aethiopica (White Arum-lily), Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023



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Legend	
	Management Unit
Number of	Plants
0	1 plant
0	2 - 5 plants
0	6 - 10 plants
•	11 - 15 plants
	16 - 25 plants
	> 25 plants
+ + + + + +	Scattered plants
Hydrology	
~~~	Minor Creek, Channel or Drain
Roads	
	Sealed Road
	Unsealed Road
	Walking and or Bicycle Trail
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7.3.3.9 Summary of Proposed Works by Year and Zone

Weed management actions that are proposed for the Southern Management Unit are itemised in Table 19. An action is given for each of the priority weeds/overabundant flora that were recorded during the 2023 surveys, and an overall *strategy* has been assigned (e.g. eradicate, control or contain) for each taxon, as well as appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference is also made to the *zone* where works should occur, the *sequencing of works* (i.e. whether they should be undertaken in Year 1 to Year 5), and the appropriate *treatment methods*. Reference is provided to the *priority* assigned to each action. Should it not be possible to complete all proposed actions in each Year, then consideration should be given to the *priority* assigned to each action, and high priority actions completed ahead of medium and low priority actions. Sequencing is provided for Year 1 – Year 5, as well as an ongoing maintenance period.

Table 19 Summary of proposed weed management actions by year and zone, Southern Management Unit, Walkerville Foreshore Reserve

Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Graminoids					-									
Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all plants across the zone	Once per year	At any time	Zone 5	Zone 5 (follow-up)				
Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all plants across the zone	Once per year	At any time	Zone 5	Zone 5	Zone 5	Zone 5		
Herbs		•					•		•	•	•	•		
Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1, 2, 4, 6	Zone 1, 2, 4, 6	Zone 1, 2, 4, 6	Zone 1, 2, 4, 6	Zone 1, 2, 4, 6	
Allium cepa	Onion	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Low	Actively control all plants across the zone	Once per year	Summer	Zone 6	Zone 6 (follow-up)				
Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 6	Zone 6				
Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Low	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1	Zone 1 (follow-up)				
Cynara cardunculus subsp. flavescens	Artichoke Thistle	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1	Zone 1				
Kniphofia uvaria	Red-hot Poker	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	At any time	Zone 2	Zone 2	Zone 2	Zone 2		
Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Spring/Summer	Zone 2, 4, 5, 6	Zone 2, 4, 5, 6	Zone 2, 4, 5, 6	Zone 2, 4, 5, 6	Zone 2, 4, 5, 6	Zone 2, 4, 5, 6
Palms		•					•		•	•				
Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage-tree	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Medium	Actively control all smaller localised populations	Once per year	Spring/Summer	Zone 1, 6	Zone 1, 6				
Scramblers and Climbers				•	•		•							
Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	Control	Prevent aerial growth and reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	Spring/Summer	Zone 1, 2, 6 (cut and paint elevated stems)	Zone 1, 2, 6				
Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	At any time	Zone 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (cut and paint elevated stems)	Zone 2, 3, 4, 5, 6				



Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	At any time	Zone 4, 5 (cut and paint elevated stems)	Zone 4, 5	Zone 4, 5	Zone 4, 5	Zone 4, 5	Zone 4, 5
Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut back any aerial growth initially and then cut and paint large stems, back pack elsewhere. Hand weed in areas with high fern diversity	Once per quarter	At any time	Zone 4, 6	Zone 4, 6	Zone 4, 6	Zone 4, 6	Zone 4, 6	Zone 4, 6
Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Hand weed/Back Pack (low volume spraying)	High	Cut and paint in areas with good understorey and / or fern diversity. Back pack elsewhere.	Once per year	Summer	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4, 5		
Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Back Pack (low volume spraying)	Low	Prevent expansion outside of current population extent, or until other management objectives are met, before treatment here.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 6	Zone 6	Zone 6	Zone 6	Zone 6	Zone 6
Small and Medium Shrubs														
Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4		
Hakea drupacea	Sweet Hakea	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 2	Zone 2				
Hakea laurina	Pincushion Hakea	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4	Zone 4				
Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 3	Zone 3				
Lycium ferocissimum	African Box-thorn	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1, 3, 6	Zone 1, 3, 6	Zone 1, 3, 6	Zone 1, 3, 6		
Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 6	Zone 6	Zone 6			
Physalis peruviana	Cape Gooseberry	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1	Zone 1	Zone 1			
Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	Summer	Zone 1	Zone 1				
Trees and Large Shrubs	1													
Acacia elata	Cedar Wattle	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	Summer	Zone 6	Zone 6				
Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target juvenile plants initially and mature plants in high quality area.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 1, 3, 4, 6	Zone 1, 3, 4, 6	Zone 1, 3, 4, 6	Zone 1, 3, 4, 6	Zone 1, 3, 4, 6	Zone 1, 3, 4, 6
Ficus carica	Fig	Contain	Prevent the target species from increasing in cover or extent across the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Low	Leave mature plants and replace as they senesce. Control any juveniles/recruitment.	Once per year	At any time	Zone 6	Zone 6	Zone 6			



Scientific Name	Common Name	Strategy	Target	Treatment Method	Priority	Action	Frequency	Timing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Ongoing Maintenance Period
Melaleuca hypericifolia	Hillock Bush	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	High	Target all plants	Once per year	Summer	Zone 6	Zone 6				
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	Control	Reduce cover of target species by 50 % within the zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Initially target female and juvenile plants in areas with high density, elsewhere control all plants	Once per quarter	At any time	Zone 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6					
Pinus radiata	Radiata Pine	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Drill and Fill	Medium	Either fell tree or drill and fill and leave standing	Once per quarter	At any time	Zone 3					
Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 6					
Yucca spp.	Yucca	Eradicate	Eradicate taxon / life form from zone	Cut and Paint/Drill and Fill	Medium	Target all plants	Once per year	At any time	Zone 4					

8.0 IMPLEMENTATION

8.1 Works Program

A works plan should be prepared for the Foreshore Reserve using the management objectives and provisions detailed in Section 7.3 and the weed action tables for each Management Unit and Zone that are also provided in Section 7.3. A copy of these is also provided in the accompanying Excel Workbook. Notably, for each Management Unit and Zone, objectives and priorities will vary in accordance with the extant condition of vegetation, the presence of threatened flora and fauna, and the level of amenity associated with each area. For the most part, the Zones for each Management Unit (i.e. Northern, Central and Southern) are numbered in order of ecological value; that is, Zone 1 typically comprises of the highest quality and most intact areas of remnant vegetation, where the objective of weed control works will be to maintaining these conditions. Comparably, Zones assigned higher numbers (e.g. Zone 4 or 5), are likely to comprise of less structurally intact and diverse vegetation, and to support a more diverse weed flora.

The importance that is placed on the amenity values of the area means that, in some instances, weed populations should be targeted across the whole of the study area; particularly, where they are visually intrusive or where they are a focus of management across the broader community (e.g. Common Blackberry). Further, for each zone, the sequencing of works and timing required to manage specific weed populations (frequency and total number of treatments) will vary depending on the success of previous control/treatment efforts and the emergence of new threats, and consequently an adaptive approach to implementation should be adopted.

8.2 Monitoring and Review

In addition to completing the monitoring actions itemised in Section 7.0, an annual review of the Works Program should be completed to reassess priorities in accordance with changes in site conditions and budget implications. Ongoing monitoring and review of this plan is required to ensure that strategic directions and actions remain relevant, and new threats are incorporated into the plan. Site observations that are made by the contractors undertaking works should also inform plan revisions.

With respect to assessing the success of weed management, it is recommended that the Excel Template that was provided be used. Essentially the 'Summary of Proposed Works by Year and Zone' will form the basis of monitoring. During the annual walk through of each zone, reference should be made to the relevant weed maps, and notations can be made for each target weed regarding whether there has been a reduction in cover, or whether the weed appears to have been eradicated from the said zone.

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APPENDICES



















APPENDIX 1 Flora species recorded at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

Table 20 Flora species, by management unit, recorded at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

Conserv State	vation us	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Namo	Life Form	Ма	inagement U	nit
EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon id			Life Form	Northern	Central	Southern
		*	500031	Acacia elata	Cedar Wattle	т			yes
		#	505128	Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	т	yes	yes	yes
			500057	Acacia melanoxylon	Blackwood	т	yes	yes	yes
			500062	Acacia mucronata subsp. longifolia	Narrow-leaf Wattle	MS	yes		
			500063	Acacia myrtifolia	Myrtle Wattle	MS			yes
			500091	Acacia stricta	Hop Wattle	MS	yes	yes	yes
			500092	Acacia suaveolens	Sweet Wattle	MS	yes	yes	yes
			504213	Acacia verticillata subsp. verticillata	Prickly Moses	MS	yes	yes	yes
			500105	Acaena novae-zelandiae	Bidgee-widgee	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	502966	Acetosella vulgaris	Sheep Sorrel	мн	yes	yes	yes
			504439	Acianthus pusillus	Small Mosquito-orchid	мн	yes		yes
			500122	Acrotriche prostrata	Trailing Ground-berry	PS	yes	yes	yes
			500123	Acrotriche serrulata	Honey-pots	PS	yes	yes	yes
			500129	Adiantum aethiopicum	Common Maidenhair	GF	yes	yes	yes
		*	503638	Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	LH	yes	yes	yes
		*	500153	Agrostis capillaris	Brown-top Bent	MTG	yes	yes	yes
		*	507694	Allium cepa	Onion	LH			yes
		*	500179	Allium triquetrum	Angled Onion	МН	yes		yes
			500677	Allocasuarina littoralis	Black Sheoak	т	yes	yes	yes
			500683	Allocasuarina paludosa	Scrub Sheoak	MS	yes		yes
			500685	Allocasuarina verticillata	Drooping Sheoak	Т	yes	yes	yes
			500188	Alyxia buxifolia	Sea Box	MS		yes	yes
			500206	Amperea xiphoclada var. xiphoclada	Broom Spurge	SS	yes	yes	yes
			500220	Amyema pendula	Drooping Mistletoe	E	yes		
		*	500236	Anthoxanthum odoratum	Sweet Vernal-grass	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			500237	Aotus ericoides	Common Aotus	MS	yes		
			500247	Apium prostratum subsp. prostratum	Sea Celery	SH	yes	yes	yes

Conser Stat	vation				- ···		Ма	anagement U	nit
EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Northern	Central	Southern
		*	500255	Arctotheca calendula	Cape Weed	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	503644	Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	LH	yes		yes
		*	500276	Asparagus scandens	Asparagus Fern	SC	yes		
			500288	Asplenium flabellifolium	Necklace Fern	GF	yes		yes
			500316	Atriplex cinerea	Coast Saltbush	MS	yes	yes	yes
			500337	Australina pusilla subsp. muelleri	Shade Nettle	МН	yes	yes	
			503276	Austrostipa flavescens	Coast Spear-grass	LTG	yes	yes	yes
			503293	Austrostipa stipoides	Prickly Spear-grass	MTG			yes
			500362	Banksia integrifolia subsp. integrifolia	Coast Banksia	т	yes	yes	yes
			500363	Banksia marginata	Silver Banksia	MS			yes
			500366	Banksia serrata	Saw Banksia	MS			yes
			500371	Bauera rubioides	Wiry Bauera	SS	yes	yes	
		×	500384	Bellis perennis	English Daisy	МН	yes	yes	yes
			504291	Billardiera mutabilis	Common Apple-berry	SC	yes	yes	yes
			500404	Blechnum cartilagineum	Gristle Fern	GF			yes
			500407	Blechnum minus	Soft Water-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
			500408	Blechnum nudum	Fishbone Water-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
			501098	Blechnum parrisiae	Common Rasp-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
			500409	Blechnum patersonii subsp. patersonii	Strap Water-fern	GF	yes		
			500413	Blechnum wattsii	Hard Water-fern	GF	yes	yes	
			500440	Bossiaea prostrata	Creeping Bossiaea	PS	yes		
		×	500500	Bromus diandrus	Great Brome	MTG			yes
		×	500501	Bromus hordeaceus	Soft Brome	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			500512	Burchardia umbellata	Milkmaids	МН	yes	yes	yes
			500515	Bursaria spinosa subsp. spinosa	Sweet Bursaria	MS	yes	yes	yes
			504296	Bursaria spinosa subsp. spinosa var. macrophylla	Tree Bursaria	т	yes	yes	yes
			500518	Caesia parviflora	Pale Grass-lily	LH			yes
		×	500521	Cakile maritima subsp. maritima	Sea Rocket	MH	yes	yes	yes



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Conser Stat	vation tus	Origin	Tavan ID	Coloratific Norma		l ife Form	Ma	anagement U	nit
EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID			Lite Form	Northern	Central	Southern
			500955	Caladenia carnea sensu Entwisle (1994)	Pink Fingers	МН	yes		
			500537	Caladenia latifolia	Pink Fairies	мн			yes
		*	500574	Callitriche stagnalis	Common Water-starwort	SH			yes
			500887	Calochlaena dubia	Common Ground-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
		*	500612	Cardamine flexuosa	Wood Bitter-cress	мн	yes	yes	yes
			500623	Carex appressa	Tall Sedge	LTG	yes	yes	yes
			500627	Carex breviculmis	Common Grass-sedge	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			504672	Carex gunniana var. gunniana	Swamp Sedge	MTG	yes		
			500657	Carpobrotus rossii	Karkalla	SH	yes	yes	yes
			500666	Cassinia aculeata subsp. aculeata	Common Cassinia	MS	yes	yes	yes
			500671	Cassytha glabella	Slender Dodder-laurel	SC	yes		
			500674	Cassytha pubescens s.s.	Downy Dodder-laurel	SC	yes		
		*	502451	Cenchrus clandestinus	Kikuyu	LNG	yes	yes	yes
		*	500702	Centaurium erythraea	Common Centaury	мн			yes
			500706	Centella cordifolia	Centella	МН			yes
			500716	Centrolepis strigosa subsp. strigosa	Hairy Centrolepis	TTG	yes	yes	yes
		*	503679	Cestrum elegans	Elegant Poison-berry	MS	yes		
			500753	Chiloglottis curviclavia	Autumn Wasp-orchid	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	505405	Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	мн	yes		yes
			501628	Chrysocephalum semipapposum	Clustered Everlasting	LH	yes		
		*	500782	Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle	LH	yes	yes	yes
			500788	Clematis aristata	Mountain Clematis	SC	yes	yes	yes
			500789	Clematis glycinoides	Forest Clematis	SC	yes		
			507386	Clematis microphylla s.s.	Small-leaved Clematis	SC	yes	yes	yes
			500801	Comesperma volubile	Love Creeper	SC	yes	yes	yes
			500822	Coprosma quadrifida	Prickly Currant-bush	MS	yes	yes	yes
		*	500823	Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	MS	yes	yes	yes
		*	504393	Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage- tree	Р	yes		yes
			501626	Coronidium scorpioides s.s.	Button Everlasting	МН	yes	yes	yes

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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID			Life Form	Northern	Central	Southern
			500829	Correa alba	White Correa	MS			yes
		*	500825	Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	LTG		yes	yes
			500838	Corybas diemenicus s.l.	Veined Helmet-orchid	SH			yes
			508260	Corybas spp.	Helmet Orchid	SH	yes		yes
			500842	Corybas unguiculatus	Small Pelican-orchid	SH			yes
		×	507114	Corymbia ficifolia	Flowering Gum	т	yes		
			500846	Cotula australis	Common Cotula	МН	yes		yes
		*	500848	Cotula coronopifolia	Water Buttons	МН	yes	yes	yes
			500860	Crassula decumbens var. decumbens	Spreading Crassula	МН	yes		
		×	505186	Crassula multicava subsp. multicava	Shade Crassula	SH	yes		
		*	504520	Crassula muscosa var. muscosa	Clubmoss Crassula	МН	yes	yes	
		*	500875	Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			500895	Cyathea australis	Rough Tree-fern	TF	yes	yes	yes
		*	500906	Cynara cardunculus subsp. flavescens	Artichoke Thistle	LH			yes
		*	504554	Cynodon dactylon var. dactylon	Couch	MNG	yes	yes	yes
		*	500948	Dactylis glomerata	Cocksfoot	MNG		yes	yes
		×	503148	Danthonia decumbens	Heath Grass	MTG	yes	yes	
			500989	Daucus glochidiatus	Australian Carrot	МН	yes		
			500999	Daviesia ulicifolia	Gorse Bitter-pea	MS	yes		
		×	503118	Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	SC	yes	yes	yes
			501023	Deyeuxia quadriseta	Reed Bent-grass	LTG		yes	
			504412	Dianella brevicaulis	Small-flower Flax-lily	MTG			yes
			501029	Dianella revoluta s.l.	Black-anther Flax-lily	MTG	yes		yes
			505557	Dianella sp. aff. revoluta (Coastal)	Coast Flax-lily	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			501030	Dianella tasmanica	Tasman Flax-lily	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			501036	Dichondra repens	Kidney-weed	SH	yes	yes	yes
			501039	Dicksonia antarctica	Soft Tree-fern	TF	yes	yes	yes
			501051	Dillwynia glaberrima	Smooth Parrot-pea	SS	yes		
			501058	Dillwynia sericea	Showy Parrot-pea	SS	yes		

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		*	505842	Dimorphotheca pluvialis	Cape Marigold	мн	yes		
			501063	Diplarrena moraea	White Iris	MTG	yes	yes	
		*	501069	Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	SC	yes	yes	yes
			501102	Drosera auriculata	Tall Sundew	мн	yes	yes	
			501108	Drosera pygmaea	Tiny Sundew	SH	yes		
		*	501128	Ehrharta erecta	Panic Veldt-grass	MTG	yes	yes	
			501155	Empodisma minus	Spreading Rope-rush	MNG	yes		
			501165	Epacris impressa	Common Heath	MS	yes	yes	yes
			501174	Epilobium billardiereanum	Variable Willow-herb	LH	yes		
			501185	Eragrostis brownii	Common Love-grass	MTG	yes	yes	yes
		*	500812	Erigeron bonariensis	Flaxleaf Fleabane	LH	yes	yes	yes
		*	505295	Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	т	yes		
		*	501254	Eucalyptus botryoides	Southern Mahogany	т	yes		
	cr		501290	Eucalyptus kitsoniana	Bog Gum	т			yes
			501304	Eucalyptus obliqua	Messmate Stringybark	т	yes	yes	yes
			501307	Eucalyptus ovata	Swamp Gum	т	yes	yes	
			503828	Eucalyptus radiata subsp. radiata	Narrow-leaf Peppermint	т	yes	yes	
			501465	Euchiton involucratus s.s.	Star Cudweed	мн	yes	yes	yes
			501466	Euchiton japonicus s.s.	Creeping Cudweed	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	501331	Euphorbia paralias	Sea Spurge	LH	yes	yes	yes
			501353	Exocarpos strictus	Pale-fruit Ballart	MS	yes	yes	
			501782	Ficinia nodosa	Knobby Club-sedge	MNG	yes	yes	yes
		*	505516	Ficus carica	Fig	т	yes	yes	yes
		*	501370	Foeniculum vulgare	Fennel	МН	yes		
		*	508451	Fraxinus spp.	Ash	т	yes		
		*	501379	Fumaria bastardii	Bastard's Fumitory	SC	yes	yes	
			501387	Gahnia clarkei	Tall Saw-sedge	LTG	yes	yes	
			501395	Gahnia sieberiana	Red-fruit Saw-sedge	LTG	yes	yes	yes
		*	501402	Galium aparine	Cleavers	SC	yes	yes	yes

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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID			Life Form	Northern	Central	Southern
			501413	Galium leiocarpum	Maori Bedstraw	SH	yes	yes	yes
		*	501371	Gazania linearis	Gazania	МН	yes		
			501427	Geranium homeanum	Rainforest Crane's-bill	LH	yes		
		*	501428	Geranium molle	Dove's Foot	МН	yes	yes	yes
			501431	Geranium potentilloides	Soft Crane's-bill	МН	yes	yes	yes
			501441	Gleichenia microphylla	Scrambling Coral-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
			501445	Glossodia major	Wax-lip Orchid	МН			yes
			501455	Glycine clandestina	Twining Glycine	SC	yes	yes	yes
			501484	Gonocarpus humilis	Shade Raspwort	МН	yes		yes
			503851	Gonocarpus micranthus	Creeping Raspwort	SH	yes	yes	yes
			501489	Gonocarpus tetragynus	Common Raspwort	МН	yes	yes	yes
			501507	Goodenia ovata	Hop Goodenia	MS	yes	yes	yes
			501524	Gratiola peruviana	Austral Brooklime	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	507154	Grevillea spp./cv.	Grevillea (cultivated)	SS	yes		
			500909	Hackelia latifolia	Forest Hound's-tongue	МН	yes	yes	yes
			500910	Hackelia suaveolens	Sweet Hound's-tongue	МН			yes
	en		505072	Hakea decurrens subsp. platytaenia	Coast Needlewood	MS	yes		
		*	505767	Hakea drupacea	Sweet Hakea	MS			yes
		*	505747	Hakea laurina	Pincushion Hakea	MS			yes
		*	0	Hebe spp.	Hebe	SS		yes	
		*	904055	Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	SC	yes	yes	yes
			501600	Hedycarya angustifolia	Austral Mulberry	MS	yes	yes	yes
			501619	Helichrysum leucopsideum	Satin Everlasting	LH		yes	yes
			501654	Hemarthria uncinata var. uncinata	Mat Grass	MNG	yes		
			501661	Hibbertia acicularis	Prickly Guinea-flower	SS	yes		
			501674	Hibbertia fasciculata var. prostrata	Bundled Guinea-flower	SS			yes
			501691	Histiopteris incisa	Bat's Wing Fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
		*	501692	Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog	LNG	yes	yes	yes
		×	507181	Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	MS			yes

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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name		Life Form	Northern	Central	Southern
			501722	Hydrocotyle hirta	Hairy Pennywort	МН	yes	yes	yes
			501734	Hymenophyllum cupressiforme	Common Filmy-fern	E	yes		
			501743	Hypericum japonicum	Matted St John's Wort	SH	yes		
		*	501748	Hypochaeris radicata	Flatweed	МН	yes	yes	yes
			501752	Hypolepis glandulifera	Downy Ground-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
		*	501759	llex aquifolium	English Holly	т	yes	yes	
			501760	Imperata cylindrica	Blady Grass	MTG	yes	yes	
		*	500936	Isolepis levynsiana	Tiny Flat-sedge	TTG	yes		
		*	501806	Juncus articulatus subsp. articulatus	Jointed Rush	MTG			yes
			501810	Juncus bufonius	Toad Rush	MTG	yes	yes	yes
		*	501813	Juncus capitatus	Capitate Rush	MNG	yes		
			501826	Juncus kraussii subsp. australiensis	Sea Rush	LNG			yes
			501830	Juncus pallidus	Pale Rush	LTG	yes	yes	yes
			501831	Juncus pauciflorus	Loose-flower Rush	MTG	yes		yes
			501833	Juncus planifolius	Broad-leaf Rush	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			501835	Juncus procerus	Tall Rush	LTG			yes
		*	503820	Kniphofia uvaria	Red-hot Poker	LH	yes	yes	yes
			504221	Lachnagrostis billardierei subsp. billardierei	Coast Blown-grass	MTG			yes
			501863	Lagenophora stipitata s.l.	Common Bottle-daisy	мн	yes	yes	yes
			501861	Lagenophora sublyrata	Slender Bottle-daisy	мн	yes	yes	yes
		*	501864	Lagurus ovatus	Hare's-tail Grass	MNG	yes	yes	yes
			501876	Lastreopsis acuminata	Shiny Shield-fern	GF		yes	
		*	508642	Lathyrus spp.	Pea	sc	yes	yes	
		*	501895	Leontodon saxatilis subsp. saxatilis	Hairy Hawkbit	мн	yes	yes	yes
			501919	Lepidosperma elatius	Tall Sword-sedge	LTG	yes	yes	
			501922	Lepidosperma gladiatum	Coast Sword-sedge	MTG	yes	yes	
			501923	Lepidosperma laterale	Variable Sword-sedge	MTG	yes		
			504701	Lepidosperma laterale var. majus	Variable Sword-sedge	LTG	yes	yes	yes
			501917	Lepidosperma sieberi	Sandhill Sword-sedge	MTG	yes		

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			503884	Leptinella reptans s.s.	Creeping Cotula	SH	yes		
			501956	Leptospermum continentale	Prickly Tea-tree	MS	yes	yes	yes
			501957	Leptospermum laevigatum	Coast Tea-tree	MS	yes	yes	yes
			501961	Leptospermum myrsinoides	Heath Tea-tree	MS	yes		
			501972	Leucopogon australis	Spike Beard-heath	SS	yes		
			501987	Leucopogon parviflorus	Coast Beard-heath	MS	yes	yes	yes
			501995	Leucopogon virgatus	Common Beard-heath	SS	yes		
			502014	Lindsaea linearis	Screw Fern	GF	yes		
			502024	Lobelia anceps	Angled Lobelia	МН	yes	yes	yes
			502042	Lomandra filiformis	Wattle Mat-rush	MTG	yes		
			504713	Lomandra longifolia subsp. exilis	Cluster-headed Mat-rush	LTG	yes	yes	yes
			504714	Lomandra longifolia subsp. longifolia	Spiny-headed Mat-rush	LTG	yes	yes	yes
			502050	Lomatia fraseri	Tree Lomatia	т	yes		
		*	502053	Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle	SC			yes
			503841	Luzula meridionalis	Common Woodrush	MTG	yes	yes	yes
		*	502078	Lycium ferocissimum	African Box-thorn	MS			yes
			502079	Lycopodium deuterodensum	Bushy Clubmoss	GF	yes		yes
		*	500223	Lysimachia arvensis	Pimpernel	МН	yes	yes	yes
			502092	Lythrum hyssopifolia	Small Loosestrife	МН	yes	yes	yes
			500381	Machaerina tetragona	Square Twig-sedge	MNG			yes
		*	502140	Medicago polymorpha	Burr Medic	SH	yes	yes	yes
	en	#	502145	Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	MS	yes		yes
			502147	Melaleuca ericifolia	Swamp Paperbark	MS	yes	yes	yes
		*	505854	Melaleuca hypericifolia	Hillock Bush	т			yes
			502153	Melaleuca squarrosa	Scented Paperbark	MS	yes	yes	yes
			502179	Microlaena stipoides var. stipoides	Weeping Grass	MNG	yes	yes	yes
			502183	Microsorum pustulatum subsp. pustulatum	Kangaroo Fern	E	yes	yes	
			502189	Microtis unifolia	Common Onion-orchid	LH	yes		
			504735	Mitrasacme pilosa var. pilosa	Hairy Mitrewort	SH	yes		

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	en		503859	Monotoca glauca	Currant-wood	MS	yes	yes	yes
			502220	Monotoca scoparia	Prickly Broom-heath	MS	yes		
			502225	Muehlenbeckia adpressa	Climbing Lignum	SC	yes	yes	yes
			502239	Myoporum insulare	Common Boobialla	т	yes	yes	yes
		*	505282	Myosotis arvensis	Field Forget-me-not	МН	yes	yes	yes
			502916	Myrsine howittiana	Mutton-wood	т	yes	yes	
			502299	Olearia argophylla	Musk Daisy-bush	т	yes		
			502312	Olearia lirata	Snowy Daisy-bush	MS	yes	yes	yes
			502316	Olearia myrsinoides	Silky Daisy-bush	SS	yes		
			903618	Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis	Dusty Daisy-bush	SS			yes
			504785	Olearia ramulosa var. ramulosa	Twiggy Daisy-bush	SS			yes
			502381	Oxalis exilis	Shade Wood-sorrel	SH	yes	yes	yes
		*	502387	Oxalis pes-caprae	Soursob	мн	yes	yes	yes
			501616	Ozothamnus ferrugineus	Tree Everlasting	MS	yes	yes	yes
			502399	Pandorea pandorana subsp. pandorana	Wonga Vine	SC	yes	yes	yes
		*	502423	Parietaria judaica	Wall Pellitory	LH	yes		
			502426	Parsonsia brownii	Twining Silkpod	SC		yes	yes
		*	505286	Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	SC	yes		yes
			502437	Patersonia occidentalis var. occidentalis	Long Purple-flag	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			502442	Pelargonium australe	Austral Stork's-bill	LH	yes		
			502449	Pellaea falcata s.l.	Sickle Fern	GF	yes		
			502463	Persoonia juniperina	Prickly Geebung	MS	yes		yes
			502497	Phragmites australis	Common Reed	LNG	yes	yes	yes
			502209	Phyllangium divergens	Wiry Mitrewort	SH			yes
		*	502508	Physalis peruviana	Cape Gooseberry	SS			yes
			502523	Pimelea humilis	Common Rice-flower	SS	yes		
		*	502539	Pinus radiata	Radiata Pine	т			yes
			502540	Pittosporum bicolor	Banyalla	т	yes	yes	yes
		#	502543	Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	т	yes	yes	yes

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		*	504821	Plantago coronopus subsp. coronopus	Buck's-horn Plantain	МН	yes	yes	yes
			502555	Plantago debilis	Shade Plantain	МН	yes	yes	
		*	502561	Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort	LH	yes	yes	yes
			528671	Platylobium parviflorum	Narrow-leaf Flat-pea	SS	yes		
		*	504194	Plectranthus ciliatus	African Spur-flower	LH	yes		
		*	502580	Poa annua s.l.	Annual Meadow-grass	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			504694	Poa labillardierei var. labillardierei	Common Tussock-grass	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			504833	Poa poiformis var. poiformis	Coast Tussock-grass	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			502610	Poa tenera	Slender Tussock-grass	MNG	yes	yes	
			502643	Polyscias sambucifolia	Elderberry Panax	MS	yes	yes	yes
			502645	Polystichum proliferum	Mother Shield-fern	GF	yes	yes	yes
			502650	Pomaderris aspera	Hazel Pomaderris	т	yes	yes	yes
			502665	Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria	Bassian Pomaderris	MS			yes
			502683	Poranthera microphylla s.l.	Small Poranthera	МН	yes	yes	yes
			504845	Prostanthera lasianthos var. Iasianthos	Victorian Christmas-bush	MS	yes	yes	yes
		×	502757	Prunella vulgaris	Self-heal	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	502758	Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	MS	yes		yes
			502777	Pteridium esculentum subsp. esculentum	Austral Bracken	GF	yes	yes	yes
			502779	Pteris tremula	Tender Brake	GF	yes	yes	yes
			502810	Pterostylis pedunculata	Maroonhood	МН	yes		
			502844	Pultenaea daphnoides	Large-leaf Bush-pea	MS	yes	yes	yes
			502894	Ranunculus lappaceus	Australian Buttercup	МН	yes		
			502912	Ranunculus sessiliflorus	Annual Buttercup	МН			yes
			502927	Rhagodia candolleana subsp. candolleana	Seaberry Saltbush	MS	yes	yes	yes
		*	502959	Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	SC	yes	yes	yes
			502956	Rubus parvifolius	Small-leaf Bramble	SC	yes	yes	yes
		×	502991	Salix X fragilis	Crack Willow	т	yes		
			502999	Sambucus gaudichaudiana	White Elderberry	МН	yes	yes	yes
			503001	Samolus repens	Creeping Brookweed	МН			yes

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			503039	Schoenus apogon	Common Bog-sedge	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			503048	Schoenus maschalinus	Leafy Bog-sedge	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			503102	Senecio biserratus	Jagged Fireweed	мн	yes	yes	yes
			503107	Senecio glomeratus	Annual Fireweed	LH	yes	yes	yes
			503111	Senecio hispidulus s.l.	Rough Fireweed	LH	yes		
		*	503113	Senecio jacobaea	Ragwort	LH	yes		
			507541	Senecio linearifolius var. denticulatus	Fireweed Groundsel (eastern variant)	LH	yes		
			503119	Senecio minimus	Shrubby Fireweed	LH	yes	yes	yes
			503120	Senecio odoratus	Scented Groundsel	LH	yes		yes
			503149	Sigesbeckia orientalis subsp. orientalis	Indian Weed	LH	yes		
			503169	Solanum aviculare	Kangaroo Apple	MS	yes	yes	yes
			503196	Solenogyne gunnii	Hairy Solenogyne	мн	yes		
		*	503203	Sonchus asper s.l.	Rough Sow-thistle	LH	yes	yes	yes
		*	503204	Sonchus oleraceus	Common Sow-thistle	LH	yes	yes	yes
			503222	Spinifex sericeus	Hairy Spinifex	MNG	yes	yes	
		*	503226	Sporobolus africanus	Rat-tail Grass	MTG	yes	yes	yes
			503244	Stackhousia monogyna s.l.	Creamy Stackhousia	МН	yes		
			503250	Stellaria flaccida	Forest Starwort	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	503260	Stenotaphrum secundatum	Buffalo Grass	MNG	yes	yes	yes
			528632	Stylidium armeria subsp. armeria	Common Triggerplant	MTG	yes		
			500304	Styphelia humifusa	Cranberry Heath	PS	yes		
		#	500115	Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	т	yes		yes
			503343	Tetragonia implexicoma	Bower Spinach	SC	yes	yes	yes
			503344	Tetragonia tetragonioides	New Zealand Spinach	sc	yes		
			503348	Tetrarrhena juncea	Forest Wire-grass	LNG	yes	yes	yes
			503351	Tetratheca ciliata	Pink-bells	SS	yes		yes
			503368	Thelymitra flexuosa	Twisted Sun-orchid	мн	yes		
			503370	Thelymitra holmesii s.l.	Blue-star Sun-orchid	мн	yes		
		*	500142	Thinopyrum junceiforme	Sea Wheat-grass	MNG	yes	yes	yes

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EPBC	FFG	brigin					Northern	Central	Southern
			503393	Threlkeldia diffusa	Coast Bonefruit	SH			yes
			503406	Todea barbara	Austral King-fern	TF	yes	yes	yes
		*	503416	Tradescantia fluminensis	Wandering Jew	SC	yes		
		*	503435	Trifolium repens var. repens	White Clover	SH	yes	yes	yes
			503449	Triglochin striata	Streaked Arrowgrass	MNG	yes		yes
			503476	Urtica incisa	Scrub Nettle	LH	yes	yes	yes
		*	503491	Vellereophyton dealbatum	White Cudweed	МН	yes		
		*	503502	Veronica arvensis	Wall Speedwell	МН	yes		
			503512	Veronica plebeia	Trailing Speedwell	МН	yes	yes	yes
		*	503524	Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	SC	yes	yes	yes
			505058	Viola hederacea sensu Entwisle (1996)	Ivy-leaf Violet	МН	yes	yes	yes
			503555	Wahlenbergia gracilenta s.l.	Annual Bluebell	МН			yes
		*	509245	Washingtonia spp.	Fan Palm	Ρ	yes		
	vu		503583	Wurmbea uniflora	One-flower Early Nancy	МН	yes		
			503587	Xanthorrhoea australis	Austral Grass-tree	LTG	yes		yes
			503588	Xanthorrhoea minor subsp. lutea	Small Grass-tree	LTG	yes		
			504561	Xanthosia dissecta s.s.	Native Parsley	PS	yes		
			503592	Xanthosia pilosa	Woolly Xanthosia	SS	yes		yes
		*	509266	Yucca spp.	Yucca	Т			yes
		*	503599	Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	LH	yes	yes	yes
			503601	Zieria arborescens subsp. arborescens	Stinkwood	Т	yes	yes	yes

Conservation status is as per the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act 1999) and Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 (FFG Act 1988) - CR: Critically Endangered; EN: Endangered; and VU: Vulnerable. Acronyms shown in upper case reference the conservation status on the EPBC Act 1999; those in lower case reference the FFG Act 1988.

Taxon ID – as per the Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (DELWP, 2022c)

Origin - an asterisk (*) denotes species of exotic origin, and a hash (#) denotes those that are native, but where some stands may be alien.

Life Form – T: Understorey Tree or Large Shrub; MS: Medium Shrub; SS: Small Shrub; PS: Prostrate Shrub; SC: Scrambler or Climber; LNG: Large Non-Tufted Graminoid; LTG: Large Tufted Graminoid; MTG: Medium to Small Tufted Graminoid; MNG: Medium to Tiny Non-Tufted Graminoid; LH: Large Herb; MH: Medium Herb; SH: Small or Prostrate Herb; GF: Ground Fern; TF: Tree Fern; E: Epiphyte.

APPENDIX 2 Flora species recorded within 100 metres of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve (collated from targeted survey and database records)

Table 21 Flora species recorded within 100 metres of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve (collated from target survey and database records)

The following inventory comprises of flora previously recorded at the site and within 100 metres of the site boundary. Records for current study were yielded from the results of a targeted survey of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve that was completed from October - December 2023. The search parameter for database records was return all records that occur within the reserve boundary, and within a lineal distance of 100 metres of the reserve boundary. Note: references to the earliest and most recent database records pertain to those taxa documented within 100 metres of the reserve boundary; not within the reserve itself. The currency of database records within the reserve boundary is provided in the accompanying database. Note also, as the inventory comprises of both current and historic records, it is probable that some of the recorded taxa no longer persist.

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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
		*	500031	Acacia elata	Cedar Wattle	т				yes
		#	505128	Acacia longifolia	Sallow Wattle	т				yes
		#	500088	Acacia longifolia subsp. sophorae	Coast Wattle	т	yes	1997	2012	
			500057	Acacia melanoxylon	Blackwood	т				yes
			500062	Acacia mucronata subsp. Iongifolia	Narrow-leaf Wattle	MS				yes
			500063	Acacia myrtifolia	Myrtle Wattle	MS				yes
			500091	Acacia stricta	Hop Wattle	MS				yes
			500092	Acacia suaveolens	Sweet Wattle	MS				yes
			500100	Acacia verticillata	Prickly Moses	MS		1997	1997	
			504213	Acacia verticillata subsp. verticillata	Prickly Moses	MS				yes
			500105	Acaena novae-zelandiae	Bidgee-widgee	мн		1997	1997	yes
			508004	Acaena spp.	Sheep's Burr	мн	yes	1997	1997	
		*	502966	Acetosella vulgaris	Sheep Sorrel	мн				yes
			504439	Acianthus pusillus	Small Mosquito-orchid	мн				yes
			500122	Acrotriche prostrata	Trailing Ground-berry	PS				yes
			500123	Acrotriche serrulata	Honey-pots	PS				yes
			500129	Adiantum aethiopicum	Common Maidenhair	GF				yes
		*	503638	Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis	Agapanthus	LH				yes
		*	500153	Agrostis capillaris	Brown-top Bent	MTG				yes
		*	507694	Allium cepa	Onion	LH				yes
		*	500179	Allium triquetrum	Angled Onion	мн				yes
			500677	Allocasuarina littoralis	Black Sheoak	т				yes
			500683	Allocasuarina paludosa	Scrub Sheoak	MS				yes

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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
			508033	Allocasuarina spp.	Sheoak	т		1997	1997	
			500685	Allocasuarina verticillata	Drooping Sheoak	т	yes	1997	2012	yes
			500188	Alyxia buxifolia	Sea Box	MS	yes	2012	2012	yes
			500206	Amperea xiphoclada var. xiphoclada	Broom Spurge	SS		1997	1997	yes
			500220	Amyema pendula	Drooping Mistletoe	E				yes
		*	500236	Anthoxanthum odoratum	Sweet Vernal-grass	MTG				yes
			500237	Aotus ericoides	Common Aotus	MS				yes
			500247	Apium prostratum subsp. prostratum	Sea Celery	SH				yes
		*	500255	Arctotheca calendula	Cape Weed	мн				yes
		*	503644	Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Italian Cuckoo-pint	LH				yes
		×	500276	Asparagus scandens	Asparagus Fern	SC				yes
			500288	Asplenium flabellifolium	Necklace Fern	GF				yes
			500316	Atriplex cinerea	Coast Saltbush	MS				yes
			500337	Australina pusilla subsp. muelleri	Shade Nettle	мн				yes
			503276	Austrostipa flavescens	Coast Spear-grass	LTG				yes
			503293	Austrostipa stipoides	Prickly Spear-grass	MTG	yes	2012	2012	yes
			500362	Banksia integrifolia subsp. integrifolia	Coast Banksia	т	yes	1997	2012	yes
			500363	Banksia marginata	Silver Banksia	MS				yes
			500366	Banksia serrata	Saw Banksia	MS				yes
			500371	Bauera rubioides	Wiry Bauera	SS				yes
		*	500384	Bellis perennis	English Daisy	мн				yes
			504291	Billardiera mutabilis	Common Apple-berry	SC				yes
			500404	Blechnum cartilagineum	Gristle Fern	GF				yes
			500407	Blechnum minus	Soft Water-fern	GF	yes	1997	1997	yes
			500408	Blechnum nudum	Fishbone Water-fern	GF				yes
			501098	Blechnum parrisiae	Common Rasp-fern	GF				yes
			500409	Blechnum patersonii subsp. patersonii	Strap Water-fern	GF				yes



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			500413	Blechnum wattsii	Hard Water-fern	GF				yes
			500440	Bossiaea prostrata	Creeping Bossiaea	PS				yes
		*	500500	Bromus diandrus	Great Brome	MTG				yes
		*	500501	Bromus hordeaceus	Soft Brome	MTG				yes
			500512	Burchardia umbellata	Milkmaids	мн				yes
			500515	<i>Bursaria spinosa</i> subsp. spinosa	Sweet Bursaria	MS	yes	1997	2012	yes
			504296	<i>Bursaria spinosa</i> subsp. spinosa var. <i>macrophylla</i>	Tree Bursaria	т				yes
			500518	Caesia parviflora	Pale Grass-lily	LH				yes
		*	500521	Cakile maritima subsp. maritima	Sea Rocket	МН				yes
			500955	Caladenia carnea sensu Entwisle (1994)	Pink Fingers	МН				yes
			500537	Caladenia latifolia	Pink Fairies	мн				yes
		*	500574	Callitriche stagnalis	Common Water-starwort	SH				yes
			500887	Calochlaena dubia	Common Ground-fern	GF		1997	1997	yes
	Enda nger ed		500606	Calystegia soldanella	Sea Bindweed	SC		2009	2009	
		*	500612	Cardamine flexuosa	Wood Bitter-cress	мн				yes
			500623	Carex appressa	Tall Sedge	LTG				yes
			500627	Carex breviculmis	Common Grass-sedge	MTG				yes
			504672	Carex gunniana var. gunniana	Swamp Sedge	MTG				yes
			500657	Carpobrotus rossii	Karkalla	SH				yes
			500666	Cassinia aculeata subsp. aculeata	Common Cassinia	MS				yes
			500671	Cassytha glabella	Slender Dodder-laurel	SC				yes
			500674	Cassytha pubescens s.s.	Downy Dodder-laurel	SC				yes
			508201	Cassytha spp.	Dodder Laurel	SC		1997	1997	
		*	502451	Cenchrus clandestinus	Kikuyu	LNG				yes
		*	500702	Centaurium erythraea	Common Centaury	МН				yes
			500706	Centella cordifolia	Centella	МН				yes
			500716	Centrolepis strigosa subsp. strigosa	Hairy Centrolepis	TTG				yes
		*	503679	Cestrum elegans	Elegant Poison-berry	MS				yes
			500753	Chiloglottis curviclavia	Autumn Wasp-orchid	МН	_		_	yes

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		*	505405	Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	мн				yes
			501628	Chrysocephalum semipapposum	Clustered Everlasting	LH				yes
		×	500782	Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle	LH				yes
			500788	Clematis aristata	Mountain Clematis	SC				yes
			500789	Clematis glycinoides	Forest Clematis	SC	yes	2012	2012	yes
			507386	Clematis microphylla s.s.	Small-leaved Clematis	SC				yes
			508243	Clematis spp.	Clematis	SC	yes	1997	1997	
			500801	Comesperma volubile	Love Creeper	SC				yes
			500822	Coprosma quadrifida	Prickly Currant-bush	MS	yes	1997	2012	yes
		*	500823	Coprosma repens	Mirror Bush	MS		2012	2012	yes
		*	504393	Cordyline australis	New Zealand Cabbage-tree	Ρ				yes
			501626	Coronidium scorpioides s.s.	Button Everlasting	МН				yes
			500829	Correa alba	White Correa	MS	yes	2012	2020	yes
		*	500825	Cortaderia selloana subsp. selloana	Pampas Grass	LTG				yes
			500838	Corybas diemenicus s.l.	Veined Helmet-orchid	SH				yes
			508260	Corybas spp.	Helmet Orchid	SH				yes
			500842	Corybas unguiculatus	Small Pelican-orchid	SH				yes
		*	507114	Corymbia ficifolia	Flowering Gum	т				yes
			500846	Cotula australis	Common Cotula	MH				yes
		*	500848	Cotula coronopifolia	Water Buttons	MH				yes
			500860	Crassula decumbens var. decumbens	Spreading Crassula	МН				yes
		*	505186	Crassula multicava subsp. multicava	Shade Crassula	SH				yes
		*	504520	Crassula muscosa var. muscosa	Clubmoss Crassula	МН				yes
		*	500875	Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora	Montbretia	MTG				yes
			500895	Cyathea australis	Rough Tree-fern	TF	yes	1997	1997	yes
		*	500906	Cynara cardunculus subsp. flavescens	Artichoke Thistle	LH				yes
		*	504554	Cynodon dactylon var. dactylon	Couch	MNG				yes
		*	500948	Dactylis glomerata	Cocksfoot	MNG				yes
		*	503148	Danthonia decumbens	Heath Grass	MTG				yes



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			500989	Daucus glochidiatus	Australian Carrot	МН				yes
			500999	Daviesia ulicifolia	Gorse Bitter-pea	MS				yes
		*	503118	Delairea odorata	Cape Ivy	SC				yes
			501023	Deyeuxia quadriseta	Reed Bent-grass	LTG				yes
			504412	Dianella brevicaulis	Small-flower Flax-lily	MTG	yes	2012	2012	yes
			501029	Dianella revoluta s.l.	Black-anther Flax-lily	MTG				yes
			505557	Dianella sp. aff. revoluta (Coastal)	Coast Flax-lily	MTG				yes
			501030	Dianella tasmanica	Tasman Flax-lily	MTG	yes	1997	1997	yes
			501036	Dichondra repens	Kidney-weed	SH	yes	1997	1997	yes
			501039	Dicksonia antarctica	Soft Tree-fern	TF				yes
			501051	Dillwynia glaberrima	Smooth Parrot-pea	SS				yes
			501058	Dillwynia sericea	Showy Parrot-pea	SS				yes
		*	505842	Dimorphotheca pluvialis	Cape Marigold	МН				yes
			501063	Diplarrena moraea	White Iris	MTG	yes	1997	1997	yes
		*	501069	Dipogon lignosus	Common Dipogon	SC				yes
			501102	Drosera auriculata	Tall Sundew	МН				yes
			501108	Drosera pygmaea	Tiny Sundew	SH				yes
		*	501128	Ehrharta erecta	Panic Veldt-grass	MTG				yes
			501155	Empodisma minus	Spreading Rope-rush	MNG				yes
			501165	Epacris impressa	Common Heath	MS		1997	1997	yes
			501174	Epilobium billardiereanum	Variable Willow-herb	LH				yes
			501185	Eragrostis brownii	Common Love-grass	MTG				yes
		*	500812	Erigeron bonariensis	Flaxleaf Fleabane	LH				yes
		*	505295	Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	т				yes
		*	501254	Eucalyptus botryoides	Southern Mahogany	Т				yes
	Critic ally Enda nger ed		501290	Eucalyptus kitsoniana	Bog Gum	т				yes
			501304	Eucalyptus obliqua	Messmate Stringybark	т	yes	1997	1997	yes
			501307	Eucalyptus ovata	Swamp Gum	т		1997	1997	yes

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			501313	Eucalyptus radiata s.l.	Narrow-leaf Peppermint	т		1997	1997	
			503828	<i>Eucalyptus radiata</i> subsp. radiata	Narrow-leaf Peppermint	т				yes
			501465	Euchiton involucratus s.s.	Star Cudweed	МН				yes
			501466	Euchiton japonicus s.s.	Creeping Cudweed	МН				yes
		*	501331	Euphorbia paralias	Sea Spurge	LH				yes
			501353	Exocarpos strictus	Pale-fruit Ballart	MS				yes
			501782	Ficinia nodosa	Knobby Club-sedge	MNG				yes
		*	505516	Ficus carica	Fig	т				yes
		*	501370	Foeniculum vulgare	Fennel	МН				yes
		*	508451	Fraxinus spp.	Ash	т				yes
		*	501379	Fumaria bastardii	Bastard's Fumitory	SC				yes
			501387	Gahnia clarkei	Tall Saw-sedge	LTG				yes
			501395	Gahnia sieberiana	Red-fruit Saw-sedge	LTG				yes
		*	501402	Galium aparine	Cleavers	SC		1997	1997	yes
			501413	Galium leiocarpum	Maori Bedstraw	SH				yes
			508464	Galium spp.	Bedstraw	SC		1997	1997	
		*	501371	Gazania linearis	Gazania	МН				yes
			501427	Geranium homeanum	Rainforest Crane's-bill	LH				yes
		*	501428	Geranium molle	Dove's Foot	МН				yes
			501431	Geranium potentilloides	Soft Crane's-bill	МН				yes
			508474	Geranium spp.	Crane's Bill	ΜΗ		1997	1997	
			501441	Gleichenia microphylla	Scrambling Coral-fern	GF				yes
			501445	Glossodia major	Wax-lip Orchid	МН				yes
			501455	Glycine clandestina	Twining Glycine	SC				yes
			501484	Gonocarpus humilis	Shade Raspwort	МН				yes
			503851	Gonocarpus micranthus	Creeping Raspwort	SH				yes
			508491	Gonocarpus spp.	Raspwort	н		1997	1997	
			501489	Gonocarpus tetragynus	Common Raspwort	МН				yes
			504882	Gonocarpus teucrioides s.s.	Germander Raspwort	МН	yes	2012	2012	

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			501507	Goodenia ovata	Hop Goodenia	MS	yes	1997	2012	yes
			501524	Gratiola peruviana	Austral Brooklime	мн				yes
		*	507154	Grevillea spp./cv.	Grevillea (cultivated)	SS				yes
			500909	Hackelia latifolia	Forest Hound's-tongue	мн				yes
			500910	Hackelia suaveolens	Sweet Hound's-tongue	мн				yes
	Enda nger ed		505072	Hakea decurrens subsp. platytaenia	Coast Needlewood	MS				yes
		*	505767	Hakea drupacea	Sweet Hakea	MS				yes
		*	505747	Hakea laurina	Pincushion Hakea	MS				yes
		*	-	Hebe spp.	Hebe	SS				yes
		*	904055	Hedera hibernica	Atlantic Ivy	SC				yes
			501600	Hedycarya angustifolia	Austral Mulberry	MS	yes	1997	1997	yes
			501619	Helichrysum leucopsideum	Satin Everlasting	LH				yes
			501654	Hemarthria uncinata var. uncinata	Mat Grass	MNG				yes
			501661	Hibbertia acicularis	Prickly Guinea-flower	SS				yes
			501674	Hibbertia fasciculata var. prostrata	Bundled Guinea-flower	SS				yes
			501684	Hibbertia virgata	Twiggy Guinea-flower	SS		1997	1997	
			501691	Histiopteris incisa	Bat's Wing Fern	GF				yes
		*	501692	Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog	LNG				yes
		*	507181	Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	MS				yes
			501722	Hydrocotyle hirta	Hairy Pennywort	мн				yes
			501734	Hymenophyllum cupressiforme	Common Filmy-fern	E				yes
			501743	Hypericum japonicum	Matted St John's Wort	SH				yes
		*	501748	Hypochaeris radicata	Flatweed	мн				yes
			501752	Hypolepis glandulifera	Downy Ground-fern	GF				yes
		*	501759	llex aquifolium	English Holly	т				yes
			501760	Imperata cylindrica	Blady Grass	MTG				yes
		*	500936	Isolepis levynsiana	Tiny Flat-sedge	TTG				yes
		*	501806	Juncus articulatus subsp. articulatus	Jointed Rush	MTG				yes
			501810	Juncus bufonius	Toad Rush	MTG				yes

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· 503820 Kniphofia uvaria Red-hot Poker LH				501835	Juncus procerus	Tall Rush	LTG				yes
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* 501864 Lagurus ovatus Hare's-tail Grass MNG ves 501876 Lastreopsis acuminata Shiny Shield-fern GF ves yes * 508642 Lathyrus spp. Pea SC ves yes * 501895 Leontodon saxatilis subsp. saxatilis Hairy Hawkbit MH ves yes * 501919 Lepidosperma elatius Tall Sword-sedge LTG yes 1997 1997 yes * 501922 Lepidosperma gladiatum Coast Sword-sedge MTG ves yes * 501923 Lepidosperma laterale Variable Sword-sedge MTG yes 2012 2012 yes				501861	Lagenophora sublyrata	Slender Bottle-daisy	мн				yes
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* 501895 Leontodon saxatilis subsp. saxatilis Hairy Hawkbit MH Image: MH Im			*	508642	Lathyrus spp.	Pea	SC				yes
501919 Lepidosperma elatius Tall Sword-sedge LTG yes 1997 1997 yes 501922 Lepidosperma gladiatum Coast Sword-sedge MTG yes yes 501923 Lepidosperma laterale Variable Sword-sedge MTG yes yes 504701 Lepidosperma laterale var. Variable Sword-sedge LTG yes 2012 2012 yes			×	501895	Leontodon saxatilis subsp. saxatilis	Hairy Hawkbit	МН				yes
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501923 Lepidosperma laterale Variable Sword-sedge MTG yes 504701 Lepidosperma laterale var. majus Variable Sword-sedge LTG yes 2012 2012 yes				501922	Lepidosperma gladiatum	Coast Sword-sedge	MTG				yes
504701 Lepidosperma laterale var. majus Variable Sword-sedge LTG yes 2012 2012 yes				501923	Lepidosperma laterale	Variable Sword-sedge	MTG				yes
				504701	Lepidosperma laterale var. majus	Variable Sword-sedge	LTG	yes	2012	2012	yes
501917 Lepidosperma sieberi Sandhill Sword-sedge MTG yes 1997 2012 yes				501917	Lepidosperma sieberi	Sandhill Sword-sedge	MTG	yes	1997	2012	yes
503884 Leptinella reptans s.s. Creeping Cotula SH yes				503884	Leptinella reptans s.s.	Creeping Cotula	SH				yes
501956 Leptospermum continentale Prickly Tea-tree MS yes				501956	Leptospermum continentale	Prickly Tea-tree	MS				yes
# 501957 Leptospermum laevigatum Coast Tea-tree MS yes 1997 2012 yes			#	501957	Leptospermum laevigatum	Coast Tea-tree	MS	yes	1997	2012	yes
501961 Leptospermum myrsinoides Heath Tea-tree MS yes				501961	Leptospermum myrsinoides	Heath Tea-tree	MS				yes
500581 Leucophyta brownii Cushion Bush SS 2012 2012				500581	Leucophyta brownii	Cushion Bush	SS		2012	2012	
501972 Leucopogon australis Spike Beard-heath SS yes				501972	Leucopogon australis	Spike Beard-heath	SS				yes
501987 Leucopogon parviflorus Coast Beard-heath MS 1997 2012 yes				501987	Leucopogon parviflorus	Coast Beard-heath	MS		1997	2012	yes
501995 Leucopogon virgatus Common Beard-heath SS yes				501995	Leucopogon virgatus	Common Beard-heath	SS				yes
502014 Lindsaea linearis Screw Fern GF yes				502014	Lindsaea linearis	Screw Fern	GF				yes
502024 Lobelia anceps Angled Lobelia MH yes				502024	Lobelia anceps	Angled Lobelia	мн				yes



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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
			502042	Lomandra filiformis	Wattle Mat-rush	MTG				yes
			502046	Lomandra longifolia	Spiny-headed Mat-rush	LTG		1997	1997	
			504713	Lomandra longifolia subsp. exilis	Cluster-headed Mat-rush	LTG				yes
			504714	Lomandra longifolia subsp. Iongifolia	Spiny-headed Mat-rush	LTG	yes	1997	2012	yes
			502050	Lomatia fraseri	Tree Lomatia	т				yes
		*	502053	Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle	SC				yes
			503841	Luzula meridionalis	Common Woodrush	MTG				yes
		*	502078	Lycium ferocissimum	African Box-thorn	MS		2012	2012	yes
			502079	Lycopodium deuterodensum	Bushy Clubmoss	GF				yes
		*	500223	Lysimachia arvensis	Pimpernel	мн				yes
			502092	Lythrum hyssopifolia	Small Loosestrife	мн				yes
			500381	Machaerina tetragona	Square Twig-sedge	MNG				yes
		*	502140	Medicago polymorpha	Burr Medic	SH				yes
	en	#	502145	Melaleuca armillaris subsp. armillaris	Giant Honey-myrtle	MS				yes
		#	502147	Melaleuca ericifolia	Swamp Paperbark	MS	yes	1997	1997	yes
		*	505854	Melaleuca hypericifolia	Hillock Bush	т				yes
			502153	Melaleuca squarrosa	Scented Paperbark	MS	yes	1997	1997	yes
			502179	Microlaena stipoides var. stipoides	Weeping Grass	MNG	yes	1997	1997	yes
			502183	Microsorum pustulatum subsp. pustulatum	Kangaroo Fern	E				yes
			502189	Microtis unifolia	Common Onion-orchid	LH				yes
			504735	Mitrasacme pilosa var. pilosa	Hairy Mitrewort	SH				yes
	en		503859	Monotoca glauca	Currant-wood	MS				yes
			502220	Monotoca scoparia	Prickly Broom-heath	MS				yes
			502225	Muehlenbeckia adpressa	Climbing Lignum	SC				yes
		#	502239	Myoporum insulare	Common Boobialla	т	yes	2012	2012	yes
		*	505282	Myosotis arvensis	Field Forget-me-not	МН				yes
			502916	Myrsine howittiana	Mutton-wood	т				yes
			502299	Olearia argophylla	Musk Daisy-bush	т				yes
			502312	Olearia lirata	Snowy Daisy-bush	MS	yes	1997	1997	yes

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			502316	Olearia myrsinoides	Silky Daisy-bush	SS				yes
			502319	Olearia phlogopappa	Dusty Daisy-bush	MS	yes	2012	2012	
			903618	Olearia phlogopappa subsp. insularis	Dusty Daisy-bush	SS				yes
			504785	Olearia ramulosa var. ramulosa	Twiggy Daisy-bush	SS				yes
			502344	Opercularia varia	Variable Stinkweed	SH	yes	1997	1997	
			502381	Oxalis exilis	Shade Wood-sorrel	SH				yes
		*	502387	Oxalis pes-caprae	Soursob	МН				yes
			501616	Ozothamnus ferrugineus	Tree Everlasting	MS	yes	2012	2012	yes
			501622	Ozothamnus turbinatus	Coast Everlasting	MS		2012	2012	
			502399	Pandorea pandorana subsp. pandorana	Wonga Vine	SC				yes
			502399	Pandorea pandorea	Wonga Vine	SC	yes	1997	1997	
		*	502423	Parietaria judaica	Wall Pellitory	LH				yes
			502426	Parsonsia brownii	Twining Silkpod	SC				yes
		*	505286	Passiflora edulis	Black Passion-fruit	SC				yes
			502437	Patersonia occidentalis var. occidentalis	Long Purple-flag	MTG				yes
			502442	Pelargonium australe	Austral Stork's-bill	LH				yes
			502449	Pellaea falcata s.l.	Sickle Fern	GF				yes
			502463	Persoonia juniperina	Prickly Geebung	MS				yes
			502497	Phragmites australis	Common Reed	LNG	yes	1997	1997	yes
			502209	Phyllangium divergens	Wiry Mitrewort	SH				yes
		*	502508	Physalis peruviana	Cape Gooseberry	SS				yes
			502523	Pimelea humilis	Common Rice-flower	SS				yes
		*	502539	Pinus radiata	Radiata Pine	т				yes
			502540	Pittosporum bicolor	Banyalla	т				yes
		#	502543	Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	т		1997	1997	yes
		*	504821	Plantago coronopus subsp. coronopus	Buck's-horn Plantain	MH				yes
			502555	Plantago debilis	Shade Plantain	MH				yes
		×	502561	Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort	LH				yes
			508901	Plantago spp.	Plantain	н	yes	1997	1997	



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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
			528671	Platylobium parviflorum	Narrow-leaf Flat-pea	SS				yes
		*	504194	Plectranthus ciliatus	African Spur-flower	LH				yes
		*	502580	Poa annua s.l.	Annual Meadow-grass	MTG				yes
			504694	Poa labillardierei var. labillardierei	Common Tussock-grass	MTG				yes
			504833	Poa poiformis var. poiformis	Coast Tussock-grass	MTG	yes	2012	2012	yes
			508909	Poa spp.	Tussock Grass	TG	yes	1997	1997	
			502610	Poa tenera	Slender Tussock-grass	MNG		1997	1997	yes
			502643	Polyscias sambucifolia	Elderberry Panax	MS				yes
			502645	Polystichum proliferum	Mother Shield-fern	GF	yes	1997	1997	yes
			502650	Pomaderris aspera	Hazel Pomaderris	Т				yes
			502665	Pomaderris oraria subsp. oraria	Bassian Pomaderris	MS				yes
			502683	Poranthera microphylla s.l.	Small Poranthera	МН				yes
			504845	Prostanthera lasianthos var. Iasianthos	Victorian Christmas-bush	MS				yes
		*	502757	Prunella vulgaris	Self-heal	МН				yes
		*	502758	Prunus cerasifera	Cherry Plum	MS				yes
			502777	Pteridium esculentum subsp. esculentum	Austral Bracken	GF	yes	1997	1997	yes
			502779	Pteris tremula	Tender Brake	GF				yes
			502810	Pterostylis pedunculata	Maroonhood	МН				yes
			502844	Pultenaea daphnoides	Large-leaf Bush-pea	MS	yes	1997	2012	yes
			502894	Ranunculus lappaceus	Australian Buttercup	МН				yes
			502912	Ranunculus sessiliflorus	Annual Buttercup	МН				yes
			502927	Rhagodia candolleana subsp. candolleana	Seaberry Saltbush	MS	yes	2012	2012	yes
		*	502959	Rubus anglocandicans	Common Blackberry	SC				yes
		*	502952	Rubus fruticosus spp. agg.	Blackberry	SC	yes	1997	1997	
			502956	Rubus parvifolius	Small-leaf Bramble	SC	C yes 1997		1997	yes
			500961	Rytidosperma caespitosum Common Wallaby-grass MTG			2012	2012		
			500969	Rytidosperma longifolium	idosperma longifolium Long-leaf Wallaby-grass MTG yes 2012		2012			
		*	502991	Salix X fragilis	Crack Willow	т				yes
			502999	Sambucus gaudichaudiana	White Elderberry	МН				yes

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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
			503001	Samolus repens	Creeping Brookweed	мн				yes
			503039	Schoenus apogon	Common Bog-sedge	MTG				yes
			503048	Schoenus maschalinus	Leafy Bog-sedge	MTG				yes
			503102	Senecio biserratus	Jagged Fireweed	мн				yes
			503107	Senecio glomeratus	Annual Fireweed	LH				yes
			503111	Senecio hispidulus s.l.	Rough Fireweed	LH				yes
		*	503113	Senecio jacobaea	Ragwort	LH				yes
			507541	Senecio linearifolius var. denticulatus	Fireweed Groundsel (eastern variant)	LH				yes
			503119	Senecio minimus	Shrubby Fireweed	LH				yes
			503120	Senecio odoratus	Scented Groundsel	LH	yes	2012	2012	yes
			503114	Senecio pinnatifolius	Variable Groundsel	LH	yes	2012	2012	
			509058	Senecio spp.	Groundsel	н	yes	1997	2012	
			503149	Sigesbeckia orientalis subsp. orientalis	Indian Weed	LH				yes
			503169	Solanum aviculare	Kangaroo Apple	MS				yes
			503196	Solenogyne gunnii	Hairy Solenogyne	мн				yes
		*	503203	Sonchus asper s.l.	Rough Sow-thistle	LH				yes
		*	503204	Sonchus oleraceus	Common Sow-thistle	LH				yes
			503222	Spinifex sericeus	Hairy Spinifex	MNG				yes
		*	503226	Sporobolus africanus	Rat-tail Grass	MTG				yes
			503235	Spyridium parvifolium	Dusty Miller	MS		1997	1997	
			503244	Stackhousia monogyna s.l.	Creamy Stackhousia	мн		1997	1997	yes
			503250	Stellaria flaccida	Forest Starwort	мн				yes
		*	503260	Stenotaphrum secundatum	Buffalo Grass	MNG				yes
			528632	<i>Stylidium armeria</i> subsp. armeria	Common Triggerplant	MTG				yes
			500304	Styphelia humifusa	Cranberry Heath	PS				yes
		#	500115	Syzygium smithii	Lilly Pilly	т				yes
			503343	Tetragonia implexicoma	Bower Spinach	SC	yes	2012	2012	yes
			503344	Tetragonia tetragonioides	New Zealand Spinach	SC				yes
			503348	Tetrarrhena juncea	Forest Wire-grass	LNG	yes	1997	1997	yes



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EPBC	FFG	Origin	Taxon ID	Scientific Name	Common Name	Life Form	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
			503351	Tetratheca ciliata	Pink-bells	SS				yes
			503368	Thelymitra flexuosa	Twisted Sun-orchid	MH				yes
			503370	Thelymitra holmesii s.l.	Blue-star Sun-orchid	MH				yes
		*	500142	Thinopyrum junceiforme	Sea Wheat-grass	MNG				yes
			503393	Threlkeldia diffusa	Coast Bonefruit	SH		2012	2012	yes
			503406	Todea barbara	Austral King-fern	TF				yes
		*	503416	Tradescantia fluminensis	Wandering Jew	SC				yes
		*	503435	Trifolium repens var. repens	White Clover	SH				yes
			503449	Triglochin striata	Streaked Arrowgrass	MNG				yes
			503476	Urtica incisa	Scrub Nettle	LH				yes
		*	503491	Vellereophyton dealbatum	White Cudweed	MH				yes
		*	503502	Veronica arvensis	Wall Speedwell	MH				yes
			503512	Veronica plebeia	Trailing Speedwell	MH		2020	2020	yes
		*	503524	Vinca major	Blue Periwinkle	SC				yes
			505058	Viola hederacea sensu Entwisle (1996)	Ivy-leaf Violet	MH				yes
			503528	Viola hederacea sensu Willis (1972)	Ivy-leaf Violet	MH	yes	1997	1997	
			503555	Wahlenbergia gracilenta s.l.	Annual Bluebell	MH				yes
		*	509245	Washingtonia spp.	Fan Palm	Ρ				yes
	vu		503583	Wurmbea uniflora	One-flower Early Nancy	MH				yes
			503587	Xanthorrhoea australis	Austral Grass-tree	LTG				yes
			503588	Xanthorrhoea minor subsp. lutea	Small Grass-tree	LTG				yes
			504561	Xanthosia dissecta s.s.	Native Parsley	PS				yes
			503592	Xanthosia pilosa	Woolly Xanthosia	SS				yes
		*	509266	Yucca spp.	Yucca	Т				yes
		*	503599	Zantedeschia aethiopica	White Arum-lily	LH				yes
			503601	Zieria arborescens subsp. arborescens	Stinkwood	Т				yes

Origin - an asterisk (*) denotes species of exotic origin, and a hash (#) denotes those that are native, but where some stands may be alien.

Life Form – T: Understorey Tree or Large Shrub; MS: Medium Shrub; SS: Small Shrub; PS: Prostrate Shrub; SC: Scrambler or Climber; LNG: Large Non-Tufted Graminoid; LTG: Large Tufted Graminoid; MTG: Medium to Small Tufted Graminoid; MNG: Medium to Tiny Non-Tufted Graminoid; LH: Large Herb; MH: Medium Herb; SH: Small or Prostrate Herb; GF: Ground Fern; TF: Tree Fern; E: Epiphyte.

Source of Database Records:

Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023d) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (restricted) - VBA_FLORA_RESTRICTED [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023e) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (unrestricted) for sites with high spatial accuracy - VBA_FLORA25 [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023f) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas flora records (unrestricted) for sites with moderate to low spatial accuracy - VBA_FLORA100 [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

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Taxon ID - as per the Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (DELWP, 2022c)

APPENDIX 3 Fauna recorded at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

Table 22 Fauna species recorded at Walkerville Foreshore Reserve, October – December 2023

Conse	ervation	Status	Origin	Taxon ID	Common Namo	Scientific Name	
EPBC	FFG	Treaty	Oligin				
				11028	Agile Antechinus	Antechinus agilis	Mammals
				10104	Australasian Gannet	Morus serrator	Marine birds
				11542	Australian Fur Seal	Arctocephalus pusillus doriferus	Mammals
				10705	Australian Magpie	Gymnorhina tibicen	Passerine birds
				10647	Australian Pipit	Anthus australis	Passerine birds
				10930	Australian Raven	Corvus coronoides	Passerine birds
				10207	Australian Shelduck	Tadorna tadornoides	Non-passerine birds
				10179	Australian White Ibis	Threskiornis molucca	Non-passerine birds
				10202	Australian Wood Duck	Chenonetta jubata	Non-passerine birds
				11165	Bare-nosed Wombat	Vombatus ursinus	Mammals
				10779	Bassian Thrush	Zoothera lunulata	Passerine birds
				10650	Beautiful Firetail	Stagonopleura bella	Passerine birds
				10424	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina novaehollandiae	Passerine birds
				10232	Black-shouldered Kite	Elanus axillaris	Non-passerine birds
				11242	Black-tailed Wallaby	Wallabia bicolor	Mammals
				12578	Blotched Blue-tongued Lizard	Tiliqua nigrolutea	Reptiles
VU				10306	Blue-winged Parrot	Neophema chrysostoma	Non-passerine birds
				10221	Brown Goshawk	Accipiter fasciatus	Non-passerine birds
				10475	Brown Thornbill	Acanthiza pusilla	Passerine birds
				10583	Brown-headed Honeyeater	Melithreptus brevirostris	Passerine birds
				10035	Brush Bronzewing	Phaps elegans	Non-passerine birds
				50162	Burrowing Crayfish	Engaeus spp.	Mussels, decapod crustacea
				11395	Bush Rat	Rattus fuscipes	Mammals
				10210	Chestnut Teal	Anas castanea	Non-passerine birds
				4694	Climbing Galaxias	Galaxias brevipinnis	Fish
			*	10991	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	Passerine birds
				10034	Common Bronzewing	Phaps chalcoptera	Non-passerine birds
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EPBC	FFG	Treaty	ongin	Tuxon ib			
				11113	Common Brush-tailed Possum	Trichosurus vulpecula	Mammals
				13134	Common Froglet	Crinia signifera	Amphibians
	vu	BCJR		10157	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	Waders
			*	10999	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	Passerine birds
				10630	Crescent Honeyeater	Phylidonyris pyrrhopterus	Passerine birds
				10115	Crested Tern	Thalasseus bergii	Waders
				10282	Crimson Rosella	Platycercus elegans	Non-passerine birds
				10547	Dusky Woodswallow	Artamus cyanopterus	Passerine birds
				11265	Eastern Grey Kangaroo	Macropus giganteus	Mammals
				10288	Eastern Rosella	Platycercus eximius	Non-passerine birds
				10591	Eastern Spinebill	Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris	Passerine birds
				10421	Eastern Whipbird	Psophodes olivaceus	Passerine birds
				10392	Eastern Yellow Robin	Eopsaltria australis	Passerine birds
			*	11523	Fallow Deer	Dama dama	Mammals
				10338	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	Cacomantis flabelliformis	Non-passerine birds
				10273	Galah	Eolophus roseicapilla	Non-passerine birds
EN				10268	Gang-gang Cockatoo	Callocephalon fimbriatum	Non-passerine birds
				12451	Garden Skink	Lampropholis guichenoti	Reptiles
				10398	Golden Whistler	Pachycephala pectoralis	Passerine birds
				10702	Grey Butcherbird	Cracticus torquatus	Passerine birds
				10697	Grey Currawong	Strepera versicolor	Passerine birds
				10361	Grey Fantail	Rhipidura albiscapa	Passerine birds
				10408	Grey Shrike-thrush	Colluricincla harmonica	Passerine birds
	en			12283	Lace Monitor	Varanus varius	Reptiles
				10322	Laughing Kookaburra	Dacelo novaeguineae	Non-passerine birds
				10637	Little Wattlebird	Anthochaera chrysoptera	Passerine birds
				12973	Lowland Copperhead	Austrelaps superbus	Reptiles
				10415	Magpie-lark	Grallina cyanoleuca	Passerine birds



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EPBC	FFG	Treaty	Origin	Taxon ID	Common Name		raxon Type
				11033	Mainland Dusky Antechinus	Antechinus mimetes	Mammals
				10133	Masked Lapwing	Vanellus miles	Waders
				12462	Metallic Skink	Carinascincus metallicus	Reptiles
				6003	Morepork	Ninox novaeseelandiae	Non-passerine birds
				10240	Nankeen Kestrel	Falco cenchroides	Non-passerine birds
				10631	New Holland Honeyeater	Phylidonyris novaehollandiae	Passerine birds
				10405	Olive Whistler	Pachycephala olivacea	Passerine birds
				10208	Pacific Black Duck	Anas superciliosa	Non-passerine birds
				60126	Pacific Gull	Larus pacificus	Waders
				10337	Pallid Cuckoo	Cacomantis pallidus	Non-passerine birds
	vu			10248	Powerful Owl	Ninox strenua	Non-passerine birds
			*	528552	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes	Mammals
				10638	Red Wattlebird	Anthochaera carunculata	Passerine birds
				10662	Red-browed Finch	Neochmia temporalis	Passerine birds
		В		10362	Rufous Fantail	Rhipidura rufifrons	Passerine birds
				10401	Rufous Whistler	Pachycephala rufiventris	Passerine birds
				10326	Sacred Kingfisher	Todiramphus sanctus	Non-passerine birds
				11003	Short-beaked Echidna	Tachyglossus aculeatus	Mammals
				10125	Silver Gull	Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae	Waders
				10574	Silvereye	Zosterops lateralis	Passerine birds
				10131	Sooty Oystercatcher	Haematopus fuliginosus	Waders
				10242	Southern Boobook	Ninox boobook	Non-passerine birds
				62956	Southern Water Skink	Eulamprus tympanum tympanum	Reptiles
				10565	Spotted Pardalote	Pardalotus punctatus	Passerine birds
				10269	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Cacatua galerita	Non-passerine birds
				10529	Superb Fairy-wren	Malurus cyaneus	Passerine birds
				10350	Superb Lyrebird	Menura novaehollandiae	Passerine birds
				12681	Tiger Snake	Notechis scutatus	Reptiles
				13033	Victorian Smooth Froglet	Geocrinia victoriana	Amphibians

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				12452	Weasel Skink	Saproscincus mustelinus	Reptiles
				10224	Wedge-tailed Eagle	Aquila audax	Non-passerine birds
				10357	Welcome Swallow	Hirundo neoxena	Passerine birds
	en	С		10226	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	Haliaeetus leucogaster	Non-passerine birds
				10488	White-browed Scrubwren	Sericornis frontalis	Passerine birds
				10188	White-faced Heron	Egretta novaehollandiae	Non-passerine birds
	vu			11069	White-footed Dunnart	Sminthopsis leucopus	Mammals
				10189	White-necked Heron	Ardea pacifica	Non-passerine birds
VU	vu	CJR		10334	White-throated Needletail	Hirundapus caudacutus	Non-passerine birds
				10558	White-throated Treecreeper	Cormobates leucophaea	Passerine birds
				10364	Willie Wagtail	Rhipidura leucophrys	Passerine birds
				10267	Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	Calyptorhynchus funereus	Non-passerine birds

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Treaty – B: Bonn Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention) 1979 (BonnA2H); C: China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (CAMBA); J: Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (JAMBA); R: Republic of Korea Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (ROKAMBA)

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APPENDIX 4 Fauna species recorded within 100 metres of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve (collated from targeted survey and database records)

Table 23 Fauna species recorded within 100 metres of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve (collated from target survey and database records)

The following inventory comprises of fauna recorded at the site and within 100 metres of the site boundary. Records for current study were yielded from incidental observations made during a targeted vegetation survey of Walkerville Foreshore Reserve that was completed from October - December 2023. The search parameter for database records was return all records that occur within the reserve boundary, and within a lineal distance of 100 metres of the reserve boundary. Note: references to the earliest and most recent database records pertain to those taxa documented within 100 metres of the reserve boundary; not within the reserve itself. The currency of database records within the reserve boundary is provided in the accompanying database. Note also, as the inventory comprises of both current and historic records, it is probable that some of the recorded taxa no utilise / frequent the site.

Conse	ervation	Status					Dat	tabase Rec	ord	2023
EPBC	FFG	Treaty	Origin	Taxon ID	Common Name	Scientific Name	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
				11028	Agile Antechinus	Antechinus agilis				yes
				10104	Australasian Gannet	Morus serrator	yes	2000	2019	yes
				10061	Australasian Grebe	Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	yes	2000	2000	
				11542	Australian Fur Seal	Arctocephalus pusillus doriferus		2014	2020	yes
				10705	Australian Magpie	Gymnorhina tibicen	yes	2004	2010	yes
				10647	Australian Pipit	Anthus australis				yes
				10930	Australian Raven	Corvus coronoides	yes	2000	2010	yes
				10207	Australian Shelduck	Tadorna tadornoides				yes
				10179	Australian White Ibis	Threskiornis molucca		2009	2009	yes
				10202	Australian Wood Duck	Chenonetta jubata	yes	2000	2000	yes
				11165	Bare-nosed Wombat	Vombatus ursinus				yes
				10779	Bassian Thrush	Zoothera lunulata				yes
				10650	Beautiful Firetail	Stagonopleura bella				yes
				10098	Black-faced Cormorant	Phalacrocorax fuscescens	yes	2004	2021	
				10424	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina novaehollandiae				yes
				10232	Black-shouldered Kite	Elanus axillaris				yes
				11242	Black-tailed Wallaby	Wallabia bicolor		2020	2020	yes
				12578	Blotched Blue-tongued Lizard	Tiliqua nigrolutea				yes
VU				10306	Blue-winged Parrot	Neophema chrysostoma				yes
				10221	Brown Goshawk	Accipiter fasciatus				yes
				10475	Brown Thornbill	Acanthiza pusilla	yes	1991	2021	yes
				10583	Brown-headed Honeyeater	Melithreptus brevirostris				yes
				10035	Brush Bronzewing	Phaps elegans	yes	2000	2000	yes

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EPBC	FFG	Treaty	Origin	Taxon ID	Common Name	Scientific Name	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
				50162	Burrowing Crayfish	Engaeus spp.				yes
				11395	Bush Rat	Rattus fuscipes				yes
				10210	Chestnut Teal	Anas castanea	yes	2000	2000	yes
				4694	Climbing Galaxias	Galaxias brevipinnis				yes
			*	10991	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	yes	1991	2019	yes
				10034	Common Bronzewing	Phaps chalcoptera				yes
				11113	Common Brush-tailed Possum	Trichosurus vulpecula				yes
				13134	Common Froglet	Crinia signifera		1991	2018	yes
	vu	BCJR		10157	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos				yes
			*	10999	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	yes	1999	2009	yes
				10630	Crescent Honeyeater	Phylidonyris pyrrhopterus	yes	1991	2018	yes
				10115	Crested Tern	Thalasseus bergii	yes	2004	2019	yes
				10282	Crimson Rosella	Platycercus elegans	yes	1991	2021	yes
				10547	Dusky Woodswallow	Artamus cyanopterus				yes
				11265	Eastern Grey Kangaroo	Macropus giganteus				yes
		с		10191	Eastern Reef Egret	Egretta sacra	yes	2010	2010	
				10288	Eastern Rosella	Platycercus eximius				yes
				10591	Eastern Spinebill	Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris		1991	2019	yes
				10421	Eastern Whipbird	Psophodes olivaceus		1999	2018	yes
				10392	Eastern Yellow Robin	Eopsaltria australis	yes	1991	2021	yes
			*	11523	Fallow Deer	Dama dama				yes
				10338	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	Cacomantis flabelliformis				yes
				10868	Forest Raven	Corvus tasmanicus		2020	2020	
				10273	Galah	Eolophus roseicapilla		1999	2010	yes
EN				10268	Gang-gang Cockatoo	Callocephalon fimbriatum				yes
				12451	Garden Skink	Lampropholis guichenoti				yes
				10398	Golden Whistler	Pachycephala pectoralis		1991	2009	yes



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EPBC	FFG	Treaty	Origin	Taxon ID	Common Name	Scientific Name	Within Reserve	Earliest Record	Most Recent Record	Targeted Survey
				10096	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	yes	1999	2021	
				10702	Grey Butcherbird	Cracticus torquatus				yes
				10697	Grey Currawong	Strepera versicolor		1991	1991	yes
				10361	Grey Fantail	Rhipidura albiscapa	yes	1991	2021	yes
				10408	Grey Shrike-thrush	Colluricincla harmonica	yes	1991	2018	yes
VU	vu			10138	Hooded Plover	Thinornis cucullatus	yes	2004	2004	
				10342	Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx basalis		2018	2018	
				19014	Inchman Bulldog Ant	Myrmecia forficata		2019	2019	
				10981	Kelp Gull	Larus dominicanus	yes	1999	2000	
	en			12283	Lace Monitor	Varanus varius				yes
				10322	Laughing Kookaburra	Dacelo novaeguineae	yes	2003	2019	yes
				10097	Little Black Cormorant	Phalacrocorax sulcirostris		2018	2018	
				10100	Little Pied Cormorant	Microcarbo melanoleucos	yes	2000	2018	
				10954	Little Raven	Corvus mellori	yes	2009	2021	
				10637	Little Wattlebird	Anthochaera chrysoptera	yes	2004	2004	yes
				12973	Lowland Copperhead	Austrelaps superbus				yes
				10415	Magpie-lark	Grallina cyanoleuca				yes
				11033	Mainland Dusky Antechinus	Antechinus mimetes				yes
				10133	Masked Lapwing	Vanellus miles	yes	2001	2010	yes
				12462	Metallic Skink	Carinascincus metallicus				yes
				10564	Mistletoebird	Dicaeum hirundinaceum		2018	2018	
				6003	Morepork	Ninox novaeseelandiae				yes
				10240	Nankeen Kestrel	Falco cenchroides				yes
				10631	New Holland Honeyeater	Phylidonyris novaehollandiae	yes	2004	2019	yes
				10405	Olive Whistler	Pachycephala olivacea		1991	1991	yes
				10208	Pacific Black Duck	Anas superciliosa				yes
				60126	Pacific Gull	Larus pacificus	yes	2000	2021	yes
				10337	Pallid Cuckoo	Cacomantis pallidus				yes
				10099	Pied Cormorant	Phalacrocorax varius	yes	2000	2019	

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	vu			10248	Powerful Owl	Ninox strenua				yes
				50240	Ravens and Crows	Corvus spp.	yes	2017	2018	
			*	528552	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes				yes
				10638	Red Wattlebird	Anthochaera carunculata	yes	2004	2010	yes
				10662	Red-browed Finch	Neochmia temporalis	yes	1991	2009	yes
		В		10362	Rufous Fantail	Rhipidura rufifrons		2003	2017	yes
				10401	Rufous Whistler	Pachycephala rufiventris				yes
				10326	Sacred Kingfisher	Todiramphus sanctus				yes
		В		10366	Satin Flycatcher	Myiagra cyanoleuca		1999	1999	
				10344	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx lucidus		2018	2018	
				11003	Short-beaked Echidna	Tachyglossus aculeatus	yes	2019	2019	yes
		JR		10071	Short-tailed Shearwater	Ardenna tenuirostris		2021	2021	
				10125	Silver Gull	Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae	yes	1999	2021	yes
				10574	Silvereye	Zosterops lateralis	yes	1999	2019	yes
				10131	Sooty Oystercatcher	Haematopus fuliginosus	yes	1999	2019	yes
				10242	Southern Boobook	Ninox boobook				yes
				13182	Southern Brown Tree Frog	Litoria ewingii		1991	1991	
				11097	Southern Long-nosed Bandicoot	Perameles nasuta		2013	2013	
EN	en	В		11561	Southern Right Whale	Eubalaena australis	yes	2010	2010	
				62956	Southern Water Skink	Eulamprus tympanum tympanum				yes
			*	10989	Spotted Dove	Spilopelia chinensis	yes	2004	2009	
				10565	Spotted Pardalote	Pardalotus punctatus				yes
				10470	Striated Thornbill	Acanthiza lineata	yes	1991	2019	
				10269	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Cacatua galerita				yes
				10529	Superb Fairy-wren	Malurus cyaneus	yes	1991	2021	yes
				10350	Superb Lyrebird	Menura novaehollandiae				yes
				12681	Tiger Snake	Notechis scutatus				yes
				13033	Victorian Smooth Froglet	Geocrinia victoriana				yes
				12452	Weasel Skink	Saproscincus mustelinus				yes



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				10224	Wedge-tailed Eagle	Aquila audax	yes	2000	2010	yes	
				10357	Welcome Swallow	Hirundo neoxena	yes	1991	2019	yes	
	en	С		10226	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	Haliaeetus leucogaster	yes	2017	2020	yes	
				10488	White-browed Scrubwren	Sericornis frontalis	yes	1991	2019	yes	
				10617	White-eared Honeyeater	Nesoptilotis leucotis		1991	1991		
				10188	White-faced Heron	Egretta novaehollandiae	yes	1999	2019	yes	
	vu			11069	White-footed Dunnart	Sminthopsis leucopus				yes	
				10189	White-necked Heron	Ardea pacifica				yes	
				10625	White-plumed Honeyeater	Ptilotula penicillata	yes	2004	2004		
VU	vu	CJR		10334	White-throated Needletail	Hirundapus caudacutus	yes	2017	2017	yes	
				10558	White-throated Treecreeper	Cormobates leucophaea	yes	2004	2009	yes	
				10364	Willie Wagtail	Rhipidura leucophrys				yes	
				10267	Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	Calyptorhynchus funereus		1991	1991	yes	
				50316		Phalacrocoracidae spp.	yes	2018	2018		

Conservation status is as per the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act 1999) and Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 (FFG Act 1988) - CR: Critically Endangered; EN: Endangered; and VU: Vulnerable. Acronyms shown in upper case reference the conservation status on the EPBC Act 1999; those in lower case reference the FFG Act 1988.

Treaty – B: Bonn Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention) 1979 (BonnA2H); C: China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (CAMBA); J: Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (JAMBA); R: Republic of Korea Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (ROKAMBA)

Taxon ID – as per the Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (DELWP, 2022c)

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Source of Database Records:

Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023a) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas fauna records (restricted) - VBA_FAUNA_RESTRICTED [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023b) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas fauna records (unrestricted) for sites with high spatial accuracy - VBA_FAUNA25 [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (2023c) Victorian Biodiversity Atlas fauna records (unrestricted) for sites with moderate to low spatial accuracy - VBA_FAUNA100 [ESRI Geodatabase] Data Publication Date: 28th May 2023.

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