

Daisy Hill Regional Park Management Statement

Park purpose

Daisy Hill Regional Park was formally gazetted as Daisy Hill Forest Reserve in 2000. In 2006 it was gazetted as a conservation park.

Daisy Hill Regional Park is part of Queensland's first coordinated conservation area—the Koala Bushland Coordinated Conservation Area (KBCCA). The conservation area links Daisy Hill Regional Park, Venman Bushland National Park and several areas managed by local councils to provide a combined area of 1170 ha of natural bushland. This area protects one of the most intact natural koala habitats between Brisbane and the Gold Coast. QPWS works co-operatively with Logan City Council and Redland City Council to manage the KBCCA.

Park size	571ha
Bioregion	South East Queensland
Local government area	Logan City Council
State electorate	Springwood
QPWS region	South East
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Strategic direction for park management

Based on an evaluation of its natural, cultural and presentation values, Daisy Hill Regional Park has been assessed as having a high priority for management of natural and cultural values and very high priority for management of presentation values. The park will be managed according to this priority rating.

Park management will be based on the best available local knowledge, professional judgement and published information. The high level means that it will receive a minimum of weekly routine inspections with occasional planned visits to deliver prepared work programs and respond to issues. The focus is largely expected to be on recreation management and natural resource management involving a proactive management effort at a high to very high level to understand or protect known values.

Cultural values will be managed proactively to understand and protect those values known to Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, (QPWS). Continuing engagement, consultation, collaboration and relationships with Traditional Owners and Indigenous stakeholders will be undertaken.

This park currently has high levels of visitor use and provides a variety of visitor walking and multi-use trails and day use areas. This park enables horse riding and mountain biking in a natural setting close to Brisbane and the Gold Coast. The public may opportunistically have contact with rangers. The park includes the Daisy Hill Koala Centre where interpretative activities may be delivered by rangers. A high level of necessary infrastructure is provided especially at established visitor sites to cater for existing levels and patterns of visitor use. High quality on-site visitor information displays are installed at key sites and attractions. Information on the park and visitor centre is available on the department's web site.

Public consultation on park management will be undertaken through continuing engagement and involvement in management with community stakeholders.

Infrastructure is provided especially for visitor access, the protection of natural and cultural values and to enhance management capacity.

General park values, uses and management

Regional ecosystems

The park protects 14 regional ecosystems three of which have of concern biodiversity status, Table 1.

Species of conservation significance

Species of conservation significance that are recorded from this park include one frog, one mammal and eleven bird species, Table 2.

Cultural heritage

All protected areas are recognised as cultural landscapes and Aboriginal people see themselves as inextricably linked to country both spiritually and physically. Cultural records on physical artefacts and sites of spiritual significance are documented for this area. All proposed activities need to meet duty of care requirements under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*. Non-indigenous historic places will be managed in accordance with *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*.

Priorities for park management

The three of concern regional ecosystems, 13 animal species of conservation significance and recreational opportunities are the main values of this park. The priorities for park management will be visitor management and to mitigate any threats to these natural values through fire and pest management.

Management actions will be undertaken which aim to ensure:

- life and property on and adjacent to the park is protected
- fire is managed to conserve or maintain the condition of the regional ecosystems through the application of planned burn guidelines
- the impacts of existing pest species on neighbouring land uses are mitigated
- pest threats are managed to conserve or maintain the condition of regional ecosystems and animal species of conservation significance
- recreation and visitor opportunities are provided that enable access to and use of the park's features with minimal impacts on the environment and cultural values.

Appendix 1

Conservation values inventory

Table 1: Endangered and of concern regional ecosystems

Regional ecosystem number	Description	Biodiversity status
12.3.5	<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i> open forest on coastal alluvium	Of concern
12.3.11	<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i> +/- <i>Eucalyptus siderophloia</i> , <i>Corymbia intermedia</i> open forest on alluvial plains usually near coast	Of concern
12.9-10.3	<i>Eucalyptus moluccana</i> open forest on sedimentary rocks	Of concern

Table 2: Species of conservation significance

Scientific name	Common name	Nature Conservation Act 1992 status	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 status	Back on Track status
Animals				
<i>Adelotus brevis</i>	tusked frog	Vulnerable	-	Medium
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> ¹	northern mallard	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Ardea ibis</i> ²³	cattle egret	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Ardea modesta</i> ²³	eastern great egret	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i> ¹²³⁴	greater sand plover	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Coracina tenuirostris</i> ¹²³⁴	cicadabird	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i> ³	white-throated needletail	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Merops ornatus</i> ³	rainbow bee-eater	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i> ¹	black faced monarch	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i> ¹	satin flycatcher	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i>	koala (southeast Queensland bioregion)	Vulnerable	Vulnerable	High
<i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i> ¹	rufous fantail	Special least concern	-	Low
<i>Symposiarchus trivirgatus</i> ¹	spectacled monarch	Special least concern	-	Low

¹Bonn: Bonn Convention³JAMBA: Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement Agreement.²CAMBA: China-Australia Migratory Agreement⁴ROKAMBA: Republic of Korea-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement.