

Littabella Conservation Park

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Park overview

Park size	Littabella Conservation Park	2947ha
Bioregion	South Eastern Queensland	
QPWS region	South East Queensland	
Local government area	Bundaberg Regional Council and Gladstone Regional Council	
State electorate	Burnett	
Relevant legislation	<i>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 (Qld)</i>	
	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i>	
	<i>Queensland Heritage Act 1992</i>	

Park purpose

Littabella Conservation Park was formally part of Littabella Forest Reserve which was gazetted in 2001 under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and covered 8860 hectares. In 2009, 2947 hectares of the forest reserve was gazetted as Littabella Conservation Park.

No park specific purpose was identified as part of the gazettal.

Strategic direction for park management

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

Park management will be based on the best available local knowledge, professional judgement and anecdotal information. The medium level means that it will receive a minimum of quarterly routine inspections with occasional planned visits where issues have been identified. The focus is largely expected to be on natural resource management involving a proactive management effort at a moderate level to understand or protect known natural values.

Cultural values will be managed proactively to protect those values known to Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, (QPWS). Ongoing consultation, collaboration and relationships with First Nations people and stakeholders will be undertaken as required to support broader continuing park management programs.

This park currently has relatively low levels of visitor use and provides a few relatively undeveloped visitor sites. Visitors are unlikely to encounter a ranger on site during their visit. Current and future recreational opportunities will require that visitors have a high level of self-sufficiency. Currently there is no visitor infrastructure.

Public consultation on park management will be undertaken through ongoing local consultations with community stakeholders to support broad continuing management programs.

Park assets are functional and robust and require limited maintenance to protect the natural and cultural values and management capacity.

General park values, uses and management

Regional ecosystems

The park protects 14 regional ecosystems, of which seven have of concern biodiversity status and two have endangered status, Table 1.

Species of conservation significance

Species of conservation significance that are recorded from this park includes two plant, two frog and three mammal species, Table 2.

Cultural heritage

All protected areas are recognised as cultural landscapes and First Nations 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 the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*.

Priorities for park management

The seven of concern and two endangered regional ecosystems, two plant and five animal species of conservation significance are the main management focus of this park. The priorities for park management will be to mitigate any threats to these 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.

Appendix

Conservation values management

Table 1: Endangered and of concern regional ecosystems

Regional ecosystem number	Description	Biodiversity status
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
12.5.5	<i>Eucalyptus portuensis</i> , <i>Corymbia intermedia</i> open forest on remnant Tertiary surfaces. Usually deep red soils	Of concern
12.9-10.3	<i>Eucalyptus moluccana</i> open forest on sedimentary rocks	Of concern
12.11.19	<i>Eucalyptus fibrosa</i> subsp. <i>fibrosa</i> woodland on metamorphics ± interbedded volcanics	Of concern
12.12.28	<i>Eucalyptus moluccana</i> woodland on Mesozoic to Proterozoic igneous rocks	Of concern
12.11.12	Araucarian complex microphyll vine forest on metamorphics +/- interbedded volcanics, usually in northern half of bioregion	Of concern
12.3.16	Complex notophyll to microphyll vine forest on alluvial plains	Endangered
12.3.17	Simple notophyll fringing forest usually dominated by <i>Waterhousea floribunda</i>	Endangered
12.3.7	<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i> , <i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i> subsp. <i>cunninghamiana</i> +/- <i>Melaleuca</i> spp. fringing woodland	Of concern

Table 2: Species of conservation significance

Scientific name	Common name	Nature Conservation Act 1992 status	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cwlth) status
Plants			
<i>Rhodamnia spongiosa</i>	-	Critically Endangered	-
<i>Drynaria sparsisora</i>	-	Special Least Concern	-
Animals			
<i>Adelotus brevis</i>	tusked frog	Vulnerable	-
<i>Crinia tinnula</i>	wallum froglet	Vulnerable	-
<i>Petaurus australis australis</i>	yellow-bellied glider (southern subspecies)	Vulnerable	Vulnerable
<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i>	Koala	Endangered	Endangered
<i>Petauroides volans volans</i>	southern greater glider	Endangered	Endangered