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1. Introduction

The Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS), within the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation (DETSI), applies a contemporary management process that is based on international best practice and targets management towards the most important features of each park: their key values.

The Values-Based Management Framework (VBMF) is an adaptive management cycle that incorporates planning, prioritising, doing, monitoring, evaluating and reporting into all areas of our business. This enables the agency to be more flexible and proactive and to improve management effectiveness over time.

This document is a compendium of park information and a supporting document for key values and level of service assessment reports or management plans and management statements. It contains background information about a park's purpose, values, resources and legal and administrative framework.

2. Park overview

The following figure and table (Figure 1, Table 1) provide an overview of information related to the Carraba Conservation Park included in this resource information document, including their locality, legislative framework and applicable plans/agreements.

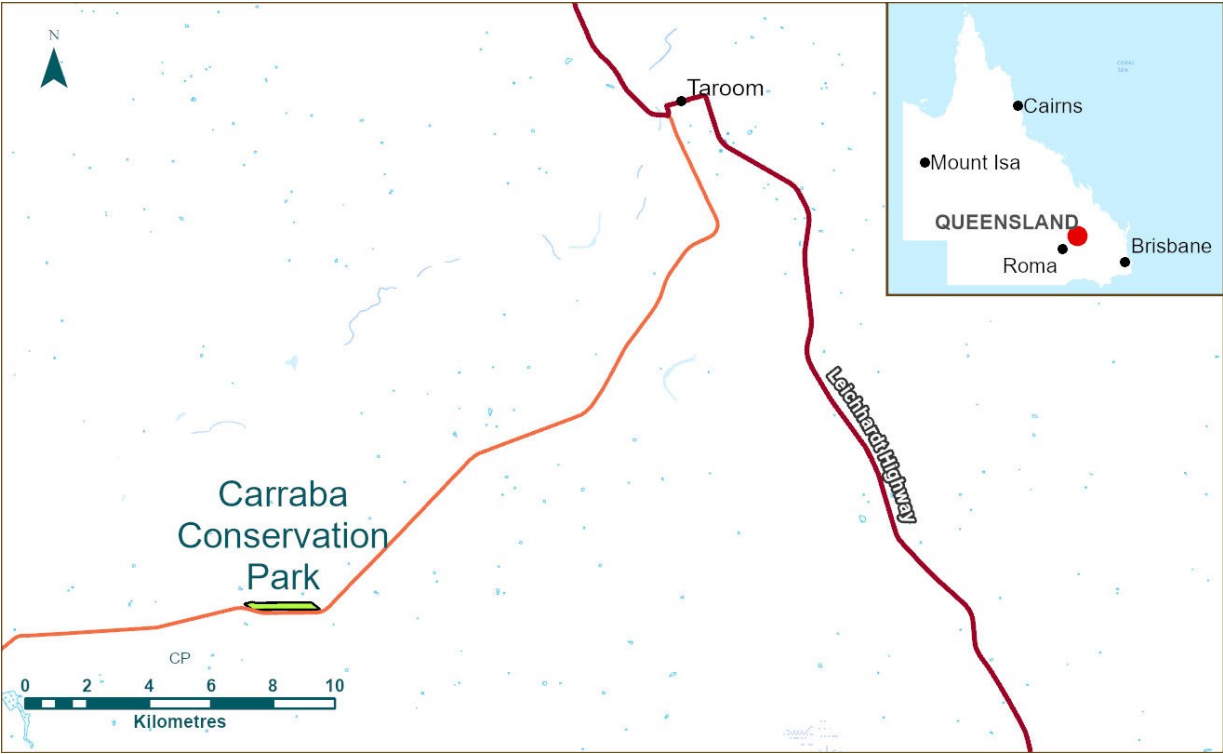


Figure 1. Locality of Carraba Conservation Park

Table 1. Overview of Carraba Conservation Park

Park size	Carraba Conservation Park	44.5 ha
Bioregion	Brigalow Belt South	
QPWS region	South West	
Local government area	Banana Shire Council	
State electorate	Callide	
Relevant legislation	<i>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003</i>	
	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cwlth)</i>	
	<i>Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth)</i>	
	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i>	
	<i>Land Act 1962</i>	

3. Resource information

3.1 Iman People

The Iman People are listed with the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships as the cultural heritage party for the area. A native title determination exists over the entire park for the Iman People (Fed Court ruling No QUD6162/1998). No park surveys have been conducted to locate specific sites of Aboriginal cultural significance.

3.2 Key value information

3.2.1 Key values

Based on an evaluation, the values on Carraba Conservation Park do not reach the thresholds required to be considered a key value. The park, however, continues to contribute to the state's comprehensive and representative reserve system, providing protection for biodiversity, ecosystem services and connectivity within the landscape.

3.3 Other values

3.3.1 Natural ecosystem value

Carraba Conservation Park contains a small area of remnant brigalow scrub *Acacia harpophylla*, under RE 11.9.5, as part of the Southern Brigalow Belt Biogeographic region. Much of this ecosystem has been cleared in the surrounding landscape, making the remnant scrub on Carraba significant from a conservation perspective. It is thought that brigalow scrub would have once dominated the Taroom area. Due to large scale habitat modification in the surrounding area, the park provides a valuable refuge habitat for fauna in the area.

A small section of poplar box *Eucalyptus populnea*, woodland on alluvial plains under RE 11.3.2 occurs within the park. This regional ecosystem has been largely disturbed in the surrounding landscape and has an of concern biodiversity status.

RE 11.9.5: Brigalow *Acacia harpophylla* and/or Belah *Casuarina cristata*, open forest to woodland on fine grained sedimentary rocks.

RE 11.3.2: Poplar box *Eucalyptus populnea* woodland on alluvial plains.

3.4 Ecosystems and biodiversity

This reserve contains two regional ecosystems, one of which is endangered and one of concern (Appendix B), both of which have special values for species habitat.

3.5 Species

There are no species records for the park in the department's WildNet Database.

3.6 Pests

3.6.1 Pest plants

Buffel grass *Cenchrus ciliaris* is a high bio-mass grass that can outcompete native species and increase the fuel hazard. Green panic *Megathyrsus maximus* can outcompete native species and increase fuel hazard. African love grass *Eragrostis curvula* can impact ecosystem structure by crowding out native

grasses. Cobblers peg *Bidens pilosa* can impact ecosystem structure by crowding out native grasses. Lippa *Phyla canescens* is a spreading ground weed that can outcompete native species causing loss of perennial grasses and the reduction of plant diversity.

3.6.2 Pest animals

Feral pigs *Sus scrofa* disturb brigalow communities through soil disturbance, pest plant introduction and increased erosion. Cattle *Bos* sp. cause soil disturbance, pest plant introduction, increased erosion and changed ground structure.

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5. Appendices

Appendix A. Policy and management commitments

Gazettal details

Carraba Conservation Park was gazetted as an environmental park in 1999.

Appendix B. Regional ecosystems of significance

Regional ecosystem	Description	Regional ecosystem class*	Biodiversity status**
11.9.5	<i>Acacia harpophylla</i> and/or <i>Casuarina cristata</i> open forest on fine-grained sedimentary rocks.		Endangered
11.3.2	<i>Eucalyptus populnea</i> woodland on alluvial plains.		Of concern

* Vegetation Management Regional Ecosystem Description Database (VM REDD)

** Queensland Herbarium, Regional Ecosystem Description Database (REDD)

Appendix C. Pests

Scientific name	Common name	Biosecurity Act 2014 status	Notes
Plants			
<i>Harrisia</i> spp.	Harrisia cactus	Category 3	
Animals			
<i>Sus scrofa</i>	pig	Category 3, 4, 6	
<i>Bos</i> sp.	cattle		
<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	fox	Category 3, 4, 5, 6	
<i>Felis catus</i>	cat	Category 3, 4, 6	
<i>Canis lupus</i>	wild dog	Category 3, 4, 6	
<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	rabbit	Category 3, 4, 5, 6	