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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 Morgan Park Conservation Park included in this resource information document, including their locality, legislative framework and applicable plans/agreements.

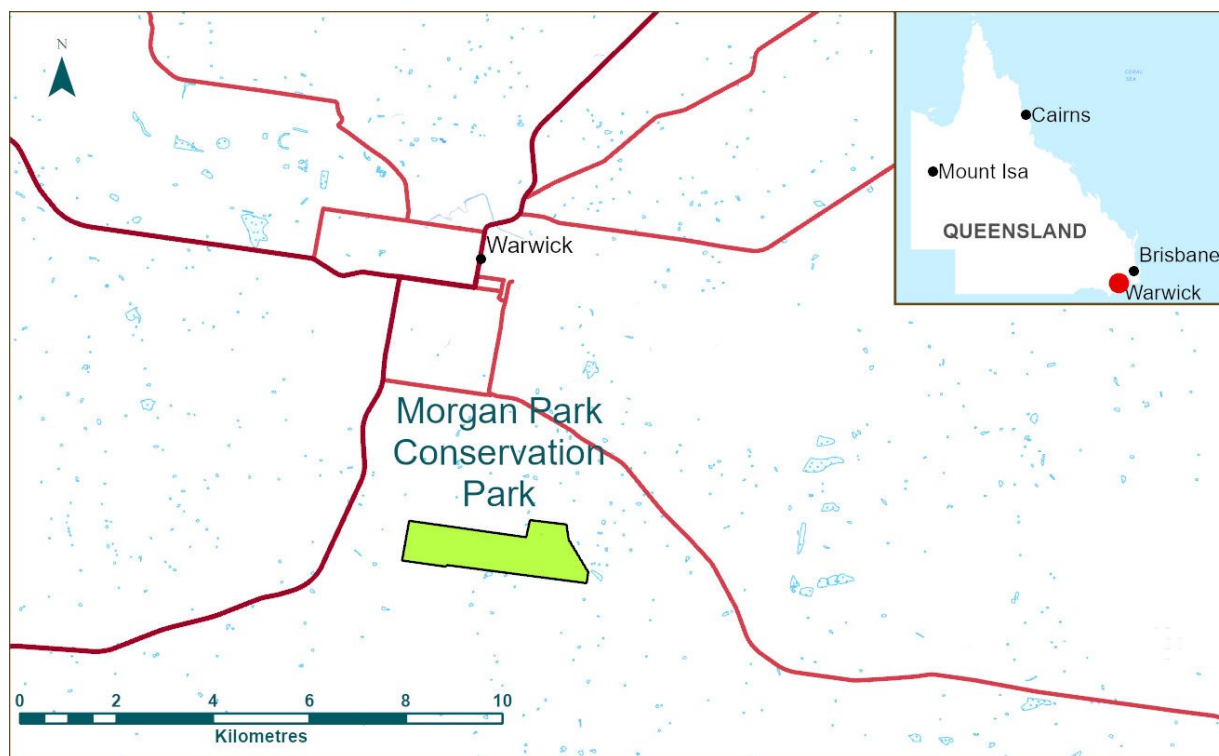


Figure 1. Locality of Morgan Park Conservation Park

Table 1. Overview of Morgan Park Conservation Park

Park size	Morgan Park Conservation Park	284.5 ha
Bioregion	Brigalow Belt South	
QPWS region	South West	
Local government area	Southern Downs Regional Council	
State electorate	Southern Downs	
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 (NCA)</i>	
	<i>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003</i>	
	<i>Land Act 1962</i>	

3. Resource information

3.1 Githabul People (Waringh Waringh)

The Githabul People (Waringh Waringh) are listed with the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships as the cultural heritage party for the area. A native title claim exists over the entire park for the Githabul People (Waringh Waringh) (QC2021/001).

3.2 Key value information

Based on an evaluation, the values on Morgan Park 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 values

BVG 13 Dry to moist eucalypt woodlands and open forest, mostly on metamorphic/acid igneous rocks:

11.9.13 *Eucalyptus moluccana* or *E. microcarpa* or *E. woollsiana* (restricted to south of bioregion) open forest. *Allocasuarina luehmannii* can be present in understorey. Occurs on Cainozoic to Proterozoic consolidated, fine-grained sediments. Lower slopes. Not a Wetland. (BVG1M: 13d).

11.9.9 *Eucalyptus crebra* grassy woodland. *Eucalyptus moluccana* sometimes conspicuous on lower slopes. Occurs on Cainozoic to Proterozoic consolidated, fine-grained sediments. Not a Wetland. (BVG1M: 13c).

3.4 Ecosystems and biodiversity

Morgan Park Conservation Park protects two regional ecosystems, one of which has of concern biodiversity status (Appendix B).

RE 11.9.13

Morgan Park Conservation Park protects an ecosystem of *Eucalyptus moluccana* and *Eucalyptus microcarpa* open forest, and provides habitat for native bird species, including the yellow-faced honeyeater *Caligavis chrysops*, mistletoebird *Dicaeum hirundinaceum*, eastern yellow robin *Eopsaltria australis* and striated pardalote *Pardalotus striatus*. The RE also provides habitat for species recognised as vulnerable under the NCA within the park, including the southern whiteface *Aphelocephala leucopsis*, the squatter pigeon (southern subspecies) *Geophaps scripta scripta* and *Picris conyzoides*. Morgan Park is one of only five protected areas for this RE, with 95.82% of this of concern RE unprotected.

RE 11.9.9

Within the park, there is also the RE 11.9.9, *Eucalyptus crebra* woodland on fine grained sedimentary rocks. This ecosystem is listed as 'no concern at present', however, within Morgan Park, it provides habitat for the NCA listed species koala *Phascolarctos cinereus*.

3.5 Species

There are two species records for the park in the department's WildNet Database — the koala and *Lobelia concolour*.

3.6 Fire

Morgan Park Conservation Park has a history of planned burns undertaken in 2006, 2009, 2012, 2022 and 2024. No records of bushfires.

3.7 Pests

3.7.1 Pest plants

A number of grasses, cactus and other species are found on the park (Appendix E).

Prunus persica var. *persica*, *Richardia stellaris* and African boxthorn *Lycium ferocissimum* have all been recorded within one kilometre of the conservation park.

3.7.2 Pest animals

There are no pest animals on the park.

4. Bibliography

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5. Appendices

Appendix A. Policy and management commitments

Gazettal details

Morgan Park Conservation Park was originally gazetted as a resource reserve in 1978 and was re-gazetted as a conservation park in 2010.

Appendix B. Regional ecosystems of significance

Regional ecosystem	Description	Regional ecosystem class*	Biodiversity status**
11.9.13	<i>Eucalyptus moluccana</i> or <i>E. microcarpa</i> open forest on fine grained sedimentary rocks	Of concern	Of concern

* Vegetation Management Regional Ecosystem Description Database (VM REDD)

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

Appendix C. Species of conservation significance

Scientific name	Common name	NC Act status	EPBC Act status
<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i>	koala	Endangered	Endangered
<i>Lobelia concolor</i>		Special least concern	

Appendix E. Pests

Scientific name	Common name	Biosecurity Act 2014 status
<i>Cyclospermum leptophyllum</i>	slender celery	
<i>Gamochaeta americana</i>	spiked cudweed	
<i>Soliva anthemifolia</i>	button burweed	
<i>Heliotropium amplexicaule</i>	blue heliotrope	
<i>Opuntia bonaerensis</i>		
<i>Opuntia tomentosa</i>	velvety tree pear	Category 3
<i>Spergularia rubra</i>	sand spurrey	
<i>Sisyrinchium rosulatum</i>		
<i>Chloris gayana</i>	Rhodes grass	
<i>Chloris virgata</i>	feathertop Rhodes grass	
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Bermuda or couch grass	
<i>Vulpia myuros</i>		