

Mount Rosey Resources Reserve

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Park overview

Park size	Mount Rosey Resources Reserve	6090ha
Bioregion	Einasleigh Uplands	
QPWS region	Northern	
Local government area	Etheridge Shire	
State electorate	Traeger	
Relevant legislation	<i>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 (Qld)</i>	
	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i>	
	<i>Queensland Heritage Act 1992</i>	

Park purpose

Mount Rosey Resources Reserve was formally gazetted as Mount Rosey Resources Reserve on 11 June 1993.

The reserve purpose identified as part of the gazettal was to enable sapphire extraction while protecting the areas natural values.

This resources reserve is declared as a resource use area to enable access to mineral resources to continue.

Under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, the reserve is managed by joint trustees, the Chief Executive of the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation and the Chief Executive of Mines.

Strategic direction for park management

Based on an evaluation of its natural, cultural and presentation values, Mount Rosey Resources Reserve has been assessed as having a medium priority for management. The reserve will be managed according to this priority rating.

Reserve 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 and mineral resource management involving a proactive management effort at a moderate level to understand or protect known natural and mineral 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 reserve management programs.

This resources reserve currently has relatively low levels of visitor use. 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. A moderate level of infrastructure is provided to support safe and sustainable use by predominantly self-reliant visitors.

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

Resources reserve 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 Resources Reserve protects seven regional ecosystems of which one has of concern biodiversity status, Table 1.

Species of conservation significance

There are currently no records of species of conservation significance on Queensland Government wildlife databases for this reserve.

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. Although cultural records on physical artefacts and sites of spiritual significance are not well 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*.

Resource Use

The resource use interest in the reserve focusses on the extraction of sapphires and cattle grazing.

Priorities for park management

The regional ecosystem of conservation significance and the mineral resources are the main values of this reserve. The priorities for reserve management will be to mitigate any threats to this ecosystem through fire and pest management.

Management actions will be undertaken which aim to ensure:

- life and property on and adjacent to the reserve 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 this regional ecosystems.

Appendix

Conservation values management

Table 1: Endangered and of concern regional ecosystems

Regional ecosystem number	Description	Biodiversity status
9.8.7	Semi-evergreen vine thicket on cones, craters and rocky basalt flows with little soil development	Of concern