

Kamerunga Conservation Park

Management Statement 2015

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Park overview

Park size	Kamerunga Conservation Park	52.7ha
Bioregion	Wet Tropics	
QPWS region	Northern	
Local government area	Cairns Regional Council	
State electorate	Barron River	
Relevant legislation	<i>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 (Qld)</i>	
	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i>	
	<i>Queensland Heritage Act 1992</i>	

Park purpose

Kamerunga Conservation Park was formally gazetted as an environmental park in 1992. It became a conservation park in 1994 under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

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

Under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, Cairns Regional Council is trustee of the park.

Strategic direction for park management

Based on an evaluation of its natural, cultural and presentation values, Kamerunga 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 moderate levels of visitor use and provides a few relatively undeveloped visitor sites including a bike path through the park. Visitors are unlikely to encounter a ranger on site during their visit. A moderate level of infrastructure is provided to support safe and sustainable use by predominantly self-reliant visitors.

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. A 22kV and a 132kV power-line cross this regional park.

The area is zoned as open space under the Cairns Plan.

General park values, uses and management

Regional ecosystems

The park protects six regional ecosystems, five of which have endangered biodiversity status and the remaining one is classed as of concern, Table 1.

Species of conservation significance

Species of conservation significance that are recorded from this park include one bird and three amphibian 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 five endangered and one of concern regional ecosystems and the four animal species of conservation significance are the main values 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 these 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
7.3.10a	Simple-complex mesophyll to notophyll vine forest on moderate to poorlydrained alluvial plains of moderate fertility.	Endangered
7.3.23a	Simple-complex semi-deciduous notophyll to mesophyll vine forest on lowland alluvium, predominantly riverine levees	Endangered
7.3.26b	<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i> woodland to open forest on alluvium fringing streams	Endangered
7.3.28a	Rivers and streams including riparian herbfield and shrubland on river and stream bed alluvium and rock within stream beds.	Endangered
7.3.28b	Rivers and streams including riparian herbfield and shrubland on river and stream bed alluvium and rock within stream beds	Engangered
7.3.49c	Notophyll vine forest on rubble terraces of streams	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
Animals			
<i>Cyclopsitta diophthalma macleayana</i>	Macleay's fig-parrot	Vulnerable	
<i>Litoria dayi</i>	Australian lacelid	Vulnerable	Vulnerable
<i>Litoria nyakalensis</i>	Mountain mistfrog	Critically Endangered	Critically Endangered
<i>Litoria rheocola</i>	Common mistfrog	Endangered	