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SCHEDULE 1 TO THE VEGETATION PROTECTION OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **VPO1**.

ROADSIDE AND CORRIDOR PROTECTION

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Statement of nature and significance of vegetation to be protected

Remnant vegetation along roadsides and within roadside corridors is significant for the conservation and recreation values it provides. Roadsides and areas within roadside corridors often contain trees, shrubs and native grasses which have largely disappeared from nearby land.

Remnant vegetation often contains mature trees and/or trees with hollows which are rare in this area and are vital for fauna habitat and conservation.

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Vegetation protection objective to be achieved

To protect and preserve indigenous vegetation and rare and endangered flora and fauna species on linear reserves.

To achieve high landscape quality on roadsides.

To maintain and enhance habitat and corridor requirements for indigenous fauna.

To encourage the establishment and enhancement of habitat corridors to link pockets of remnant vegetation.

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Permit requirement

A permit is required to remove, destroy or lop native vegetation on land within the road reserve and within 50 metres of the road reserves designated by this overlay.

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Decision guidelines

Before deciding on any application under this overlay area, the responsible authority must give notice of an application of the kind listed below in accordance with section 52 (1) (c) of the Act to the authority specified in Clause 66.06 or a schedule to that clause:

- Any application to remove, lop or destroy native vegetation within the overlay area.

Before deciding on an application, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The conservation and enhancement of the area.
- The preservation of, and impact on, the natural environment or landscape values.
- The role of native vegetation in conserving flora and fauna and in providing food, shade and shelter for native fauna.
- The particular need to retain native vegetation if it is rare, or if it supports rare species of flora or fauna, or where it forms part of a wildlife corridor.
- Whether provision is made or is to be made to establish and maintain native vegetation elsewhere on the land.
- The safety and amenity of the road.
- The sensitive location of driveways or crossings over roadside reserves.
- The comments of the Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning.