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## SCHEDULE 2 TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **ESO2**.

#### **GROUNDWATER RECHARGE PROTECTION AREA**

#### 1.0 Statement of environmental significance

19/01/2006 VC37

Groundwater is an important source of fresh water and is therefore a significant part of the environment which needs to be carefully managed. Good quality groundwater can be used for potable supply, irrigation, industry and stock water. Salinity is a major management issue for groundwater in the municipality.

Groundwater quality is threatened by contamination with pollutants.

### 2.0 Environmental objective to be achieved

19/01/2006 VC37

To promote the appropriate management of groundwater recharge areas.

To prevent high levels of groundwater recharge.

To limit consequent saline discharge.

To maintain groundwater quality and groundwater resources, and the potential for groundwater use.

To encourage revegetation of areas which contribute to high groundwater recharge.

## 3.0 Permit requirements

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A permit is not required for:

- Construction of a building (including a new dwelling) in a residential zone provided the building is connected to reticulated sewerage and drainage.
- Buildings and works associated with informal outdoor recreation.
- A sign.
- Buildings and works ancillary to a dwelling which is not connected to reticulated sewerage which do not generate or increase domestic wastewater.
- Construction of a pergola, patio or decking.
- Buildings and works associated with the approved Atisha Comprehensive Development Plan.

## 4.0 Application requirements

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An application must include details of: -

- Existing vegetation cover and proposed revegetation including species information.
- Proposals for onsite wastewater disposal and drainage.
- Proposals for dams and water storage.
- Source of proposed water supply.
- Soil types and geological features.

- Details of current and proposed land use.
- Topographic information highlighting significant ridges, hilltops, crests, drainage lines, watercourses and wetlands on or in proximity to the site.

## 5.0 Notice requirement

30/10/2008 C107

Before deciding on an application that has the potential to significantly impact on surface or groundwater with respect to salinity, notice must be given under section 52(1)(c) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to the person or body specified as a person or body to be notified in Clause 66.06 or a schedule to that clause.

# 6.0 Decision guidelines

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

- The capability of the land to accommodate the proposal.
- The need to maintain existing vegetation cover and to enhance vegetation cover.
- The impact of any proposed landforming.
- The State Environment Protection Policy, "Waters of Victoria".
- The relevant Regional Catchment Salinity Management Plan.
- The recommendations of the North Central Regional Catchment Strategy.
- The recommendations of the relevant Regional Vegetation Strategy.
- A Local Government Planning Guide for Dry Land Salinity, Department of Natural Resources and Environment.
- Any relevant Whole Farm Plan prepared in accordance with Department of Natural Resources and Environment guidelines.
- The potential of the development to add to groundwater recharge through wastewater disposal.
- Whether the proposal is consistent with the provisions of the City of Greater Bendigo Domestic Wastewater Management Strategy, 2014-15 and the City of Greater Bendigo Land Capability Mapping and Assessment Tools for Wastewater Management, 2015.