

Linear and Discreet Reserves **Major Vegetation Type** (Grasslands, Shrublands/Heath, Treed)

Assessor name _____ Date _____

Reserve Name _____ Crown Reserve Number _____

Roadside Name _____ Road Number _____

Side of Road Both or N NE E SE S SW W NW

Vegetation Formation **FREE TEXT** _____ Vegetation Class **FREE TEXT** _____ Plant Community/No. if known **FREE TEXT** _____

Assessment Zone Identification _____ GPS Coordinates _____

Start of Zone _____ End of Zone _____

Part A Conservation Status

Vegetation		Wetlands		Site Managed Species	
TEC/Over cleared veg community	2	Ramsar/DIWA/SEPP 14	2	Present	2
Not Present	0	Wetlands (>2ha)	1	Absent	0
Name if known		None (or <2ha)	0		
TOTAL SCORE =				Threatened = 2+, Depleted =1, Common = 0	

Part B Landscape Context (Note any site with non-native vegetation scores 0)

Mitchell Landscape	Zone Vegetation Width (width within assessment zone)	Total Native Vegetation width (within and adjoining assessment zone)
>70% cleared 10	> 100m 10	>100m 10
30-70% cleared 5	21-100m 6	20-100m 6
<30% cleared 0	5-20m 2	<20m 0
	<5m 0	
Native Vegetation within 100m		
>5 ha within 100m 10		Large and or connected = 22+, Moderate = 10-21, Small or disconnected = 0-9
1-5 ha 5		
<1 ha 0	TOTAL SCORE =	

Part C Condition

Vegetation Structure	Large Trees	Non- indigenous woody weeds
Intact/natural 6	Common 3	Absent 3
Mostly intact 4	Sparse 1	Sparse 2
Partially intact 2	absent 0	Common/abundant 1
Sparse or absent 0		
	Ground Cover	Naturally treed vegetation: HIGH QUALITY: 17+ = Residual or Modified A; 14-16 = Modified B; MODERATE QUALITY: 9-13 = Transformed A; 6-8 = Transformed B; LOW QUALITY:0-5 = Replaced Shrublands / Heathlands: HIGH QUALITY: 14+ = Residual or Modified A; 11-13 = Modified B; MODERATE QUALITY: 8-10 = Transformed A; 6-7 = Transformed B; LOW QUALITY: 0-5 = Replaced Grasslands: HIGH QUALITY: 7+ = Residual or Modified A; 5-6 = Modified B; MODERATE QUALITY: 4 = Transformed A; 3 = Transformed B; LOW QUALITY: 0-2 = Replaced
Weediness	Nativeness	
sparse 4	diverse throughout 4	
common in parts 3	diverse in patches 3	
common throughout 2	few species common throughout 2	
abundant 0	patches only 1	
	absent/sparse 0	
TOTAL SCORE =		

Other Information recorded

Main weed species present

1-5 species

Main tree species

1-5 species

Main shrub species

1-5 species (if known)

Main understorey species

1-5 species (if known)

Other indicators – tick if present

Habitat features	Sparse	Common	Abundant
Tree regeneration			
Shrub cover			
Shrub regeneration			
Logs & fallen timber			
Wetlands/springs/gilgais			
Rocky outcrops			
River/creek banks			
Mistletoe			
Cryptogams			
Rare plants			

Threats /disturbances –

Threats / Disturbances	Impact	
	Minor	Significant
Illegal grazing		
Illegal firebreak		
Illegal track(s)		
Illegal drainage		
Cropping		
Feral animals		
Timber removal		
Active erosion		
Invasive weed		
Flood/fire damage		
Other (list)		

Cultural Heritage sites

- Note any significant cultural heritage sites located within the reserve.

Current Management Regime

- This can include comments on grazing, fire and other management practices. Note the current and any past management regime, if known.

Conservation value assessment matrix

Conservation status	Landscape context	Condition and habitat		
		High Quality	Moderate Quality	Low Quality
Threatened	Large and / or connected	High HCV	High HCV	Medium MCV*
	Moderate	High HCV	Medium MCV	Medium MCV*
	Small and disconnected	High HCV	Medium MCV	Medium MCV*
Depleted	Large and / or connected	High HCV	Medium MCV	Low LCV
	Moderate	High HCV	Medium MCV	Low LCV
	Small and disconnected	High HCV	Medium MCV	Low LCV
Common	Large and / or connected	High HCV	Medium MCV	Low LCV
	Moderate	Medium MCV	Low LCV	Low LCV
	Small and disconnected	Medium MCV	Low LCV	Low LCV

* Reserves that fall into these three categories will form part of the RAM matrix audit and may be revised in subsequent versions of this guide.