

CALLIDE WATERWAY ECOLOGICAL VALUES - STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK
(Jambin, 17 March 2010)

HEV = high ecological value waters; SD = slightly disturbed waters; MD = moderately disturbed waters

SUMMARY OF AREAS CONTAINING POTENTIAL HEV/SD WATERS	Stakeholder views	Additional comments by stakeholders
<p>Waters in National Parks</p> <p><u>Values:</u> Protected estate.</p>	<p>See below</p>	<p>The following comments were raised in several catchment workshops:</p> <p>1) Fire management: stakeholders considered that in NPs/SFs there was a lesser frequency of burning leading to fuel build up and more intensive burns, with consequentially more apparent impacts on ecosystems.</p> <p>2) Feral pest (animals, weeds) management: stakeholders considered NPs were a source of feral pest species, although the effects of these on water quality were not known.</p> <p>3) Local consultation/data: Stakeholder views were based on local knowledge but they recommended more consultation with NP/forest managers to confirm assessments and check availability of water quality data for creeks in each area to determine if any effects on instream values.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kroombit Tops NP (headwaters of Callide, Kroombit, Kariboe Cks) [Kroombit Tops NP extends into Burnett and Boyne catchments – identified as HEV in Burnett EVs consultations] 	<p>HEV</p>	<p>Trail riding = low impact</p>
<p>Possible extra HEV waterways for workshop consideration/discussion: (anti-clockwise starting in SW)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Callide Timber Reserve = HEV Head waters of Don River = HEV Headwaters of Dee River = HEV Rivercal Nature Refuge = Disturbed Nature Refuge = HEV 	<p>North East boundary has good WQ flowing in.</p> <p>(See Luke Ukkola for more information)</p> <p>Covered in weeds and over stocked = Disturbed</p>
<p>1) South west: Belmont SF waters (Dry Ck headwaters – extends into Lower Dawson)</p>	<p>??</p>	<p>Check with rangers</p>
<p>2) South: waters in Grevillea SF (southern headwaters of Grevillea Ck, separate area south of Kroombit Tops NP)</p>	<p>??</p>	<p>Check with rangers</p>

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3) East: Maxwellton SF waterways (eastern edge of catchment - adjacent east of Kroombit Tops NP)	??	Check with rangers/ patchy thin cover area along border to Boyne/ possible Lantana infestation
4) North east (a): Upper Don River headwaters amalgamation (edge of catchment): Don River SF, Ulam Range SF – extends into Fitzroy catchment	??	Check with rangers
5) North east (b): waters in Gelobera SF (eastern headwaters of Fletcher, Capella Cks), and adjacent Bouldercombe Gorge Resources Reserve, and Mt Hopeful CP	Bouldercome RR= HEV Gelobera SF = HEV??	Bouldercome area is in good condition/ historical gold mining Mt Hopeful, check with rangers.
6) West: Ovendeen SF waterways (SW of Callide Ck - headwaters of Camp, Collins Cks)	Ovendeen SF = SD??	Road runs through it, check with rangers.
7) Central: waters of Callide Timber Reserve (Oak Creek headwaters, north of Callide reservoir)	Disturbed	Due to mining operations (Anglo Coal) = heavily disturbed. Was grazed and cleared. Northern part is under adjustment for cattle. Some areas are pristine but mostly the Reserve is in poor condition.
8) Others ? eg waters in Gorgango Range SF (near Mackenzie/Lower Fitzroy junction), Mt Scoria CP (upper south west), Bell Creek CP (Bell Ck)	Gorgango Range SF = SD Mt Scoria = SD Bell Creek = Disturbed??	Logged/ cattle graze the eastern side. Surrounded by farms and grazing Small development?? Need to check. Potential impacts from either side.
Other ecological assets		
Permanent waterholes along the Dee River (the rest have dried up)		Form important refugia for bait, fish and turtles.
Lake Victoria		Man made infrastructure, high species diversity including the Fitzroy River Turtle.
Callide Creek		Fed by Awoonga dam. Located by the big “S” bend near Rainbow Creek. The waterhole is called Zongary’s by the locals and has High recreational use.

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