



**Honeyeater
Bushland
Reserve**



**Honeyeater Bushland Reserve
Business, operations and works plan
2021-2022**

Junortoun Community Action Group
as committee of management for
Honeyeater Bushland Reserve, Junortoun

Introduction

This document outlines the planned activities that will be commissioned or undertaken at Honeyeater Bushland Reserve between 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022. This document should be read in conjunction with the Honeyeater Bushland Reserve Management Plan (2021-2026).

This Business, Operations and Works Plan sets out:

- What will be done during the next 12 months (April 2021-March 2022) to implement the Management Plan
- The related budget
- Implementation details and other information the committee chooses to include.

The actions in this plan are intended to achieve the Committee's objectives for the Reserve (see below), and also the Committee's plans to address specific issues, including:

- Risk Management plan
- Emergency Management and Fire Prevention plan.

Objectives of Honeyeater Bushland Reserve Management Committee

The Junortoun Community Action Group has agreed on the following objectives for Honeyeater Bushland Reserve.

- Objective 1: Preserve, protect and rehabilitate the natural environment.
- Objective 2: Develop the reserve as a place that people enjoy and value.

Planned actions

1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

Project ID	Strategies/Actions	Rationale for project	Project leader	Budget
H001	Implement high priority actions identified in Risk Management Assessment.	Objective 2, RMA		
H001a	Install barrier fencing at top of cliff near NBN tower to prevent falls. Install warning signs as required.	Objective 2, RMA		
H001b	Manage (fence or fill) gravel/clay extraction holes on quarry floor that fill with water.	Objective 2, RMA		500
H001c	Remove dead trees where these represent a danger to park users.	Objective 2, RMA		-
H001d	Remove waste (e.g. concrete, steel, glass, tyres).	Objective 2, RMA		-
H002	Fire prevention activities as advised by Junortoun Fire Brigade. Grade grassy areas and piles of topsoil to facilitate slashing prior to summer.	Objectives 1, 2, EMFP	Rod	
H002a	-- Grade and add topsoil to grassed areas (gateway area, picnic area and former seed orchard) to enable slashing for fire prevention (and to encourage public use)	Objectives 1, 2, EMFP	Tony	2000
H002b	-- Grade or redistribute piles of topsoil stored at north-west corner of reserve.	Objectives 1, 2, EMFP	Tony	
H002c	-- Slash grassy areas prior to summer.	Objectives 1, 2, EMFP	Rod	1000
H003a	Continue tree planting in fenced paddock below NBN tower	Objective 1		500
H003b	Prepare for and plant shrubs and trees in "roundabout" area of quarry floor (will require fencing and soil preparation).	Objective 1		250
H003c	Undertake weed control.	Objective 1		
H004a	Enhance existing wetland area at the Reserve to support mammals, birds, reptiles and plants.	Objective 1		
H004b	Remove non-indigenous trees and weeds in the wetland project area	Objective 1		-
H004c	Plant grasses, shrubs and trees in wetland project area	Objective 1		750
H005a	Maintain and develop walking tracks as required. -- Relocate and/or reconstruct section of rim walk at south-eastern end to minimise erosion and boggy surface	Objective 2		
H005b	Maintain and develop walking tracks as required. -- Regrade and roll Rim Walk track, and also include linking path that leads to lane from Turners Rd.	Objective 2		

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H006a	Manage water erosion on the quarry face (south end of reserve) due to sodic soils.	Objective 1		
H006b	Cover sodic soils on southern slope of former quarry with clean fill and topsoil to allow for subsequent replanting	Objective 1		
H007a	Repair, maintain and replace boundary fences and barriers to prevent or discourage access by vehicles and trail bikes.	Objective 1		
H007b	Install pedestrian access points at reserve entrances	Objective 2		
H008a	Conduct surveys of birds, reptiles and mammals to provide lists of species within the Reserve.	Objective 1	Colin	
H008a	Support species identified as "at risk" from the surveys. E.g. provide roosting boxes for microbats and habitat boxes for native bees etc.	Objective 1	Colin, Tom	
H009a	Install identification signage on reserve boundaries	Objective 2	Kevin	1,000
H009b	Install information signage at entrance(s) of reserve	Objective 2	Kevin	1,000
H010	Request that City of Greater Bendigo grades and maintains Honeyeater Lane for better access to Honeyeater Bushland Reserve	Objective 2		-
H011	Maintain existing nest boxes.	Objective 1	Kevin	-
H012	Vermin control activities.	Objective 1		

- EMFP = Emergency Management and Fire Prevention Plan
- RMA = Risk Management Assessment

Budget

Income	\$ (excl GST)
Carried forward from 2020-21 operations	1,722.50
Fosterville Gold grant (for wetlands project)	5,000.00
NBNCo rental	12,000.00
Total income	18,722.50
Expenses	
Earthworks - track culverts and re-roll rim track	3,000.00
Consultancy - wetlands planning	500.00
Earthworks - wetlands initial works	2,000.00
Earthworks – grading and level mounds of piled topsoil	2,000.00
Earthworks – cover sodic soils	1,000.00
Earthworks – fill holes on quarry floor	500.00
Fencing	2,500.00
Revegetation (plants, stakes, guards)	1,500.00
Signs	2,000.00
Fire prevention activities	1,000.00
Weed control	500.00
General expenses	500.00
Contingencies and unforeseen expenses	1,000.00
Total expenses	18,000.00
Budgeted surplus to carry forward	722.50
Total	18,722.50