

3. Ecological Features

Vegetation

- o Dominant native species identified.
- o Presence of regeneration/recruitment (seedlings, saplings).
- Weed species present (list common/priority species).
- canopy condition (dieback, storm/frost damage).

☐ Adjacent land uses noted (farming, forestry, urban, recreation).

☐ Surrounding vegetation type and condition observed.

Fauna

- o Evidence of fauna activity (tracks, scats, burrows, calls).
- Threatened or notable species observed.
- o Habitat features (hollows, fallen logs, rocky outcrops, wetlands).

• Aquatic systems (if present)

Stream/creek/river condition. Riparian vegetation intact/impacted. Water quality indicators (clarity, odour, algal growth). 4. Soil and Ground Condition ☐ Signs of erosion (gully, sheet, streambank). ☐ Compaction (livestock, vehicle traffic). □ Salinity indicators (bare scalds, salt crystals, vegetation die-off). ☐ Contamination evidence (dumping, chemical/oil spills). 5. Cultural and Heritage Considerations ☐ Known Aboriginal cultural heritage sites noted. ☐ Historic/European heritage sites noted (buildings, artefacts). ☐ Consultation required with local Aboriginal community/Heritage Council. ☐ Site markers/fencing present to protect sensitive areas. 6. Biosecurity □ Weed hygiene stations (vehicle, footwear) available. ☐ Machinery/vehicles cleaned prior to site entry. ☐ Risk of spreading weeds, pests, or pathogens identified. □ Presence of soil-borne diseases (e.g., *Phytophthora cinnamomi*). 7. Human Impacts □ Evidence of rubbish dumping/littering. ☐ Unauthorised tracks, campsites, or vehicle use. □ Visitor pressure (erosion, trampling, vandalism). ☐ Fencing condition (effective for stock exclusion if required).

8. Works Planning

Site suitability for proposed works assessed.
Potential impacts identified (flora, fauna, cultural heritage, soil/water).
Mitigation measures required.

☐ Permits/approvals needed.		

9. Monitoring and Reporting □ GPS points/waypoints recorded. □ Photopoints established/updated. □ Field notes completed. □ Next inspection date planned. ✓ Notes/Observations