

BOX-GUM GRASSY WOODLANDS

Site assessment and management options

Site 10 - Euroa

Map Sheet 1:25,000	Mt Wombat (8024-3-1) 776 308
MGA Reference	Zone 55 3 776 00 59 308 00
Location	Balmattum Hill
Tenure	Private
Land Manager	S Smith
Local Government	Strathbogie
Biosite Number	8090
Size	32 ha
Rapid Hab/Ha Score	40/100. 16 th August 2005
EPBC listed	TBA (significant patch of remnant overstorey with rocky outcrops)
EVC	Grassy Woodland
Bioregion	Victorian Riverina

Site description

Multi aged White Box, few hollow bearing trees. Ground cover dominated by exotic pasture. Abundant deadfall and numerous rocky outcrops. Patches of remnant native grasses generally confined to small areas amongst rocks. Fragmented connectivity to Balmattum Reserve. Grades into Open Forest.

Threats

1. Significant impact from sheep grazing.
2. Exotic grasses and significant infestations of Patterson's Curse and thistles.
3. Fragmentation to larger core area - Balmattum Hill Reserve.

Management Options

1. Site assessed as not suitable for conservation covenant by Trust for Nature.
2. Establish trial sites for seasonal control of weeds and exotic grasses using strategic burning/herbicide/grazing. Monitor results.
3. Create vegetation corridors to Balmattum Reserve.
4. Landholder has expressed interest in conservation incentives.



BOX-GUM GRASSY WOODLAND



Flora species

Common name

Wallaby Grass
Weeping Grass
Spear Grass

Scientific name

Austrodanthonia spp
Microlaena stipoides
Austrostipa spp

Weed species

Common name

Paterson's Curse
Thistle
Exotic Grasses

Scientific name

Echium plantagineum
Cirsium vulgare

Published by the Victorian Government Department of Sustainability and Environment November 2006

© The State of Victoria Department of Sustainability and Environment 2006

This publication is copyright. Reproduction and the making available of this material for personal, in-house or non-commercial purposes is authorised, on condition that:

- the copyright owner is acknowledged;
- no official connection is claimed;
- the material is made available without charge or at cost; and
- the material is not subject to inaccurate, misleading or derogatory treatment.

Requests for permission to reproduce or communicate this material in any way not permitted by this licence (or by the fair dealing provisions of the *Copyright Act 1968*) should be directed to the Nominated Officer, Copyright, 8 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne, Victoria, 3002.

For more information contact: Customer Service Centre, 136 186

This publication may be of assistance to you but the State of Victoria and its employees do not guarantee that the publication is without flaw of any kind or is wholly appropriate for your particular purposes and therefore disclaims all liability for any error, loss or other consequence which may arise from you relying on any information in this publication.

www.dse.vic.gov.au