

05/06/2014
C29**SCHEDULE 1 TO THE VEGETATION PROTECTION OVERLAY**

Shown on the planning scheme map as **VPO1**.

Dunkeld River Red Gums**1.0**05/06/2014
C29**Statement of nature and significance of vegetation to be protected**

The flats to the east and west of the Dunkeld township are open pastoral land scattered (in particular to the west) with notable cover of River Red Gums (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*). These have a considerable presence on approach to the town along the Glenelg Highway and have a more limited presence in the town itself. There are also notable examples of large Red Gums in road reserves and on private property within Dunkeld and broad canopies are evident in the front and rear yards of private residences. This existing vegetation while in private ownership is considered important in its contribution to the rural feel of the Township.

2.005/06/2014
C29**Vegetation protection objective to be achieved**

To conserve the existing pattern of vegetation and landscape quality within Dunkeld.

To protect remnant River Red Gums.

To ensure that River Red Gums are maintained as a dominant feature of the landscape.

To retain dead River Red Gum trees where possible to provide habitat and protect biodiversity.

3.005/06/2014
C29**Permit requirement**

A permit is required to remove, destroy or lop any River Red Gum tree.

This does not apply to pruning to improve tree health, structure or safety, provided normal growth habit is not adversely affected.

4.005/06/2014
C29**Application requirement**

An application for a permit must be accompanied by a scale plan of the property that shows to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority:

- The location, height, trunk girth and condition of each tree to be removed, destroyed, or lopped.
- The reason(s) for the removal, destruction or lopping.
- Any proposed actions to compensate for the loss of the tree(s), including the species and numbers of any trees or shrubs to be established or maintained, or areas identified for regeneration, as an offset to the proposed removal.

5.005/06/2014
C29**Decision guidelines**

Before deciding on an application, the Responsible Authority must consider as appropriate:

- The need to remove any vegetation including the consideration of alternative ways of carrying out any development on the land.
- The location of driveways or crossings over roadside reserves.

- The need for replacement vegetation of an appropriate species.
- The need to fence off vegetation areas to protect its environmental values.
- The landscape and amenity value of the vegetation.
- The habitat value of dead trees and logs.
- Maintaining sight distance and clearance to fixed objects for road safety.
- Whether buildings or works could be more appropriately located on existing cleared land.
- Any relevant fire management plan.
- Risk to public safety.
- An assessment report by a suitably qualified arborist, with regard to AS 4373-2007 'Pruning of amenity trees'.