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SCHEDULE 2 TO THE VEGETATION PROTECTION OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **VPO2**

ROADSIDE VEGETATION

1.0 Statement of nature and significance of vegetation to be protected

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The remnant vegetation along roadsides plays an important role in preserving tracts of remnant vegetation and can provide strategic biodiversity links.

It is important to maintain and enhance habitat and corridor requirements for native flora and fauna.

Remnant vegetation along roadsides is a key feature of the landscape and scenic recreational value for local, regional and state communities.

2.0 Vegetation protection objectives to be achieved

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- To protect and manage the remnant vegetation along roadsides as viable habitat areas for animals and birds and for its scenic and recreational value.
- To encourage natural regeneration and replanting with indigenous species and to remove or modify threatening processes and introduced plant species.

3.0 Permit requirement

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A permit is required to remove, destroy or lop any native vegetation.

4.0 Application requirements

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An application to remove native vegetation must include the following information:

- The total extent of native vegetation on the roadside and the extent of native vegetation proposed to be removed.
- The location of areas, if any, with a gradient exceeding 25%.
- The purpose of the proposed removal.
- Demonstration that the removal, destruction or lopping has been reduced to the minimum extent that is reasonable and practicable.
- Details of any proposed revegetation, including the proposed species to be planted and any proposals for ground stabilisation.
- If the area of proposed native vegetation removal exceeds 400 square metres, a report by a suitably qualified person which describes the vegetation, habitat and habitat significance of the site and the impact of the proposed removal on the vegetation, habitat and habitat corridors.

5.0 Referral/notice of applications

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Council may seek the comments on any application in accordance with Section 52(1)(c) of the Act from the authority specified in Clause 66.06 or a schedule to that clause.

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Before deciding on an application the responsible authority must consider:

- The particular characteristics of the roadside vegetation as listed in the table in this schedule and referenced in the map titled Colac Otway Shire – Sites of Biodiversity Significance, June 2002.
- The need to retain remnant vegetation and conserve flora and fauna habitats including habitat corridors and biolinks.
- The need to maintain ecological processes and dynamics of the ecosystem in a local and landscape context.
- The value of the flora, fauna or habitat in terms of physical condition, rarity or variety.
- The need to maintain viable examples of particular Broad Vegetation Communities.
- The effect of the proposed removal of native vegetation on the habitat value and long term viability of remnant bushland areas in the vicinity.
- The significance of the native bushland area.
- The impacts of the vegetation removal on soil, water, flora, fauna, air and ecosystems.
- The contribution of the proposal to pest plant control.
- The reason for removing the vegetation and the practicality of alternative options which do not require removal of native vegetation.
- Whether the application is subject to the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act.
- Any relevant Regional Vegetation plan and Department of Sustainability and Environment Biodiversity Map including the Corangamite Native Vegetation Strategy (2006).
- The recommendations of any relevant Biodiversity Action Plan of the Department of Sustainability and Environment.

Ref No.	Location	Remnant native grasslands	Remnant native vegetation/high biodiversity/links	Rare or threatened species/communities present	Comment
(1)	Cressy Shelford Rd.	Yes		Yes	Native grasslands VROTS present (flora)
(2)	Hamilton Hwy east of Cressy	Yes			Native grassland reserve
(3)	Nth Poorneet Rd	Yes	Yes	Yes	Native grasslands VROTS present (fauna)
(4)	Poorneet Station Rd.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Native grasslands VROTS present (fauna)
(5)	Aerodrome Road	Yes		Yes	Native grassland

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(6)	Rattrays Rd.	Yes		Yes	Native grassland
(7)	Barpinba Rd.	Yes		Yes	Native grassland
(8)	Reddies Rd.	Yes		Yes	Native grassland
(9)	Mt Gellibrand Rd	Yes		Yes	Native grassland
(10)	Woods Lane	Yes		Yes	VROTS present (flora)
(11)	Carpendeit Bungador Road		Yes		
(12)	Old Irrewillipe Road		Yes		
(13)	Rankins Road		Yes		
(14)	Blacks Road		Yes		
(15)	Flannagans Road		Yes		
(16)	Carlisle Road		Yes		
(17)	Baileys Road		Yes		
(18)	Larpent Road		Yes		
(19)	Irrewillipe Road & Polleys Road		Yes		
(21)	Colac Lavers Hill Road	Yes	Yes		
(22)	Shurvells/Shorts Road		Yes		
(23)	Forest Street		Yes		
(24)	Barongarook Road		Yes		
(25)	Oakleys Road		Yes		
(26)	Friends/Yeo-Yeodene Rd.		Yes		
(27)	Colac - Forrest Rd.		Yes		
(28)	Meadowell Road		Yes		
(29)	Seven Bridges Road		Yes		
(30)	Dewings Bridge		Yes		
(31)	Birregurra Yeodene Road		Yes		
(32)	DeLaRues Road		Yes		
(33)	Westwood & Shalley Rd.		Yes		
(34)	Old Ocean Road (Glenaire)		Yes		
(35)	Springs Rd		Yes		
(36)	Tracks off Springs Road	Yes			Native grassland

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(37)	Hickeys Cutting		Yes		
(38)	Gentle Annie		Yes		
(39)	Barham Valley Rd.		Yes		
(40)	Hordern Vale Rd.		Yes		
(41)	Blue Johanna Rd.		Yes		
(42)	Skenes Creek Rd.		Yes		
(43)	Sunnyside Road		Yes		
(44)	Red Johanna Rd.		Yes		
(45)	Gellibrand River Rd.		Yes		
(46)	Sand Pit Road		Yes		
(47)	Lavers Hill – Cobden Rd.		Yes		
(48)	Carlisle Rd.		Yes		
(49)	Busty Road		Yes		
(50)	Biddle Road		Yes		
(51)	Wild Dog Road		Yes		