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SCHEDULE 29 TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **ESO29**

WATER CATCHMENTS AND WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT AREAS

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Statement of environmental significance

The Mornington Peninsula contains five reservoirs at Devil Bend, Bittern, Tyabb, Dromana and Mornington. It is critical to prevent polluted runoff and airborne materials from entering reservoirs in order to protect the quality of drinking water.

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Environmental objective to be achieved

- To ensure the protection and maintenance of water quality and water yield within water supply catchment areas.
- To ensure the appropriate use and development of land within the catchment areas of reservoirs and the land immediately surrounding the reservoirs.

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Permit Requirement

The responsible authority must seek the comments of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment and those of the relevant water authority before deciding on an application for:

- Any subdivision creating lots of less than 40 hectares.
- Any activity which is likely to produce airborne pollutants detrimental to water quality.
- Intensive animal husbandry.

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Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The environmental objectives of this schedule.
- The effect on water quality, water course capacity and erosion.
- The conservation of natural habitats.
- The preservation of and impact on the environment.
- The protection of sites of scientific significance, particularly sites identified as having botanical, zoological, geological, geomorphological, and archaeological or landscape significance.
- The Planning Guide for Land Liable to Flooding in Victoria 1997.
- Any water management plan prepared by the relevant water management authority.