



Forest Operations Coupe Plan

for

Harvest Unit 695-520-0003-A - Volkl

Upper Murray

695 - Nariel

Location of coupe centroid

Easting/Northing: (GDA-94)	581208/5963559 Zone 55
VicGrid	2760422/2554853
Latitude/Longitude:	36° 28' 11" S/147° 54' 23" E

This Forest Operations Coupe Plan consists of the following five sections:

- Section 1 - Coupe Description
- Section 2 - Contractor Direction
- Section 3 - Occupational Health and Safety
- Section 4 - Coupe Management Actions
- Section 5 - Harvesting Commencement and Completion Declarations

Plan Preparation and Endorsement

Prepared By	Signed	Date
Peer Reviewed By	Signed	Date
Endorsed By	Signed	Date

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FOREST OPERATIONS COUPE PLAN - SECTION 1
 Contractor Section - Coupe Description

Descriptive Information		(also see Part 2: Coupe Map - Operation and Context)		
Forest type	Alpine Ash predominant			
Area of TRP Boundary	50.8			
Area of Harvest Unit (operational area)	24.9			
Regional Forest Agreement	NORTH EAST			
Forest Management Area	North East			
General aspect	Indefinite			
Elevation	1180 meters			
Slope	Minimum 5°; Average 10°; Maximum 20°			
Proportion of the nett coupe area > 20°	0-10 %			
		Horizon A	Horizon B	Horizon C
Soil Erosion Classification		<i>Low</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Medium</i>
Soil Permeability Classification		<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>	-
Overall Soil Category		<i>Low</i>	<i>Low</i>	-
Rock cover exceeds 30% of nett area	No			

Estimated species and volumes			
Product	Grade	Volume	
Alpine Ash			
Alpine Ash	B	885 m ³	
Alpine Ash	C	975 m ³	
Alpine Ash	D	708 m ³	
Alpine Ash	E	1770 m ³	

Estimated species and volumes

Product	Grade	Volume	
Alpine Ash	H	4516 m ³	

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 Contractor Section - Contractor Direction

Personnel	
VF Officer	
Contractor	
Operational Issues	
Silvicultural Intent	Adaptive Silviculture - Recovery
Silviculture system(s)	Clearfelling - Salvage, Variable retention 2 (recovery)
Recommended harvesting period	Shoulder of 2020-2021
Description of the coupe boundaries and method used to locate boundary in the field	The entire Eastern boundary is Dunstans Road. The Southern boundary is hydrology. The Western boundary is a combination of slope exclusion and hydrology. The northern boundary is slope exclusion. Where hydrology is a boundary it has been buffered in accordance with the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. The harvest areas have been marked using a GPS, range finder, hip-chain & blue flagging tape.
Operational constraints	High erosion hazard to be applied due to fire damage
Social Issues	
Identified social issues	
Coupe Access	
Proposed Access	Short coupe access road off Dunstans Road
Proposed driveway length to construct	0
Proposed in-coupe road length to construct	150
Proposed in-coupe roading requirements	Minimal sidecut off Dunstans Road to a suitable landing
Proposed number of stream crossings	0
Proposed number of landings	1



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Environmental and operational specification Standard		
All operations to be conducted in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014 and VicForests Utilisation Procedures except where additional specifications or variations are specified below. Where there is no comment (ie the column is blank), it should be read ' <i>No variation to the standard procedure</i> '.		
Environmental & Operational Elements		Variations, amendments or additional instructions
Utilisation Procedures Section		
	Planned silvicultural system and requirements	
	Planned silvicultural system and requirements	As per HCV plan and map.
	Additional specifications, requirements or instructions	
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5.	Coupe boundaries	
5.1	Marking a coupe	Coupe has been marked using increased waterway and drainage line buffers and filters as per the Post Bushfire Timber Harvesting guidelines. Not required as a regen burn is not anticipated.
5.2	Construction of boundary trails	
5.3	Location of Boundary Trails	
5.4	Converting boundary trail to fire trail	Not required as a regen burn is not anticipated.
6.	Excluded areas	
6.1	Activities in excluded areas	
7.	Harvest requirements	
7.1	Retained Trees	As per HCV plan and map. All live trees and non-ash trees will be retained unless deemed unsafe.
7.2	Large Tree Protection	
7.3	Trees to be felled	

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7.4	Stump heights	
7.6	Coupe utilisation requirements	
9.	Thinning requirements	
9.2	Trees to be retained	
9.3	Thinning method	
9.4	Damage	
10.	Extraction tracks within coupes	
10.1	Location of Extraction Tracks	Minimise snig track network. Plan snig tracks to comply with Post Bushfire Timber Harvesting and Spotted Tree frog catchment guidelines with particular regard to drainage and minimising sediment runoff. Rehabilitate tracks and install drainage management works progressively, where possible.
10.2	Blading-off	
10.3	Drainage and rehabilitation	Minimise snig track network. Plan snig tracks to comply with Post Bushfire Timber Harvesting and Spotted Tree frog catchment guidelines with particular regard to drainage and minimising sediment runoff. Rehabilitate tracks and install drainage management works progressively, where possible.
10.4	Snigging on roads	
10.5	Stream crossings	Remain on tracks to avoid tyre damage from burnt stakes. It is not anticipated that any stream crossings will be required. However should a crossing be needed it will be positioned according to Spotted tree frog catchment guidelines.
12.	Landings	
12.1	Location of landings	
12.2	Construction and maintenance of landings	
12.5	Bark disposal	Bark can be used as sediment runoff control. Bark may be positioned with a view to burning near landing.
12.7	Rehabilitation	
13.	Road and construction maintenance	
13.2	Location, design and period of construction	
13.4	Grade	



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13.5	Clearing	
13.6	Earthworks	
13.7	Drainage	
13.8	Maintenance	
13.9	Stream and drainage line crossings	
13.11	Closure and rehabilitation of roads	
13.13	Removal and rehabilitation of bridges, crossings and culverts	
14.	Quarries, borrow pits and fill disposal areas	
14.0	Quarries, borrow pits and fill disposal areas	
15.	Preparation, measurement, grading and extraction of logs	
15.2	Log preparation	
21.	Carting logs	
21.1	Carting logs - general obligations of the driver	
23.	Weather restrictions	
23.0	Weather restrictions	
26.	Sorting and using fuel and servicing machinery	
26.1	Fuel location	
26.2	Fuel precautions	
27.	Camp sites, waste disposal and forest hygiene	
27.1	Camp sites	
27.3	Water points	
27.4	Forests hygiene (weeds, pests and disease)	Washdown of machinery prior to arrival and departure.



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27.5	Field Washdown/Cleaning Procedure for Machinery	Washdown of machinery prior to arrival and departure.
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All other action will be conducted as per the Utilisation Procedures, unless outlined in the Coupe Diary by a VicForests Officer.

Habitat Retention Plan

Habitat Description and Marking	As per HCV plan and map.
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Habitat trees will be retained...	Scenario
. Outside the harvesting tapes, but within the 'gross coupe boundary'	Yes
. As individual trees along the edge, outside the harvested area	Yes
. As individual trees, scattered throughout the coupes	Yes
. In patch(es)/clump(s) within the harvested area	Yes
. To serve as seed trees also	Yes
. Other requirements	Yes

Other requirements

Habitat retention islands and corridors, non ash trees and individual and groups of Ash trees as identified in the HCV and retention plan.

** See variation page for marking procedure.*

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FOREST OPERATIONS COUPE PLAN - SECTION 3
Contractor Section - Coupe Occupational Health and Safety

Hazard Type	Comments on the identified hazard where the hazard exceeds that normally expected	Hazard adequately addressed within Contractor's Safety Management System?
Was a field-based hazard assessment done?	Yes / No	
Arial Hazard		
Stags	[None]	
Other aerial hazards	Dead limbs progressively drying out.	
Percentage of tress containing a high proportion of dead limbs (i.e. mature-age, psyllid, drought or fire affected)	100 % if > 50% handfall not allowed as main harvest method.	
Percentage of the trees having mature interlocked crowns	10 % if > 50% handfall not allowed as main harvest method.	
Ground Hazard		
Slope	Steep slopes present beneath the western boundary of the coupe.	
Rock	[None]	
Rock Faces	[None]	
Morganers	[None]	
Other Ground Hazards	Hidden burnt stakes within coupe.	
Have any mineshafts been located? If yes, GPS location and include coupe map.	[None]	
Access Roads/Landings		
Grade	[None]	
Width	[None]	
Traffic & Falling Ops	Relatively heavy timber and roading traffic in the general area. Dunstans Road adjacent to the coupe is to be closed when falling within two tree lengths of the road.	
Access	[None]	



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Are there hazardous trees adjacent trees to the roads that should be removed?	Fire killed ash along all roads.	
Fire	[None]	
Hand Falling	[None]	
Other	[None]	
Is there any power lines/cables in or around coupe?	[None]	
Are there neighbours that will need to be notified of operations?	[None]	
Safety Comments		

Additional hazards identified				
<i>Describe hazard</i>	<i>Action Required</i>	<i>Responsible person</i>	<i>Date Required</i>	<i>Complete Y/N</i>

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Forester Section - Coupe Management Actions

Issues identified						
1. Situation	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Apiary zone within 1600m	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Apiary zone within coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Bicentennial Trail in coupe	Bicentennial Trail in coupe	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Bicentennial Trail within 500m of coupe	Bicentennial Trail with 500m	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Fire Fuel Management Zone in coupe	2 - Bushfire Moderation Zone	50.82	50.82	Coupe is within Zone 2 - Bushfire Moderation Zone (BMZ)	Fire Management Zone analysis undertaken 25/8/2020 demonstrates compliance. The overall fuel hazard rating for the clearfell or seedtree harvested coupe must be less than or equal to high within 12 months of harvesting.	No further action required
Forest Management Zone within 200m	CFP : Code of Forest Practice	Present	Present	Modelled Code of Practice for Timber Production exclusion areas adjacent to coupe boundary.	No action required.	NA
Forest Management Zone within 200m	GMZ : General Management Zone	Present	Present	General Management Zone adjacent to coupe boundary.	No action required.	NA
Forest Management Zone within 500m	CFP : Code of Forest Practice	Present	Present	Modelled Code of Practice for Timber Production exclusion areas adjacent to coupe boundary.	No action required.	NA
Forest Management Zone within 500m	GMZ : General Management Zone	Present	Present	General Management Zone adjacent to coupe boundary.	No action required.	NA
Forest Management Zone within coupe	CFP : Code of Forest Practice	1.57	1.57	The proposed coupe area contains one temporary stream and associated drainage lines, and has 1.06ha of >30 degree slope. As the Water Quality Risk has been determined to be 'High', riparian filters and buffers as per VF Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instructions 2020 will be applied.	All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Rooding activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014.	All coupes in fire impacted compartments are classified in the High or Very High water quality risk category. Permanent streams, pools and wetlands 40m buffer. Temporary Streams 20m buffer. Drainage Lines 15m filter. Where practical, whilst minimising disturbance, distribution of bark and harvest slash to be utilised in erosion control.

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1. Situation	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Forest Management Zone within coupe	GMZ : General Management Zone	49.25	49.25	General Management Zone within gross coupe boundary.	All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Roading activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014.	All coupes in fire impacted compartments are classified in the High or Very High water quality risk category. Permanent streams, pools and wetlands 40m buffer. Temporary Streams 20m buffer. Drainage Lines 15m filter. Where practical, whilst minimising disturbance, distribution of bark and harvest slash to be utilised in erosion control.
Non-State Forest in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Other situation issues	[n/a]	[n/a]				
Permanent fire break in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Permanent fire break within 500m of coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Private land within 500m	Private property	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Private land within coupe	Private property	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Recreational hut in coupe	Recreation hut	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
VF Reserve in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
VF Reserve within 500m	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
VF SMA in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
VF SMA in coupe	GPR Prescription	50.82	50.82	Special Management Area VFSMP71 (Green Patch Retention) located within coupe boundary.	Only dead Ash will be harvested.All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Roading activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014. No green ash to be harvested within VFMSZ.	Only dead Ash will be harvested.All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Roading activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014. No green ash to be harvested within VFMSZ.



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Issues identified						
1. Situation	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
VF SMA within 500m	GPR Prescription	325.97	325.97	Special Management Area VFSMP71 (Green Patch Retention) located adjacent to coupe boundary.	Only dead Ash will be harvested. All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Roding activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014. No green ash to be harvested within VFMSZ.	Only dead Ash will be harvested. All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Roding activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014. No green ash to be harvested within VFMSZ.
Walking track in coupe	Walking track	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Walking track within 500m of coupe	Walking track	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
2. Stand	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Allocation Order Stratum	Ash	5.74	5.74	Coupe overlay indicates 5.74 ha of Ash Species within the gross coupe boundary.	Harvest in accordance with the Allocation Order to VicForests and Code of Practice for Timber Production.	No further action required
Allocation Order Stratum	Mixed Species	45.08	45.08	Coupe overlay indicates 45.08 ha of Mixed Species within the gross coupe boundary.	Harvest in accordance with the Allocation Order to VicForests and Code of Practice for Timber Production.	No further action required
3. Soil and Water	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Designated Water Catchment within coupe	LAKE HUME NORTHERN SECTION	50.82	50.82	Coupe located within Lake Hume Northern Section Special Water Supply Catchment.	Seasonal closures from 1 July - 30 September.	Harvesting not scheduled for this period.
Designated Water Supply Catchment within 500m	LAKE HUME NORTHERN SECTION	275.15	275.15	Coupe located within Lake Hume Northern Section Special Water Supply Catchment. Seasonal closures from 1 July - 30 September.	No action required	
Other water issues	[n/a]	[n/a]				

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Issues identified						
3. Soil and Water	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Slope Class within coupe	0-20 Degrees	32.03	32.03	Overlay analysis process identified 32.03ha with slope between 0-20 degrees.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	No further action required
Slope Class within coupe	20-25 Degrees	12.38	12.38	Overlay analysis process identified 12.38ha with slope between 20-25 degrees.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	No further action required
Slope Class within coupe	25-30	5.35	5.35	Overlay analysis process identified 5.35ha with slope between 25-30 degrees.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	No further action required
Slope Class within coupe	30+	1.06	1.06	Overlay analysis process identified 1.06ha with slope above 30 degrees.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	No further action required
Water quality risk within coupe	High or Very High Water Quality Risk	[n/a]	Present	Impact from 2020 bushfires have determined that the overall Water Quality Risk (Soil Erosion category) to be High or Very High within this coupe.	All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction. Harvesting and Rooding activities will be conducted in accordance with the Vicforests operating procedures and Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014 and utilisation procedures.	All coupes in fire impacted compartments are classified in the High or Very High water quality risk category. Permanent streams, pools and wetlands 40m buffer. Temporary Streams 20m buffer. Drainage Lines 15m filter. Where practical, whilst minimising disturbance, distribution of bark and harvest slash to be utilised in erosion control.
4. Biodiversity	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Barred Galaxias streams in coupe or within 500m	Barred Galaxias catchment in coupe or within 500m	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Greater Glider Habitat Within 100m (Modelled Class1)	Modelled Greater Glider Habitat within 100m	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		



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Issues identified						
4. Biodiversity	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Old Growth Forest in coupe	Old Growth Forest	11.59	11.59	11.59ha of Old Growth identified in north west section of coupe. Any areas of modelled old growth forests within proposed salvage coupes will be assessed to determine if old growth values remain post 2020 bushfire. VF intends to prioritise the retention of large hollow bearing trees, both alive and fire killed, where possible in all salvage operations.	HCV management, mapping and planning will seek to ensure protection of all old growth values. Coupe markers and harvester operators will be vigilant to any old growth characteristics and will exclude these areas and trees from harvest.	Coupe markers and harvester operators will be vigilant to any old growth characteristics and will exclude these areas and trees from harvest.
Old Growth Forest within 500m	Old Growth Forest	Present	Present	Modelled Old Growth Forest adjacent to the north west of the coupe.	No action required	NA
Other biodiversity issues	[n/a]	[n/a]				
Other threatened flora	Not present					
Rainforest in coupe	None found	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Rainforest site in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Rainforest site within 500m	Rainforest site of significance	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Reference Area within 500m of coupe	Reference area	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Spotted Tree Frog catchment in coupe		Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Spotted Tree Frog catchment within 500m		Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Spotted Tree Frog in coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Spotted Tree Frog within 500m	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Threatened EVC in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Threatened EVC within 500m	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		

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4. Biodiversity	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Threatened fauna site in coupe	Not present					
Threatened fauna site within 500m of coupe	Petaurus australis: Yellow-bellied Glider	Present	Present	Victorian Biodiversity Atlas record of Petarus australis/Yellow-bellied Glider detected within 460m of the proposed coupe. Record type was 'Heard' and is dated from 1996. Determined by the overlay analysis process.	No action required	NA
Threatened flora site within 500m of coupe	Not present					
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Not present					
Threatened Species Observations within 500m of coupe	Not present					
VF Large Trees in Coupe	Not present					
VF Large Trees within 500m	Not present					
5. Historical	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Aboriginal Cultural Sensitivity Area in coupe	* None found	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Aboriginal Cultural Sensitivity Area within 500m	Watercourse	35.43	35.43	An Area of Cultural Sensitivity along Scrubby Creek East Branch was identified in the overlay analysis process.	Consultation with AV was undertaken during the TRP approval process. No registered Aboriginal Cultural Heritage sites were identified. No restriction to harvesting. No further action.	
Historic areas in coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Historic areas within 500m	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Historic sites in coupe	Historic site	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		



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Issues identified						
5. Historical	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Historic sites within 500m	Historic site	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Historic tramway site in coupe	Historic tramway	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Historic tramways site within 500m of coupe	Historic tramway	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Other historical issues	[n/a]	[n/a]				
6. Landscape	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Foreground issues (0-500m)	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Landscape Issues in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Middleground issues (500m-6.5k)	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Other landscape issues	[n/a]	[n/a]				
Outer issues (6.5k - 12km)	MOUNT_PINNIBAR_p Outer	11.16	11.16	Overlay detected 11.16ha of the coupe is within 6.5km-12km of Mt Pinnibar. The coupe is not visible from this location due to topograhly and standing forest	No action required	
7. Research	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Other research issues	[n/a]	[n/a]				
Permanent Growth Plot buffer in coupe	Permanent Growth Plot buffer	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		



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Issues identified						
8. Weeds, Pests & Disease	Value	Identified by spatial overlay as	Identified during manual check as	Value Description	How the value will be managed	Management Action Taken or Prescription Applied
Pests and Disease	None identified	[n/a]	None identified			
Weeds	None identified	[n/a]	Abundant	An abundant occurrence of Blackberry was observed within the gross coupe area and surrounding areas during field inventory.	Washdown of machinery prior to arrival and departure.	Washdown of machinery prior to arrival and departure.
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FOREST OPERATIONS COUPE PLAN - SECTION 5
Contractor Section - Harvesting Commencement & Completion Declarations

Harvesting commencement declaration	Contractor/HTL Initial	VicForests Initial
▪ I have received a copy of the Forest Coupe Plan and a copy of the Utilisation Procedures.		
▪ I have discussed this Forest Coupe Plan with an Officer of VicForests and understand it.		
▪ I will ensure that this operation is conducted in accordance with the Forest Coupe Plan, the Utilisation Procedures and the Occupational Health and Safety Act.		
▪ I will ensure that all operators working on this coupe are aware of their responsibilities under this Forest Coupe Plan.		
▪ I will ensure that all operators hold a current FOLS with all appropriate endorsements prior to them commencing work on the coupe.		
▪ An identification of hazards associated with this coupe was conducted in accordance with the Industry Standard: Safety in Forestry Operations (Harvesting and Haulage) 2007 and the Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004.		
▪ The Contractor/HTL acknowledges that it is their responsibility to identify the appropriate controls for all identified hazards. VicForests acknowledges that the Contractor/HTL has a hazard control plan that identifies all addresses all identified hazards.		
▪ Landing(s) location has been agreed to by VicForests and the Contractor/HTL		
▪ Location/selection of retained trees has been agreed to by VicForests and the Contractor/HTL		
▪ I have been briefed on the identification and habitat retention strategies put in place to manage Biodiversity Values identified in this coupe as outlined in the HCV summary and retention plan		
Contractor / HTL _____	Signed _____	Date _____
Sanctioned By VicForests Officer _____	Signed _____	Date _____

The names and FOLS numbers of the crew working on this Harvest Unit are:

HTL _____	FOLS No. _____	
Log Grader _____	FOLS No. _____	Hammer No. _____
Crew Member _____	FOLS No. _____	
Crew Member _____	FOLS No. _____	
Crew Member _____	FOLS No. _____	
Crew Member _____	FOLS No. _____	



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Provisional Clearance Declaration

This coupe cannot be completed until a later date. This provisional clearance has been granted to the Logging Team Leader subject to the coupe being left in an approved condition.

I acknowledge that if directed by VicForests, I will return to carry out any actions that result from the temporary clearance assessment.

Contractor/HTL _____

Signed _____

Date _____

This harvesting operation has been completed to the satisfaction of VicForests.

VicForests Officer _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Harvesting Re-commencement Declaration

- I have received a copy of the Forest Coupe Plan and a copy of the Utilisation Procedures.
- I have discussed the Forest Coupe Plan with an Office of VicForests and understand it.
- A reassessment of the hazards and controls associated with the coupe was conducted in accordance with the Industry Standard: Safety in Forestry Operations (Harvesting and Haulage) 2007 and the Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004.
- I will ensure that this operation is conducted in accordance with the Forest Coupe Plan, the Utilisation Procedures and the Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- I will ensure that the operators working on this coupe are aware of their responsibilities under the Forest Coupe Plan.
- I will ensure that all operators hold a current FOLS with all appropriate endorsements prior to commencing work on the coupe.

Contractor/HTL _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Witnessed by
VicForests Officer _____

Signed _____

Date _____



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Final Completion and Clearance Declaration

This clearance to leave the coupe has been granted to the Contractor / Logging Team Leader.

I acknowledge that if directed by VicForests, I will return to carry out any actions that result from the final clearance assessment.

Contractor/HTL _____

Signed _____

Date _____

This coupe has been completed to the satisfaction of VicForests.

VicForests Officer _____

Signed _____

Date _____

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End of Forest Operations Coupe Plan Section 5