



Forest Operations Coupe Plan

for

Harvest Unit 700-566-0003-A - Upper Papes Gap

Upper Murray

700 - Pinnibar

Location of coupe centroid

Easting/Northing: (GDA-94)	583155/5961429 Zone 55
VicGrid	2762324/2552682
Latitude/Longitude:	36° 29' 20" S/147° 55' 42" 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
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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	44.1			
Area of Harvest Unit (operational area)	25.4			
Regional Forest Agreement	NORTH EAST			
Forest Management Area	North East			
General aspect	Indefinite			
Elevation	1180 meters			
Slope	Minimum 5°; Average 20°; Maximum 30°			
Proportion of the nett coupe area > 20°	11-40 %			
		Horizon A	Horizon B	Horizon C
Soil Erosion Classification		<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>
Soil Permeability Classification		<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>	-
Overall Soil Category		<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>	-
Rock cover exceeds 30% of nett area	Yes			

Estimated species and volumes			
Product	Grade	Volume	
Alpine Ash	B	625 m ³	
Alpine Ash	C	644 m ³	
Alpine Ash	D	488 m ³	
Alpine Ash	E	849 m ³	
Alpine Ash	H	3709 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 1 (recovery)
Recommended harvesting period	Shoulder of 2020-2021
Description of the coupe boundaries and method used to locate boundary in the field	Northern boundary is habitat exclusion area and steep slope. Eastern boundary is TRP boundary of Dynastar. Southern boundary is Upper papes Track. Western boundaries are permanent stream buffers and TRP boundary of Kneissl. Boundaries have been located in the field using a GPS, hipchain and rangefinder. Marked in the field with blue flagging tape.
Operational constraints	Water Quality Risk is high or very high as per Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction (2020).
Social Issues	
Identified social issues	
Coupe Access	
Proposed Access	Upper Papes Track ==> Marginal Road ==> Dunstans Road
Proposed driveway length to construct	0
Proposed in-coupe road length to construct	100
Proposed in-coupe roading requirements	5D coupe access road from Upper Papes Track. Possible roadside landing on Marginal Road.
Proposed number of stream crossings	0
Proposed number of landings	2



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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 'No variation to the standard procedure'.		
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 Operations 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.
5.2	Construction of boundary trails	Not required as a regen burn is not anticipated.
5.3	Location of Boundary Trails	Not required as a regen burn is not anticipated.
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 & Operations 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	Fire killed ash outside retained areas and not selected for retention.

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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 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 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	It is not anticipated that any stream crossings will be required. However should a crossing be needed it will be positioned in accordance with the Code of Practice, Post Bushfire Timber Harvesting guidelines and Spotted Tree Frog catchment requirements.
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)	



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27.5	Field Washdown/Cleaning Procedure for Machinery	
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 Operations Map.
Habitat trees will be retained...	Scenario
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Outside the harvesting tapes, but within the 'gross coupe boundary' . As individual trees along the edge, outside the harvested area . As individual trees, scattered throughout the coupes . In patch(es)/clump(s) within the harvested area . To serve as seed trees also . Other requirements 	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes
Other requirements	

* 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	Dead trees progressively drying out.	
Other aerial hazards	Dead trees 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	40 % if > 50% handfall not allowed as main harvest method.	
Ground Hazard		
Slope	[None]	
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 haulage and roading traffic in the general area. Roads to be close when falling within two tree lengths of the road.	
Access	[None]	



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Contractor Section - Coupe Occupational Health and Safety

Are there hazardous trees adjacent trees to the roads that should be removed?	Dead trees progressively drying out	
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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FOREST OPERATIONS COUPE PLAN - SECTION 4
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	-1	Present	Present	"This coupe is within an unzoned Apiary site buffer, the actual site is 1300m to the S/E"	The site is unallocated and unoccupied and not within the coupe. No further action.	No further action.
Apiary zone within coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required	No further action.	
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	4 - Planned Burn Exclusion Zone	44.06	44.06	Coupe is within planned burn exclusion zone.	It is anticipated that the coupe will self regenerate so a regen burn will not be required.	DELWP must be consulted if any burning is planned.
Forest Management Zone within 200m	CFP : Code of Forest Practice	Present	Present	Modelled Code of Forest Practice exclusion area within 200m of coupe boundary.	No Further Action	
Forest Management Zone within 200m	GMZ : General Management Zone	Present	Present	General Management Zone adjacent to coupe boundary.	No Further Action	
Forest Management Zone within 500m	CFP : Code of Forest Practice	Present	Present	Modelled Code of Forest Practice exclusion area within 500m of coupe boundary.	No Further Action	
Forest Management Zone within 500m	GMZ : General Management Zone	Present	Present	General Management Zone adjacent to coupe boundary.	No Further Action	
Forest Management Zone within 500m	SPZ : Special Protection Zone	Present	Present	Special Protection Zone (SPZ) 700/03 located within 500 meters of coupe boundary using FMZ100 spatial overlay. The Special Protection Zone value is Montane Riparian Thicket The requirements of this SPZ will affect not affect the gross coupe area.	No further action.	



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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
Forest Management Zone within coupe	CFP : Code of Forest Practice	5.25	5.25	"The proposed gross coupe area contains no permanent streams, 1 temporary stream and one drainage line, and has 0.2 ha 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 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.
Forest Management Zone within coupe	GMZ : General Management Zone	38.82	38.82	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	Other situation issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		
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		

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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 in coupe	GPR Prescription	44.06	44.06	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 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 VFSMZ.	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 VFSMZ.
VF SMA within 500m	GPR Prescription	267.65	267.65	Special Management Area VFSMP71 (Green Patch Retention) located within and 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 VFSMZ.	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 VFSMZ.
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	38.06	38.06	Working Forest Area stand type has been mapped during the overlay process as Ash	Harvest in accordance with the Allocation Order to VicForests and Code of Practice for Timber Production.	Harvest in accordance with the Allocation Order to VicForests and Code of Practice for Timber Production.
Allocation Order Stratum	Mixed Species	6.01	6.01	Working Forest Area stand type has been mapped during the overlay process as Mixed Species.	Harvest in accordance with the Allocation Order to VicForests and Code of Practice for Timber Production. No non Ash trees will be harvested.	Harvest in accordance with the Allocation Order to VicForests and Code of Practice for Timber Production. No non Ash trees will be harvested.

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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
Designated Water Catchment within coupe	LAKE HUME NORTHERN SECTION	44.06	44.06	Coupe located within Lake Hume Northern Section Special Water Supply Catchment. Seasonal closures from 1 July - 30 September.	No harvesting to take place between 30 June and 1st October.	Restrictions apply from 30 June - 1 October. Harvesting not scheduled within this period
Designated Water Supply Catchment within 500m	LAKE HUME NORTHERN SECTION	223.58	223.58	Coupe located within Lake Hume Northern Section Special Water Supply Catchment. Seasonal closures from 1 July - 30 September.	No harvesting to take place between 30 June and 1st October.	Restrictions apply from 30 June - 1 October. Harvesting not scheduled within this period
Other water issues	Other water issues	[n/a]	Present	Site is severely burnt with little or no understorey or leaf litter to filter sediment.	Although a low to moderate water quality risk was determined after soil assessments within this coupe, all coupes in fire impacted compartments are classified in the High or Very High water quality risk category.	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.
Slope Class within coupe	0-20 Degrees	25.86	25.86	Gross coupe boundary contains an area of 25.83ha of 0-20 slope	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.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures. All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction, 2020.
Slope Class within coupe	20-25 Degrees	8.71	8.71	Gross coupe boundary contains an area of 8.57ha of 20-25 slope	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.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures. All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction, 2020.
Slope Class within coupe	25-30	5.67	5.67	Gross coupe boundary contains an area of 5.65ha of 25-30 slope	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.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures. All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction, 2020.

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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	30+	3.83	3.83	Gross coupe boundary contains an area of 3.83ha of 30 + slope	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.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures. All operations to be carried under the prescriptions of the Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction, 2020.
Water quality risk within coupe	High or Very High Water Quality Risk	[n/a]	Present	High or Very High Water Quality Risk Impact from 2020 bushfires have determined that the overall Water Quality Risk (Soil Erosion category) to be High or Very High within this coupe.	Although a low to moderate water quality risk was determined after soil assessments within this coupe, all coupes in fire impacted compartments are classified in the High or Very High water quality risk category.	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		
Old Growth Forest in coupe	Old Growth Forest	5.13	5.13	5.13ha of modelled old growth identified during the overlay process. Old growth assessment of 03 Dec 2020 shows Fire severity 1 and 2 in 2020 fires, all Ash killed. No other species will be harvested.	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.	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.
Old Growth Forest within 500m	Old Growth Forest	Present	Present	Areas of modelled old growth to the west of Marginal road within 500m of the gross coupe boundary	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.	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.



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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
Other biodiversity issues	Other biodiversity issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		
Other threatened flora	* None found *	Not Present	Unk	No action required		
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		
Rainforest within 500m	None found	0.00	0.00	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	Montane Riparian Thicket	4.92	4.92	MRT was detected within 500m of the gross coupe boundary during the overlay process	If identified within the coupe, Montane Riparian Thicket will be excluded from harvesting as per VicForests Operating Procedures Regulatory Handbook.	If identified within the coupe, Montane Riparian Thicket will be excluded from harvesting as per VicForests Operating Procedures Regulatory Handbook.
Threatened fauna site in coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Threatened fauna site within 500m of coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Threatened flora site within 500m of coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	* None (issue will not be saved)	Not Present	Not Present	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 Species Observations within 500m of coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Threatened Species Observations within 500m of coupe	* None (issue will not be saved)	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
VF Large Trees in Coupe	None found	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
VF Large Trees within 500m	None found	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
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	* None found	0.00	0.00	No action required		
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		
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	Other historical issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		



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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	Other landscape issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		
Outer issues (6.5k - 12km)	MOUNT_PINNIBAR_p Outer	20.18	20.18	Potentially visible ridgeline / skyline included within the gross coupe boundary. Ridgeline/Skyline impacts on coupe from Mt Pinn bar	Overlay detected 20.18ha of the coupe is within 6.5km-12km of Mt Pinnibar. The coupe is not vis ble 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	Other research issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		
Permanent Growth Plot buffer in coupe	Permanent Growth Plot buffer	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
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	No Further action		
Weeds	Blackberry	[n/a]	Scattered	A scattered occurrence of Blackberry was observed within the gross coupe area and/or surrounding areas during field inventory. It is considered regionally controlled .	Where possible, minimise the spread within the coupe by avoiding machine movement through infested areas. Direct contractor to wash down machinery prior to departure from the coupe, following washdown directions and procedures as outlined in VicForests Utilisation Procedures.	Wash down of machinery prior to arrival and departure.

End of Forest Operations Coupe Plan Section 4



**Harvest Unit 700-566-0003-A - Upper Papes Gap
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. _____	
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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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Contractor Section - Harvesting Commencement & Completion Declarations

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