



Forest Operations Coupe Plan

for

Harvest Unit 842-501-0026-A - Clip Clop

Orbost

842 - Rich

Location of coupe centroid

Easting/Northing: (GDA-94)	644075/5852040 Zone 55
VicGrid	2820939/2442027
Latitude/Longitude:	37° 28' 2" S/148° 37' 45" 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	Foothill mixed species			
Area of TRP Boundary	34.1			
Area of Harvest Unit (operational area)	14.5			
Regional Forest Agreement	EAST GIPPSLAND			
Forest Management Area	East Gippsland			
General aspect	North-westerly			
Elevation	300 meters			
Slope	Minimum 5°; Average 15°; Maximum 30°			
Proportion of the nett coupe area > 20°	11-40 %			
		Horizon A	Horizon B	Horizon C
Soil Erosion Classification		<i>Medium</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	
Messmate	C	1 m ³	
Messmate	D	1 m ³	
Messmate	H	6 m ³	
Messmate	M	53 m ³	
Mountain Grey Gum	C	1 m ³	
Mountain Grey Gum	D	1 m ³	
Mountain Grey Gum	H	6 m ³	

Estimated species and volumes

Product	Grade	Volume
Mountain Grey Gum	M	53 m ³
Silvertop	C	26 m ³
Silvertop	D	5 m ³
Silvertop	H	585 m ³
Silvertop	M	391 m ³
White Stringybark	C	1 m ³
White Stringybark	H	6 m ³
White Stringybark	M	53 m ³
Yellow Stringybark	C	1 m ³
Yellow Stringybark	H	5 m ³
Yellow Stringybark	M	19 m ³

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 Contractor Section - Contractor Direction

Personnel	
VF Officer	
Contractor	
Operational Issues	
Silvicultural Intent	Adaptive Silvicultural Systems
Silviculture system(s)	Variable retention 1
Recommended harvesting period	Winter of 2020-2021
Description of the coupe boundaries and method used to locate boundary in the field	From the most eastern point there is a short section of blue tape following the TRP south, then the south,south western boundary for the remainder, barring a short 15m drainage line buffer, orange tape becomes a slope exclusion >25deg. pink tape. West boundary follows harvest history, blue tape. North eastern boundary is a 60m buffer or slope exclusion which ever comes into play first, pink tape. All boundaries were located and marked in the field with the use of GPS, Range Finder, Clino and compass.
Operational constraints	Steep drainage lines down both north-east and south-west boundaries.
Social Issues	
Identified social issues	
Coupe Access	
Proposed Access	Sardine Creek Rd, Rick 501 trk, unnamed trk, coupe.
Proposed driveway length to construct	0
Proposed in-coupe road length to construct	50
Proposed in-coupe roading requirements	Construct road from unnamed trk to landing, approx 50m.
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 '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	This coupe will be harvested according to a Variable Retention 1 system. Retain an average minimum of 10 Habitat trees per ha through retained habitat patches and dispersed retention across the harvestable area.
	Additional specifications, requirements or instructions	
	Additional specifications, requirements or instructions	If unauthorised persons are identified on the work site, all harvesting operations must cease. VicForests are to be notified immediately of any protest events. Harvesting should not commence until it has been determined that it is safe to resume work.
5.	Coupe boundaries	
5.1	Marking a coupe	From the most eastern point there is a short section of blue tape following the TRP south, then the south, south western boundary for the remainder, barring a short 15m drainage line buffer, orange tape and a small green patch exclusion, pink tape becomes a slope exclusion >25deg. pink tape. West boundary follows harvest history, blue tape. North eastern boundary is a 60m buffer or slope exclusion which ever comes into play first, pink tape. All boundaries were located and marked in the field with the use of GPS, Range Finder, Clino and compass.
5.2	Construction of boundary trails	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
5.3	Location of Boundary Trails	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
5.4	Converting boundary trail to fire trail	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
6.	Excluded areas	



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6.1	Activities in excluded areas	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
7.	Harvest requirements	
7.1	Retained Trees	<p>As per the Habitat Retention Plan</p> <p>Habitat trees will be retained as per identification, protection, recruitment and retention principles and MSP habitat tree retention prescriptions, unless deemed to be unsafe.</p> <p>Unburnt forest, any non-merchantable trees, hollow-bearing trees (live and dead) and areas identified to contain species-specific habitat will be prioritized for retention.</p> <p>This will all be displayed on the contractors tablets.</p>
7.2	Large Tree Protection	If any tree greater than 250cm in diameter is identified by the contractor, the contractor must notify VF immediately and protect the tree from direct effects of harvesting.
7.3	Trees to be felled	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
7.4	Stump heights	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
7.6	Coupe utilisation requirements	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
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	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
10.2	Blading-off	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
10.3	Drainage and rehabilitation	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
10.4	Snigging on roads	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
10.5	Stream crossings	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
12.	Landings	

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12.1	Location of landings	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
12.2	Construction and maintenance of landings	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
12.5	Bark disposal	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
12.7	Rehabilitation	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.	Road and construction maintenance	
13.2	Location, design and period of construction	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.4	Grade	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.5	Clearing	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.6	Earthworks	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.7	Drainage	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.8	Maintenance	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.9	Stream and drainage line crossings	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.11	Closure and rehabilitation of roads	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
13.13	Removal and rehabilitation of bridges, crossings and culverts	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
14.	Quarries, borrow pits and fill disposal areas	
14.0	Quarries, borrow pits and fill disposal areas	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
15.	Preparation, measurement, grading and extraction of logs	
15.2	Log preparation	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
21.	Carting logs	
21.1	Carting logs - general obligations of the driver	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
23.	Weather restrictions	
23.0	Weather restrictions	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.



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26.	Sorting and using fuel and servicing machinery	
26.1	Fuel location	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
26.2	Fuel precautions	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
27.	Camp sites, waste disposal and forest hygiene	
27.1	Camp sites	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
27.3	Water points	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
27.4	Forests hygiene (weeds, pests and disease)	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
27.5	Field Washdown/Cleaning Procedure for Machinery	No variation to standard practices as outlined within the Utilisation Procedures.
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	Manage HCVs and Habitat Trees in line with MSPs, VicForests Harvest Retention Systems and VicForests Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction All streams and waterways to be classified as HIGH or VERY HIGH risk, with appropriate buffers applied accordingly. Apply the habitat connectivity method as outlined in VicForests Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction Retain an average minimum of 10 Habitat trees per ha through retained habitat patches and dispersed retention across the harvestable area. Retained patches should be no smaller than 0.01 ha Exclude harvesting and regeneration activities from retained forest, unless necessary for safety reasons Green patches (unburnt SVC4, SVC5) which must be a minimum of 40m wide must be retained
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 	Yes Yes Yes



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<ul style="list-style-type: none">. In patch(es)/clump(s) within the harvested area. To serve as seed trees also. Other requirements	Yes Yes No
Other requirements	

** See variation page for marking procedure.*

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 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	Stags present within coupe boundary	
Other aerial hazards	Dead dry limbs created by recent fire event.	
Percentage of tress containing a high proportion of dead limbs (i.e. mature-age, psyllid, drought or fire affected)	75 % if > 50% handfall not allowed as main harvest method.	
Percentage of the trees having mature interlocked crowns	25 % if > 50% handfall not allowed as main harvest method.	
Ground Hazard		
Slope	Area of slope greater than 20deg present within coupe boundary	
Rock	Area of rock present within coupe boundary	
Rock Faces	Area of rock faces present within coupe boundary	
Morganers	[None]	
Other Ground Hazards	Evidence of mining present within coupe boundary	
Have any mineshafts been located? If yes, GPS location and include coupe map.	[None]	
Access Roads/Landings		
Grade	[None]	
Width	[None]	
Traffic & Falling Ops	[None]	
Access	[None]	



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Are there hazardous trees adjacent trees to the roads that should be removed?	[None]	
Fire	[None]	
Hand Falling	Both parties agree the coupe is suitable for hand falling, providing the industry Standard 'Safety in Forest Operations' is used to manage all falling Hazards identified.	
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 1000m	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Apiary zone within coupe	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Fire Fuel Management Zone in coupe	2 - Bushfire Moderation Zone	34.11	34.11	Coupe within Fire Management Zone 2: Bushfire Moderation. For seedtree or clearfell operations, a rolling 5-year average of a maximum of 1% of the GMZ/SMZ area of each management unit is permitted each year in accordance with the Statewide Prescriptions for Commercial Timber Harvesting in Fire Management Zones, July 2012.	Fire Management Zone analysis undertaken 13/07/2020 demonstrates compliance with the Statewide Prescriptions for Commercial Timber Harvesting in Fire Management Zones updated 19 July 2012. The overall fuel hazard rating for this coupe must be less than or equal to high within 12 months of harvesting unless self regenerated. If self regenerated, VicForests Operations Manager Silviculture to liaise with DELWP.	Fire Management Zone analysis undertaken 13/07/2020 demonstrates compliance with the Statewide Prescriptions for Commercial Timber Harvesting in Fire Management Zones updated 19 July 2012. The overall fuel hazard rating for this coupe must be less than or equal to high within 12 months of harvesting unless self regenerated. If self regenerated, VicForests Operations Manager Silviculture to liaise with DELWP.
Forest Management Zone within 200m	GMZ : General Management Zone	Present	Present	General Management Zone adjacent to coupe boundary.	No further action required.	No further action required.
Forest Management Zone within 500m	GMZ : General Management Zone	Present	Present	General Management Zone within 200-500m of coupe boundary.	No further action required.	No further action required.
Forest Management Zone within coupe	GMZ : General Management Zone	34.11	34.11	General Management Zone within gross coupe boundary.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber production.	Coupe has been marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber production.
Heritage River Buffer in coupe	Heritage River Buffer in coupe	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
Heritage River Buffer within 500m	Heritage River Buffer within 500m	Not Present	Not Present	No action required		
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		



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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 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 within 500m	LFP Constrained Habitat	3.07	3.07	VicForests Special Management Area (VFSMA) (Long-footed Potoroo SMP Area / Constrained Habitat) within 500m of coupe boundary.	Values of VF SMA (VFSMP09) will not be affected by timber harvesting. No further action required.	Values of VF SMA (VFSMP09) will not be affected by timber harvesting. No further action required.
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	Mixed Species	34.11	34.11	Forest stand type confirmed in the field.	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.
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	BRODRIBB RIVER (ORBOST)	34.11	34.11	Coupe located within BRODRIBB RIVER water supply catchment.	No existing management prescriptions apply to this part of the water shed. Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production.	No existing management prescriptions apply to this part of the water shed. Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production.
Designated Water Supply Catchment within 500m	BRODRIBB RIVER (ORBOST)	197.48	197.48	Coupe adjacent BRODRIBB RIVER water supply catchment.	No existing management prescriptions apply to this part of the water shed. Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production.	No existing management prescriptions apply to this part of the water shed. Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production.
Other water issues	Other water issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		

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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	12.90	12.90	12.90 ha of slope between 0-20 degrees within coupe.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Standards and Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.
Slope Class within coupe	20-25 Degrees	15.73	15.73	15.73 ha of slope between 20-25 degrees within coupe.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Standards and Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.
Slope Class within coupe	25-30	5.48	5.48	5.48 ha of slope between 25-30 degrees within coupe.	Harvest in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.	Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Standards and Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.
Water quality risk within coupe	High or Very High Water Quality Risk	[n/a]	Present	A Low Water Quality Risk was determined after Soil Assessments within this coupe, however VicForests Post Bushfire Timber Recovery Instruction (Draft) section 5.1.5.4 states that all fire impacted compartments must be classified as High or Very High Water Quality risk. (Refer DELWP Management Standards and Procedures for timber harvesting operations in Victoria's State forests 2014, section 8.1.5.4).	A High or Very High Water Quality risk is applied in bushfire affected areas (Refer DELWP Management Standards and Procedures for timber harvesting operations in Victoria's State forests 2014, section 8.1.5.4) Apply buffer and filter prescriptions for sites as specified in section 3.3.1.1 Table 9.	A High or Very High Water Quality risk is applied in bushfire affected areas (Refer DELWP Management Standards and Procedures for timber harvesting operations in Victoria's State forests 2014, section 8.1.5.4) Apply buffer and filter prescriptions for sites as specified in section 3.3.1.1 Table 9.
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	* None found	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Old Growth Forest within 500m	* None found	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
Other biodiversity issues	Other biodiversity issues	[n/a]	Present	DELWP (FPSP) Pre-harvest survey.	DELWP (FPSP) Pre-harvest Survey completed 16,17/12/2019 which identified Common Brushtail Possum. See Threatened Species Observation section of the management issues for protection measures.	DELWP (FPSP) Pre-harvest Survey completed 16,17/12/2019 which identified Common Brushtail Possum. See Threatened Species Observation section of the management issues for protection measures.
Other threatened flora	* None found *	Not Present	Not Present	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		
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		
Threatened fauna site in coupe	Not present					
Threatened fauna site within 500m of coupe	Not present					
Threatened flora site within 500m of coupe	* None found *	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 in coupe	Tyto tenebricosa tenebricosa: Sooty Owl	Not Present	Present	Sooty Owl habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe. Based on fire severity impact, risk assessment is medium.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed habitat patches containing dense understorey and hollow-bearing trees within the harvestable area; Protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed habitat patches containing dense understorey and hollow-bearing trees within the harvestable area; Protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities.
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Dasyurus maculatus maculatus: Spot-tailed Quoll	Not Present	Present	Spot-tailed Quoll habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe. Based on fire severity impact, risk assessment is medium.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed habitat patches containing dense understorey, hollow-bearing trees and suitable denning habitat eg, large fallen hollow logs, within the harvestable area; protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed habitat patches containing dense understorey, hollow-bearing trees and suitable denning habitat eg, large fallen hollow logs, within the harvestable area; protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Trichosurus vulpecula: Common Brushtail Possum	Present	Present	Common Brushtail Possum record identified within coupe. Species not listed in the FFG Act. Species is listed in the EG FMP with conservation guidelines, DELWP Management Standards and Procedures for timber harvesting operations in Victoria's State forests 2014 and VicForests Procedures 2016.	The number of records for Common Brushtail Possum does not meet the threshold required for additional protection measures. No further action required.	The number of records for Common Brushtail Possum does not meet the threshold required for additional protection measures. No further action required.
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Petauroides volans: Greater Glider	Not Present	Present	Greater Glider habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe. Based on fire severity impact, risk assessment is medium.	To protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to apply 40% retention of gross coupe area; Retain undisturbed habitat patches containing hollow-bearing trees and a variety of feed tree species within the harvestable area; Protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities.	Gross coupe area =34.1ha, harvest unit area =14.5ha. Total retention area =57.6%. Habitat patches marked out in field to have a mineral earth break constructed around them on completion of coupe.

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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
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Petaurus australis: Yellow-bellied Glider	Not Present	Present	Yellow-bellied Glider habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe. Based on fire severity impact, risk assessment is medium.	To protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed habitat patches containing hollow-bearing trees and a variety of feed tree species within the harvestable area; Protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities.	Gross coupe area =34.1ha, harvest unit area =14.5ha. Total retention area =57.6%. Habitat patches marked out in field to have a mineral earth break constructed around them on completion of coupe.
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Potorous longipes: Long-footed Potoroo	Not Present	Present	Long-footed Potoroo habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe. Based on fire severity impact, risk assessment is medium.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to buffer mapped and unmapped riparian areas containing dense understorey with a 40m buffer; Retain undisturbed habitat patches containing dense understorey within the harvestable area; Protect patches and buffers from harvesting and regeneration activities.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to buffer mapped and unmapped riparian areas containing dense understorey with a 40m buffer; Retain undisturbed habitat patches containing dense understorey within the harvestable area; Protect patches and buffers from harvesting and regeneration activities.
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Euastacus diversus: Orbost Spiny Crayfish	Not Present	Present	Orbost Spiny Crayfish habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe. Based on fire severity impact, risk assessment is high.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to apply Code or policy requirements. Buffer mapped and unmapped permanent streams, temporary streams and drainage lines as per Barred galaxias prescription to protect from erosion and sedimentation during harvesting and roading activities. No construction of new stream crossings. New roads to be positioned at least 50m from streams and heads of gullies. Protect buffers and filters from regeneration activities.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to apply Code or policy requirements. Buffer mapped and unmapped permanent streams, temporary streams and drainage lines as per Barred galaxias prescription to protect from erosion and sedimentation during harvesting and roading activities. No construction of new stream crossings. New roads to be positioned at least 50m from streams and heads of gullies. Protect buffers and filters from regeneration activities.
Threatened Species Observations in coupe	Pomaderris virgata: Upright Pomaderris	Not Present	Present	Upright Pomaderris habitat distribution model overlaps this coupe.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed patches containing suitable understorey habitat within the harvestable area; Protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities.	Pre-harvest survey not completed because of fire severity 1 & 2, to protect this species VicForests adaptive management prescription is to retain undisturbed patches containing suitable understorey habitat within the harvestable area; Protect patches from harvesting and regeneration activities.



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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
Threatened Species Observations within 500m of coupe	Not present					
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	Consultation with AAV was undertaken during the TRP approval process. No registered Aboriginal Cultural Heritage sites were identified. No restriction to harvesting. No further action.		
Aboriginal Cultural Sensitivity Area within 500m	* None found	0.00	0.00	Consultation with AAV 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		
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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Issues identified						
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)	BIG_RIVER_ROAD Middleground	2.12	2.12	Overlay process has identified middleground issues within gross coupe boundary.	Manage timber harvesting operations to ensure landscape alterations are only subtly apparent within 2 years of the operation and shape, position and time timber harvesting and new roads to minimise their visual impact.	Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Standards and Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.
Other landscape issues	Other landscape issues	[n/a]	Not Present	No action required		
Outer issues (6.5k - 12km)	BIG_RIVER_ROAD Outer	0.83	0.83	Overlay process has identified outer issues within gross coupe boundary.	Design timber harvesting operations so that clearfell and skyline 'notches' are not apparent from the scenic drives and designated lookouts.	Marked in accordance with the Code of Practice for Timber Production, Management Standards and Procedures and Utilisation Procedures.
Scenic Drive Network in or within 100m of coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Sensitive Ridgelines in or within 500m of coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Sensitive View Areas in coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	No action required		
Sensitive View Areas within 500m of coupe	* None found *	0.00	0.00	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		



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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	No evidence of pest animals and diseases detected during field inventory.	No further action required.	No further action required.
Weeds	Blackberry	[n/a]	Isolated	Evidence of Blackberry detected within 500m of coupe boundary at the start of Rich 501 Rd during field inventory.	Manage in accordance with the Utilisation procedures:Section 27.4 "Forest Hygiene" which specify in washdown prescriptions for Contractors.	Manage in accordance with the Utilisation procedures:Section 27.4 "Forest Hygiene" which specify in washdown prescriptions for Contractors.
<i>End of Forest Operations Coupe Plan Section 4</i>						



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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		
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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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