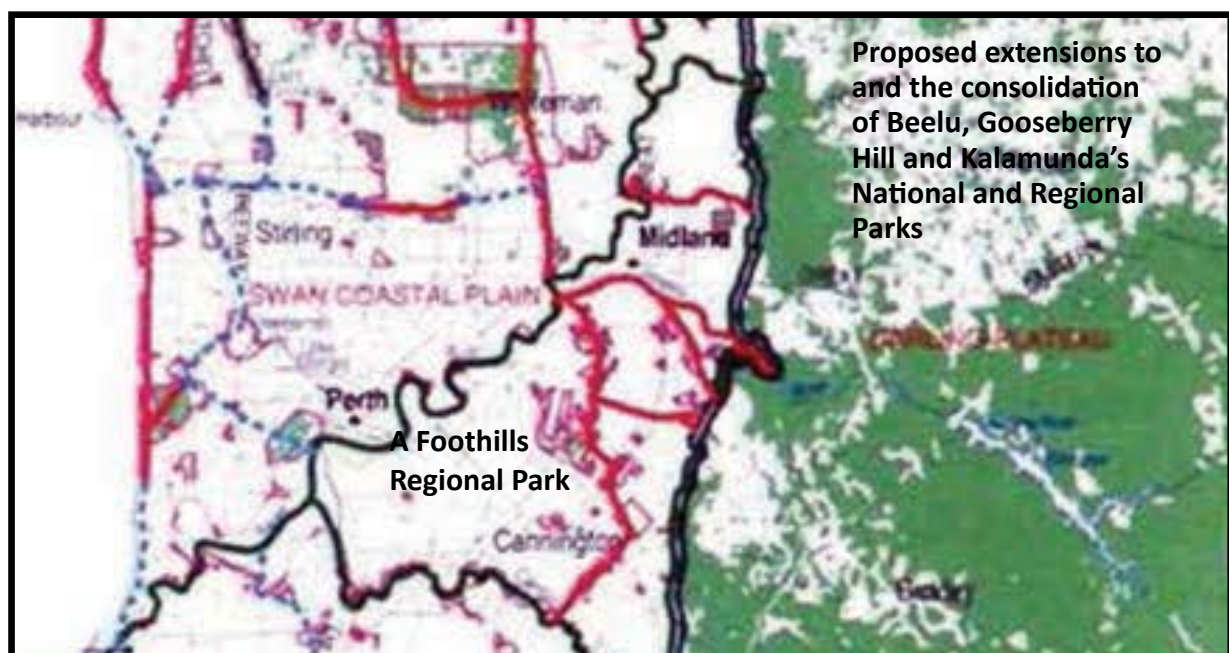


Proposals for a Perth Foothills Regional Park and the consolidation and extension of existing Darling Range National and Regional Parks



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Cover – The proposed Foothills Regional Park shown on an extract of the map Existing and Potential Bushland/Wetlands Linkages Map of the Perth Metropolitan Region (GOWA, 2000b)

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**TO: Hon. Colin Barnett MLA, Premier of Western Australia
Hon. Albert Jacob MLA, Minister for the Environment, Heritage**

CC: Ken Wyatt MP, John Day MP

Subject.

**Proposal for the establishment of a Perth Foothills Regional Park and
the Consolidation and extension of existing Darling Range
National and Regional Parks.**

Dear Premier and Minister,

The NRPG Inc. from Kalamunda requests that you give consideration to this proposal to establish a new Foothills Regional Park, and to systematically consolidate the existing Darling Range Parks. This proposal is designed to assist implementation of Hasluck's Community Green Map plan, to celebrate and better protect the network of Perth foothills' important natural and cultural heritage areas and to support the introduction of a carefully planned system of linked district cycle and walk 'ways'.

This initiative will help to build on four decades of System 6 and Perth Bush Forever bushland and wetland planning and, the identification of catchment precincts of high natural and cultural heritage value and, to sensibly and systematically take the next steps for implementation of the November 1996 Darling Range Regional and National Park Declarations. We consider this important proposal might best be implemented through:

- 1. Extension of the Beelu National Park** to include Hasluck's Bellevue and Elder Creek land and reserves, the Greenmount, Bellevue and Bushmead railway reserves, Toornaart Creek reserves, Helena Valley's, Helena River, and Swan's Kadina Brook reserves, Hazelmere's Bushmead Rifle Range and nearby natural and cultural heritage areas (Figures 1, 3, 5).

2. **Extension of the Gooseberry Hill National Park** to include Hasluck's Gooseberry Hill's Regional Open Space, Quenda Creek reserves, Huntley St Reserve, the Gooseberry Hill north part of the railway reserves in Darling Range Regional Park Area K13, north of Elizabeth St, Maida Vale Reserve bushland TEC areas and greenway linkages, Bush Forever sites and the Ridge Hill Road Reserves (Figure 4).
3. **Establishment of a Boonooloo (Kalamunda Railway Reserve) Regional Park** to include the terminus at the beginning of the Bibbulmun Track, Dixon Road reserve, Jorgensen Park and the Kalamunda south part of the (November 1996) Declared Darling Range Regional Park Area K13, with its important greenway, migratory bird habitat, rare and threatened plants linkages. This would secure the parkland link from Kalamunda to Pickering Brook's Korung National Park (Figure 1, Figure 7a, 7b).
4. **Establishment of a Warget (Perth Foothills) Regional Park.** Warget is the Nyoongar name for Perth's foothills soils (Lyon (1833) in Green (1979: P 176)). To be located along the important Perth foothills ecological corridor of naturally and culturally significant bushland and wetland reserves, it will extend from Forrestdale Lake to Brixton St, Hartfield Park, Munday Swamp, Kalamunda Road Swamp, Soldier Swamp, Hazelmere Lakes to Bennett Brook. This will provide recognition and protection for Hasluck's ecological corridors, the Adelaide St and Great Eastern Highway Bypass Greenways, Hawkevale bushland and Roe Highway Greenways and, wetland reserves in Hazelmere, High Wycombe and Maida Vale, including Poison Gully and Nestle Brae Creek extending from Gooseberry Hill and Maida Vale to Garvey Park in Belmont (Cover).
- 5 **Extension of the Swan River Park** to include the Swan and Canning River Tributaries and their foreshore reserves, in order to formalise their continuing role as wildlife corridors to the important Darling Scarp spring areas connecting the river to the Darling Range Park (Figure 3).
- 6 **Progressively establishing (and celebrating, using traditional names) Hasluck's and greater Perth's 'Warget Way' dual use walk 'ways' and cycle tracks along the boundaries of these new regional park reserves and cultural heritage linkages from Jandakot (and Rockingham) to Joondalup (and Hillarys)** (Cover, Figure 2).
- 7 **Progressively further establishing, Hasluck's dual use walk 'ways' and traditionally named cycle tracks** along the boundaries of the new Foothills Regional Park's and Swan River Park's east west tributary reserves, to act as permanent fire access tracks and firebreaks to these valuable ecological corridors (Figure 3, Figure 6c).
- 8 **The facilitation of links with State and Federal natural resource management and cultural heritage conservation and employment and training programmes**, to act as the catalyst, assisting and ensuring implementation of these important State heritage and Parks and wildlife works (figures 6a, 6b).

Yours faithfully,

Tony Fowler
President

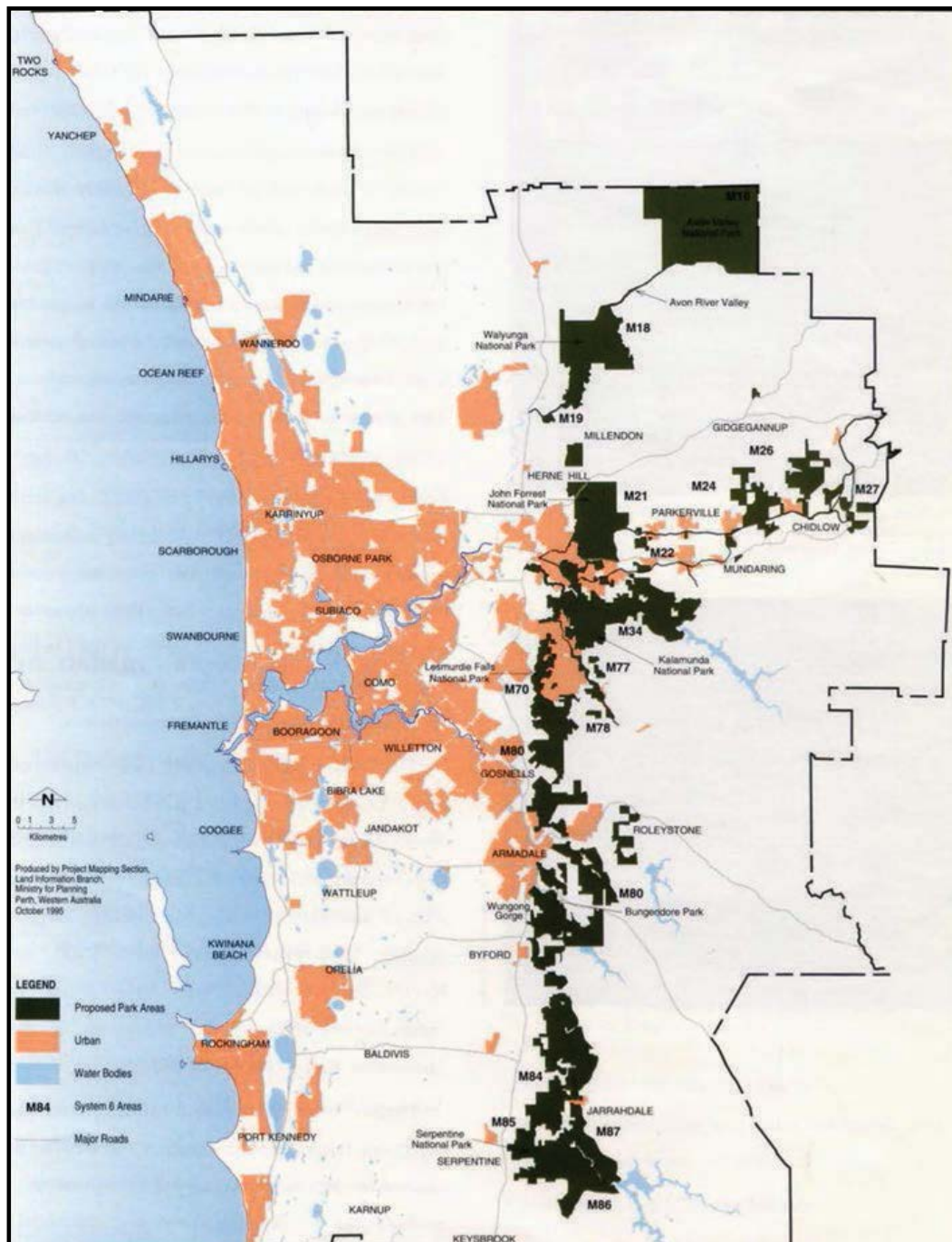


Figure 1 Darling Range Regional Park (WAPC, 1995)

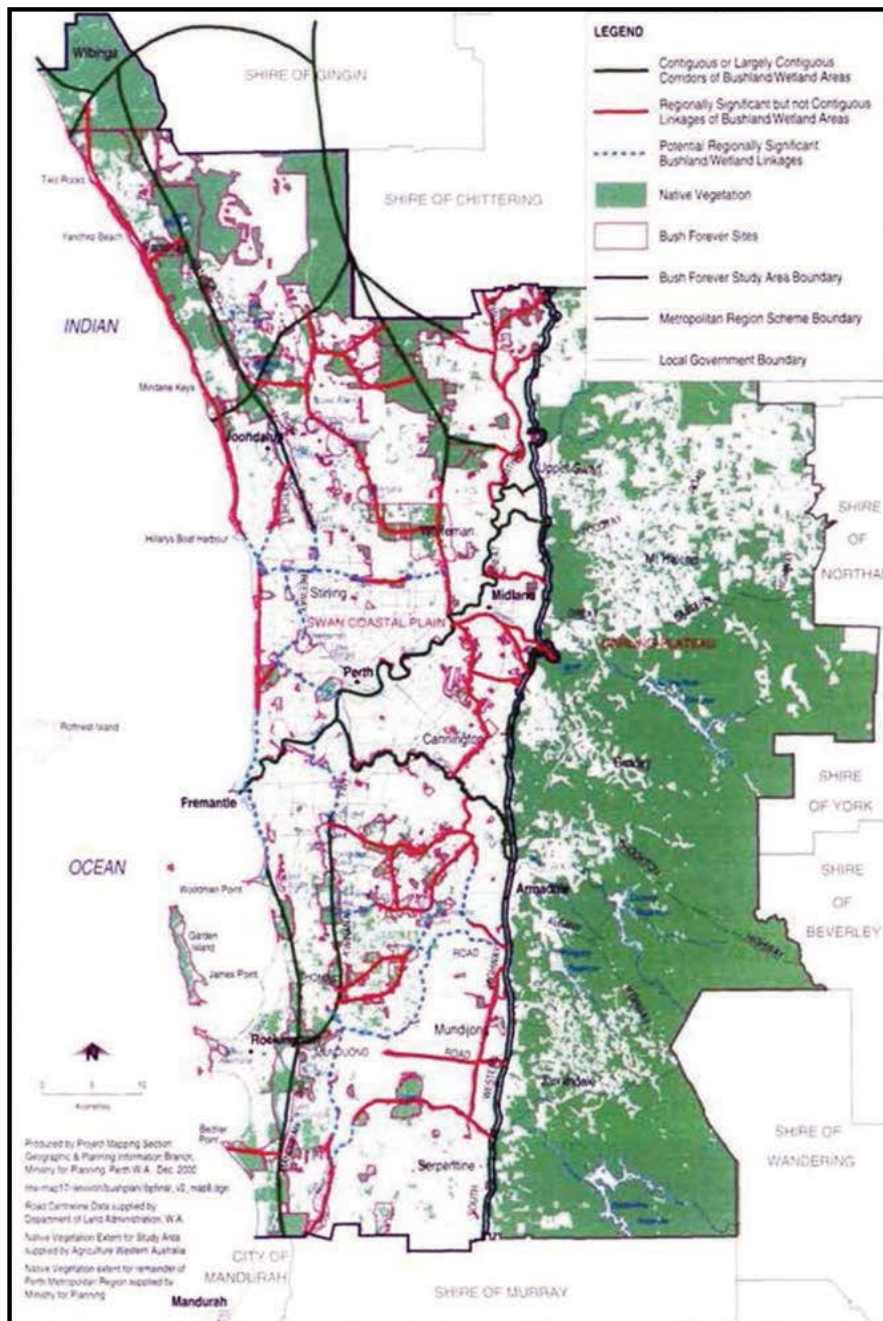


Figure 2 Perth Bushland/Wetland Linkages (GoWA 2000b)

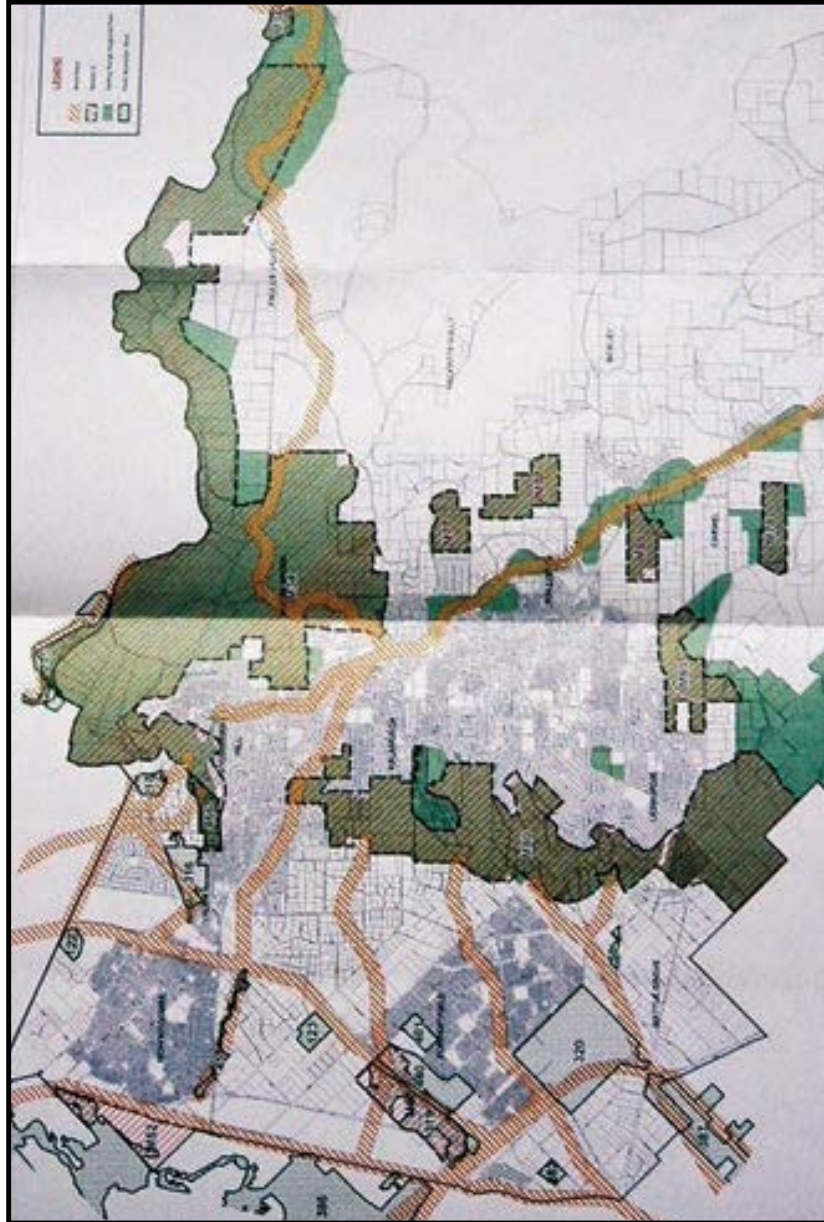


Figure 3 Shire of Kalamunda Wildlife Corridors (EMRC, 1999)



Figure 4 Quenda Creek and Kadina Brook Reserves (Hill, 1998)



*Kalleep Munday Cultural Precinct and Heritage Trails
 Basemap and Boundaries from Darling Range Regional Park Concept Maps, Ministry for Planning (1995)
 Proposals for the Darling Range Regional Park*

Figure 5 Midgegooroo and Kalleep Munday Heritage Precincts (HRCG, 2002)



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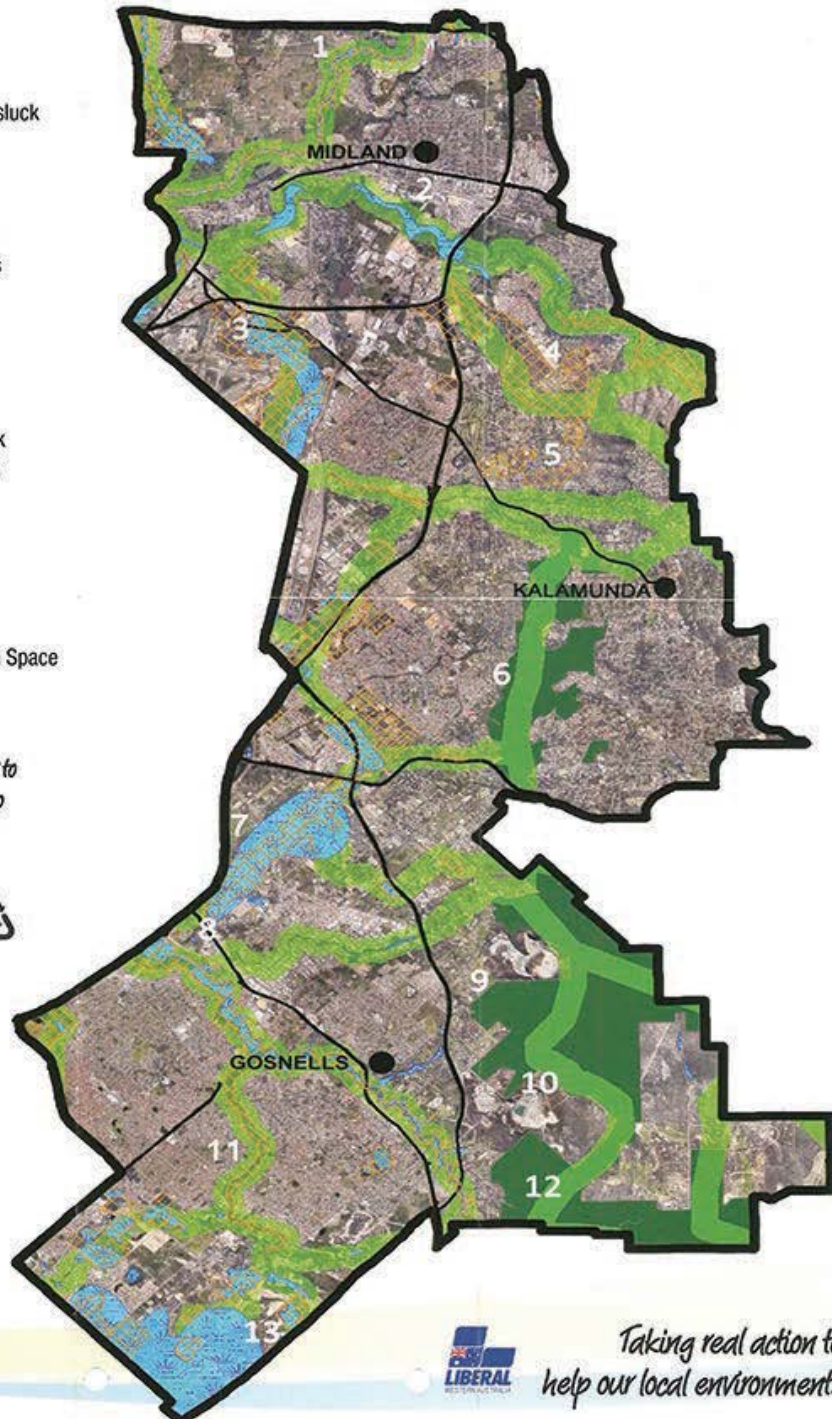
-  Federal Seat of Hasluck
-  Bush Forever Site
-  Wetland
-  Regional Park
-  Ecological Corridors
-  Major Roads

- 1 - Swan River
- 2 - Helena River
- 3 - Mundy Swamp
- 4 - Gooseberry Hill National Park
- 5 - Darling Range Regional Park
- 6 - Mundy Regional Park
- 7 - Brixton Street Wetlands
- 8 - Canning River
- 9 - Banyowla Regional Park
- 10 - Ellis Brook Valley Reserve
- 11 - Southern River
- 12 - Wrights Brook Region Open Space
- 13 - Harrisdale Swamp

Once you've found your nearest environmental location, turn over to find out what groups you need to contact in that area to volunteer.



Collaboration and endorsement by:



Taking real action to help our local environment!

Figure 6a Hasluck's Green Map Brochure (Wyatt, 2012)

Message from Ken Wyatt MP



As a child, I loved wandering through the bush enjoying the beauty of the flora and fauna. My heritage has taught me that the land is interlinked with our lives and identity. For me, conservation and coexistence with the land is of the utmost importance.

I have produced 'Hasluck's Green Map' to highlight the ecological corridors, bush forever sites, local 'friends of' groups and the regional parklands throughout the electorate. There will always be competing interests for new homes, industry, infrastructure and environmental conservation; so our challenge is to get the balance right for the future. This is why I am committed to improving our local environment through the Coalition's Direct Action Plan which highlights the importance of bush reserves and green corridors in our forward planning processes.

'Hasluck's Green Map' is a call to you, your family and your friends to get involved with a local 'friends of' group or to form one for a reserve near you - it is fun, free and a practical way of investing in the future. I hope that you will join with me and the wonderful 'friends of' groups already in existence in acting locally, for tomorrow.

- Ken Wyatt MP



I would like to thank everyone involved in compiling Hasluck's Green Map. Find out how you can get involved and who contributed at facebook.com/hasluck_greenmap

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Find out how you can help our local environment

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Figure 6b Hasluck's Green Map Brochure (Wyatt, 2012)

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Get involved in your local area!

Below are a list of groups which you can get involved in, when you find your closest group please call the council to get the contact details.

shire of kalamunda

Enquiries: 9257 9999

Friends of:
Anderson Road Reserve
Anthony Heslop Reserve
Crocus Road Reserve
Crumpet Creek Reserve
Dawson Park
East Terrace
Falls Road Reserve
Farrant Road
Fleming Reserve
Hartfield Park
Hugh Sanderson Reserve
Huntley Street Reserve
Kadina Brook Reserve
Katta Place Reserve
Kershaw Avenue Reserve
Ledger Road Reserve
Lions Lookout

Lower Lesmurdie Falls
Magnolia Road Reserve
Maida Vale Reserve
Milton Road Bushland
Neil Tonkin Park
Nestlebrae Creek Reserve
Norwood Reserve
Old Yorna Road Reserve
Ollie Worrell Reserve
Piesse Brook Reserve
Poison Gully Reserve
Poison Gully West
Quenda Creek Reserve
Railway Reserve
Ray Owen Reserve
Spring Road Reserve
Toornart Creek Reserve
Turner Grove Reserve
Vernallan Way Reserve
Woodlupine Brook, Dawson Avenue
Woodlupine Brook, Forrestfield
Woodlupine Living Stream, Wattle Grove
Wordsworth Reserve
Yongar Reserve

Brine Moran Reserve and Jorgenson Park all need a 'friends of' group. Contact the Shire of Kalamunda for more information.

city of swan

Enquiries: 9267 9267

Friends of:
Talbot Road Nature Reserve
Blackadder Woodbridge Catchment Group
Susannah Brook Catchment Group
Helena River Catchment Group
Lower Helena Association

CITY OF GOSNELLS

Enquiries: 9397 3000

Friends of:
Mary Carroll Park
Brixton Street Wetlands
Ellis Brook Valley

Tom Bateman Reserve Bushland, Shreeve Road Reserve Wetland and Lander Swamp Reserve are all in need of a 'friends of' group. Contact the City of Gosnells for more information.

Is your group not here? Let me know at facebook.com/hasluck_greenmap

Figure 6c Hasluck's Green Map (Wyatt, 2012)

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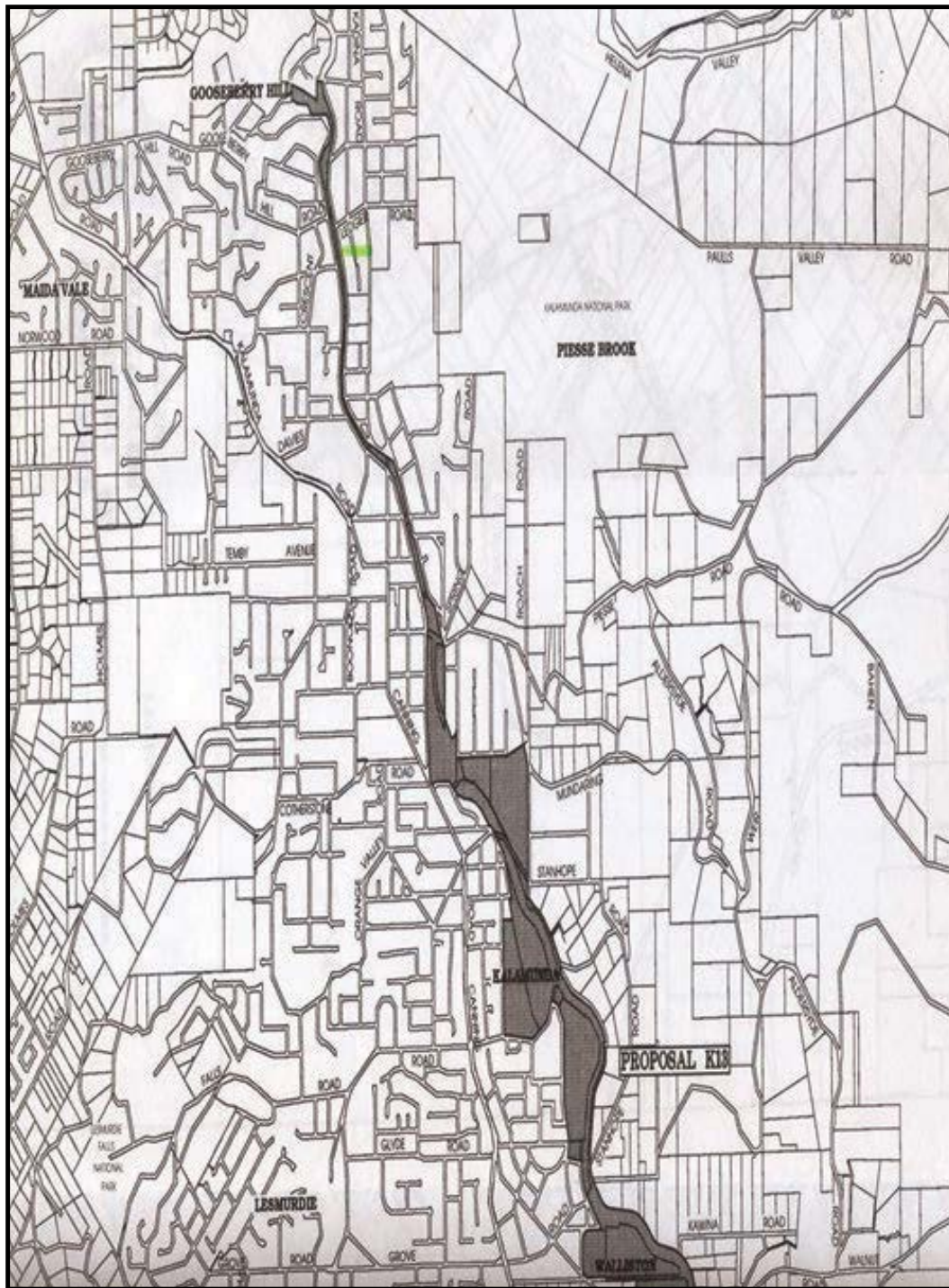


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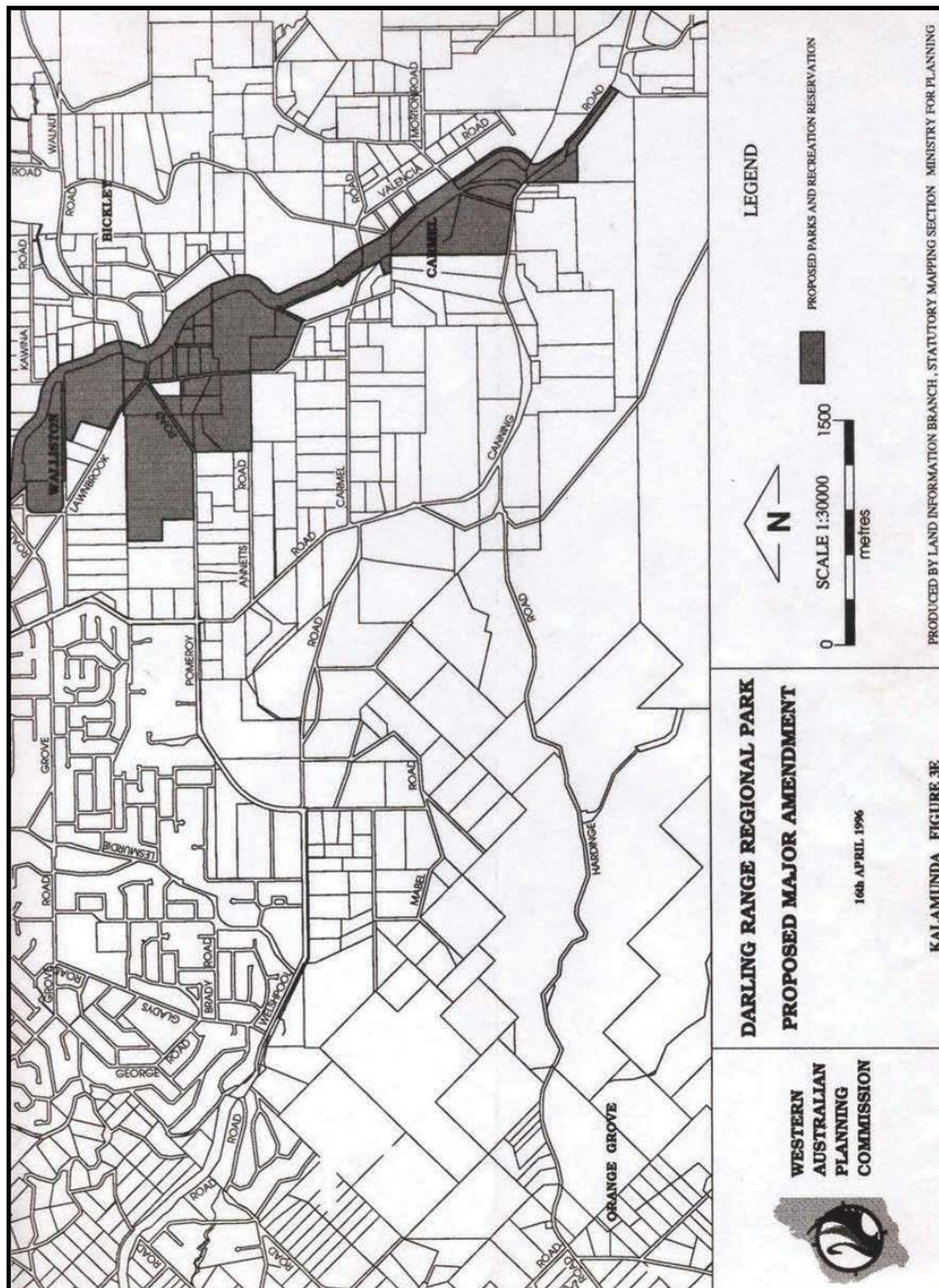


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WESTERN AUSTRALIAN PLANNING COMMISSION
METROPOLITAN REGION SCHEME-SECTION 33 AMENDMENT
OUTCOME OF AMENDMENT
'DARLING RANGE REGIONAL PARK'

File: 809-2-1-45

Amendment No: 978/33

It is hereby notified for public information that the 'Darling Range Regional Park' Amendment to the Metropolitan Region Scheme has been submitted before both Houses of Parliament in accordance with the provisions of section 33 of the Metropolitan Region Town Planning Scheme Act. During that time no Notice of Motion to disallow the Amendment was carried by either House.

The Amendment as depicted on Western Australian Planning Commission plan numbers 1.350612, 1.350711, 1.350811, 1.350911, 1.351011, 1.351112 and 1.351211 is therefore effective in the Metropolitan Region Scheme on and from 14 November 1996.

PETER MELBIN, Secretary, Western Australian Planning Commission.