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## Weed Management Plan Vol 2

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8 September 2022 at 21:55

To: "Everts, Fiona" <fiona.everts@parks.tas.gov.au>

Cc: Daniel Steiner <auroradan@gmail.com>, NE Bioregional Network <teloopa\_tas@yahoo.com.au>

Hi Fee, Daniel and Todd,

Thank you Fee for taking the time to inspect the wet lands and explain what is required to complete the VPP.

Following are some of the things we discussed, please revert with things we have missed and corrections of anything misunderstood:

**1. Amendments made to the present VPP** at request of Donna Stanley PWS Northern regional Manager.

Arising from this is the need to present the RJA to all participants in working bees.

Amend fortnightly working bees to regular working bees.

Have laminated MSDS available for all herbicides used available at working bees.

Organise work shop for propagation of locally collected native seeds. Contact with Understorey Network and explore possibilities. <http://www.understorey-network.org.au/index.html>

**2. Volume 2 of the Weed Management Plan** is required by Donna Stanley PWS Northern regional Manager by 1st December 22 before she will sign off on the VPP.

Fiona is to provide PWS required format.

To be included in WMP vol 2:

Yearly goals; ie. Spray all remaining gorse, slash open area, cut and paste gorse in native regenerated area, continue planting out open areas, mosaic burns of residual areas of heavy gorse regrowth, annual monitor of 3 separate transects to gauge diversity of regeneration. (Picnic area, NW corner, edge of swamp), an 'on ground' Aboriginal Heritage Survey to be conducted.

5 year strategic plan; ie. Walking track through area, bird hide, board walk around wetland, beach track up grade, boom gate to restrict beach access, eradicate feral deer from the area, plant trees along Champ Street, group acquisition of tractor/slasher/spray unit.

Long term goals; Eradication of gorse and complete native revegetation of the area, development of a community hub/fire station/centre in SW corner.

**3. Other Matters Discussed.**

Fee informed us of possible availability of 2 PWS quads with spray packs to be investigated.

Fee to investigate NRM boom spray equipment availability.

Cool burn in NW slashed corner, and piles of dead trees to be investigated.

Fee offered shade cloth fencing to be trialed.

Resolution of ongoing cropping by deer of planted trees. (eradicate deer)

Investigation on natural revegetation methods.

Fee offered sea mungus(seaweed soil conditioner) to trial with replanting.

Fee to investigate if Landcare Insurance is valid for Project area under new tenure of Conservation Area.

Possibility of forming a Friends of Seymour Swamp Wildcare Group to access Wildcare Funding into the future.

Need for AGM to discuss the issues raised with PWS representative in attendance and complete the WMP vol2 and VPP.

Need to plan a 'Field Day Reclassification Celebration'.

Ben Wall has offered to do 'Chemical Cert course'. Need to investigate online/cheap course availability. SCAGi to cover cost.

Todd and Daniel could you please revert with any suggested amendments to the attached VPP and suggestions for the WMP vol2. which Donna requires to be succinct.

Kind Regards,

Kez and Quentin

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9 September 2022 at 09:23

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9 September 2022 at 11:46

Hi Quent

Thank you for your detailed email and for your meeting with Fee. It is very valuable to have all this on paper. I have added comments and questions within your text below in (orange).

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Following are some of the things we discussed, please revert with things we have missed and corrections of anything misunderstood:

**1. Amendments made to the present VPP** at request of Donna Stanley PWS Northern regional Manager.

Arising from this is the need to present the RJA (what is RJA?) to all participants in working bees.

Amend fortnightly working bees to regular working bees. (as they haven't been fortnightly)

Have laminated MSDS available for all herbicides used available at working bees. (what are MSDS?)

Organise a workshop for propagation of locally collected native seeds. Contact with Understorey Network and explore possibilities. <http://www.understorey-network.org.au/index.html> (It would not be done with organising a workshop)

**2. Volume 2 of the Weed Management Plan** is required by Donna Stanley PWS Northern regional Manager by 1st December 22 before she will sign off on the VPP.

Fiona is to provide PWS required format. (I will be able to start with the Vol.2 when the new format is clear)

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5 year strategic plan; ie. Walking track through area, bird hide, board walk around wetland, beach track up grade, boom gate to restrict beach access, eradicate feral deer from the area, plant trees along Champ Street, group acquisition of tractor/slasher/spray unit.

Long term goals; Eradication of gorse and complete native revegetation of the area, development of a community hub/fire station/centre in SW corner. (I'm happy with all these suggestions being up for discussion)

**3. Other Matters Discussed.**

Fee informed us of possible availability of 2 PWS quads with spray packs to be investigated. (✓)

Fee to investigate NRM boom spray equipment availability. (✓)

Cool burn in NW slashed corner, and piles of dead trees to be investigated. (✓)

Fee offered shade cloth fencing to be trialed. (✓)

Resolution of ongoing cropping by deer of planted trees. (eradicate deer) (✓)

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Possibility of forming a Friends of Seymour Swamp Wildcare Group to access Wildcare Funding into the future. (investigate)  
Need for AGM to discuss the issues raised with PWS representative in attendance and complete the WMP vol2 and VPP. (✓)  
Need to plan a 'Field Day Reclassification Celebration'. (✓)  
Ben Wall has offered to do 'Chemical Cert course'. Need to investigate online/cheap course availability. SCAGi to cover the cost. (great)

Todd and Daniel could you please revert with any suggested amendments to the attached VPP and suggestions for the WMP vol2. which Donna requires to be succinct. (I would like to see the proposed new format for making suggestions re Vol.2) ( see the VPP to follow)

Cheers  
Daniel  
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**SEYM LONG** <scagi7215@gmail.com> 9 September 2022 at 12:39  
To: auroradan@gmail.com  
Cc: "Everts, Fiona" <Fiona.Everts@parks.tas.gov.au>, NE Bioregional Network <telozea\_tas@yahoo.com.au>

Hi Dani,  
Thanks for quick reply.  
See clarification to queries below.  
Quent

Sent from my iPhone

On 9 Sep 2022, at 11:48 am, Daniel <auroradan@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Quent

Thank you for your detailed email and for your meeting with Fee. It is very valuable to have all this on paper. I have added comments and questions within your text below in (orange).

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Arising from this is the need to present the RJA (what is RJA?) Risk Assessment to all participants in working bees.

Amend fortnightly working bees to regular working bees. (as they haven't been fortnightly) yes difficult to recruit people fortnightly. Has been suggested to organise bigger bees at convenient times.

Have laminated MSDS available for all herbicides used available at working bees. (what are MSDS?) Material Safety Data Sheet contains product information and first aid directions

Organise a workshop for propagation of locally collected native seeds. Contact with Understorey Network and explore possibilities. <http://www.understorey-network.org.au/index.html> (It would not be done with organising a workshop) in response to Request from Paul Williams who offered to grow seedlings and needed to learn how.

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**NE Bioregional Network** <telozea\_tas@yahoo.com.au> 9 September 2022 at 14:42  
To: SEYM LONG <scagi7215@gmail.com>, Daniel <auroradan@gmail.com>  
Cc: "Everts, Fiona" <fiona.everts@parks.tas.gov.au>

Thanks Quentin,  
Will try and get to it soon. Have been at TPC hearings most of the week.

Regards

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14 September 2022 at 23:23

To: Landcare Tas Support <support@landcaretas.org.au>

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Hi Pete and Evie,

Thanks for taking the time to talk with me yesterday and for the good advice.  
I took it and enjoyed a surf.

It is a bit overwhelming here at present with a lot of gorse growing back and not being able to do much about it.  
It is too wet to get out there with spray gear and seems increasingly difficult to get people to cut and paste.

I am struggling on how to relate with the PWS who are requesting more bureaucratic documents from us and seemingly offering little on ground assistance.

Fiona Evert the PWS Ranger allocated to the Wetland Project inspected the Conservation Area last week and matters arising from the meeting are outlined in the forwarded email below.

There is a request from Donna Stanley, PWS Northern Manager, to complete the VPP and do another Weed Management Plan by the 1st December. (see drafts attached which Dani has been working on with Fee from PWS note the attached WMP was not accepted and Vol 2 is required).

#### **Things we discussed Pete that you asked me to email you:**

1. Evie mentioned SCAGI emails had not been received recently, or had been but were not easily found.  
I sent an email requesting Landcare post the recent working bee a couple of weeks ago and got no reply or action.  
I understand you are understaffed with people off work and this may have contributed to the oversight but there also maybe a glitch in the email system.
2. One of our group, Paul Williams from the Wobbly Boat Vineyard, has offered to grow native seedlings from locally collected seeds and I rang to enquire as to who was best to facilitate a work shop.  
He is available on the weekends October 22/23 or November 12/13. Pete you mentioned you maybe able to assist with this.
3. Weed Spraying contractor from GSBC suggested a cold burn in some of the areas where there is still heavy infestation of juvenile gorse which was slashed prior to the big wet.  
It is now too wet to get on to boom or spot spray which was the plan. When I brought it up with PWS I was informed it needed a PWS Burn Plan from a separate Department and may not happen for a few months. By then it will have grown and turned into a lot larger and more difficult burn to manage.  
I have discussed cultural burning with Adrian Lowery from Preminghana at Marrawah. They have had great success with gorse control there using fire, and spraying.  
It seems that burning is a good tool to use in gorse eradication and I'm not sure how we can access it?
4. PWS also require one of us to have Chemical Handling Cert to use chemicals for spraying and cutting and pasting.  
I have researched Tas TAFE 2 day course and an Online Chem Cert Course.  
Do you know of any cheap options and which would you recommend?
5. We need to have an AGM and I thought the weekend of October 22/23 (Kez and Melissa will not be here then) or November 12/13 maybe a good time to combine it with a plant propagation work shop.  
It would be good to get personal from PWS, Landcare, NE Bioregional Network and SCAGI together to discuss the future management of the newly declared Conservation Area and if there is a role for SCAGI.

Any suggestions you have on how best to move forward with this Project will be greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards,

Quentin

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PS. We saw the Franklin Movie featuring Oliver Cassidy today.  
Very uplifting highly recommend it.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** SEYM LONG <[scagi7215@gmail.com](mailto:scagi7215@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** **Weed Management Plan Vol 2**  
**Date:** 8 September 2022 at 9:55:32 pm AEST  
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