

Forest Practices Plan

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It is necessary to read this Forest Practices Plan in its entirety for the specifications required by Section 18(2) of the Forest Practices Act 1985. This Forest Practices Plan authorises forest practices and operations to which it refers on the land specified in the Plan and during the period specified in the Plan, provided that the operations are carried out in accordance with the Plan.

This authority is given for the purposes of the Forest Practices Act 1985 only. Those carrying out the operations under the Plan should ensure that they comply with all relevant laws including the conditions of licences, permits and other authorities issued under other laws.

Coupe Name:	NA030B	Location:	Pistol Creek Road	PTR Number:	-
Tenure:	Permanent Timber Production Zone Land	IBRA 4 region:	Woolnorth	UPI or PID Numbers:	-
District:	North West	Municipality:	Circular Head	Landowners:	Sustainable Timber Tasmania
Map Sheet:	TAYATEA : 3445	Grid reference:	347036mE, 5452896mN	Principal Processors:	[Redacted]
Applicant:	[Redacted]				

Parent Rock 1:	Precambrian Mudstone (PCM)	Soil Description 1:	Loamy over clayey (LOC)	Stoniness 1:	L
Parent Rock 2:	[Redacted]	Soil Description 2:	[Redacted]	Stoniness 2:	[Redacted]

Erodibility Class 1: Moderate to high (MH) 2: [Redacted] Majority Slope: 15 deg. Maximum Altitude: 160 m

Within town water catchment:	No	Within a landscape zone in a Municipal Planning Scheme:	No
Water Intake:	-	Domestic Water Supply Intake within 2km:	No
Distance to Intake:	-	Net Area of Crown Land Reserve:	<not defined>

Public Safety Risk Assessment: Yes 28/8/2025

Emergency meeting Point: 212 - ROGER RIVER - JCN ROGER RIVER AND TROWUTTA RD

Plan certified by:	[Redacted]	Date certified:	28/08/2025	Period for which the plan is to remain in force:	28/08/2025 - 31/08/2030	Date notice of intent sent:	02/07/2025
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Discrete Operational Phase	Estimated Start Date	Estimated End Date	Details
Timber Harvesting	28/08/2025	21/08/2028	Minimum Class of Equipment to be used Dry: A Wet: A
Reforestation	28/08/2025	31/08/2030	
Reforestation Assessment	28/08/2025	31/08/2030	

Current RFA Forest Community and/or Land Use	Prescription	Ha
Tall E. obliqua forest (OT)	Clearfall followed by Sowing of Native Seed (CF-NF)	50.50
Net Operational Area:	50.50	Total Area to be Reforested: 50.50
	Total Area to be Harvested: 50.50	Total Area of Operation: 50.50

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A. GENERAL

Forest practices will be conducted in accordance with the Forest Practices Code (2020). All relevant Forest Practices Code mandatory statements ('will' statements) apply, whether or not they are referred to below. The specific requirements set out below also apply.

Forest operations prescribed in this FPP will be conducted in a manner that minimises impact to large living trees >250cm Diameter at Breast Height (DBH).

B. ACCESS TO THE FOREST

(See also section D. Conservation of Natural and Cultural Values and section F. Management of Fuels, Oils, Rubbish and Emissions.)

Person or organisation assuming primary responsibility for management of forest practices under this section of the plan : **Sustainable Timber Tasmania**

ROADING

- This coupe is accessed by Pistol Creek Road and an unnamed spur road both are class 3 roads maintained by Sustainable Timber Tasmania.
- No machinery will be walked, or extraction carried out along roads or their verges, except when approved by an STT Officer. The contractor will repair damage to the roads caused by any machinery.

C. HARVESTING OF TIMBER

(See also section D. Conservation of Natural and Cultural Values and section F. Management of Fuels, Oils, Rubbish and Emissions.)

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Up to an area of 50.5 ha may be harvested and reforested under this FPP.

BOUNDARIES

All operations associated with harvesting will be confined to within the boundaries as described below. (See FPP map)

- The northern boundary is adjacent to Tayatea Road and will be marked with Blue Flagging tape.
- The eastern boundary is adjacent to native forest on Permanent Timber Production Zone Land (PTPZL) consisting of Streamside Reserves (SSR's), a *Eucalyptus brookeriana* community and steep slopes. The *Eucalyptus brookeriana* community will be marked with blue and yellow flagging tape and the remaining boundary will be marked with blue flagging tape.
- The southern boundary is adjacent to native forest on PTPZL consisting of Coupe Dispersal, Mapped Old Growth and SSR's. The Coupe Dispersal, and Mapped Old Growth will be marked with Blue and Yellow Flagging tape. The remaining boundary will be marked with blue flagging tape.
- The western boundary is adjacent to native forest on PTPZL consisting of SSR's, Mapped Old Growth and a Wildlife Habitat Clump (WHC). The Mapped Old Growth and WHC will be marked with Blue and Yellow flagging tape. The remaining boundary will be marked with Blue Flagging tape.
- Variations to the harvesting boundary alignment may be negotiated with an STT Officer where improvements can be made to burning boundaries, or to the ability of the contractor to efficiently harvest the coupe. Where such minor variations are agreed, the STT Officer will adjust the taped boundary and the action will be fully documented and signed on the District coupe file. Significant boundary relocation requires a signed variation to this plan.

- Sections of the harvest boundary adjacent to Wildlife Habitat Clumps or protected areas, as shown in yellow on the attached map, will be machine scrub rolled to approximately 3 metres width before harvesting commences in that section. Sustainable Timber Tasmania will mark the area with both blue and yellow flagging tapes.

LANDINGS

- Up to Four (4) landings will be located on high points as indicated approximately on the attached map.
- No additional landings may be constructed or used unless authorised and documented by an STT Officer.
- Landings should be established by placing cording over the landing at the commencement of use.
- Bark matting will be used if it is placed on top of woody material (to prevent bark directly contacting the soil).
- Landing site will be kept well drained so as to prevent ponding of water.

EXTRACTION TRACKS

- Approximate extraction directions are indicated on the attached map.
- Cording and matting, or shovel logging techniques will be used on all major Extraction tracks for the period 1st July to 30th September and at other times during wet conditions. Bark matting may only be used if it is placed on top of woody material (to prevent bark directly contacting the soil).
- Cording and matting will be required on feeder tracks if rutting greater than 20 cm's occurs. Bark matting may only be used if it is placed on top of woody material (to prevent bark directly contacting the soil).
- Extraction tracks shall not follow drainage depressions.
- One extraction track crossing over Pistol Creek Road has been approved. Adequate amounts of cording and matting are to be used over the road to minimise damage.
- The crossing will be removed by the contractor when the operation is complete.
- Any damage to Pistol Creek Road caused by the contractor will be repaired by the contractor.

FELLING PRESCRIPTIONS (see also Conservation of Natural and Cultural Values)

- Harvesting will be by clearfall within the boundaries on the map and marked with blue flagging tape in the field.
- **Large Living Trees >250cm Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) will be retained, where it is safe to do so.**
- Where trees are identified for retention, slash will not be pushed against them and surrounding trees will be felled away from them.
- Trees will be felled away from the harvest boundary unless unsafe to do so minimising slash along the harvest boundary.
- Trees should not be felled across the harvest boundary. Trees that are likely to fall across the harvesting boundary must be discussed with an STT Officer to determine whether they will be felled. The Contractor will ensure that tree heads are pulled back inside the harvesting boundary unless the STT Officer agrees they should stay. Trees that are accidentally felled across the harvest boundary are to be left in place and inspected by an STT Officer before deciding on a course of action.

- Where seed collection is required, tree heads that carry collectable amounts of mature seed capsules, and any trees specifically marked with paint or flagging tape for seed collection, should be placed away from Extraction tracks and not disturbed after placement. The contractor should notify the Sustainable Timber Tasmania officer as soon as possible when the trees have been felled to allow seed collection to be carried out.
- The harvest area has the potential to contain giant trees. If the harvesting contractor finds a tree with a breast height diameter greater than 4.0 metres, no forest activities will be carried out within 100 metres of the tree pending detailed height and diameter measurements. The tree will be reported to an STT Officer.
- No machinery shall enter a WHC, Mapped Oldgrowth, Coupe Dispersal or E. brookeriana community or trees be felled into or out of a WHC, Mapped Oldgrowth, Coupe Dispersal or E. brookeriana community unless for safety reasons. Where a tree accidentally falls into a WHC, Mapped Oldgrowth, Coupe Dispersal or E. brookeriana community, a decision will be made by the STT Officer whether the tree will be pulled out or left in place.

STREAMSIDE MANAGEMENT

- One (1) Class 2 stream and eleven (11) Class 4 streams are located within or immediately adjacent to the operational area.
- The class 4 stream labelled "A" will have a minimum 20m SSR.
- All other class 4 streams will have a minimum 10m extended SSRs. The 10m wide SSR is measured from where the steep (>19°) gully sides begin.
- Additional stream crossings may be approved by an STT Officer prior to construction and usage and recorded on a monthly coupe audit or coupe notes. The number of temporary stream crossings is to be minimised.
- If any unmapped watercourse (that does not have specific management prescriptions within the FPP) is encountered, operations will cease within 20m until advice of a Sustainable Timber Tasmania Forest Practices Officer has been received.
- Note clauses under Harvesting of Timber – Boundaries.

Streamside reserve boundaries to be marked by: **Sustainable Timber Tasmania**

How marked: **Blue flagging tape**

HARVESTING RESTORATION (by the contractor)

- Restoration will be carried out progressively.

LANDINGS

- Sites will be left adequately drained as per the original ground contours.
- Cording and matting will be stripped from the landing pad and aerated before being added to heaps.
- Rubbish, metal, oil and other foreign matter will not be included in either bark or waste wood heaps.
- All heaps of landing waste (bark and waste wood) unless otherwise approved by this plan will be in accordance with Sustainable Timber Tasmania's Procedure: "Bark heap management on forest product landings". Where this is not possible, alternative Fire Management options are to be approved by Sustainable Timber Tasmania.
- Bark will be heaped on a well drained site.

BOUNDARIES

- Pull back heaps of slash (tree heads, shrubs and other non-merchantable woody material) where they fall over the harvesting boundary.

EXTRACTION TRACKS

- Extraction track cording and matting will be lifted and aerated by the harvest contractor

D. CONSERVATION OF OTHER VALUES

Prescriptions to manage flora, fauna, geomorphic, soil and water, archaeological and landscape values. (Refer to *Contractor Photo Guide to Natural and Cultural Values*)

BIODIVERSITY

Prescriptions for Wildlife habitat Clumps

- There is a requirement to retain 3 Wildlife Habitat Clumps (WHC's) along the boundary of the coupe. These clumps have been consolidated into one clump (min 0.3ha in size) on the western boundary of the coupe (see attached FPP map).

Prescriptions for the Wedge-tailed Eagle & White-bellied Sea Eagle

- Contractors to notify the FPA via the STT Officer if any new nests are discovered during the operation. Cease operations within 500m of the nest and if within the management constraint period cease operations within 1km line of site of the nest. The management constraint period is July-Jan inclusive in most years, July-Feb inclusive in late season years. The FPA will notify if the season is late.

Prescriptions for the Masked Owl

- If suitable nest trees are discovered on the edge of the coupe during the operation, the coupe boundary will be modified to exclude these trees where it is practical to do so.
- If a suspected nest or roost site is located within the operational area during operations, operations should cease within 100 m of the site and the FPA notified as soon as practical via the STT Officer.

Prescriptions for the Grey goshawk

- If suspected nesting activity (e.g. displaying male birds) is observed or a nest is found, notify the FPA via the STT Officer and keep forestry activities at least 100m away.
- Regeneration burns should be directed away from the stream bed. Any dead stags on the edge of the streamside reserves that may result in fire escaping into the streamside reserve may be removed.

Prescriptions for the Tasmanian Devil, Eastern Quoll & Spotted Tailed quoll

- If a potential den site is found keep operations at least 50m away and notify FPA via the STT Officer.

Prescriptions for the Australian grayling and Giant Freshwater Crayfish

- Regeneration burns should be directed away from the stream bed. Any dead stags on the edge of the streamside reserves that may result in fire escaping into the streamside reserve may be removed.
- There must be no mechanical disturbance to creek beds at all stages of the operation except at designated crossing points. At these points disturbance and sediment input to streams must be minimised. Minimise stream crossings. When removing accidentally felled trees from within retained streamside reserves there should be no disturbance to understorey vegetation, stream bed and banks.

Reporting new sites for threatened fauna and flora

If new sites for threatened fauna (e.g., raptor nests, devil dens etc.) or flora are found during the implementation of a Forest Practices Plan, the sites must be reported to the Forest Practices Authority as soon as practical.

EARTH SCIENCES

- The Class 4 stream labelled "A" will have a minimum 20m SSR. All other class 4 streams will have a minimum 10m extended SSRs. The 10m wide SSR is measured from where the steep (>19°) gully sides begin..

CULTURAL HERITAGE

If Aboriginal cultural heritage is located during operations it will be reported to the operation's STT Officer. Before work continues at that location a FPA-endorsed Aboriginal heritage FPO will inspect the site and monitor the operation to ensure heritage values are not impacted upon.

Any new sites found will be recorded and an AHR Site Recording form will be completed and forwarded to the FPA.

- When ground disturbing operations have been completed, areas in which significant amounts of mineral soil are exposed (e.g. around landings, or turning areas, or cultivated topsoil), will be checked for unusual rock flakes or other possible signs of aboriginal heritage by an FPA-endorsed Aboriginal heritage FPO. The date of the field check will be recorded on the coupe file or coupe monitoring form.

Organisation responsible for organising Aboriginal archaeological assessment is:

Sustainable Timber Tasmania

LANDSCAPE

No specific prescriptions required.

APICULTURE

- Locate harvest boundaries to exclude commercial leatherwood patches, or small (less than 0.5ha) leatherwood patches if adjacent and external to the harvest area and are contributing to nearby commercial leatherwood patches.
- The contractor is to notify Sustainable Timber Tasmania immediately if any areas that have moderate or high stocking of leatherwood trees are found in the coupe that may contain commercial areas of Leatherwood. There are to be no forestry operations within at least 10 metres of the edge of any leatherwood areas until assessed by a Sustainable Timber Tasmania officer

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E. ESTABLISHING FORESTS (REFORESTATION)

Person or organisation responsible for reforestation and having primary responsibility for management of forest practices under this section of the plan is: **Sustainable Timber Tasmania**

SITE PREPERATION PROCEDURES (e.g. firebreaks, access tracks, cross drains (grips), areas to be treated differently etc.)

- This coupe will be regenerated to native forest.
- Logging slash should be managed to minimise the direct effects of burning to retained trees.
- Site preparation should be managed to provide safe access for burning and regeneration activities.

BURNING (e.g. Planned intensity and timing)

- Any burning conducted under this FPP will be done under an approved burn plan. The burn plan will address efforts to minimise the risk of fire from damaging any retained live large trees or from entering the Coupe Dispersal, WHC, SSR's and *E brookeriana* excluded area.

SOWING or PLANTATION TREATMENTS (artificial sowing, seed zone, natural regeneration, retained growing stock, planting etc.)

- Seed collection and sowing will be in accordance with Native Forest Silviculture Technical Bulletin 1 (Forestry Tasmania 2010), and Sustainable Timber Tasmania quality standards.
- The seed mix should contain approximately 100% *E obliqua*.
- The seed will be aerially sown as soon as is practical (less than 21 days) following the regeneration burn.

STOCKING STANDARDS (Specify survey method and stocking standard to be achieved)

- Stocking and growth will be monitored in accordance with the Forest Practices Code 2020 Table 9, for Clearfall burn and sow requiring 65% of harvested area to have adequate stocking.
- If browsing animal damage has a significant effect on the establishment or early growth of the regeneration, browsing control involving shooting and/or trapping may be carried out (this will be determined by monthly browsing transect audit results and field checks by an STT Officer).
- A regeneration survey will be carried out at approximately one year of age as per Technical Bulletin 6 (Forestry Tasmania 2010).

Regeneration survey to be organised by: **Sustainable Timber Tasmania**

WEED CONTROL (Describe method(s) to be used)

- No specific weed control requirements for this regeneration treatment.

FERTILISER APPLICATION (Describe method(s) to be used)

- No fertiliser application.

F. MANAGEMENT OF FUELS, OILS, RUBBISH AND EMISSIONS

USE OF FUEL AND LUBRICANTS

- Sites for fuel storage will be located at least 40 metres from any stream reserve and will be surrounded by an earthen bund capable of containing the maximum contents of fuel stored.
- Fuel tankers that leak fuel are not acceptable and will not be allowed on site. Care is to be taken to minimise fuel and oil spillage and waste oil is not to be tipped on the ground.
- Any fuel and oil spills greater than 20 litres will be reported to Sustainable Timber Tasmania (Ph 6433 2666) without delay.
- Any fuel or oil spills will be cleaned up and contaminated soil removed to a registered hazardous waste disposal site.

WEED MANAGEMENT

- Logging, Construction and Regeneration machinery is to be washed down prior to arriving on site as per Washdown Guidelines for Weed and Disease Control Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment Edition 1.

OTHER

- All rubbish from forestry operations will be removed.

FIRE MANAGEMENT

- The Sustainable Timber Tasmania Tactical Fire Management Plan covers this area and deals with landscape level fire management planning.



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Forest Practices Officer	[Redacted]
Certified by (signature):	Date: <u>28/8/25</u>
Name:
Pursuant to a delegation from the Forest Practices Authority under section 43 of the <i>Forest Practices Act 1985</i> .	

Pursuant to section 18(4)(b) of the *Forest Practices Act 1985*

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT FOREST PRACTICES PLAN No **DRT0752 (NA030B)**(the Plan)

Landowners consent

I am the owner of the land or the authorised agent of the owner of the land referred to in the Plan.

I give my approval for the plan to be submitted to the Forest Practices Authority as an application for certification under section 19 of the *Forest Practices Act 1985*.

I understand that, under Division 1A of the *Private Forests Act 1994*, I may be required to pay a levy to Private Forests Tasmania based on the nett area of forest operations under the Plan.

Name

[Redacted]

Company or other entity

[Redacted]

Address

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Phone

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Signature

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Date

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APPLICATION FOR FOREST PRACTICES PLAN No DRT0752 (NA030B) (the Plan)

Pursuant to Section 19 of the Forest Practices Act 1985 (the Act)

Acknowledgement of applicant

I submit the Plan to the Forest Practices Authority (the Authority) and apply for its certification.

I acknowledge that the Plan has been prepared in accordance with section 18 of the Act.

I understand the provisions of the Plan, and that I am responsible for ensuring that the Plan is complied with unless otherwise stated in the Plan.

I understand that I am responsible for the lodgment of interim compliance reports with the Authority within 30 days of the completion of each discrete operational phase* authorised under the Plan; and further, for the lodgment of a final compliance report with the Authority within 30 days of the expiry of the Plan.

I understand that under sections 18(4A) and 18(4B) of the Act, I must pay a prescribed application fee at a time, and in a manner, determined by the Authority.

Pursuant to section 18(4C) of the Act, I am aware that if I fail to pay the fee according to the above terms I acknowledge that the any unpaid portion of the fee is a debt due and payable to the Authority and may be recovered by the Authority in a court of competent jurisdiction.

I acknowledge the Plan may be made available to members of the public and other government departments in accordance with the provisions of the Right to Information Act 2009 and the Authority's Policy on Communication of Information Relating to Forest Practices Plans

Name [Redacted]

Company or other entity [Redacted]

Address [Redacted]

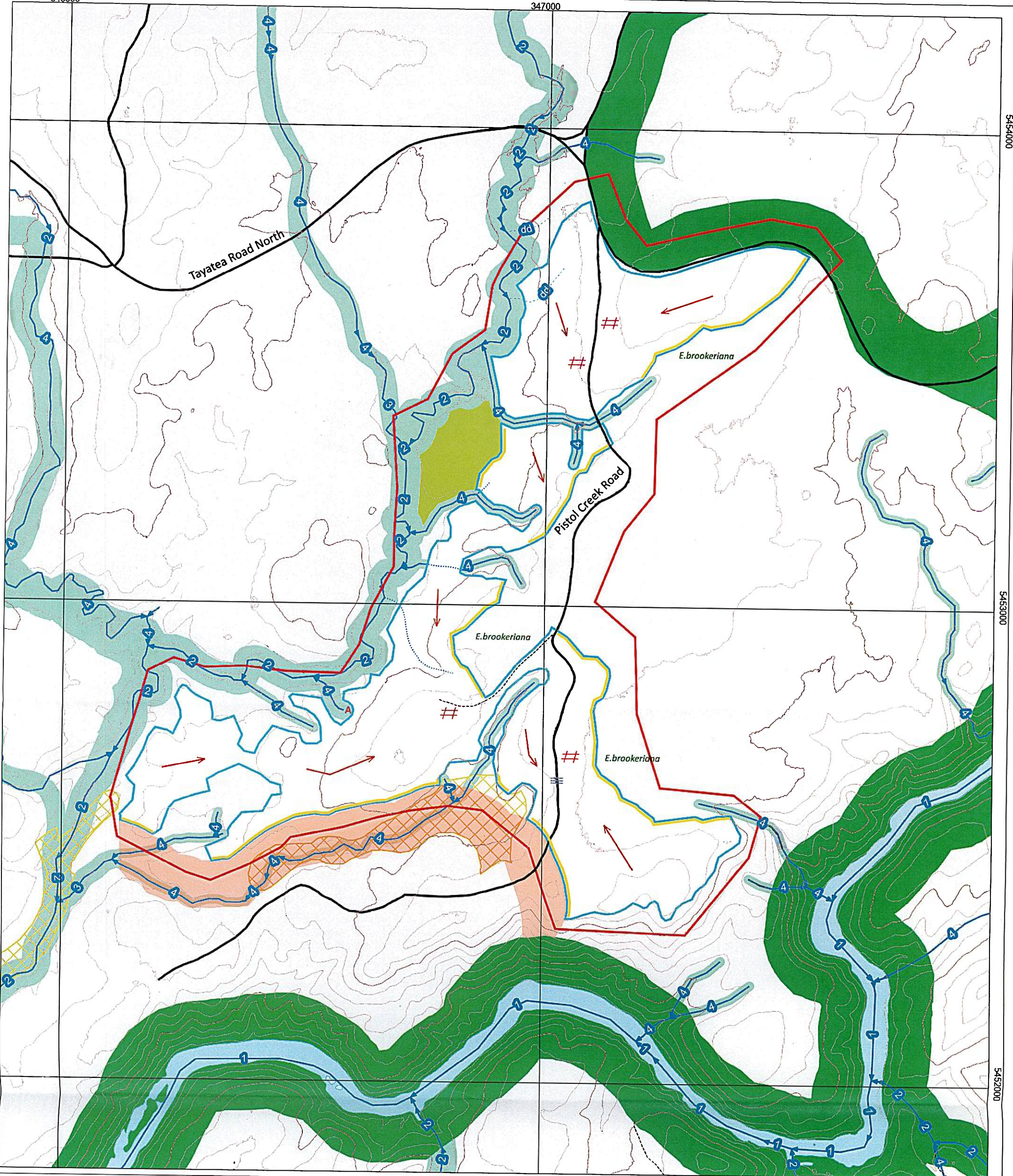
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Signature [Redacted]

Date 28/8/25

*Discrete operational phases under this plan include (tick box against each forest practice proposed):

- Road construction
- Tree fern harvesting
- Timber harvesting
- Reforestation
- Clearing and conversion of threatened native vegetation communities
- Reforestation assessment
- Clearing of trees
- Quarrying



Scale : 1:7500 **EMP 212: JUNCTION OF ROGER RIVER ROAD & TROWUTTA ROAD**

Mapsheet: TAYATEA 3445

Harvest Area 50.5 Ha

Map Center Coordinates: 347036mE 5452896mN



Date: Wednesday, August, 27, 2025

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| PTPZL outside Harvest Boundary | Harvest Boundary | Crossing | <i>E. brookeriana</i> Exclusion |
| Streamside Reserve | FPP Boundary | # Landing / Stockpile | |
| Informal Reserves on PTPZL | Road Class 1-3 | Contour Lines (10 metres) | |
| Watercourse (Intermittent) | Access Track | Contour Lines (50 metres) | |
| Watercourse (Perennial) | A 20m SSR | Coupe Dispersal | |
| Stream | Extraction Direction | Mapped Old Growth | |
| Drainage Depression | Scrub Roll Boundary | Wildlife Habitat Clump | |



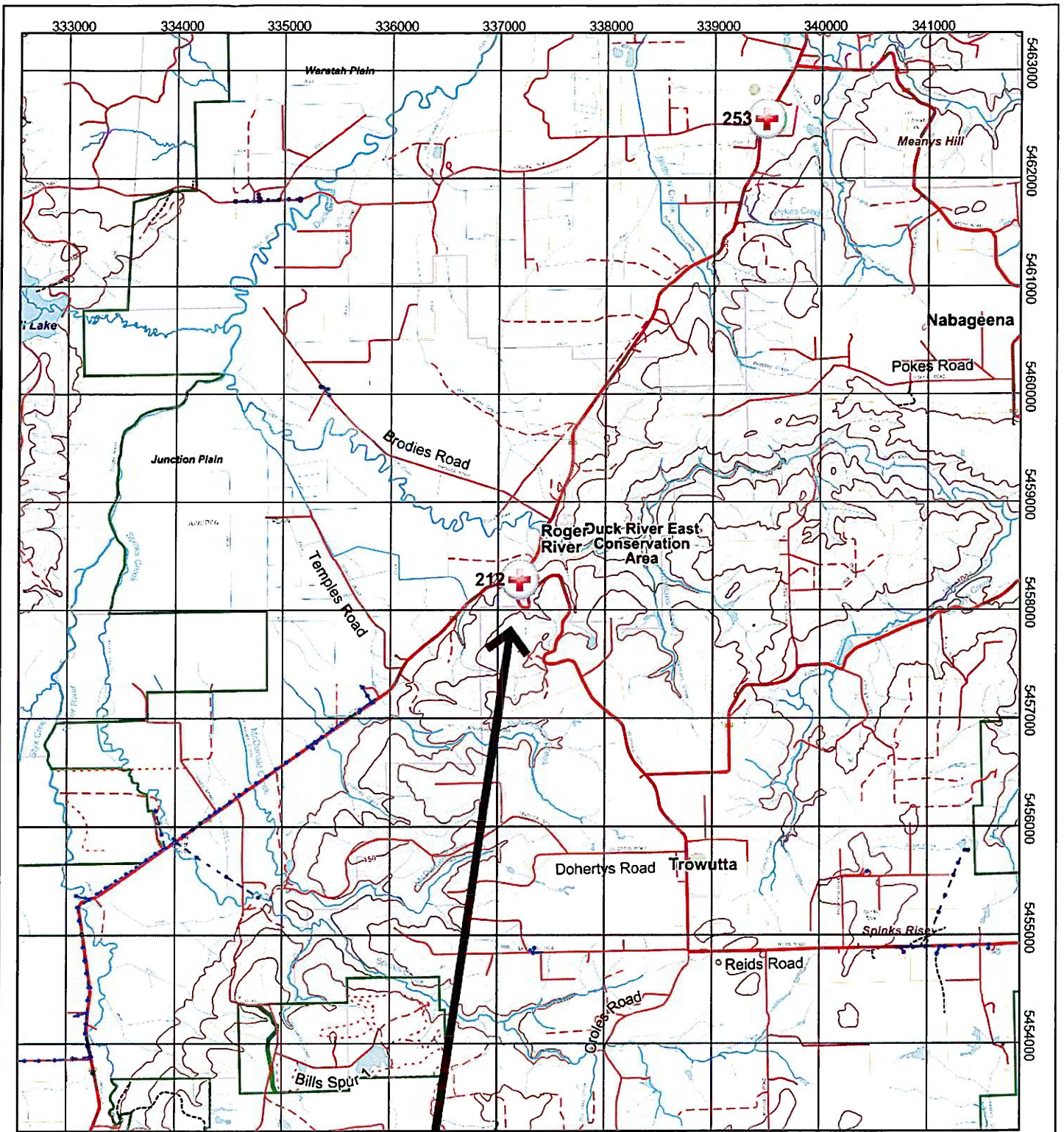
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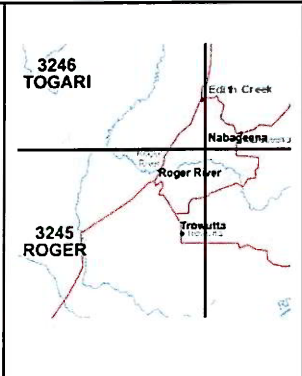
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- Wetland Swamp
- Class 1 Stream
- Class 2 Stream
- Class 3 Stream
- Class 4 Stream
- Drainage Depression
- PTPZ Boundary
- Primary All Weather
- Single All Weather
- Single Minor
- Vehicular Track
- Track
- Distribution Poles
- Distribution Lines Overhead
- Emergency Meeting Point

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