

1.25 Environmental Impact Assessment Policy

Policy Owner	Executive Director Infrastructure, Development & Environment
Responsible Officer	Manager City Reserves
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Objective

This policy and associated procedure aim to minimise the environmental impacts that could be caused by works carried out on City managed land and ensure compliance with legislative and statutory requirements (including International, Federal and State Government legislation and policies).

Scope

The Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure is to be implemented during the planning stage of any works proposed by City of Albany staff, contractors, other Government departments or members of the community on City controlled land. Works to be assessed include new, upgrade, and maintenance works.

Policy Statement

City of Albany will ensure works are conducted in a manner that minimise the environmental impact on land vested in the care and control of the City of Albany.

Legislative and Strategic Context

This policy complies with the requirements of the following legislation:

- *Agriculture and Related Resources Protection Act 1976*
- *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*
- *Soil and Land Conservation Act 1945*
- *Country Areas Water Supply Act 1947*
- *Environmental Protection Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*
- *Fish Resource Management Act 1994*
- *Metropolitan Water Supply, Sewerage and Drainage Act 1909*
- *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914*
- *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*
- *Waterways Conservation Act 1976*
- *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

City's Strategic Community Plan 2023:

- **Pillar:** Planet
- **Outcomes:** Sustainable management of natural areas: balancing conservation with responsible access and enjoyment.
- **Objectives:**
 - Conserve and enhance the region's natural reserves.
 - Provide sustainable protection, adaption and enhancement of the coastline, rivers, floodplains, wetlands, and estuaries.

Review Position and Date

- This policy and guideline to be reviewed annually.

Associated Documents

- Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure.