

# **Department of Environment, Science and Innovation**

# **Environmental Reports**

# **Matters of State Environmental Significance**

For the selected area of interest

EPM: 28700

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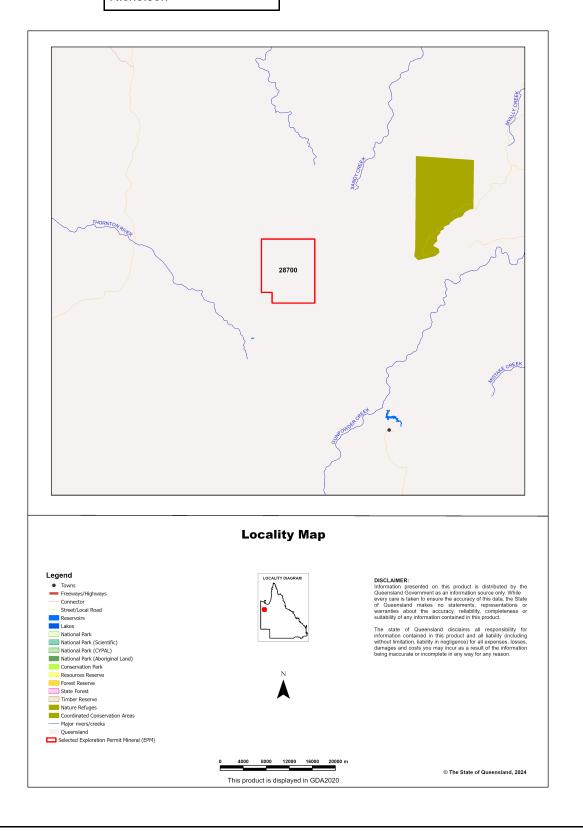
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### **Assessment Area Details**

The following table provides an overview of the area of interest (AOI) with respect to selected topographic and environmental values.

Table 1: Summary table, details for AOI: EPM: 28700, with area 9362.86 ha

Local Government(s)	Catchment(s)	Bioregion(s)	Subregion(s)
Mount Isa City	Leichhardt	Northwest Highlands	Mount Isa Inlier
	Nicholson		



# **Matters of State Environmental Significance (MSES)**

#### MSES Categories

Queensland's State Planning Policy (SPP) includes a biodiversity State interest that states:

'The sustainable, long-term conservation of biodiversity is supported. Significant impacts on matters of national or state environmental significance are avoided, or where this cannot be reasonably achieved; impacts are minimised and residual impacts offset.'

The MSES mapping product is a guide to assist implementation of the SPP biodiversity policy. While it supports the SPP, the mapping does not replace the regulatory mapping or environmental values specifically called up under other laws or regulations.

The SPP defines matters of state environmental significance as:

- Protected areas (including all classes of protected area except coordinated conservation areas) under the Nature Conservation Act 1992;
- Marine parks and land within a 'marine national park', 'conservation park', 'scientific research', 'preservation' or 'buffer' zone under the Marine Parks Act 2004:
- Areas within declared fish habitat areas that are management A areas or management B areas under the Fisheries Regulation 2008;
- Threatened wildlife under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 and special least concern animals under the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulation 2006;
- Regulated vegetation under the Vegetation Management Act 1999 that is:
  - Category B areas on the regulated vegetation management map, that are 'endangered' or 'of concern' regional ecosystems;
  - Category C areas on the regulated vegetation management map that are 'endangered' or 'of concern' regional ecosystems;
  - Category R areas on the regulated vegetation management map;
  - Regional ecosystems that intersect with watercourses identified on the vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map;
  - · Regional ecosystems that intersect with wetlands identified on the vegetation management wetlands map;
- Strategic Environmental Areas under the Regional Planning Interests Act 2014;
- Wetlands in a wetland protection area of wetlands of high ecological significance shown on the Map of Queensland Wetland Environmental Values under the Environment Protection Regulation 2019;
- Wetlands and watercourses in high ecological value waters defined in the Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009, schedule 2;
- Legally secured offset areas.

#### **MSES Values Present**

The MSES values that are present in the area of interest are summarised in the table below:

### Table 2: Summary of MSES present within the AOI

1a Protected Areas- estates	0 ha	0.0%
1b Protected Areas- nature refuges	0 ha	0.0%
1c Protected Areas- special wildlife reserves	0 ha	0.0%
2 State Marine Parks- highly protected zones	0 ha	0.0%
3 Fish habitat areas (A and B areas)	0 ha	0.0%
4 Strategic Environmental Areas (SEA)	0 ha	0.0%
5 High Ecological Significance wetlands on the Map of Queensland Wetland Environmental Values	0 ha	0.0%
6a High Ecological Value (HEV) wetlands	0 ha	0.0%
6b High Ecological Value (HEV) waterways	0 km	Not applicable
7a Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife	0 ha	0.0%
7b Special least concern animals	0 ha	0.0%
7c i Koala habitat area - core (SEQ)	0 ha	0.0%
7c ii Koala habitat area - locally refined (SEQ)	0 ha	0.0%
7d Sea turtle nesting areas	0 km	Not applicable
8a Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category B (remnant)	0 ha	0.0%
8b Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category C (regrowth)	0 ha	0.0%
8c Regulated Vegetation - Category R (GBR riverine regrowth)	0 ha	0.0%
8d Regulated Vegetation - Essential habitat	0 ha	0.0%
8e Regulated Vegetation - intersecting a watercourse	96.9 km	Not applicable
8f Regulated Vegetation - within 100m of a Vegetation Management Wetland	0 ha	0.0%
9a Legally secured offset areas- offset register areas	0 ha	0.0%
9b Legally secured offset areas- vegetation offsets through a Property Map of Assessable Vegetation	0 ha	0.0%

# **Additional Information with Respect to MSES Values Present**

#### **MSES - State Conservation Areas**

#### 1a. Protected Areas - estates

(No results)

## 1b. Protected Areas - nature refuges

(No results)

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1c. Protected Areas - special wildlife reserves (No results)		
2. State Marine Parks - highly protected zones (No results)		
3. Fish habitat areas (A and B areas) (No results)		
Refer to Map 1 - MSES - State Conservation Areas for an overview of the relevant MSES.		
MSES - Wetlands and Waterways		
4. Strategic Environmental Areas (SEA) (No results)		
5. High Ecological Significance wetlands on the Map of Queensland Wetland Environmenta	l Values	
(no results)		
6a. Wetlands in High Ecological Value (HEV) waters		
(no results)		
6b. Waterways in High Ecological Value (HEV) waters		
(no results)		
Refer to Map 2 - MSES - Wetlands and Waterways for an overview of the relevant MSES.		
MSES - Species		
7a. Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife		
Not applicable		
7b. Special least concern animals		
Not applicable		
7c i. Koala habitat area - core (SEQ)		
Not applicable		

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7c ii. Koala habitat area - locally refined (SEQ)

Not applicable

7d. Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)

Not applicable

Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife habitat suitability models

Species	Common name	NCA status	Presence
Boronia keysii	Keys boronia	V	None
Calyptorhynchus lathami	Glossy black cockatoo	V	None
Casuarius casuarius johnsonii	Sthn population cassowary	E	None
Crinia tinnula	Wallum froglet	V	None
Denisonia maculata	Ornamental snake	V	None
Euastacus bindal	Mount Elliot crayfish	CR	None
Euastacus binzayedi		CR	None
Euastacus eungella		Е	None
Euastacus hystricosus		Е	None
Euastacus jagara	Jagara hairy crayfish	CR	None
Euastacus maidae		CR	None
Euastacus monteithorum		Е	None
Euastacus robertsi		Е	None
Taudactylus pleione	Kroombit tinkerfrog	Е	None
Litoria freycineti	Wallum rocketfrog	V	None
Litoria olongburensis	Wallum sedgefrog	V	None
Macadamia integrifolia		V	None
Melaleuca irbyana	swamp tea-tree	Е	None
Macadamia ternifolia		V	None
Macadamia tetraphylla	bopple nut	V	None
Petrogale penicillata	brush-tailed rock-wallaby	V	None
Petrogale coenensis	Cape York rock-wallaby	E	None
Petrogale purpureicollis	purple-necked rock-wallaby	V	None
Petrogale sharmani	Sharmans rock-wallaby	V	None
Petrogale xanthopus celeris	yellow-footed rock-wallaby (Qld subspecies)	V	None
Petaurus gracilis	Mahogany Glider	Е	None
Petrogale persephone	Proserpine rock-wallaby	Е	None
Phascolarctos cinereus	Koala - outside SEQ*	Е	None
Pezoporus wallicus wallicus	Eastern ground parrot	V	None
Xeromys myoides	Water Mouse	V	None

<sup>\*</sup>For koala model, this includes areas outside SEQ. Check 7c SEQ koala habitat for presence/absence.

# Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife species records (No results)

#### Special least concern animal species records

(No results)

#### Shorebird habitat (critically endangered/endangered/vulnerable)

Not applicable

#### Shorebird habitat (special least concern)

Not applicable

\*Nature Conservation Act 1992 (NCA) Status- Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V) or Special Least Concern Animal (SL). Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC) status: Critically Endangered (CE) Endangered (E), Vulnerable (V)

Migratory status (M) - China and Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (C), Japan and Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (J), Republic of Korea and Australia Migratory Bird Agreement (R), Bonn Migratory Convention (B), Eastern Flyway (E)

To request a species list for an area, or search for a species profile, access Wildlife Online at:

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/species-list/

Refer to Map 3a - MSES - Species - Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife and special least concern animals and Map 3b - MSES - Species - Koala habitat area (SEQ) and Map 3c - MSES - Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas) for an overview of the relevant MSES.

#### **MSES - Regulated Vegetation**

For further information relating to regional ecosystems in general, go to:

https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/ecosystems/

For a more detailed description of a particular regional ecosystem, access the regional ecosystem search page at:

https://environment.ehp.gld.gov.au/regional-ecosystems/

#### 8a. Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category B (remnant)

Not applicable

#### 8b. Regulated Vegetation - Endangered/Of concern in Category C (regrowth)

Not applicable

#### 8c. Regulated Vegetation - Category R (GBR riverine regrowth)

Not applicable

#### 8d. Regulated Vegetation - Essential habitat

Not applicable

#### 8e. Regulated Vegetation - intersecting a watercourse\*\*

A vegetation management watercourse is mapped as present

## ${\bf 8f. \ Regulated \ Vegetation \ - within \ 100m \ of \ a \ Vegetation \ Management \ wetland}$

Not applicable

Refer to Map 4 - MSES - Regulated Vegetation for an overview of the relevant MSES.

#### **MSES - Offsets**

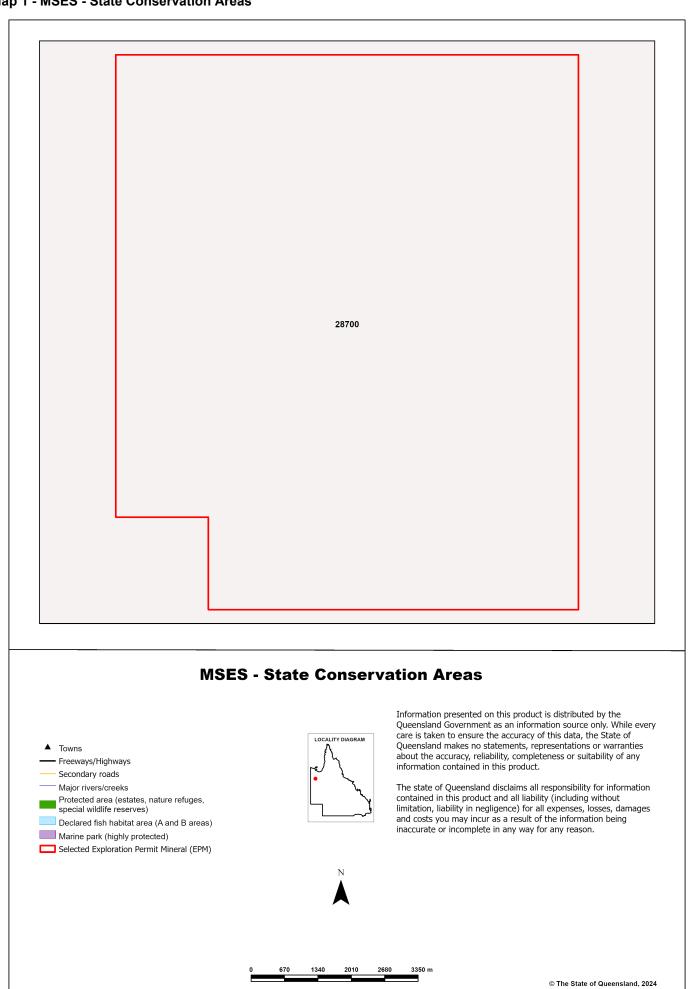
# 9a. Legally secured offset areas - offset register areas

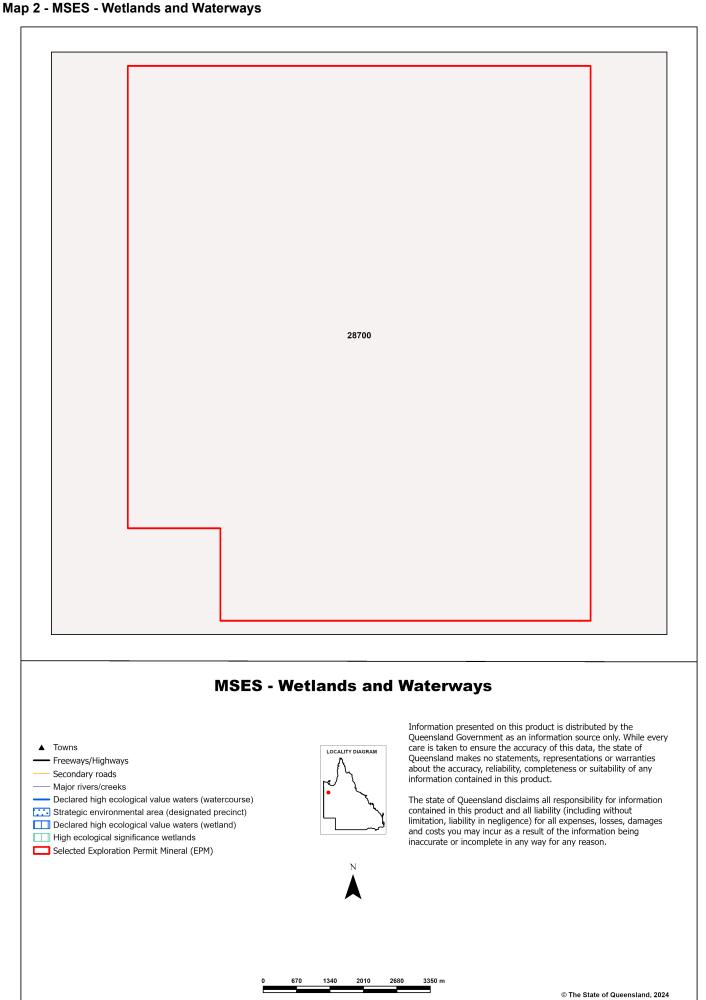
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# **9b.** Legally secured offset areas - vegetation offsets through a Property Map of Assessable Vegetation (No results)

Refer to Map 5 - MSES - Offset Areas for an overview of the relevant MSES.

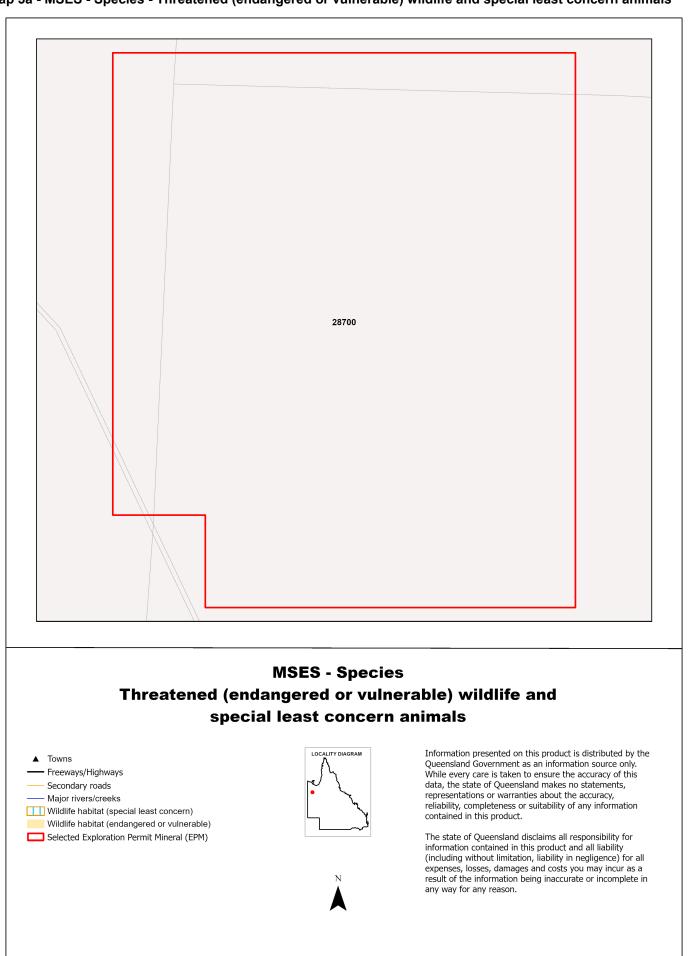
Map 1 - MSES - State Conservation Areas



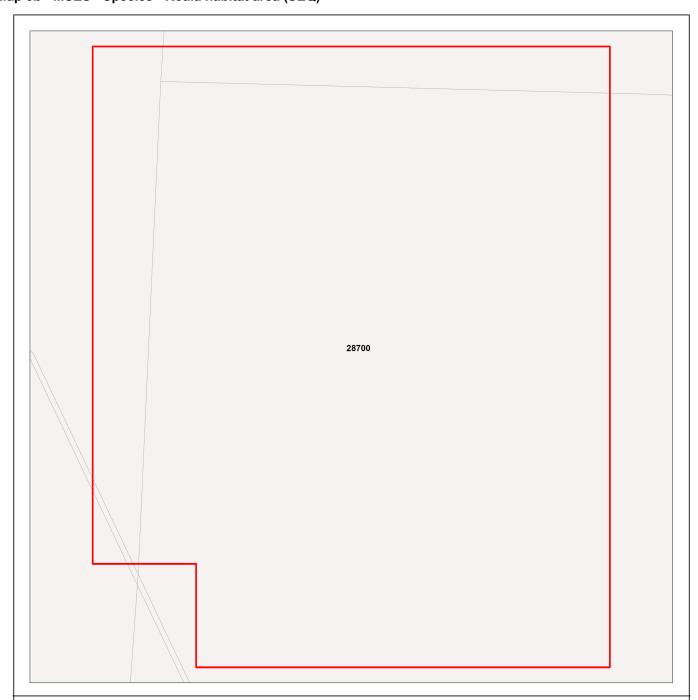


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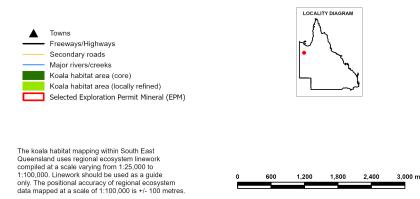
Map 3a - MSES - Species - Threatened (endangered or vulnerable) wildlife and special least concern animals



Map 3b - MSES - Species - Koala habitat area (SEQ)



# MSES - Species Koala habitat area (SEQ)

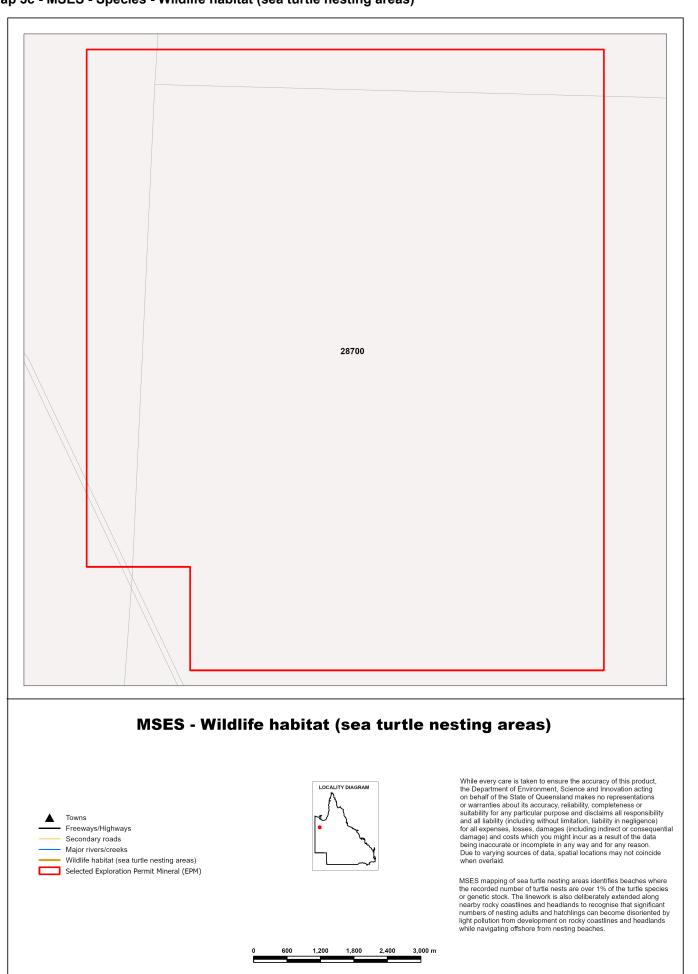


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The represented layers for SEQ 'koala habitat area-core' and 'koala habitat area- locally refined' in MSES are sourced directly from the regulatory mapping under the Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017. Whilst every effort is made to ensure the information remains current, there may be delays between updating versions. Please refer to the original mapping for the most recent version. See https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/koalas/mapping

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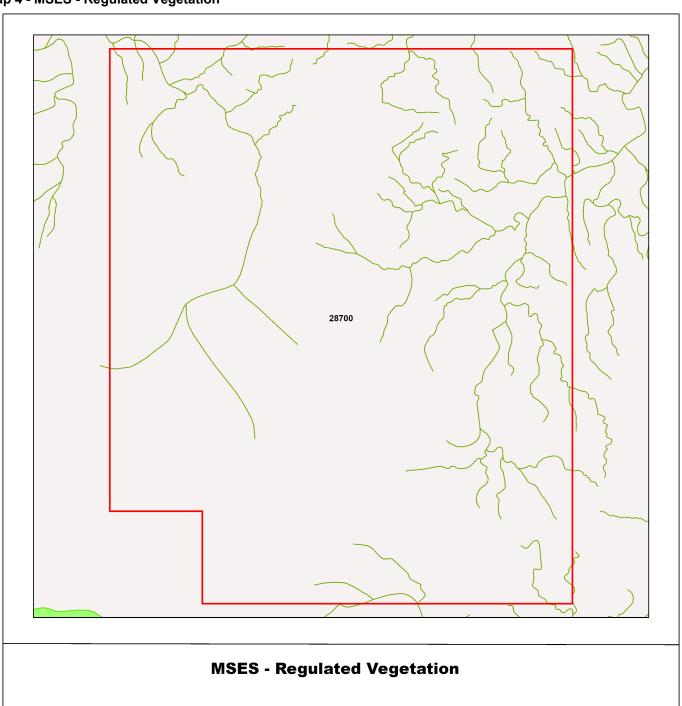
Map 3c - MSES - Species - Wildlife habitat (sea turtle nesting areas)

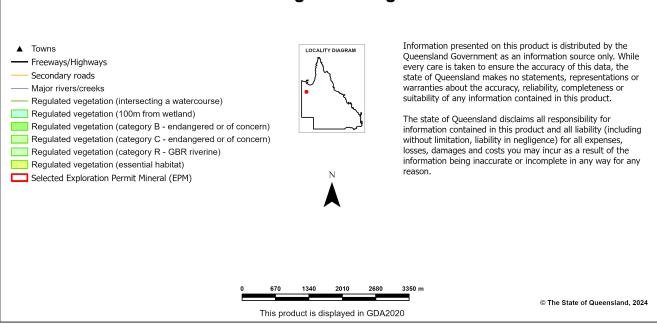


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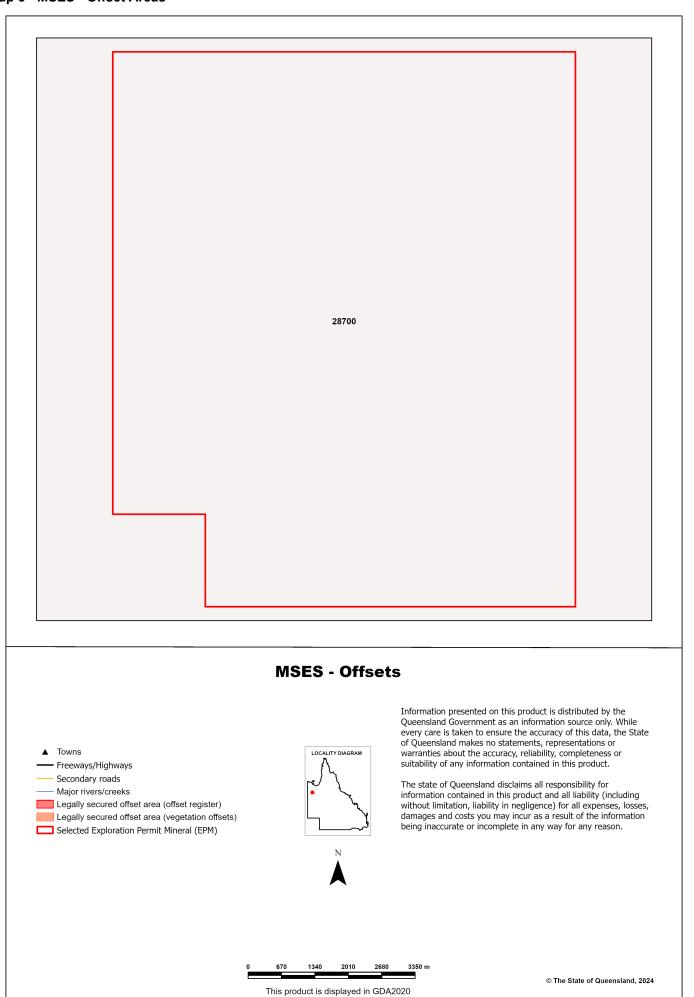
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Map 4 - MSES - Regulated Vegetation





Map 5 - MSES - Offset Areas



## **Appendices**

#### Appendix 1 - Matters of State Environmental Significance (MSES) methodology

MSES mapping is a regional-scale representation of the definition for MSES under the State Planning Policy (SPP). Its primary purpose is to support implementation of the SPP biodiversity policy.

MSES mapping does not replace the regulatory mapping or environmental values specifically called up under other laws or regulations.

MSES mapping does not determine whether state or local development assessment is required. For state assessment triggers refer to the Development Assessment Mapping System (DAMS). For local assessment triggers, refer to the relevant local planning scheme.

The Queensland Government's "Method for mapping - matters of state environmental significance can be downloaded from:

http://www.ehp.gld.gov.au/land/natural-resource/method-mapping-mses.html .

#### Appendix 2 - Source Data

The datasets listed below are available on request from:

http://qldspatial.information.qld.gov.au/catalogue/custom/index.page

· Matters of State environmental significance

Note: MSES mapping is not based on new or unique data. The primary mapping product draws data from a number of underlying environment databases and geo-referenced information sources. MSES mapping is a versioned product that is updated generally on a twice-yearly basis to incorporate the changes to underlying data sources. Several components of MSES mapping made for the current version may differ from the current underlying data sources. To ensure accuracy, or proper representation of MSES values, it is strongly recommended that users refer to the underlying data sources and review the current definition of MSES in the State Planning Policy, before applying the MSES mapping.

Individual MSES layers can be attributed to the following source data available at QSpatial:

MSES layers	current QSpatial data (http://qspatial.information.qld.gov.au)
Protected Areas-Estates, Nature Refuges, Special Wildlife Reserves	<ul><li>Protected areas of Queensland</li><li>Nature Refuges - Queensland</li><li>Special Wildlife Reserves- Queensland</li></ul>
Marine Park-Highly Protected Zones	Moreton Bay marine park zoning 2008
Fish Habitat Areas	Queensland fish habitat areas
Strategic Environmental Areas-designated	Regional Planning Interests Act - Strategic Environmental Areas
HES wetlands	Map of Queensland Wetland Environmental Values
Wetlands in HEV waters	HEV waters: - EPP Water intent for waters Source Wetlands: - Queensland Wetland Mapping (Current version 5) Source Watercourses: - Vegetation management watercourse and drainage feature map (1:100000 and 1:250000)
Wildlife habitat (threatened and special least concern)	-WildNet database species records - habitat suitability models (various) - SEQ koala habitat areas under the Koala Conservation Plan 2019
VMA regulated regional ecosystems	Vegetation management regional ecosystem and remnant map
VMA Essential Habitat	Vegetation management - essential habitat map
VMA Wetlands	Vegetation management wetlands map
Legally secured offsets	Vegetation Management Act property maps of assessable vegetation. For offset register data-contact DES
Regulated Vegetation Map	Vegetation management - regulated vegetation management map

#### **Appendix 3 - Acronyms and Abbreviations**

AOI - Area of Interest

DESI - Department of Environment, Science and Innovation

EP Act
 Environmental Protection Act 1994
 EPP
 Environmental Protection Policy
 GDA94
 Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994
 GEM
 General Environmental Matters
 GIS
 Geographic Information System

MSES - Matters of State Environmental Significance

NCA - Nature Conservation Act 1992

RE - Regional Ecosystem
SPP - State Planning Policy

VMA - Vegetation Management Act 1999