

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 1987			
MACEDON RANGES PLANNING SCHEME			
CLAUSE 52 00-6 OTHER PRE-COMMENCEMENT REQUIREMENTS			
ENDORSED REPORT			
SHEET	1	OF	5
SIGNED			
For MINISTER FOR PLANNING			
DATE	2 April 2026		

Central Excavations & Contracting Pty Ltd

Site Environmental Management Plan (SEMP)

Project: Mount Macedon Memorial Cross Viewscape Vegetation Maintenance

Location/ Address: Macedon Regional Park, Memorial Cross Loop Road, Mount Macedon.

Management

1. Responsibilities:

Site supervisor: 

Emergency Contact 1: 

2: 

A/H Contact: 

2. Communication of SEMP Requirements:

All workers and contractors will undergo a site induction on day one. This will include ensuring that everyone is aware of the SEMP and are made aware of the requirements.

Reinforcement of key points of the SEMP will be undertaken at daily prestart.

3. Inspections and Maintenance:

A daily inspection will be undertaken of the site environmental controls, and any repairs will be undertaken immediately.

4. Staging of Works:

Works will be staged so that 1 section of works will be completed at a time. Staging of works will be:

- Access trail
- Area A
- If required area B

5. Informing Residents

No residents directly adjoining the works zone. Parks Victoria has a Communication and Engagement Plan to communicate with the key stakeholders for this project.

Noise, Vibration and Lighting

Requirement: EPA Victoria and Council requirements must be adhered to in relation to the level of noise and working hours, to ensure that residents and other applicable neighbours to the site are not disturbed unreasonably. The generation of noise must be minimised.

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All noise from construction equipment (including warming up of plant) is prohibited before 7am.

6. Working Hours

7am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

No work is to be undertaken Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays.

7. Machinery lay down area

There are two lay down areas available; the preferred one to minimise machine movement is at the end of the track in the work area. There is a second lay down area available at the stockpile site beside the fire and communication towers which is accessed by Memorial Cross Loop Road.

8. Noise and Vibration Minimisation Methods

Adjoining walking trail is closed for duration of the project. Access to the Memorial Cross is currently closed due to works. Vibration will also be reduced as we have selected our quietest, high-quality & well-maintained machinery that have rubber pads/tracks.

9. Lighting

No additional lighting is required for this project.

Dust

Requirement: Dust generation must be minimised to ensure there is no health risk or loss of amenity.

10. Minimising Dust Generation

Once trees have been cut and removed off the track as well as in Area A, they will be moved straight through the Woodchipper that is positioned downwards and spread throughout the bush immediately to minimise airborne drift.

We will ensure that blades in the Woodchipper are regularly sharpened so that it makes clean cuts and produces significantly less fine dust than what dull blades would.

Our qualified arborists will have a proper feeding technique into the Woodchipper at a controlled pace which will allow the machine to pull the wood through naturally to avoid overloading, which would create a dust surge.

We will also aim to schedule high-dust tasks for early morning or late afternoon when winds are generally lower.

Erosion and Sediment

Requirement: Erosion and sediment must be managed in accordance with current best practice environmental management practices, to prevent sediment-laden water from entering any drainage system or natural waterway.

- 11.** No soil disturbance is proposed for this project. All stumps will remain in the ground. If required mulch will be spread onto the track to prevent soil disturbance.

Waste

Requirement: Litter and waste must be contained on site, before disposal in a responsible manner. Waste generation must be minimised.

12. This project will not generate additional waste.

Chemicals

Requirement: Storage and spill management practices must be implemented to ensure that no environmental damage can result from the escape or spillage of chemicals or fuels.

13. Storage

All handling of chemicals will be done so according to our Material Safety Data Sheets which will remain on site throughout the project for workers to refer back to. Risk assessments will also be completed if required.

We will minimise the quantity of hazardous materials on-site to reduce the risk of having any environmental impact.

All chemicals such as fuels and oils will be stored in a designated, contained area to prevent ground or water contamination. They will be below shoulder height and never in direct sunlight.

All containers will be clearly labelled, and access will be restricted to authorised personnel.

Hazardous substances will be replaced with less dangerous alternatives whenever possible.

14. Spill Management

We also have emergency response policies and procedures in place so that our workers and contractors know what to do if they come across any chemical spills, fires or environmental contamination.

Flora/ Fauna

Requirement: All flora and fauna on and adjacent to the site must be protected. All Native Vegetation Removal Planning Permit conditions must be recorded.

15. Day one

Boundaries of the site will be clearly marked. All workers will be made aware of the marking of trees for removal and boundaries of the site. This will ensure that only specified regrowth vegetation is treated and that the correct regrowth gums and some taller acacias are managed.

16. Vegetation Works

All vegetation works will be supervised by a suitably qualified and independent Fauna Spotter Catcher. These spotter catchers will be able to implement pre-clearing surveys and safely capture and relocate wildlife before clearing commences. The Fauna Spotter Catcher will provide a report within 7 days of completion of works.

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We will also ensure stage clearing activities to allow for passive fauna movement, allowing animals to have time to move out of the area. All works are to avoid non-target vegetation (understory and grasses) where possible.

A targeted ecological survey has identified Dwarf Silver-wattle (*Acacia nanodealbata*) within the works area. None of these shrubs are to be removed in this project. Any tree works near these species are to be removed in manner to avoid damage to these plants.

Heritage

Requirement: Places, sites and objects of archaeological or heritage significance must be protected.

17. Parks Victoria has undertaken an AHAS (Aboriginal Heritage Assessment System) for this project. A contingency plan is applicable for this project and will be included in site induction.
18. There is no known non-aboriginal heritage known in the project area, in event of any unexpected finds, works will be stopped and Parks Victoria will immediately be notified.

Vehicle Washdown

19. All machinery shall have completed a wash down for weeds and pathogens before coming onsite

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