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*National Parks Act 1975*

*National Parks Regulations 2024*

## **Set Aside(s) for Paddys Ranges State Park**

The *National Parks Regulations 2024* have been made under Sections 32AA, 37 and 48 of the *National Parks Act 1975*.

Regulation 11 provides that Parks Victoria may make a determination in writing that sets aside a regulation. In doing so, Parks Victoria may specify that set aside applies to the whole or a specified area of a park; and specified days or times or for specified periods; and to a person or class of person. In addition, Parks Victoria may set out any conditions subject to which the activity or conduct specified in the set aside determination must or must not be carried out; and specify if a permit is required to undertake the activity or conduct that is permitted, required, restricted or prohibited.

Where the area(s) covered by this Set Aside Determination, for the purpose of general park management, coincide with the area(s) covered by any other current Set Aside Determination for temporary closure of a park for the following specific purposes:

- planned burning (conservation, hazard reduction and cultural) in the approved Fire Operations Plans and incorporated into the Joint Fuel Management Program for a particular span of years
- animal and plant control programs and/ or conservation activities
- infrastructure installation and maintenance
- fire and flood recovery
- seasonal road and track closure

then this Set Aside Determination, for the purpose of general park management, does not replace those current Set Aside Determinations for the temporary closure of a park.

**Signed at Melbourne**

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## Areas set aside in Paddy Ranges State Park

Regulation(s)		Details of set aside				Further information
		Purpose of set aside determination	Area set aside	Specified conditions		
				Times or period	Other conditions	
20(1)(a)	Areas where access is prohibited or restricted	To set aside an area of a park as an area to which access for a person or class of persons is prohibited without a permit.	Special Management Area – Research as shown in Map 1 (Attachment 1).	During on-ground operations when indicated by signs and flags.	Public access is not allowed to the area set aside during ecological thinning operations and associated research and monitoring.	This set aside is for the purposes of the preservation, protection or management of the park.
20(1)(a)	Areas where access is prohibited or restricted	To set aside an area of a park as an area to which access for a person or class of persons is prohibited without a permit.	All walking tracks as shown on Maps 1 and 2 (Attachments 1 and 2).	At all times.	Persons driving or riding non-motorised vehicles including bicycles, monocycles, skateboards, roller skates, in-line roller blades or coasters, roller skis and scooters are not allowed on walking tracks.	The term 'non-motorised vehicle' is defined and administered by Vic Roads <a href="https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/">https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/</a>  This set aside is for the purposes of the preservation, protection or management of the park.
39	Areas for animals	To set aside an area of a park as an area into which animals may be brought.	All roads, vehicle tracks and parking areas in the Conservation and Recreation Zone, Land Use Designation – Prospecting and Special Management Area – Research as shown on Maps 1 and 2 (Attachments 1 and 2).	Between sunrise and sunset.	<p><u>Access:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Horses must remain on roads, tracks and in car parking areas.</li> <li>Horses must be on lead when not in a yarded area.</li> </ul> <p><u>Group Size:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum group size of 10.</li> </ul> <p><u>Management of horses:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Horses must not be watered directly at waterbodies in the park.</li> <li>Buckets should be used for drinking if possible.</li> <li>Horses must not be washed within 20m of rivers, streams, aqueducts or other</li> </ul>	

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					<p>waterbodies. Buckets must be used for washing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nosebags must be used for feeding. Feed type should be selected to minimise the risk of the spread of weeds, such as pellets, certified clean chaff/hay and rolled or cracked, clean grain.</li> <li>All waste associated with horses including manure, hay and other feed must be removed from the park and not left in loading and unloading areas in carparks.</li> </ul>	
43	Areas for introducing firewood into parks	To set aside an area of a park where firewood may be brought into the park for use as firewood within the area.	All of the park except for the Special Protection Area – Natural Values area as shown on Map 1 (Attachment 1).	At all times.	<p>Firewood can be brought into the park for use in fireplaces within the park.</p> <p>Firewood that is brought into the park must be free of chemical additives, soil, weeds, seeds and pathogens.</p>	<i>Firewood</i> means timber or wood products that are free of chemical additives and otherwise suitable for burning as firewood.
54(1)(b)	Areas where sport or recreational activities prohibited or restricted	To set aside an area of a park as an area in which sport or recreational activity is restricted.	All of the park except for the Land Use Designation – Prospecting area as shown on Map 2 (Attachment 2).	At all times.	Prospecting and fossicking is not allowed in the park except for in the Land Use Designation – Prospecting area.	

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					All fossickers and prospectors must hold a valid Victorian miner's right and restore the ground by back-filling any holes you dig and replacing leaf litter.	
72	Areas for camping	To set aside an area of a park other than an occupation site as an area for camping.	Paddys Ranges Camping Area as shown on Map 3 (Attachment 3).	At all times.	Dispersed camping is allowed in existing camp sites in accordance with on-ground signage.	Dispersed camping must be at least 20m from the water.  Native vegetation must not be cleared or damaged during dispersed camping.
76(2)	Lighting or maintaining fires restricted	To set aside an area of a park as an area in which a person may light or maintain a fire in a place other than a public fireplace.	All of the park except for the Special Protection Area – Natural Values area as shown on Map 1 (Attachment 1).	At all times.	Fires using gaseous and liquid fuels in portable commercially manufactured barbeques and cookers are allowed outside of fireplaces in the area set aside.	All fires are subject to <i>Forests Act 1958</i> and the <i>Forest (Fire Protection) Regulations 2014</i> .  A 1.5m perimeter from the fire to flammable material must be maintained at all times.  Before leaving the place of the fire, the person responsible for the fire must completely extinguish the fire, or ensure that a person who has the capacity and means to extinguish the fire is in charge of the fire.  Native vegetation must not be cleared or damaged during the lighting, kindling or maintaining of a campfire.

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## Division 2 – Application of Regulations

### 7. Application of Regulations to permit holders etc.

A person acting under and in accordance with the terms and conditions of any lease, licence, permit, authorisation, consent or other authority granted under the Act, or an agreement entered into under the Act, is not subject to these Regulations to the extent that the activities authorised by the lease, licence, permit, authorisation, consent, other authority or agreement are inconsistent with these Regulations.

### 8. Persons to whom offences under these Regulations do not apply unless otherwise specified

These Regulations, other than regulations 23, 40 and 86 (1), do not apply to a person who:

- (a) is acting as a servant or agent of the Crown; or
- (b) is acting under and in accordance with a contract with:
  - (i) the Crown; or
  - (ii) a person acting as a servant or agent of the Crown; or
- (c) is acting under the direction of a person acting as a servant or agent of the Crown; or
- (d) is acting with the permission of a person acting as a servant or agent of the Crown; or
- (e) is an authorised officer acting in the course of the authorised officer's duties.

### 9. Application of these Regulations to traditional owner group members where land is subject to agreement under Part 6 of the Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010

- 1) If a traditional owner group entity has entered into a traditional owner group agreement, any provision of these Regulations (other than a provision specified in the Table in sub regulation.
- 2) that provides for an offence to carry out an agreed activity under that agreement does not apply to a member of the traditional owner group:
  - (a) who is bound by the agreement; and
  - (b) who carries out the agreed activity to which the offence relates in accordance with the agreement and on land to which that agreement applies.

For the purpose of sub regulation (1), the following Table sets out the specified provisions and the extent to which that provision applies to a member of the traditional owner group.

#### Table

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Regulation 14(2)	The whole
Regulation 17	The whole
Regulation 21(1), (2) and (3)	The Whole
Regulation 22	The Whole
Regulation 24(1) and (2)	The Whole
Regulation 32	The Whole
Regulation 76(1)	The whole, except if the member lights or maintains a fire in a park for the purposes of undertaking cultural activities
Regulation 79(1)	The Whole
Regulation 82(1), (2), (3), (4) and (5)	The Whole
Regulation 83(1) and (2)	The Whole
Regulation 84	The Whole

## 10. Application of these Regulations to Aboriginal group members where land is not subject to agreement under Part 6 of the Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010

An Aboriginal group member, when undertaking an Aboriginal tradition on land in a park that is not land over which there is an agreement under Part 6 of the **Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010**, is exempt from these Regulations, other than the provisions set out in Column 1 to the extent set out in Column 2 of the following Table:

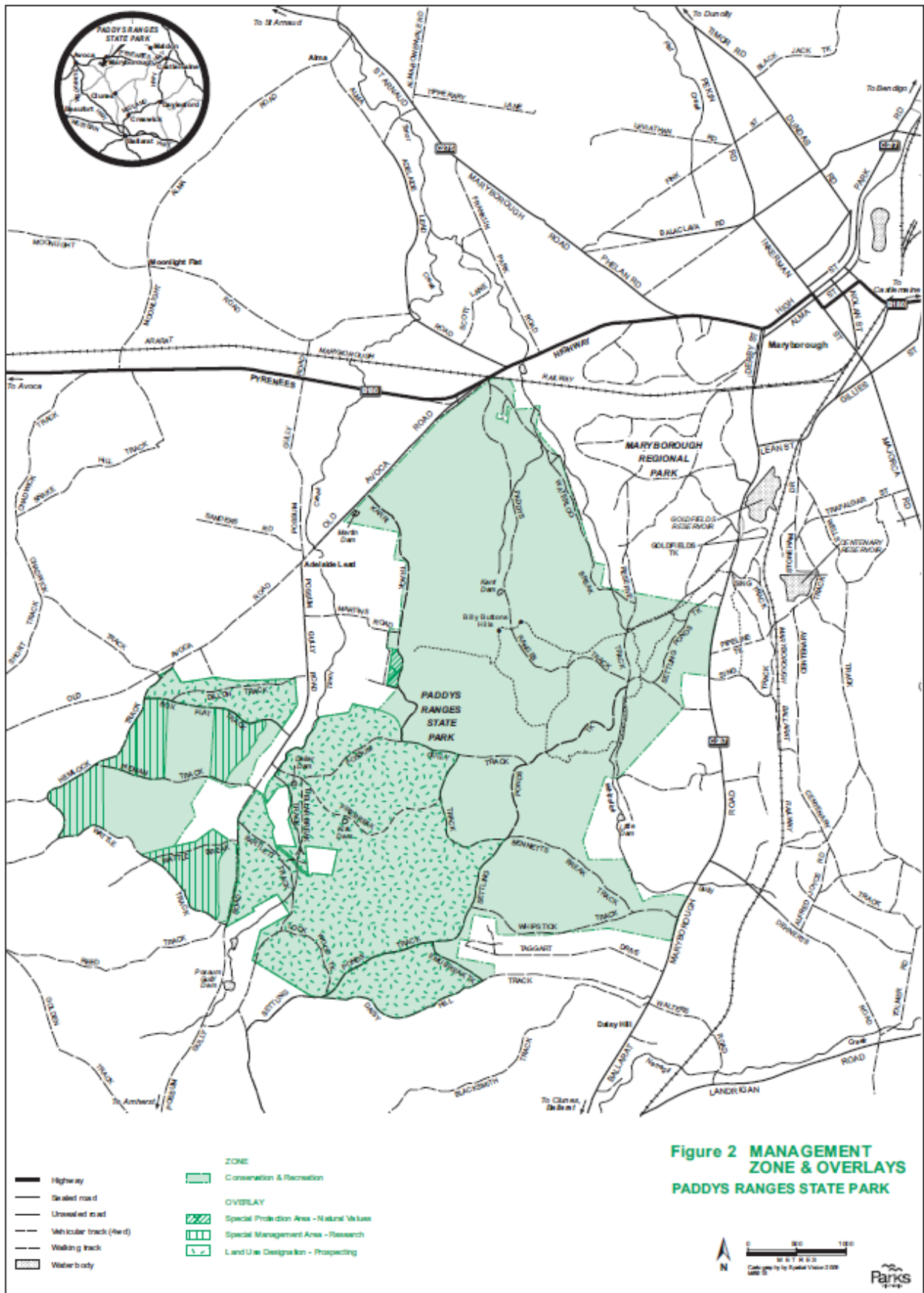
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## Attachment 1

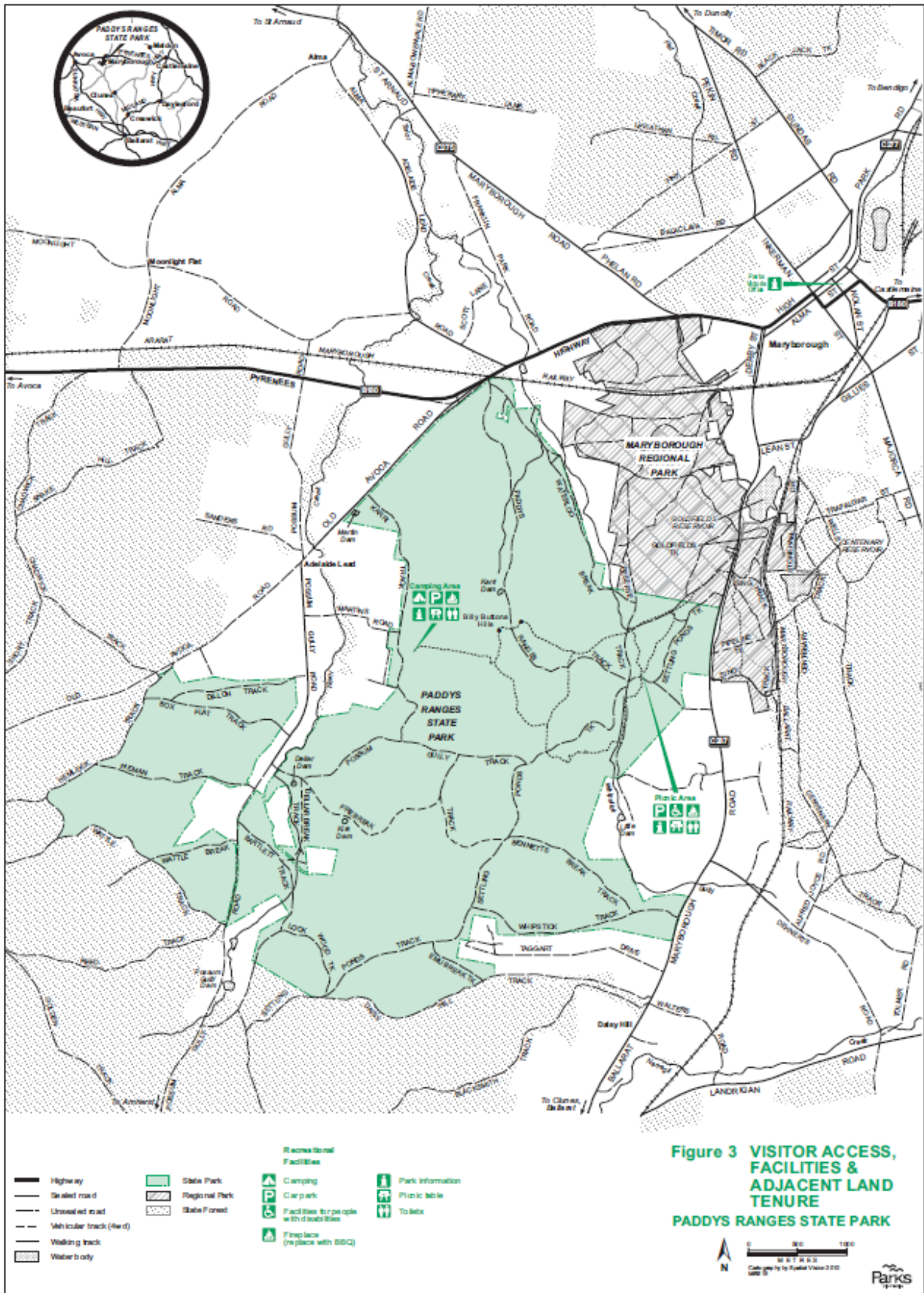
Map 1 Paddys Ranges State Park – management zones (taken from *Paddys Ranges State Park Management Plan 2010*)



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## Attachment 2

Map 2 Paddys Ranges State Park – visitor access, facilities and adjacent land tenure (taken from *Paddys Ranges State Park Management Plan 2010*)



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## Attachment 3

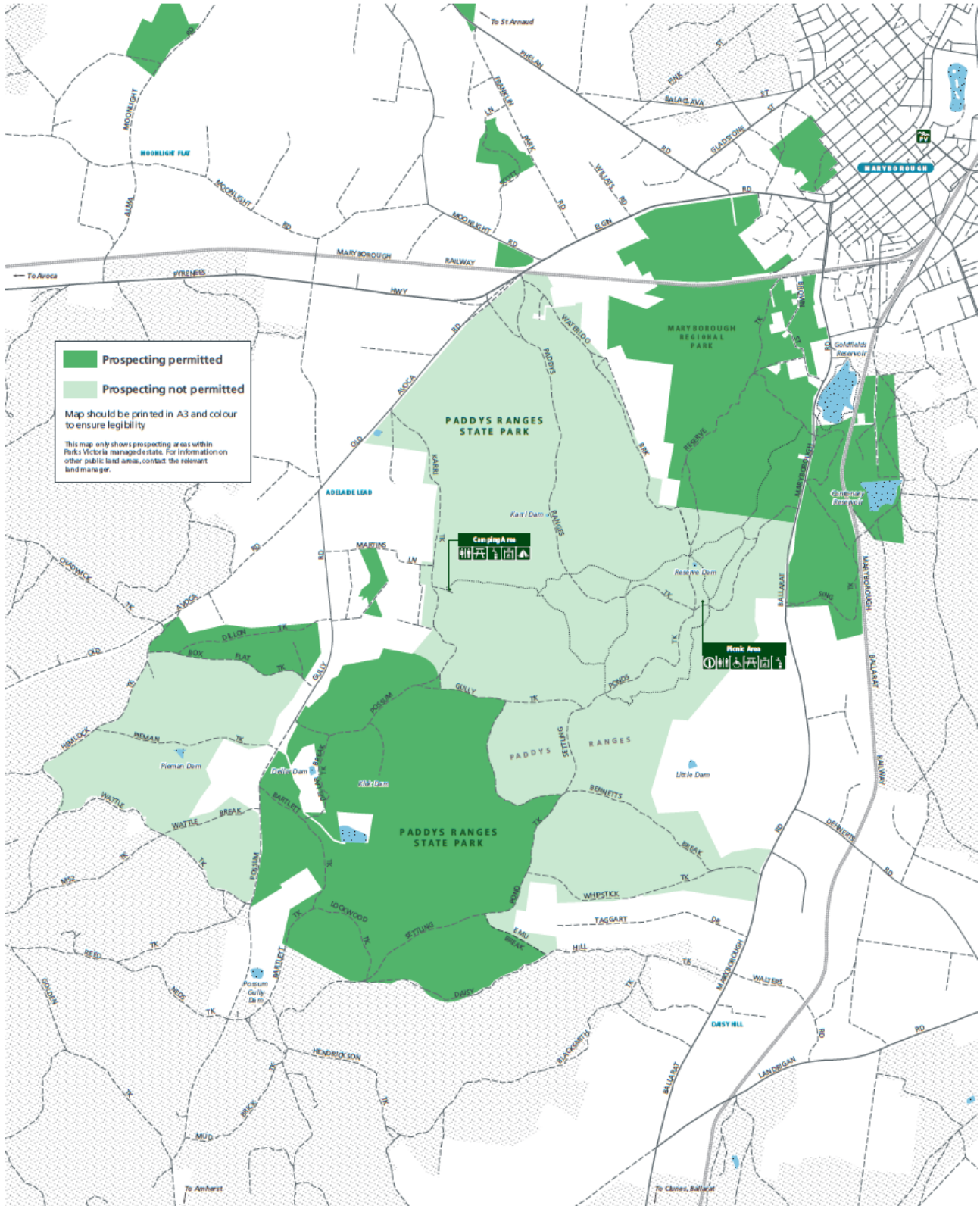
Map 3 Paddys Ranges State Park – visitor access, facilities and adjacent land tenure (taken from *Parks Victoria Visitor Guide*)



Attachment 4

Map 4 – prospecting map (taken from Parks Victoria Visitor Guide)

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