

Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park

Rock Climbing - Visitor Guide

Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park is Victoria's fourth-largest national park. It is listed on Australia's National Heritage List for its significant Aboriginal cultural heritage, diverse fauna and flora, landscapes and protection of threatened species. A popular visitor destination for hiking, road touring, cycling, canoeing and birdwatching, the park is also well known for rock climbing.

Climbing in the Gariwerd landscape

Parks Victoria and the Gariwerd Traditional Owners, represented by Barengi Gadjin Land Council Aboriginal Corporation, Eastern Maar Aboriginal Corporation and Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation, released the Greater Gariwerd Landscape Management Plan in 2021. Recreation opportunities, including rock climbing, have been identified within the plan.

Designated climbing areas

Following extensive cultural heritage assessments, 122 rock climbing areas were identified in the national park, including 13 bouldering sites. Rock climbing can only occur in these designated areas.

Rock climbing management has changed as part of a review of activities in the park, including extensive assessments to understand cultural and environmental values.

Climbing outside of a designated climbing area can result in regulatory penalties.

Parks Victoria and Traditional Owners continue to review access to rock climbing areas. Visit the Parks Victoria website to see the latest updates on rock climbing areas.

Before you climb

It is your responsibility to plan and prepare before climbing in the Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park.

Current maps for rock climbing are available online and at Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre in Halls Gap, where Parks Victoria staff can provide further advice.

Responsible climbing

- Rock climbing and bouldering can only occur in designated areas
- Rock climbers are responsible for assessing and accepting the risks associated when climbing in these areas
- Respect other climbers and park visitors
- Stick to established tracks and avoid damaging or removing vegetation where possible
- Minimise the use of chalk and only use chalk coloured to match the rock surface.

Licensed tour operators

Summerday Valley can be accessed by joining a guided rock climbing activity with a Licensed Tour Operator at designated areas. For more information on Licensed Tour Operators operating in the Gariwerd landscape, visit the Parks Victoria website.

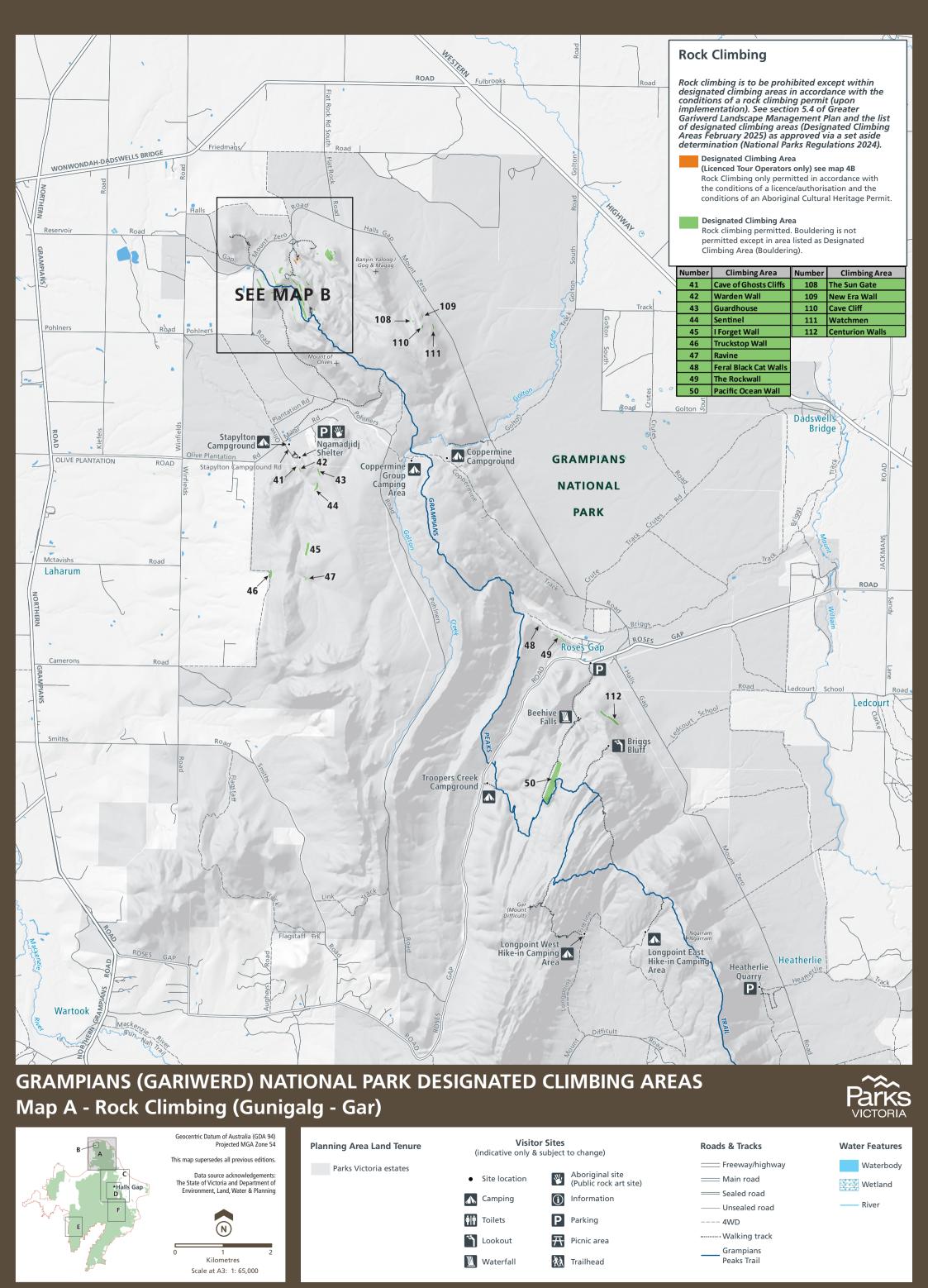
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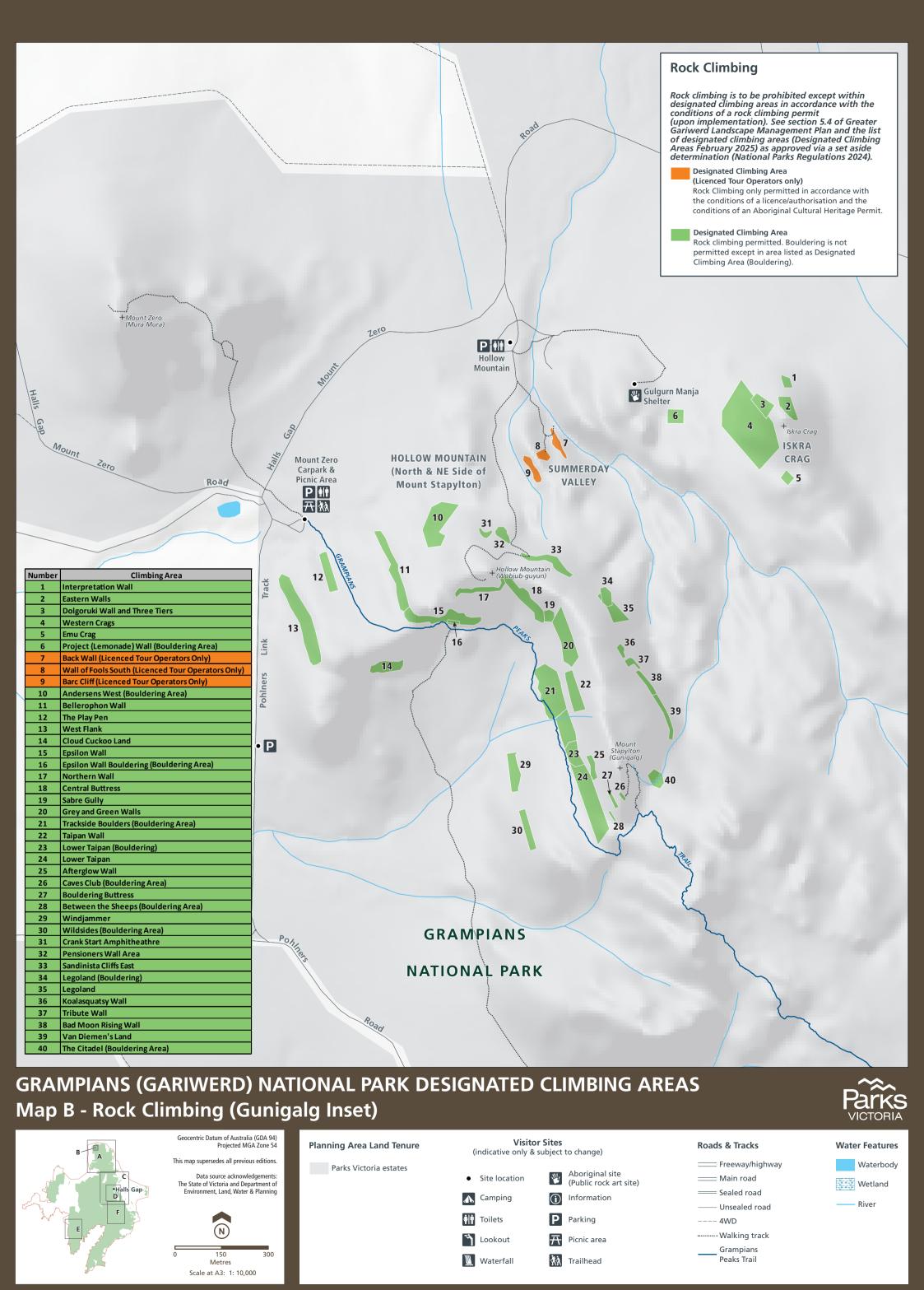
The summer 2024-25 bushfires impacted large sections of the park, and conditions may have changed since your last visit.

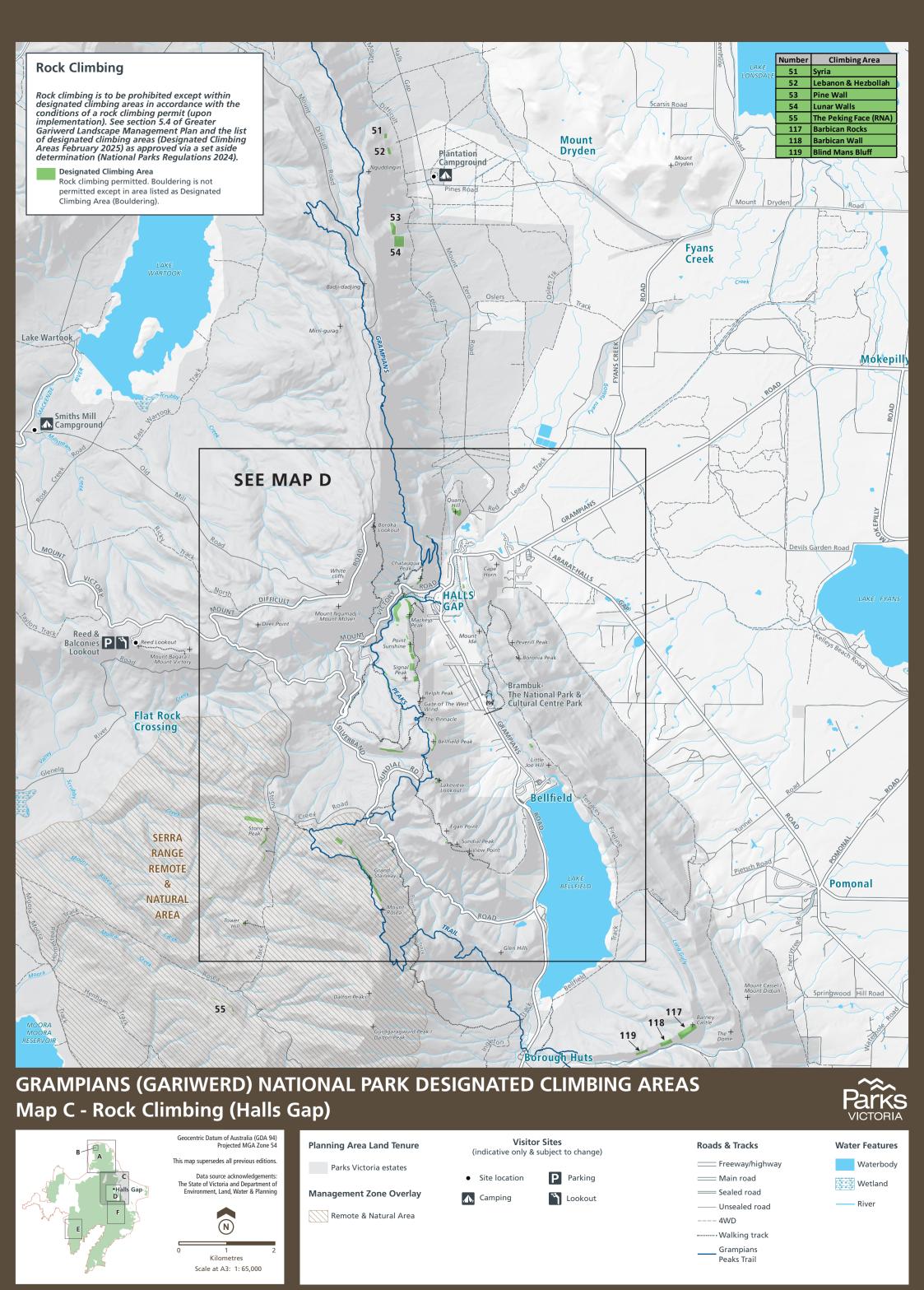


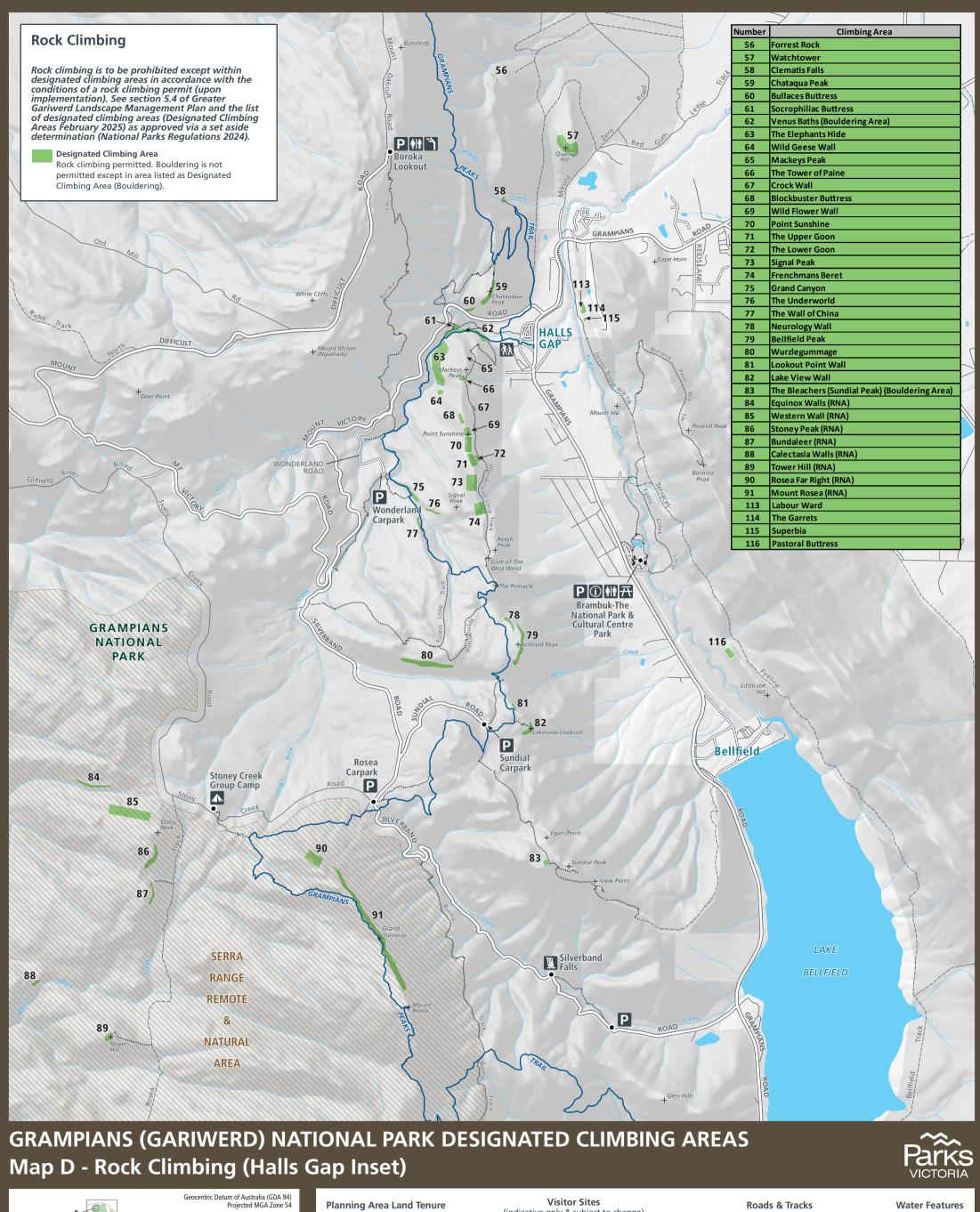
For the latest information on rock climbing in the Gariwerd landscape, scan the QR code, call 13 1963, or visit Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre in Halls Gap.

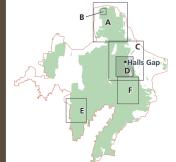






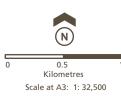






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Planning Area Land Tenure

Parks Victoria estates

Management Zone Overlay

Remote & Natural Area

(indicative only & subject to change)

• Site location

Camping † Toilets

Lookout

Waterfall

(i) Information

🕅 Trailhead

P Parking Picnic area

Roads & Tracks

==== Freeway/highway

____ Main road

==== Sealed road

Unsealed road

---- 4WD

···· Walking track

Grampians Peaks Trail **Water Features**

Waterbody Wetland

River

