

# Lake Broadwater Regional Park 2 Management Statement

## Park purpose

Lake Broadwater Regional Park 2 was formally gazetted as Lake Broadwater Resources Reserve 22 in November 1980.

The park purpose identified as part of the gazettal was to enable access to coal and coal seam gas reserves while providing protection for the wetland area.

This regional park is declared as a resource use area to enable access to mineral resources to continue.

Park size	575ha
Bioregion	Brigalow Belt
Local government area	Western Downs Regional Council
State electorate	Warrego
QPWS region	South West
Year prepared: 2015	Review date: 2025

## Strategic direction for park management

Based on an evaluation of its natural, cultural and presentation values, Lake Broadwater Regional Park 2 has been assessed as having a medium priority for management. The park will be managed according to this priority rating.

Park management will be based on the best available local knowledge, professional judgement and anecdotal information. The medium level means that it will receive a minimum of quarterly routine inspections with occasional planned visits where issues have been identified. The focus is largely expected to be on natural and mineral resource management involving a proactive management effort at a moderate level to understand or protect known natural values.

Cultural values will be managed proactively to protect those values known to Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, (QPWS). Ongoing consultation, collaboration and relationships with Traditional Owners and Indigenous stakeholders will be undertaken as required to support broader continuing park management programs.

This park currently has relatively low levels of visitor use and provides a few relatively undeveloped visitor sites. Visitors are unlikely to encounter a ranger on site during their visit. Current and future recreational opportunities will require that visitors have a high level of self-sufficiency. A moderate level of infrastructure is provided to support safe and sustainable use by predominantly self-reliant visitors. General park information is provided off-site, primarily through the Departmental website.

Public consultation on park management will be undertaken through ongoing local consultations with community stakeholders to support broad continuing management programs.

Park assets are functional and robust and require limited maintenance to protect the natural and cultural values and management capacity. An Ergon power corridor crosses the park.

## General park values, uses and management

### Regional ecosystems

There are no regional ecosystems mapped for this park.

### Species of conservation significance

There are currently no records of species of conservation significance on Queensland Government wildlife databases for this park.

## **Cultural heritage**

All protected areas are recognised as cultural landscapes and Aboriginal people see themselves as inextricably linked to country both spiritually and physically. Although cultural records on physical artefacts and sites of spiritual significance are not well documented for this area, all proposed activities need to meet duty of care requirements under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*. Non-indigenous historic places will be managed in accordance with the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*.

## **Resource Use**

The resources identified from the area include coal and coal seam gas reserves.

## **Priorities for park management**

Management actions will be undertaken which aim to ensure:

- life and property on and adjacent to the park are protected
- the impacts of existing pest species on neighbouring land uses are mitigated
- access to mineral resources continues.