Neurum Creek Regional Park Management Statement

**Park purpose**

Neurum Creek Regional Park was formally gazetted as Neurum Creek Environmental Park in 1988. In 1994 it was gazetted to become a conservation park *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

No park specific purpose was identified as part of the gazettal.

Under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, Moreton Bay Regional Council is the trustee of the park.

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**Strategic direction for park management**

Based on an evaluation of its natural, cultural and presentation values, Neurum Creek Regional Park 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 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 Park and Wildlife Service, (QPWS). Native Title has been determined for this park. The Jinibara People, represented by the Jinibara Aboriginal Corporation, hold the Native Title to this land. Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) between the Jinibara People and the State establish communication and use protocols for management of this park.

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.

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.

**General park values, uses and management**

**Regional ecosystems**

The park protects two regional ecosystems, one has endangered biodiversity status and one has of concern, Table 1.

**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*.

Priorities for park management

The two regional ecosystems are the main values of this park. The priorities for park management will be to mitigate any threats to ecosystems through fire and pest management.

Management actions will be undertaken which aim to ensure:

- life and property on and adjacent to the park is protected
- fire is managed to conserve or maintain the condition of the regional ecosystems through the application of planned burn guidelines
- the impacts of existing pest species on neighbouring land uses are mitigated
- pest threats are managed to conserve or maintain the condition of these regional ecosystems.

Appendix 1

Conservation values inventory

Table 1: Endangered and of concern regional ecosystems

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<th>Regional ecosystem number</th>
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<td>Gallery rainforest (notophyll vine forest) on alluvial plains</td>
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<td>12.3.11</td>
<td><em>Eucalyptus tereticornis</em> +/− <em>Eucalyptus siderophloia, Corymbia intermedia</em> open forest on alluvial plains usually near coast</td>
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