

Nature Conservation (Bimberi Wilderness Area) Activities Declaration 2017

Notifiable instrument NI2017–302

made under the

Nature Conservation Act 2014, s 256 (Conservator may make activities declarations)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Nature Conservation (Bimberi Wilderness Area) Activities Declaration 2017*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

3 Application

This instrument applies to the area (the ***Bimberi Wilderness Area***) outlined in bold and shown as ‘Bimberi Wilderness Area’ in the map in schedule 1.

Note Under section 169 of the *Nature Conservation Act 2014* (the *Act*) the area of Bimberi Wilderness Area is a ‘reserve’ for the purposes of the Act because the area is public land reserved in the Territory Plan as a wilderness area under section 315 (a) of the *Planning and Development Act 2007*.

4 Declaration

I declare that in the Bimberi Wilderness Area—

- (a) an activity listed in schedule 2 is prohibited; and
- (b) an activity listed in schedule 3 is restricted and may only be carried out if the requirements applying to the activity are complied with.

Note 1 If an activity is a ‘prohibited activity’ it means the activity cannot be carried out under any circumstance in the reserve. For example, the ‘use of chainsaws’ is declared to be a prohibited activity. This means that chainsaws cannot be used in Bimberi Wilderness Area under any circumstance.

Note 2 If an activity is a ‘restricted activity’ it means that it may only be carried out in the reserve if stated directions or requirements are complied with. For example, ‘camping’ is declared to be a restricted. This means camping cannot be carried out in Bimberi Wilderness Area unless it is done in a way that meets the stated requirements.

Note 3 The Act includes general offences which apply to all reserves (including Bimberi Wilderness Area). The Act may be found at <http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2014-59/default.asp>.

5 Revocation

The *Nature Conservation (Bimberi Wilderness Area) Activities Declaration 2015 (No 1)* (NI2015-266) is revoked.

6 Definitions

In this instrument—

Camping means—

- (a) setting up any tent, shelter, bivouac, swag, sleeping bag, mattress or bedding; or
- (b) setting up any stationary vehicle for the purpose of lying down or sleeping in or on the vehicle; or
- (c) lying down or sleeping in or on any stationary vehicle, tent, shelter, bivouac, swag, sleeping bag, mattress or bedding between sunset and 2 hours after sunrise.

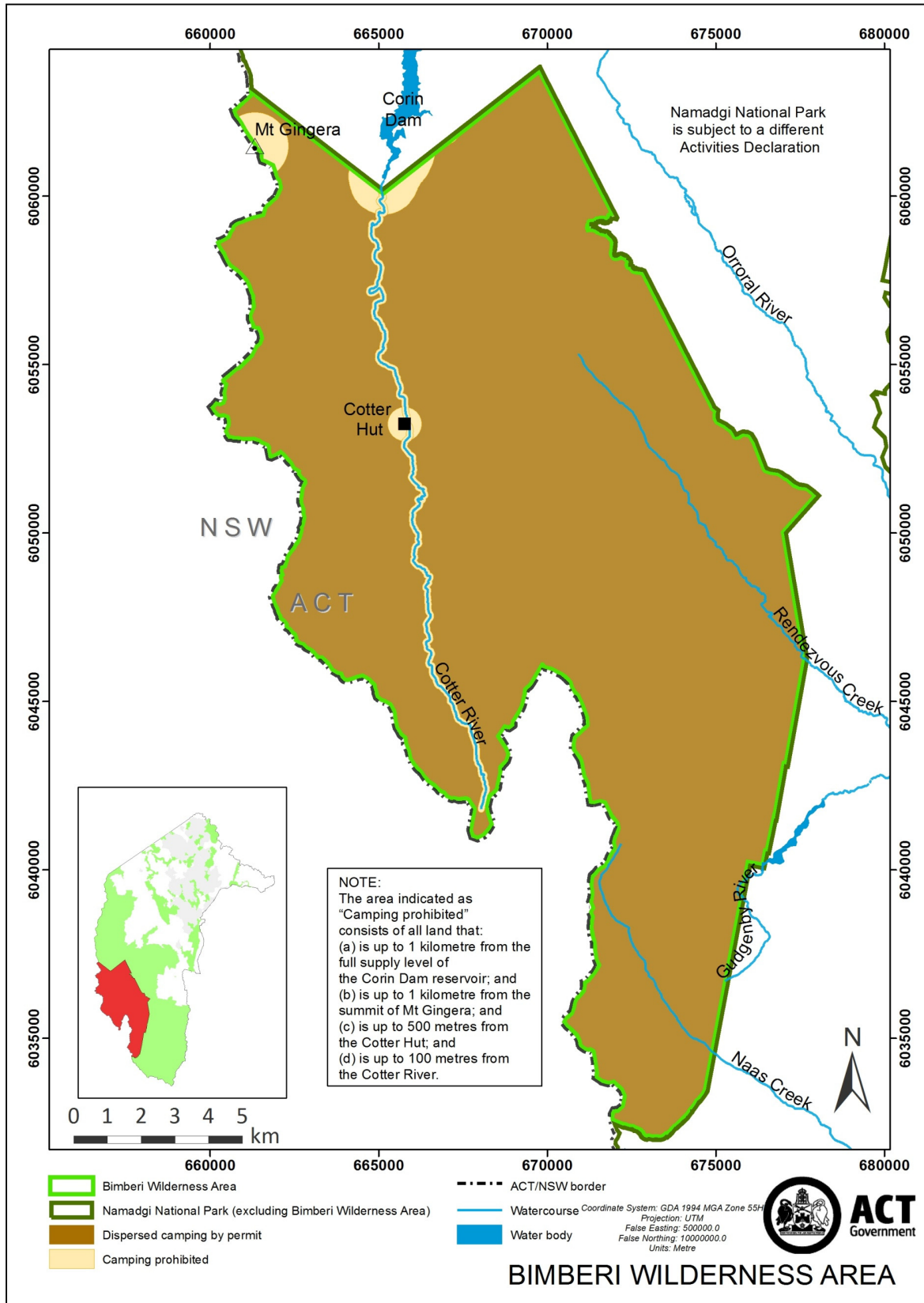
Solid fuel means any fuel that is not a gas, a plasma or a liquid and includes coal, wood, plant material, humus, peat, heat beads, charcoal, briquettes and hexamite.

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Schedule 1 -Map

(See section 3)



Schedule 1 -Map

(See section 4)

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES	
USE OF CHAINSAWS	 A black silhouette of a chainsaw is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that the use of chainsaws is prohibited.
USE OF METAL DETECTORS	 A black silhouette of a person using a metal detector is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that the use of metal detectors is prohibited.
USE OF MOTORISED GENERATORS	 A black silhouette of a motorised generator is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that the use of motorised generators is prohibited.
USE OF MOTORISED VEHICLES	 A black silhouette of a person riding a motorised vehicle is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that the use of motorised vehicles is prohibited.
LANDING OR TAKING-OFF AIRCRAFT, OR FLYING AIRCRAFT WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE TERRAIN OR ANY OBJECT ON THE TERRAIN	 A black silhouette of an aircraft is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that landing, taking off, or flying aircraft within 500 feet of the terrain or any object on the terrain is prohibited.
LANDING OR TAKING-OFF UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES, OR FLYING UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE TERRAIN OR ANY OBJECT ON THE TERRAIN	 A black silhouette of a drone is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that landing, taking off, or flying unmanned aerial vehicles within 500 feet of the terrain or any object on the terrain is prohibited.
COLLECTING WOOD OR TIMBER	 A black silhouette of a log and a roll of timber is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that collecting wood or timber is prohibited.
USE OF WATERCRAFT	 A black silhouette of a canoe on water is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that the use of watercraft is prohibited.
USE OF NON-MOTORISED VEHICLES INCLUDING BICYCLES	 A black silhouette of a bicycle is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that the use of non-motorised vehicles including bicycles is prohibited.
SWIMMING	 A black silhouette of a person swimming is shown inside a red circle with a diagonal slash through it, indicating that swimming is prohibited.




PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

LIGHTING, MAINTAINING OR USING A SOLID FUEL FIRE



Schedule 3 –Restricted Activities

(See section 4)

RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES	
<p>TAKING PART IN VOLUNTEER ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES</p> <p>It is a requirement that:</p> <p>(a) volunteer environmental activities are carried out in accordance with an approved volunteer environmental activities program; and</p> <p>(b) the program is authorised by the Parks and Conservation Service.</p>	
<p>WALKING</p> <p>It is a requirement that any person walking must not be in a party of more than 8 people while carrying out this activity.</p>	
<p>CAMPING</p> <p>It is a requirement that any person carrying out camping:</p> <p>(a) must first obtain an Upper Cotter Catchment–Bimberi Wilderness Area permit from the Namadgi National Park Visitor Centre; and</p> <p>(b) must not be in a party of more than 8 people while carrying out this activity; and</p> <p>(c) must camp only in the area indicated as “Dispersed camping by permit” in schedule 1; and</p> <p>(d) must stay no longer than 3 nights in any location.</p>	
<p>LIGHTING OR USING A GAS HEATING APPLIANCE</p> <p>It is a requirement that:</p> <p>(a) the gas heating appliance is being used to cook food or heat liquids; and</p> <p>(b) a total fire ban is not in force; and</p> <p>(c) the area around the appliance is cleared of flammable material for at least 3 metres in every direction; and</p> <p>(d) the person who lights or uses the appliance does not leave the appliance (whether temporarily or not) without first extinguishing it, unless the person leaves the appliance under the control of a responsible person.</p>	