

C. Interim Ecological Inventory

EcoLogical 2012 (Cont)

3 Results

Nineteen (19) Biometric Vegetation Types have been mapped across the DLALC North Wyong Land holdings. The area of each vegetation type and status (Red Flag) for each of the proposed development precincts and conservation lands was then calculated and is shown in **Table 6**.

Ten threatened flora species have been recorded across the land holdings, four within the proposed development precincts. Two of these 4 species are "Red Flags" (**Table 4**).

Of the 29 threatened fauna species requiring targeted survey (excluding those marine/intertidal species) only two (Wallum Froglet and possible Eastern Chestnut Mouse) have been recorded to date (**Table 5**). However, there are a number of hollow roosting microchiropteran bats species that may be recorded and it is likely that one or more of the threatened reptile and amphibian species may also be recorded following additional survey in suitable weather conditions. Several of the species predicted by the biocertification assessment tool are unlikely to occur in the DLALC lands (Broad-headed Snake, Brushtailed Rock-wallaby, Red-crowned Toadlet).

Table 4: Threatened flora species recorded within the investigation area.

Species	Status	Red Flag	Negligible loss	Recorded within proposed development areas	Number in proposed development lands#	Numbers in proposed offset lands
Acacia bynoeana	V	Yes		Yes	27	
Angophora inopina	V	No		Yes	19,115	13,962
Caladenia porphyrea	E	Yes		Yes	35	17
Callistemon linearifolius	V	Yes	Up to 5	No		8
Cryptostylis hunteriana	٧	Yes	Up to 2	Yes	1	
Eucalyptus camfieldii	V	Yes		No		3
Eucalyptus parramattensis	٧	Yes	Up to 5	No		440
Grevillea parviflora	V	Yes		No		138
Maundia triglochinoides	V	Yes		No		75
Tetratheca juncea	V	No		Yes	203	2,065

[#] Boundaries of development precincts still to be finalised.

Table 5: Threatened fauna species recorded within the investigation area.

Species recorded in development precincts to data are in **bold**.

Scientific name	Common Name	Likelihood of occurrence
Botaurus poiciloptilus	Australian Bittern	No, no suitable habitat in proposed development precincts
Callocephalon fimbriatum (Breeding)	Gang Gang Cockatoo	Potentially
Chalinolobus dwyeri (Breeding)	Large-eared Pied Bat	Potentially
Crinia tinnula	Wallum Froglet	Yes
Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus	Black-necked Stork	No, no suitable habitat in proposed development precincts
Heleioporus australiacus	Giant Burrowing Frog	Potentially
Hieraaetus morphnoides	Little Eagle	Potentially
Hoplocephalus bitorquatus	Pale-headed Snake	Potentially
Hoplocephalus bungaroides	Broad-headed Snake	Unlikely, no records in area
Irediparra gallinacea	Comb-crested Jacana	No, no suitable habitat in proposed development precincts
Ixobrychus flavicollis	Black Bittern	No, no suitable habitat in proposed development precincts
Litoria aurea	Green and Golden Bell Frog	Unlikely, no records in area
Litoria brevipalmata	Green-thighed Frog	Potentially
Litoria littlejohni	Littlejohn's Frog	Potentially
Lophoictinia isura	Square-tailed Kite	Potentially
Miniopterus australis (Breeding)	Little Bentwing-bat	Potentially
Miniopterus schreibersii oceanensis (Breeding)	Eastern Bentwing-bat	Potentially
Mixophyes iteratus	Giant Barred Frog	Potentially
Myotis macropus (formally Myotis adversus) (Breeding)	Large-footed Myotis	Potentially
Nettapus coromandelianus	Cotton Pygmy-Goose	No, no suitable habitat in proposed development precincts
Pandion haliaetus	Osprey	Potentially
Petrogale penicillata	Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby	Unlikely, no records from area
Phascogale tapoatafa	Brush-tailed Phascogale	Potentially
Planigale maculata	Common Planigale	Potentially
Pseudomys gracilicaudatus	Eastern Chestnut Mouse	Hair record to be confirmed
Pseudophryne australis	Red-crowned Toadlet	Unlikely given location
Pteropus poliocephalus (Breeding)	Grey-headed Flying Fox	No known camps
Varanus rosenbergi	Rosenberg's Goanna	Potentially
Vespadelus troughtoni (Breeding)	Eastern Cave Bat	No caves

Table 6: Area and status of each vegetation type in proposed development and conservation area

Proposed development lands

	BCAM			F	PROPO	SED D	EVELOF	PMENT	SITES			
Biometric Vegetation Community	Red Flag (EEC or >70% Cleared)	Bushells Ridge North (DP&I)	Bushells Ridge North	Bushells Ridge South	Railcorp	Norah Head	Halekulani	Bushells Ridge East	Munmorah	Canton Beach	Lakes Beach	Total
Bangalay - Old-man Banksia open forest on coastal sands, Sydney Basin and South East Corner											2.06	2.06
Banksia dry shrubland on coastal sands of the North Coast						12.69				0.40		13.09
Blackbutt - Smooth-barked Apple shrubby open forest on coastal sands of the southern North Coast					0.07							0.07
Coastal floodplain sedgelands, rushlands, and forblands of the North Coast									0.63			0.63
Fern-leaved Banksia - Melaleuca sieberi wallum heath on coastal sands, southern North Coast and northern Sydney Basin						0.46						0.46
Forest Red Gum - Rough-barked Apple open forest on poorly drained lowlands of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	Yes						0.39					0.39
Melaleuca nodosa closed shrubland on alluvium of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin						0.18						0.18
Melaleuca sieberi - Tall Saw-sedge closed shrubland in drainage lines on the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	Yes	0.23	1.19	0.26	1.44			2.16	0.08			5.38
Paperbark heath on indurated sands at Norah Head on the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	Yes					0.58						0.58
Paperbark swamp forest of the coastal lowlands of the North Coast and Sydney Basin	Yes					1.80				1.44	1.03	4.26

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Scribbly Gum - Red Bloodwood heathy woodland on the coastal plains of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin		40.95	56.35	76.41	42.12	0.54	12.84	41.09	57.15			327.46
Smooth-barked Apple - Red Bloodwood open forest on coastal plains on the Central Coast, Sydney Basin				11.87		4.01				0.01	1.56	17.46
Spotted Gum - Grey Ironbark open forest on the foothills of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin												0.00
Sydney Peppermint - Smooth- barked Apple shrubby open forest on coastal hills and plains of the southern North Coast and northern Sydney Basin										0.99		0.99
Cleared/planted vegetation							0.03			0.20	0.12	0.35
Total		41.19	57.54	88.55	43.63	20.25	13.25	43.26	57.86	3.05	4.77	373.34

Proposed Conservation lands (# Wyong LGA Veg mapping yet to be validated for some parcels).

	CURRENT OFFSET LANDS																Al	DITION	AL OFFS	ET LAN	DS (Clai	ms yet to	be deterr	mined)				Total				
Biometric Vegetation Community	Total DLALC land	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	18	1a	2a	2b	3a	4a#	10a#	14a#	14b	15a#	15b#	15c#	17a#	20a#	Total Claims	Total Possible Offset lands
Banksia dry shrubland on coastal sands of the North Coast	32.40														31.98		0.42														0.00	32.40
Blackbutt - Smooth-barked Apple shrubby open forest on coastal sands of the southern North Coast	33.16	1.76		16.49	14.90															1.67	7 9.66				19.38						30.71	63.87
Broad-leaved Paperbark - Wallum Bottlebrush - sedge wet heath on sand, southern North Coast and northern Sydney Basin	0.00																									12.49					12.49	12.49
Coast Banksia - Coast Wattle dune scrub, Sydney Basin and South East Corner	75.93											39.29	4.51		25.75	6.39								13.17							13.17	89.10
Coastal floodplain sedgelands, rushlands, and forblands of the North Coast	3.66								3.66																						0.00	3.66
Coastal freshwater lagoons of the Sydney Basin and South East Corner	1.43														1.43										0.96						0.96	2.40
Melaleuca nodosa closed shrubland on alluvium of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	31.85	2.83			29.02																										0.00	31.85
Melaleuca sieberi - Tall Saw-sedge closed shrubland in drainage lines on the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	36.41		0.35	0.72	0.37	1.81	1.98	15.22		15.85	0.12								0.51	1.25	5 2.12	0.03									3.91	40.32
Paperbark heath on indurated sands at Norah Head on the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	3.44														3.44																0.00	3.44

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Paperbark swamp forest of the coastal lowlands of the North Coast and Sydney Basin	14.60													7.82	6.29	0.20	0.29					6.78	7.16		2.41	49.95	50.66	0.68		33.88	151.53	166.13
Phragmites australis and Typha orientalis coastal freshwater wetlands of the Sydney Basin	0.00																								2.67						2.67	2.67
Scribbly Gum - Red Bloodwood heathy woodland on the coastal plains of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	396.37	11.82	38.59	74.85	28.94	62.10	15.42	73.48	10.03	46.96	34.00				0.19				9.54	23.60	32.75		7.29							28.05	101.23	497.61
Smooth-barked Apple - Red Bloodwood open forest on coastal plains on the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	82.78	53.20			1.40	0.65								1.82	25.32		0.39	5.76	0.08		4.39										10.23	93.00
Spotted Gum - Grey Ironbark open forest on the foothills of the Central Coast, Sydney Basin	0.77	0.77																					6.60			1.80				4.59	12.99	13.76
Swamp Mahogany swamp forest on coastal lowlands of the North Coast and northern Sydney Basin	1.39										1.39																			5.73	5.73	7.12
Sydney Peppermint - Smooth-barked Apple shrubby open forest on coastal hills and plains of the southern North Coast and northern Sydney Basin	0.86																0.86							4.12					7.20		11.32	12.19
Tuckeroo - Yellow Tulipwood Littoral Rainforest	0.08															0.08						6.81	21.04	17.29		64.24	50.66	0.68	7.20	38.48	206.40	206.48
TBC	0.00																													7.34	7.34	7.34
Bitou Bush Cleared/planted	4.23														3.53	0.71															0.00	4.23
vegetation	0.47																0.47													0.33	0.33	0.80
Grand Total	719.85	70.38	38.94	92.07	74.64	64.55	17.40	88.70	13.69	62.80	35.51	39.29	4.51	9.64	97.93	7.38	2.43	5.76	10.12	26.53	48.92	13.62	42.09	34.59	25.42	128.48	101.32	1.36	14.40	118.41	571.01	1,290.86

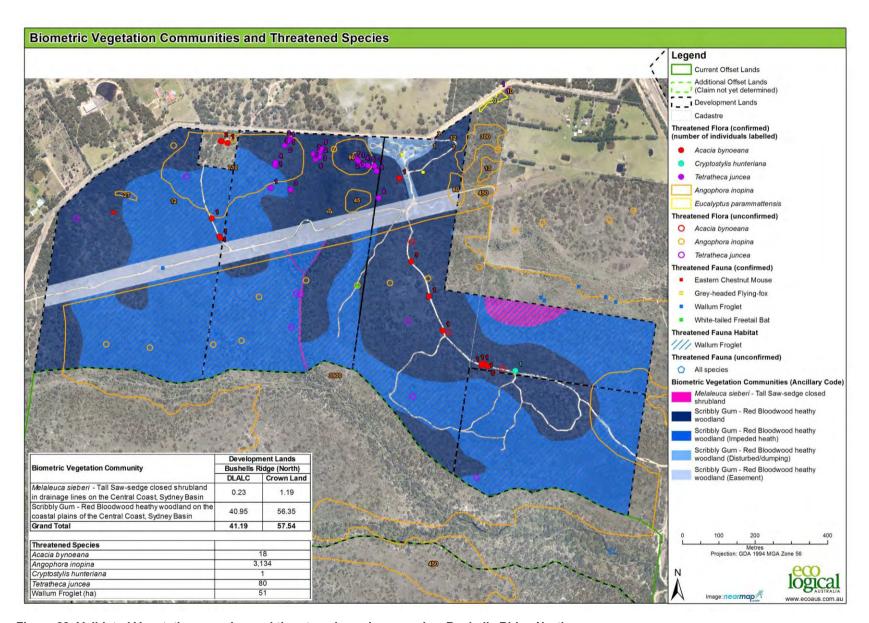


Figure 28: Validated Vegetation mapping and threatened species records – Bushells Ridge North

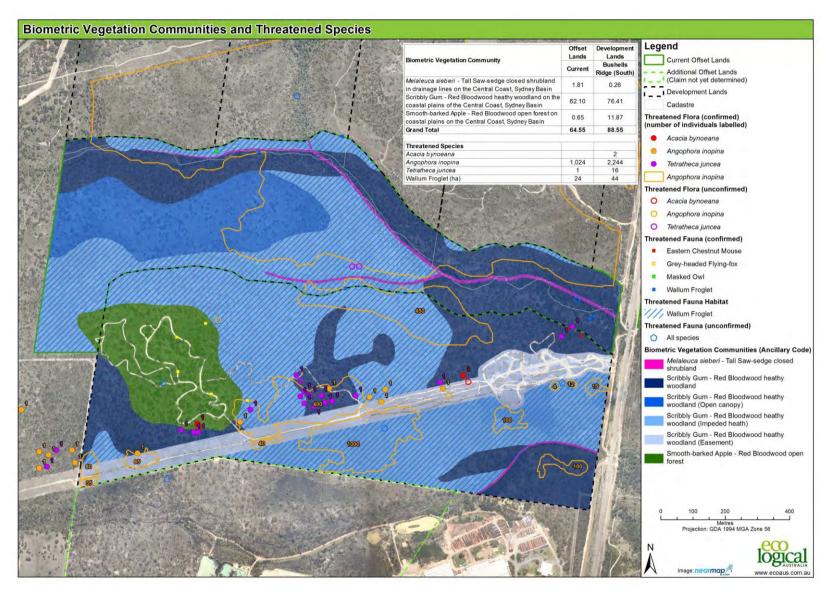


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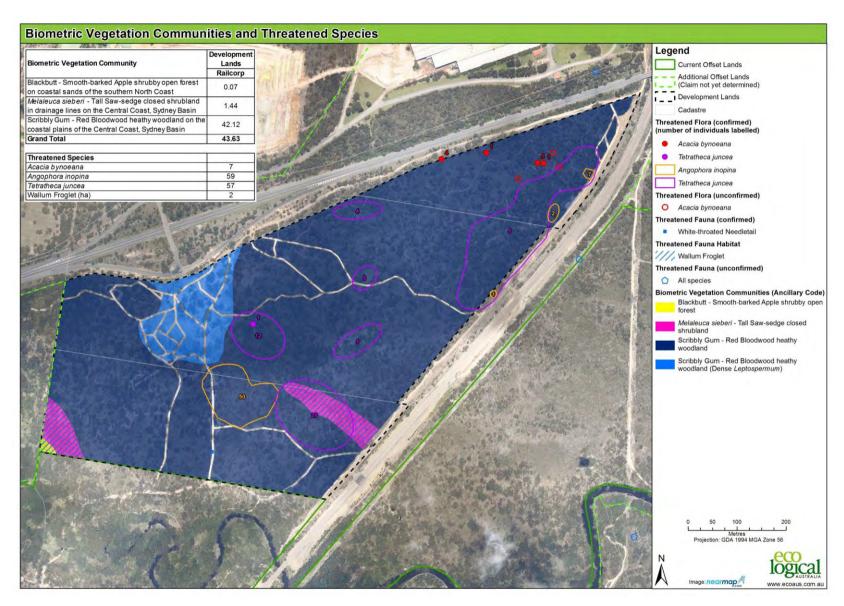


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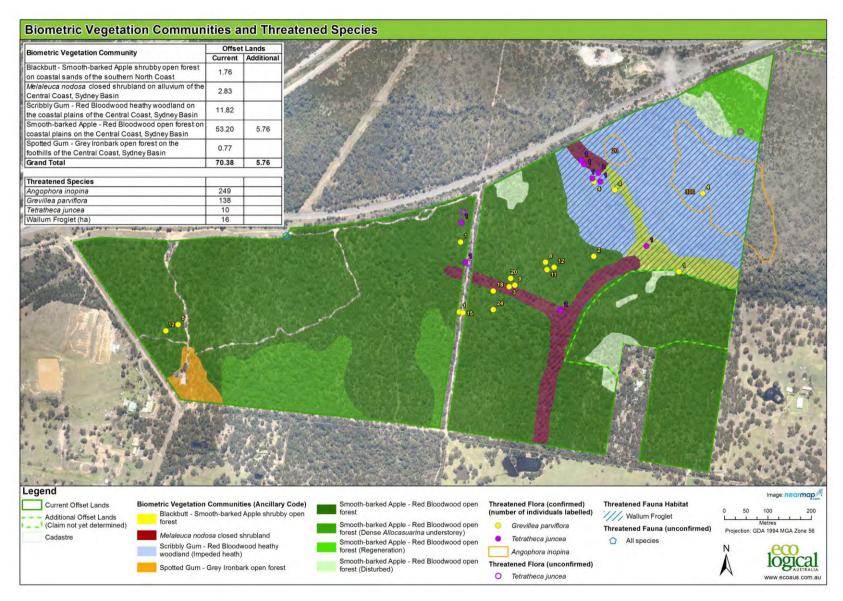


Figure 31: Validated Vegetation mapping and threatened species records - Offset lands 1

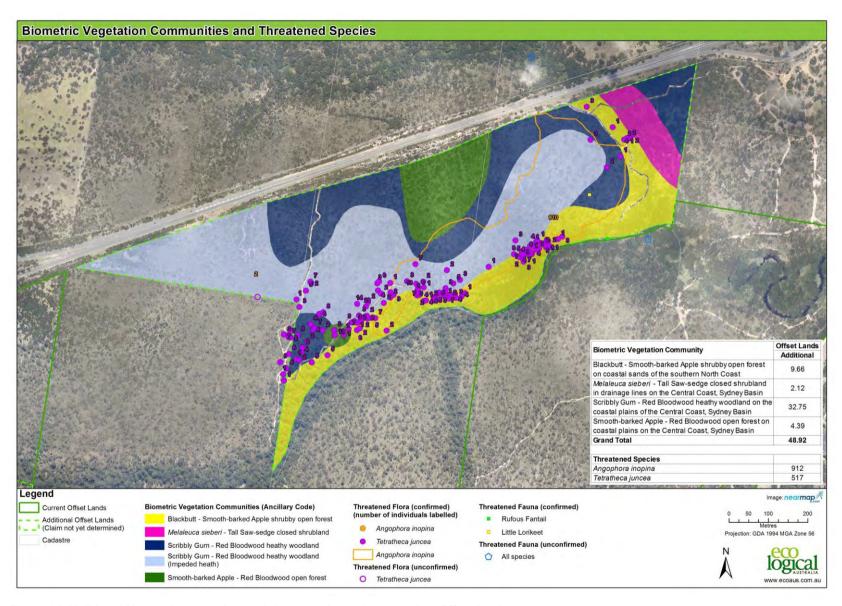


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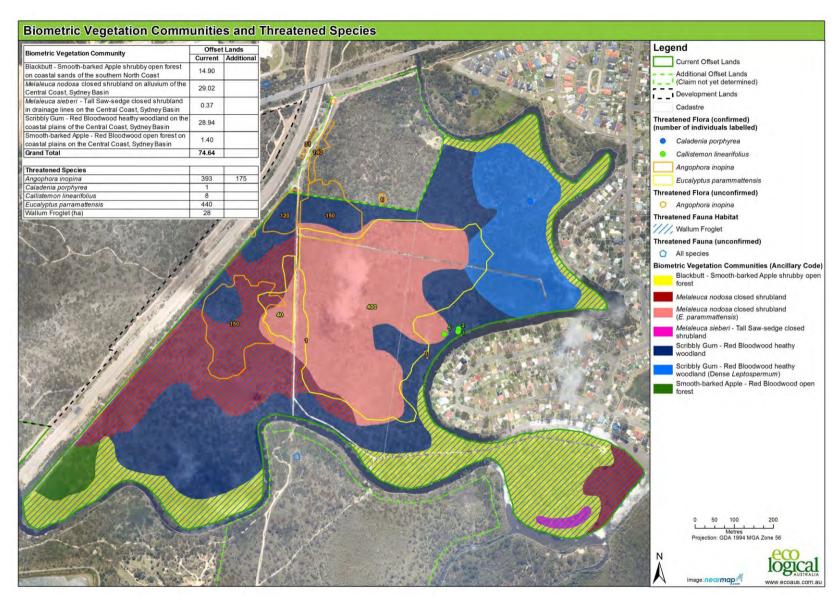


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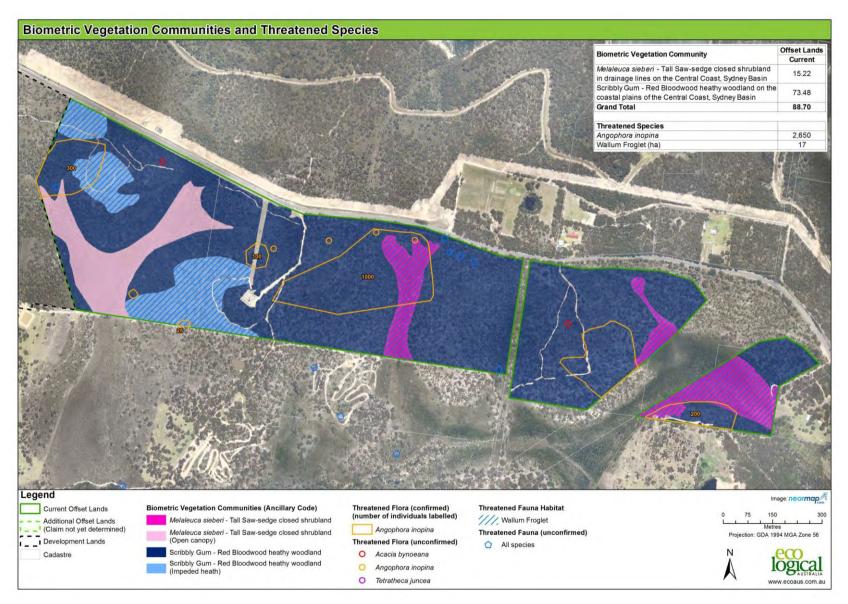


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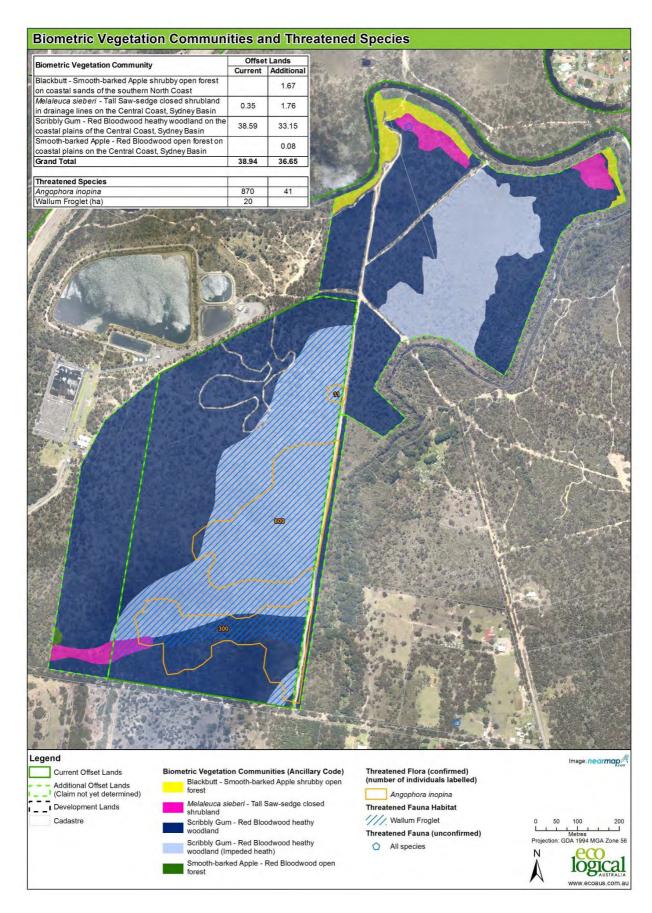


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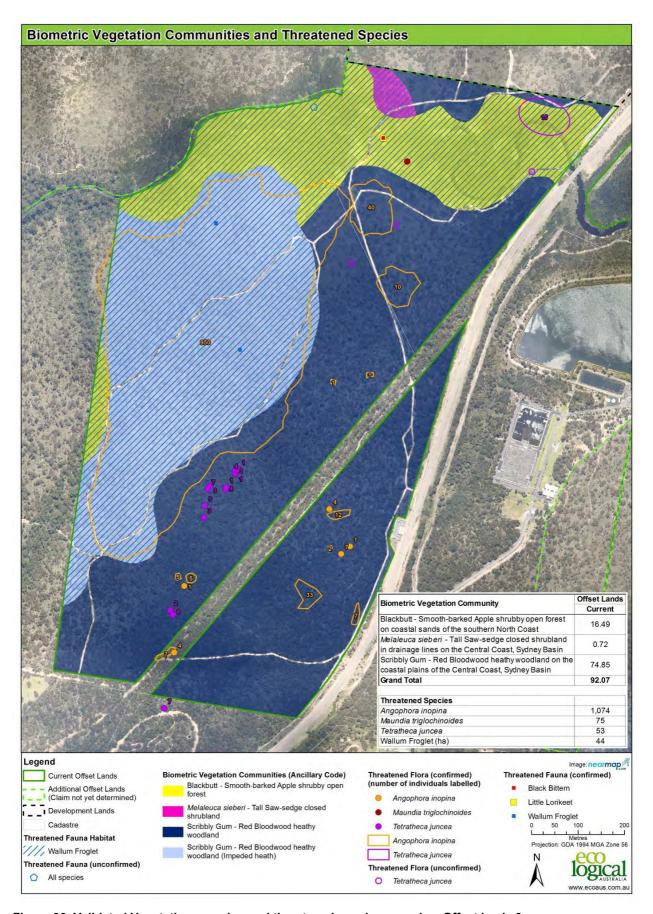


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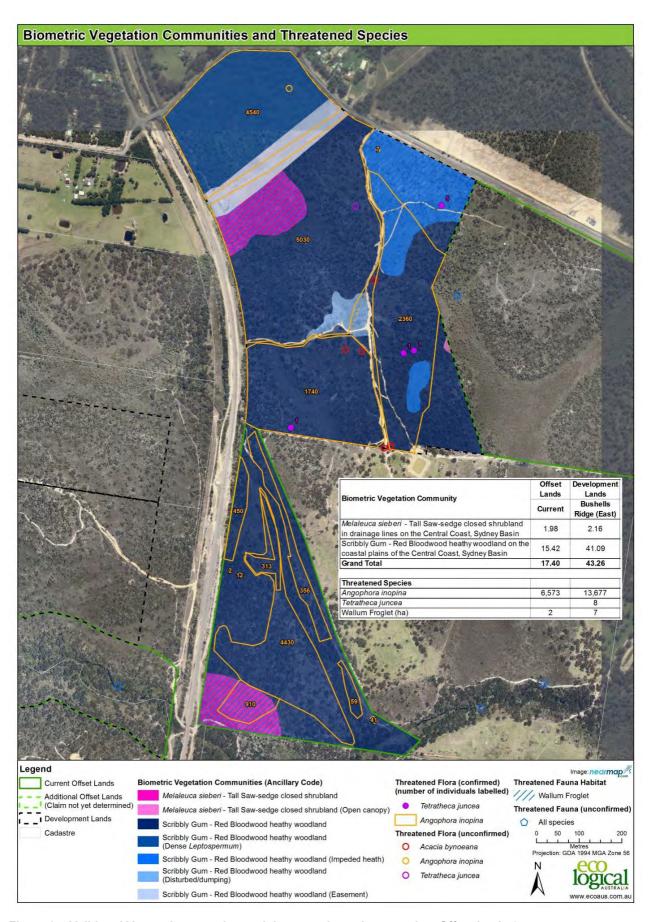


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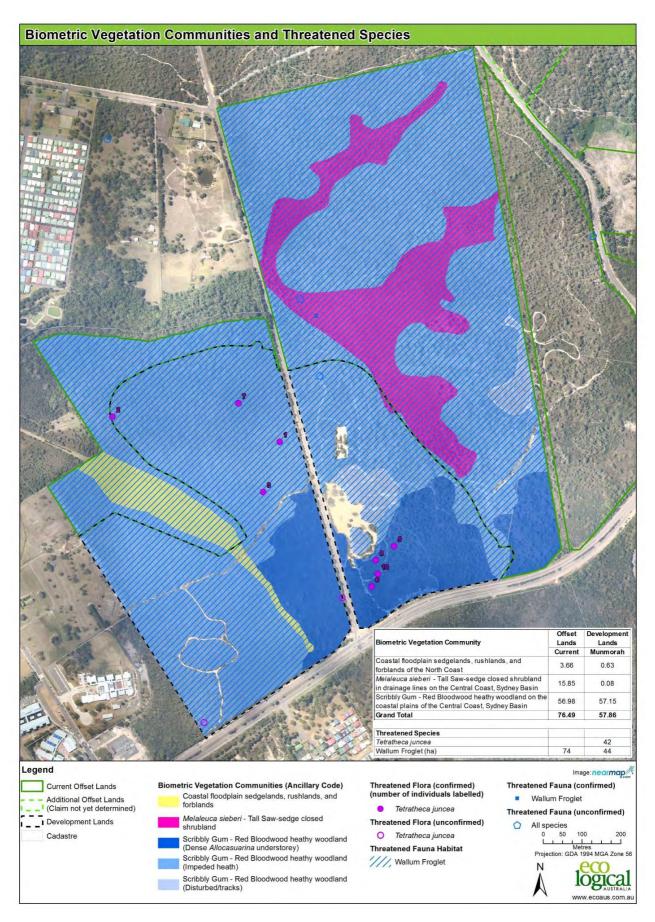


Figure 38: Validated Vegetation mapping and threatened species records – Offset lands 8 & 9

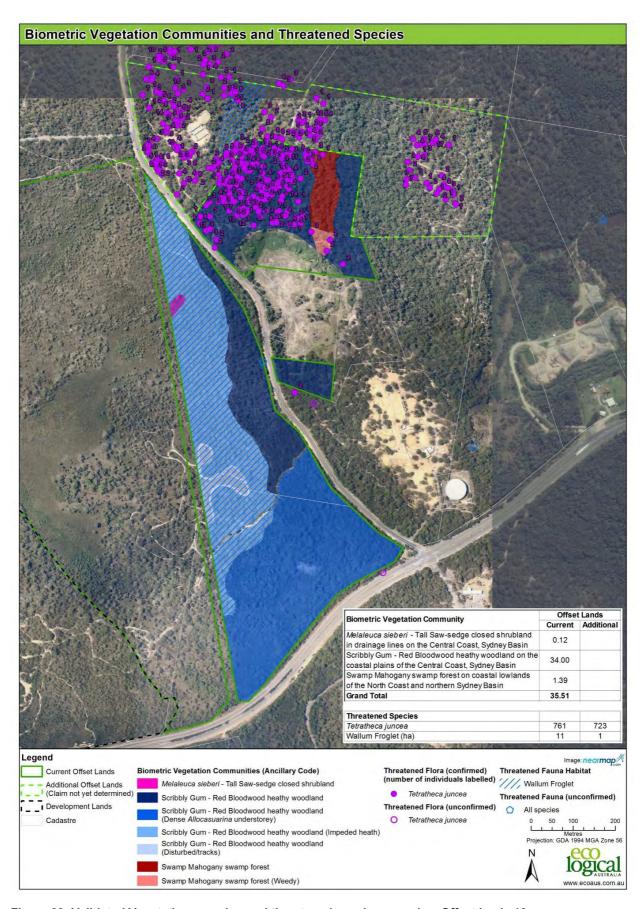


Figure 39: Validated Vegetation mapping and threatened species records – Offset lands 10



Figure 40: Validated Vegetation mapping and threatened species records - Offset lands 11 & 12

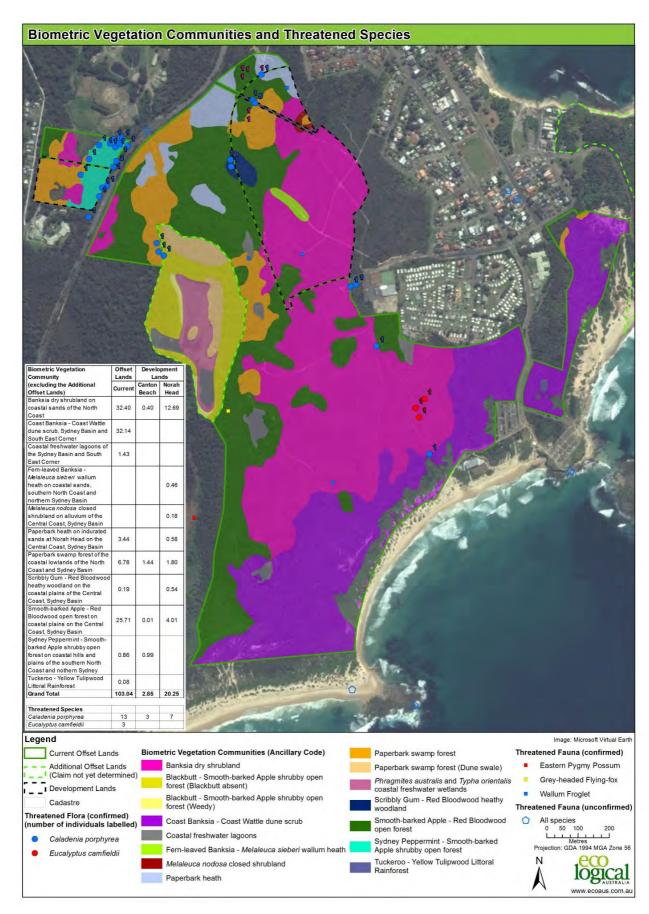


Figure 41: Validated Vegetation mapping and threatened species records - Norah Head and offset lands

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