

# MAJOR PROJECTS

## Capability Statement



Ecology and Heritage Partners bring extensive expertise to the ecological and heritage aspects of State significant projects. This includes major linear infrastructure (road, rail, pipelines and utilities), and large-scale renewable energy, mining, urban development and water projects throughout Australia.

For every client our priority is to achieve smooth and timely environmental approvals during the planning stage. At short notice, we have the capacity to mobilise large teams of experts. During construction, we focus on streamlining compliance with approval conditions and minimising risk through our environmental auditing, monitoring and compliance services.

As trusted and respected advisors to government and industry, our team of consultants has an in-depth understanding of legislation and assessment requirements relevant to each project and jurisdiction across Australia. To date we have successfully completed over 30 Environmental Effects Statements, and have provided expert evidence and advice on hundreds of planning panels and Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) hearings.

Our approach is pragmatic, professional and efficient. Our focus is on minimising disruptions delays and risk. Our commitment is to balance the best possible outcomes for a project with maintaining and enhancing the ecological and heritage values of an area.

## Capabilities

### Ecology

- › Terrestrial and aquatic flora and fauna surveys
- › Community engagement and stakeholder consultation
- › Delivery of biodiversity and vegetation offsets
- › Due diligence and desktop constraints assessments
- › Environmental auditing, monitoring and compliance
- › Environmental planning assistance
- › Expert evidence at appeals tribunals and panel hearings
- › Permit and licence applications
- › Pre-clearance surveys
- › Salvage and translocation of significant species (eg. fauna spotter-catcher services)
- › Significant species surveys and management plans

### Heritage

- › Archaeological and cultural heritage assessments
- › Archaeological sub-surface testing, excavation and salvage
- › Compliance audits
- › Cultural Heritage Management Plans and Agreements
- › Cultural heritage site induction
- › Due diligence and desktop assessments
- › Historical heritage assessments
- › Oversight of heritage management plan implementation
- › Predictive modelling and mapping of Aboriginal and historic sites
- › Reburial of cultural heritage items
- › Stakeholder and Traditional Owner consultation
- › Statement of Heritage Impact Assessments

**Practical outcomes. Trusted expertise.**

## Our priorities

- › Close working relationships with Commonwealth and state regulators
- › Comprehensive Occupational Health and Safety, and Quality and Environmental Management Systems
- › Excellent project management skills
- › High technical competency
- › In-depth knowledge of relevant legislation and its practical application
- › Independent and objective advice
- › Minimising project risks
- › Responsiveness to client requests
- › Timely project completion

## Projects

- › **Ballarat Line Upgrade**, Ecological Surveys and Biodiversity Offset Services (Vic): Melbourne Metro Rail Authority
- › **Drysdale Bypass**, Complex Cultural Heritage Assessments, Detailed Ecological Surveys and Expert Witness Services (Vic): VicRoads
- › **Googong Township**, Environmental Representative (NSW): Googong Township
- › **Kilmore Bypass**, Environmental Effects Statement, Detailed Ecological Assessments and Expert Witness Services (Vic): VicRoads

- › **Lee Point Master Planned Community**, Environment Advisory Services (NT): Defence Housing Australia
- › **Level Crossing Removals**, Complex Cultural Heritage Management Plans, Archaeological Salvage and Various Detailed Ecological Surveys (Vic): Level Crossing Removal Authority
- › **Regional Rail Link**, Complex Cultural Heritage Management Plan, Detailed Ecological Investigations (Vic): Public Transport Victoria, KBR, ARUP
- › **Rolleston Solar Farm**, Cultural Heritage Survey and Management Plan, Ecological Surveys (Qld): icubed consulting
- › **Silverton Wind Farm**, Ecological Management Planning and Advisory Services (NSW): CATCON
- › **Stockyard Hill Wind Farm**, Detailed Ecological Assessments, Expert Witness Services and Environmental Management Plans (Vic): Origin Energy and Goldwind
- › **Victorian Desalination Plant**, Environmental Auditing, Monitoring and Compliance During Construction (Vic): Thiess
- › **Western Highway Duplication Project [Section 1 and 2]**, Environmental Effects Statement, Complex Cultural Heritage Management Plans, Various Detailed Ecological Surveys, Biodiversity Offsets and Expert Witness Services (Vic): VicRoads

**Talk to us today about how to achieve the best possible outcomes for your project.**



### Directors



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### Services

- › Aboriginal Cultural Heritage
- › Aquatic Ecology
- › Biodiversity Offsets
- › Built Heritage
- › Bushfire Risk Assessment and Management
- › Environmental Auditing, Monitoring and Compliance
- › Geospatial Solutions
- › Historical Heritage
- › Land Management and Restoration
- › Maritime Heritage
- › Terrestrial Ecology

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