

Elliminyt Wetlands Project- Community Survey

Background Information

Colac Otway Shire Council has successfully secured \$4.2 million from the State and Federal governments to reconstruct the drainage basin located on land bordered by Armstrong, Ballagh, Hart Streets and Irrewillipe Road in Elliminyt. By improving the basin's stormwater detention capacity, Council will be able to open up some land on the site for passive recreation and importantly, enable further residential development to occur on land surrounding the basin.

Key features and benefits of the project include:

- Reconstruction of the existing basin to create a wetlands facility.
- Treatment and storage of stormwater flows through the wetlands.
- Potential for reuse of stored water on other nearby facilities.
- Management and control of stormwater flows within the Deans Creek catchment.
- Create a new open neighbourhood public space that includes walking paths, grassed areas and if budget permits, small-scale play equipment.
- Installation of information to inform visitors of the environmental and historic aspects of the site.

Council invites your feedback on the Preliminary Concept Plan for the wetland area.

This survey will take just a few minutes to complete.

1. Please tell us your Post Code?	3250	3249	3254	3242	Other (please include below) _____
2. How far are from the Elliminyt Wetlands site are you located?	Less than 1km	1km to 3km	3km to 5 km	5km to 10km	More than 10 km

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1. Detention Basin Reconstruction

There is currently an existing floodwater detention basin on the north-west corner of the site. This is proposed to be reconstructed into a wetland basin. This will treat floodwaters to a quality for water reuse for irrigation purposes. As well, the wetlands will form part of the overall flood management infrastructure to be developed along the Deans Creek catchment.

Do you have any comments about the current or proposed wetland development?

2. Landscaping and nature play

Part of the site is an area of swampy land which Council aims to convert into a small open space area with the help of drainage treatment. The project aims to deliver interconnecting paths and tree planting/landscaping to allow visitors to enjoy the natural environment and children to engage in unstructured, self-directed nature play. This will include paths around the perimeter of the wetlands.

Do you have any comments about the landscaping, paths and nature play area as outlined in the Preliminary Concept Plan?

3. Playspace

If budget allows, Council aims to install a small-scale, 'neighbourhood standard' playspace in the north-east corner of the site. Neighbourhood standard playspaces have basic play equipment like swings, a slide or climbing structure (similar to what Council recently installed in Petjuli Street, Colac). It is proposed that the picnic node will include a shelter and tables. Barbecues and public toilets will not be included in this space, as they are provided nearby at the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve.

Do you have any comments about the proposed playspace?

4. Other comments or suggestions

Please use this section to provide any other comments or suggestions.

Submit Your Survey Responses to Council

Save this form and email to inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au with the subject Elliminyt Wetlands Project

Print and send to: Elliminyt Wetlands Project, 2-6 Rae Street, Colac VIC 3250

Print and return to Council's Customer Service Centre in Colac (2-6 Rae Street).

Further Information

If you wish to discuss any aspects of the proposed project, please contact the Colac Otway Council Customer Service Centre on (03) 5232 9400 and ask for the Elliminyt Wetlands Project Manager, or email inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au

Please may your email attention to the Elliminyt Wetlands Project Manager.