

19/01/2006
VC37**SCHEDULE 2 TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE OVERLAY**

Shown on the planning scheme map as ESO2.

WATER CATCHMENT AREAS**1.0**19/01/2006
VC37**Statement of environmental significance**

Water quality has a direct impact on the suitability of water for different uses, including drinking, industry and ecosystems. The forested area of the Dividing Range receives high rainfall and supplies high quality water to the Tarago, Thomson, Blue Rock and Moondarra Dams. Water from these reservoirs and the rivers downstream of storages sustain a broad range of activities and environmental values. Protection of the quality of the region's water resources is therefore fundamental to the health and economy of the region.

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VC37**Environmental objective to be achieved**

To ensure the protection and maintenance of water quality and water yield within the following Water Supply Catchment Areas:

- Tarago Reservoir
- Tanjil River Water Supply
- Deep Creek & Loch River Water Supply
- Tyers River
- Narracan Creek
- Thompson River Stage 3

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VC37**Permit requirement**

Except within the declared Tarago water catchment, a permit is not required for:

- Extensions to an existing dwelling that do not involve the removal of any native vegetation.
- Construction of a dependent persons unit ancillary to a dwelling that does not involve the removal of any native vegetation.
- Construction of an outbuilding which does not exceed 200 square metres in floor area and which does not involve the removal of any native vegetation.
- Earthworks ancillary to any of the above.

Applications of the kind listed below must be referred in accordance with Section 55 of the Act to the referral authority specified in Clause 66.04 or a schedule to that clause:

- Subdivision creating lots less than 40 hectares.
- Intensive animal husbandry.

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VC37**Decision guidelines**

Before deciding on an application, the responsible authority must consider:

- The effect on water quality, watercourse capacity and erosion.
- The conservation of natural habitats.

- The preservation of and impact on the environment.
- The protection of sites of scientific significance, particularly sites identified as having botanical, zoological, geological, geomorphological, archaeological or landscape significance.
- The Planning Guide for Land Liable to Flooding in Victoria 1997.
- Any water management plan prepared by the relevant water management authority.