



Pondage-Wide Directions

- Maintain the vegetation along the shoreline to maximise views from walking paths and access for fishing
- Increase indigenous tree planting throughout
- Install information and directional signage as required, and interpretive signage at locations of historical significance or of educational value (environmental, flora, fauna)
- Install occasional bench seating along all paths throughout the Eildon Pondage precinct, and at selected destination locations, install bike racks
- Floating pontoons and fixed platforms to be accessible, and include solar lighting and 1 - 2 bench seats with backs
- Install solar path lighting in the section of the Lower Pondage path from Lions Park to the Bourke Street Picnic Area, and the section of the Upper Pondage path from the Eildon Road/ Hillside Avenue crossing to the Eildon Pondage Holiday Park

Local Context

The primary function of the Eildon Pondage is as a 'regulating pond' for the production of hydroelectricity by AGL Energy, and the controlled release of water into the Goulburn River. Impacts on the regulating pond from this operational use include low water temperatures, strong currents, and rapid water level rises and falls. These operational impacts create inherent safety risks for the use of the water for recreational boating and swimming, risks that at this stage will continue the prohibition of swimming and the use of watercraft on the waters of the Upper Pondage and Lower Pondage.

Lower Pondage

- 9 Refer Lions Park and Recreation Reserve concept plan for improvement projects
- 10 Formalise the car parking outstands along Riverside Drive with defined parking bays and signage
- 11 Install a new floating pontoon, and improve access to the shoreline along Riverside Drive, including additional bench seating
- 12 Create a wetlands area along the open drain to treat the stormwater before entering the pondage. Include a path/ boardwalk combination to connect the residential area to the north with Riverside Drive
- 13 Improve the entry experience into the Eildon Pondage Power Station for pedestrians/ cyclists
- 14 Liaise with AGL Energy for public art to be displayed on the south side of the dam gates infrastructure
- 15 Upgrade the Bourke Street Picnic Area with new picnic tables and BBQs, a large shelter, an accessible toilet, and formalise the car parking
- 15i Investigate the installation of an all-abilities access boardwalk
- 16 Replace the walking path with a 2 metre sealed path
- 17 Replace/ Upgrade the existing floating pontoon with an accessible pontoon, and replace the existing drop-toilet with an accessible toilet
- 18 Upgrade the presentation of the bridge

- Existing paths/trails
- Proposed paths/trails

LOWER PONDAGE

SCALE: 1:3000 @A1| 1:6000 @A3

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