Technical Memorandum

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1 Summary

This technical memorandum provides the significant habitat features, incidental fauna and vegetation communities and fauna interactions noted during the pre-clearance survey conducted by a CQG senior environmental scientist Julie Ross on 17 and 18 September 2026. The pre-clearance survey was undertaken for the clear and grub activities for the Westside Badminton Coal Seam Gas (CSG) project.

No threatened fauna under the *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act (1999)* (EPBC Act) or the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NC Act) were encountered during the survey.

2 Pre-Clearance Survey Findings

Preclearance surveys are to be conducted a minimum of one week ahead of clear and grub to confirm if significant flora or fauna species are present, to identify significant habitat features and potential habitat areas. The surveys should be conducted by an ecologist and a fauna spotter catcher and data captured for communicating to the construction team and a copy of the report kept on file for due diligence purposes. Habitats should be flagged for inspection during the fauna spotter catcher activities and any protected plants flagged for avoidance and/or translocation.

The following data tables provide the data collected during the pre-clearance survey.

2.1 Vegetation Communities

Table 2.1 to **Table 2.3** summarised the vegetation communities present across the Badminton works area. **Table 2.4** and **Table 2.5** document the flushing surveys.

Table 2.1: Badminton Right of Way Section 1 Vegetation Community Description

Badminton – Right of Way – Section 1	
Date	17 Sep 2026 07:58
Start Location	-24.7517687, 150.0221304
Structural formation:	Sparse tussock grassland
Species in order of dominance:	Buffel grass
Relevant notable characteristics:	Area extensively worked by landholder. Brigalow stands to be trimmed. Parthenium and Harissia cactus observed in clearing area. Westside advised Parthenium was sprayed during the prior swing.
Protected plants observed?	Nil observed in clearing area during survey
Photo	



-24.751806, 150.022135 Pre-clearance photograph of area



-24.751896, 150.021652 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing east

Badminton – Right of Way – Section 1



-24.751912, 150.021628 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing south



-24.751911, 150.021628 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing west



-24.751901, 150.021631 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing north

Table 2.2: Badminton Right of Way Section 2 Vegetation Community Description

Badminton – Right of Way – Section 2	
Date	17 Sep 2026 08:35
Start Location	-24.7512415, 150.0127007
Vegetation present	Nil
Species in order of dominance:	N/A
Relevant notable characteristics:	Area extensively worked by landholder.
Protected plants observed?	No
Photo	



-24.75124, 150.012699 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing east



-24.751252, 150.01271 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing south

Badminton – Right of Way – Section 2



-24.751255, 150.0127 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing west



-24.751253, 150.0127 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing north

Table 2.3: Badminton Pad Section 2 Vegetation Community Description

Badminton – Pad	
Date	17 Sep 2026 08:45
Start Location	-24.7553727, 150.0110972
Vegetation present	No
Relevant notable characteristics:	Area extensively worked by landholder with spoil dumped and spread. Pad sitting within dam area.
Protected plants observed?	No
Photo	



-24.755425, 150.011102 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing east



-24.755588, 150.011227 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing south

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Badminton – Pad



-24.755592, 150.011228 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing west



-24.755588, 150.011232 Pre-clearance photograph of area facing north

Table 2.4: Badminton Pad Flushing Survey

Badminton - Pad - Flushing Survey	
Date	18 Sep 2026 06:58 – Flushing survey
Start location	-24.755655, 150.011636
Vegetation present	Nil
Protected plants observed?	Nil
Photo	



-24.755655, 150.011636 Pre-clearance photograph of area

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Table 2.5: Badminton Right of Way Joining Area Flushing Survey

Badminton – Right of Way Joining Area – Flushing Survey	
Date	18 Sep 2026 07:31 – Flushing survey
Start Location	-24.751652, 150.0220497
Structural formation:	Sparse tussock grassland
Species in order of dominance:	Buffel grass
Relevant notable characteristics:	Section within existing gas RoW disturbance.
Protected plants observed?	Nil
Photo	



-24.75165, 150.022048 Pre-clearance photograph of area

2.2 Protected Plants

No protected plants observed in clearing area during Pre-clearance survey.

2.3 Significant Habitat Features

Table 2.6 details the significant habitat features observed during the survey.

Table 2.6: Significant Habitat Features

Date	Name	Location	Status	Observations	Photos
17/09/2026	Other - Cracking soils	-24.7517687, 150.0221304	Active breeding: No	Go slow Flagged: Pink	
17/09/2026	Other - Cracking soils	-24.7509596, 150.0174032	Active breeding: No	Go slow Flagged: Pink	
17/09/2026	Other - Cracking soils	-24.7509724, 150.0136396	Active breeding: No	Flagged: Pink	
17/09/2026	Man-made structure	-24.7553727, 150.0110972	Active breeding: No	Old broken culvert. Flagged: Pink	

2.4 Weeds

Table 2.7 details weeds observed throughout the survey area. Parthenium was found in high densities throughout the survey area, where as isolated individuals of Harissia cactus was found along the fenceline.

Table 2.7: Weeds

Date	Name	Location	Status	Observations	Photos
17/09/2026	Parthenium weed (*Parthenium hysterophorus)*	-24.7518862, 150.0219614	Biosecurity Act 2014 Status: Restricted: Category 3 WoNS: Yes	High density. Westside advised treatment occurred previous swing.	
17/09/2026	Harissia Cactus (*Harrisia martini*)	-24.751159, 150.0184772	Biosecurity Act 2014 Status: Restricted: Category 3 WoNS: Not listed	Low density on side of clearing area / fenceline. Flagged pink	

2.5 Feral pest

No feral pests were observed during pre-clearance surveys.

2.6 Incidental Fauna

The following fauna were incidentally observed during pre-clearance surveys:

- Torresian crow (*Corvus orru)*;
- Australian magpie (*Gymnorhina tibicen)*;
- Australian bustard (*Ardeotis australis*); and
- Willie wagtail (*Rhipidura leucophrys*).

Yours sincerely,



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1 Summary

Site Details	
Project Name:	WestSide Corporation - NP081 EPBC Services
Dates of Clearance Works:	17 - 18 September 2026
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s:	Julie Ross
Rehabilitation Permit:	WA0075678

The following sections summarise the post-clearance findings for clearing activities undertaken by WestSide Corporation on NP081 Badminton. Fauna interactions (for fauna captured and relocated) are detailed in the post-clearance sections for each clearing event as required under CQG's Rehabilitation Permit during works onsite and the destructive preclearance and clearance activities during clearing works.

2 17 September 2026

2.1 NP81 Badminton – Right of Way (RoW) - Section 1

Badminton - RoW Section 1	
Date of Clearance Works	17 September 2026 9:06 AM
Weather	Mostly Sunny 14 - 27°C
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	Badminton RoW Section 1
Additional Comments	Grader G27. Note: extensive works had been undertaken on property by landholder prior to WestSide's clear and grub activities.
Start Location	-24.751877, 150.021983
End Location	-24.7518772, 150.0219832

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

2.1.1 Fauna Interactions

No fauna interactions occurred during this work within this period.

2.2 NP81 Badminton – RoW - Section 2

Badminton - RoW Section 2	
Date of Clearance Works	17 September 2026 11:20 AM
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	RoW Section 2
Additional Comments	Note: soil stockpile placed by Landholder's earthmoving contractor.
Start Location	-24.750689, 150.01474
End Location	-24.7510372, 150.0135668

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

2.2.1 Fauna Interactions

No fauna interactions occurred during this work within this period.

2.3 NP81 Badminton – RoW - Section 3

Badminton - RoW Section 3	
Date of Clearance Works	17 September 2026 12:06 PM
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	RoW Section 3
Start Location	-24.751037, 150.013563
End Location	-24.7517535, 150.0112364

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

2.3.1 Fauna Interactions

No fauna interactions occurred during this work within this period.

2.4 NP81 Badminton – RoW - Section 4

Badminton - RoW Section 4	
Date of Clearance Works	17 September 2026 1:02 PM
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	RoW Section 4
Additional Comments	Note: survey equipment from Landholder's earthmoving contractor on RoW.
Start Location	-24.751769, 150.011198
End Location	-24.7518225, 150.0110474

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

2.4.1 Fauna Interactions

Fauna interactions that occurred during this works within this period are recorded below.

Capture Details	
Date / Time	17 September 2026 1:22 PM
Capture Location	-24.7517694, 150.0111981
Method of Capture	Self-relocated
Capture Type	Alive
Number of Individuals	1
Common Name	House mouse
Scientific Name	*Mus musculus*
EPBC Conservation Status	Not Listed
NCA Conservation Status	Not Listed

Capture Details	
Was animal found in a breeding place?	No
Age	Adult
Photo	Photo unavailable
Release Details	
Date	17 September 2026 1:22 PM
Release Type	Self-relocated, no further action

2.5 NP81 Badminton – Pad - Section 4

Badminton - Pad	
Date of Clearance Works	17 September 2026 2:15 PM
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	Pad
Additional Comments	Note: Pad sits within Landholder's newly created pond area.
Start Location	-24.755197, 150.01107
End Location	-24.7554332, 150.0113257

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

2.5.1 Fauna Interactions

No fauna interactions occurred during this work within this period.

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3.1 NP81 Badminton – Pad - Continued

Badminton – Pad (Continued)	
Date of Clearance Works	18 September 2026 6:52 AM
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	Pad (cont.)
Additional Comments	Existing disturbance by landholder
Start Location	-24.755407, 150.011422
End Location	-24.7554072, 150.011422

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

3.1.1 Fauna Interactions

No fauna interactions occurred during this work within this period.

3.2 NP81 Badminton – RoW Join

Badminton - RoW Join	
Date of Clearance Works	18 September 2026 7:29 AM
Fauna Spotter Catcher/s	Julie Ross
Clearance Area	RoW Join
Start Location	-24.751467, 150.022065
End Location	-24.7514675, 150.0220646

Start Photo	End Photo
	
Pre-clearance photograph of area	Post-clearance photograph of area

3.2.1 Fauna Interactions

Fauna interactions that occurred during this works within this period are recorded below.

Capture Details	
Date / Time	18 September 2026 7:29 AM
Capture Location	-24.7514675, 150.0220646
Method of Capture	Caught by hand
Capture Type	Injured
Number of Individuals	1
Common Name	Excitable delma
Scientific Name	*Delma tincta*
EPBC Conservation Status	Not Listed
NCA Conservation Status	Not Listed
Was animal found in a breeding place?	No.

Capture Details	
Age	Adult
Photo	
Release Details	
Date	18 September 2026 7:29 AM
Release Type	Euthanised on site
Release Location	-24.7515872, 150.0218597

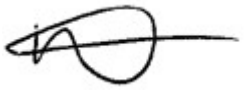
Capture Details	
Date / Time	18 September 2026 8:09 AM
Capture Location	-24.7516867, 150.0219181
Method of Capture	Caught by hand
Capture Type	Dead
Capture Location Description	Grass. Soil cracks.
Number of Individuals	1
Common Name	Excitable delma
Scientific Name	*Delma tincta*
EPBC Conservation Status	Not Listed
NCA Conservation Status	Least Concern
Was animal found in a breeding place?	No.
Age	Adult
Photo	No photo available

Capture Details	
Release Details	
Date	18 September 2026 8:09 AM
Release Type	Buried on site
Release Location	-24.7514211, 150.0223069

3.3 Protected Plants

No protected plants were observed within the clearing area during this period.

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