



FREE Workshops on the new National Heritage System



Introducing a new National Heritage system

Did you know that a new system for listing and managing natural and cultural heritage places at the national level has been introduced? This new national heritage system offers local government and communities a way to have places of outstanding national heritage significance recognised and legally protected under the Australian Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (the EPBC Act).

Find out if any sites in your region of Victoria could be added to the National Heritage list

The EPBC Unit is pleased to announce a Victorian series of FREE workshops on the new National Heritage system. Run by the EPBC Unit in collaboration with local community organizations and local government, these workshops will help participants determine whether places in their region could be 'put on the map' by being inscribed onto the National Heritage list. Nomination of places to the new National Heritage list is open to anyone, although criteria and thresholds are high. Workshops will also cover legal protection and management of these sites, and will include a practical session that workshops local examples.

Who should attend workshops?

- Members of the community active or interested in natural and cultural heritage protection and management
- Local government staff responsible for heritage, environmental and strategic planning
- Local government staff and community members with an interest in regional development
- State government staff responsible for natural and cultural heritage

Workshop details

Melbourne (hosted by the Victorian National Trust):

Wednesday 16th February in the Rippon Lea Ballroom in Elsternwick (1.30pm – 4.30pm)
RSVP - Nathan O'Brien on (03) 9656 9826 or Nathan.obrien@natrtrust.com.au

Ballarat (hosted by the Ballarat City Council):

Thursday 17th February in the Trench Room at the Ballarat Town Hall, Sturt Street (1.30pm – 4.30pm)
RSVP - Tracey Rich on (02) 6257 4010 or trich@wwf.org.au

Grampians (hosted by the Northern Grampians Shire Council):

Friday 18th February at the Halls Gap Cultural Centre (1.30pm – 4.30pm)
RSVP - Lesley Fithall on ((03) 5385 8747 or fithall@ngshire.vic.gov.au

Beechworth (hosted by Indigo Shire Council):

Tuesday 22nd February at the RSL Memorial Hall, Ford Street, Beechworth (9.00am – 12.00pm)
RSVP - Debra Kemp on (0409) 945508 or dakemp@w140.aone.net.au OR indigoshire@indigoshire.vic.gov.au

Bairnsdale (hosted by the East Gippsland Heritage Network):

Wednesday 23rd February at Delvine Hall, beside Bairnsdale Museum, Macarthur Street (4pm – 6pm)
RSVP - Helen Martin on (03) 5156 2437 or helen@shearwater-associates.com.au

To find out more call Tracey Rich on (02) 6257 4010 or email trich@wwf.org.au.

The EPBC Unit

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