



ECOLOGY

GeoLINK

Our ecologists form an integral part of a multi-disciplinary team which also includes planning, civil engineering, environmental engineering, landscape architecture and environmental assessment.

The GeoLINK ecology team is passionate about native flora, fauna and their habitats and protecting unique ecosystems through the development and implementation of innovative and practical project solutions - solutions that deliver sound environmental, social and economic outcomes.

Services

We provide a broad range of ecological services including:

- Review of Environmental Factors
- Environmental Impact Statements
- Species Impact Statements
- Flora and Fauna Surveys
- Ecological Monitoring
- Environmental Management Plans
- Construction Environmental Management Plans
- Vegetation Management Plans
- Riparian Zone Management, Restoration and Rehabilitation Plans
- Soil and Water Management Plans
- Wetland System Design
- Restoration and Rehabilitation Plans
- Weed Management Strategies
- Species Recovery Plans
- Biobanking Statements
- Bushfire Hazard Assessments
- Fire Management Strategies and Plans
- Acid Sulfate Soil Management Plans

Projects

The GeoLINK ecology team has been pivotal in delivering many ecological management projects. A selection of projects that showcase the team's skills and experience include:

- Evans Head stormwater improvement
- Oxleyan Pygmy Perch habitat regeneration
- Brunswick River bank stabilisation and rehabilitation works
- Clunes Community recycled water irrigation scheme
- Maclean flying-fox management plan
- Salty Lagoon monitoring
- Tintenbar to Ewingsdale Pacific Highway ecological services
- Marom Creek microbat management plan
- WC2NH koala surveys
- Macleay River Estuary ecological study
- Keepit Dam ecological assessment and pre-clearing surveys
- Shannondale subdivision flora and fauna assessment
- Byron Bay lineworks bushfire risk management
- Devil's Pulpit Pacific Highway pre-clearing surveys
- Epiq Lennox conservation zone management plan
- Grey-headed Flying-fox management strategy for Lower Hunter Valley
- Warrell Creek to Urunga orchid surveys

The GeoLINK ecology team

Our ecologists are experts in their fields and collectively offer a broad range of flora and fauna knowledge, and a wealth of experience.

David Havilah BSc (Biol)

Senior Ecologist | Associate

David is an experienced ecological consultant who has developed a broad range of skills from working on a variety of small and large-scale projects. He specialises in undertaking terrestrial flora and fauna surveys, and providing high quality ecological assessments in Queensland and NSW. This work has included designing and implementing threatened species management plans and ecological monitoring plans. David has a detailed working knowledge of environmental legislation relevant to ecological impact assessment, and an ability to balance practical applications of environmental requirements with good environmental outcomes. David is in his element on challenging large scale impact assessment and monitoring projects, especially highway projects such as T2E, P2T and W2B.

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David Andrighetto BAppSci. (EnvirResMgt)

Senior Ecologist

David has over eight years' experience working as an ecological consultant with specialist skills in environmental impact assessment, habitat management, and environmental construction management. Having worked as a project manager ecologist on a range of challenging environmental projects, David has gained wide experience in flora and vegetation community identification, fauna surveys, habitat evaluation and habitat clearing surveys, vegetation management plans, threatened species management plans, and environmental impact assessments.

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Veronica Silver BEnvSc. GradDip (UrbRegPlan)

Senior Ecologist | Planner | Associate

Veronica specialises in flora and fauna field surveys, ecological monitoring, bushfire assessment, environmental impact assessment, and bushland regeneration. Veronica has further diversified her skills and knowledge in the built environment, having completed a Graduate Diploma of Urban and Regional Planning and is currently studying a Graduate Diploma of Bushfire Protection.

Veronica possesses high level project-management skills, developed through working with a broad range of public and private sector clients on challenging environmental projects. Having project-managed a variety of ecological and planning projects; she has significant skills in liaison and the management of multi-disciplinary teams.

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Ian Colvin BApp Sc

Senior Ecologist

Ian has worked on a range of ecological projects over the past 11 years which have included preparation of flora and fauna assessments for development applications (subdivisions, rezonings), major projects and infrastructure proposals. Additionally Ian has prepared a number of ecological studies for Council and government agencies and completed numerous Reviews of Environmental Factors.

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Jessica O'Leary BEnv Sc

Ecologist

Jessica has over five years' experience in Australian ecology and environmental management. During her professional career Jessica has specialised in environmental science and ecological services along the Pacific Highway Upgrade. Jessica can provide ecology services including impact assessments, ecological monitoring and reporting and pre-clearing, spotter/ catcher duties. Jessica has also fulfilled Environmental Coordinator roles to advise and facilitate construction and engineering teams on environmental best practice in accordance with environmental management plans and relevant legislation.

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