WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT

CONCEPT PLANS

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SITE QUALITIES



The suspension bridge provides pedestrian access point across the river. The Stock Bridge Reserve (south) is difficult for pedestrian to access from the Belvoir Park Lake precinct.



The former rail bridge provides an alternative pedestrian connection across the river. There is currently no formal access on the north side.



There are several existing spaces where the water can be accessed which can be improved.



The natural landscape should be protected, enhanced and celebrated.



Bridges and river bends provide opportunity for long views up and down the creek.



OPPORTUNITIES

- Loop path
- Path connections beyond
- Path under roadway
- Improved access to pedestrian bridges
- Improved vehicular entries
- Potential water access
- Highlight view



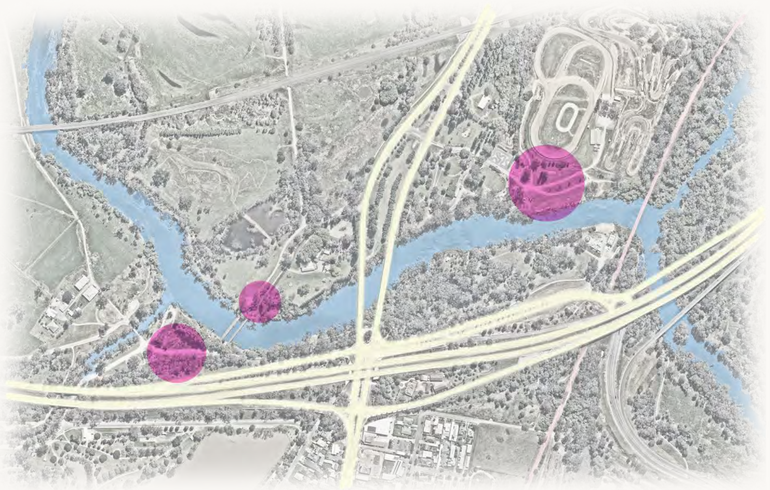
RESTORE ECOLOGICAL SYSTEMS
through weed removal and revegetation connecting remnant patches throughout the riparian zone

Actions:
- Woody weed removal.
- De-snagging.
- Erosion control.
- Revegetation.



CREATE A LOOP
by connecting trails and paths, and providing associated way-finding

Actions:
- New shared path from pedestrian suspension bridge to Rail Trail bridge.
- Improved access to Rail Trail bridge.
- Connections to Sumsion Gardens, Albury and beyond.



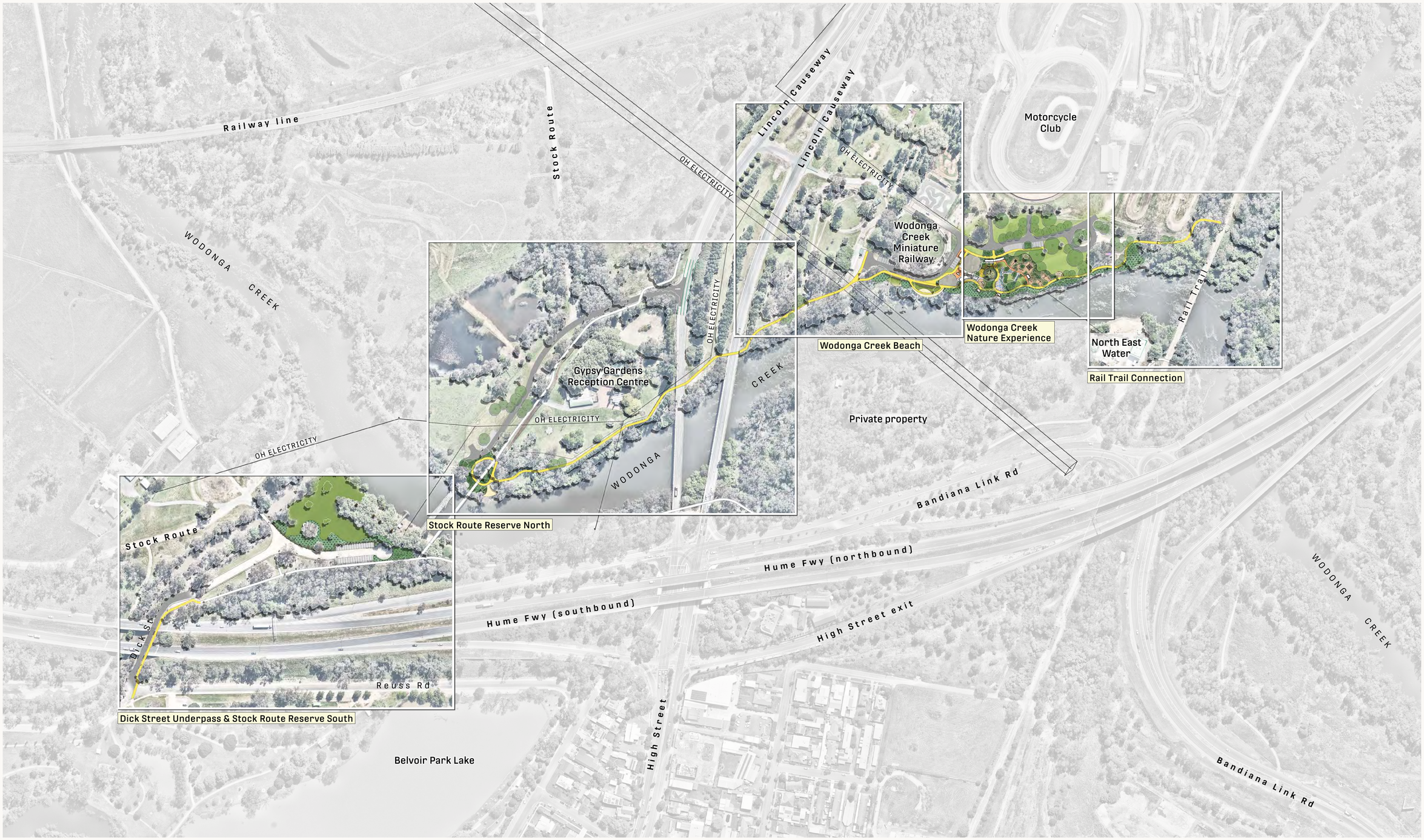
ACTIVATE KEY DESTINATIONS
through improved facilities and experiences such as play, recreation and community gathering

Actions:
- Improved access and parking at Stock Route South Reserve.
- Improved access and parking at Stock Route North Reserve.
- New playspace, public toilets, 'beach areas', access and parking at Diamond Park.



IMPROVE ACCESS, ENTRIES AND EXITS
including pedestrian circulation and arrival experience

Actions:
- Improved intersection of Lincoln Causeway (northbound).
- Improved pedestrian access on Dick Street.
- Provide an equal access shared path to the Rail Trail.



WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **OVERALL CONCEPT PLAN**

0 20 40 60 80 100m 1:2000 @ A1 1:4000 @ A3

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Create open grassed area for passive recreation and future development.

Area to be regraded to ensure free drainage, rehabilitate with grass and low level landscape - area identified as suitable for possible future expansion.

Future opportunity to undertake weed removal and revegetation of the banks for improved access to the creek (not part of this project).

Improve access and amenity of picnic areas beneath Plane trees with possible additional seating, drinking fountains and BBQ.

Road way to remain unsealed, but regraded and vehicle exclusion measures provided.

Control and define vehicular access and parking with logs and boulders in native plantings.

Control and define vehicular access and parking with bollards.

Dick Street reduced to single trafficable lane, sight lines improved to provide adequate giveway controls and priority for vehicles exiting.

Stock Route

House Creek

Dick St

WODONGA CREEK

Stock bridge (closed)

Pedestrian bridge

Hume Fwy (northbound)

Hume Fwy (southbound)

Reuss Rd

LEGEND

EXISTING

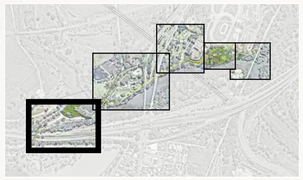
- Path
- Vegetation

PROPOSED

- Trees
- **Path.** Material to be determined. Final location dependent on arborist report
- Grass
- Native planting
- Road
- Car parking
- Bollards
- Logs and boulders
- Picnic settings

Note:

- All trees and structures under and adjacent to overhead wires to be maximum 3m in height.







WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **DICK STREET UNDERPASS & STOCK ROUTE RESERVE SOUTH**

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LEGEND

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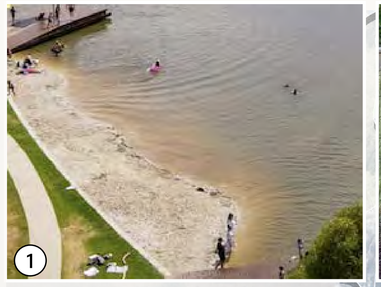
- Path
- Vegetation

PROPOSED

- Trees
- **Path.** Material to be determined. Final location dependent on arborist report
- Native planting
- Road
- Car parking
- Fence to Gypsy Gardens Reception Centre
- Beach
- Seating

Note:

- All trees and structures under and adjacent to overhead wires to be maximum 3m in height.


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Improve intersection from Lincoln Causeway (northbound).

Lincoln Causeway

Lincoln Causeway

Provide safe shared path beneath the roadway at Lincoln Causeway (northbound and southbound).

Gypsy Gardens Reception Centre

A

A

B

B

Define and control vehicular access and car parking.

Future opportunity to preserve old stock bridge legacy; e.g. floating pontoon using some of the existing bridge structure (not part of this project).

Remove existing Poplar trees to accommodate proposed shared path.

Install new fencing as agreed with adjacent landowner.

Provide a 2.5m wide shared path along the creek edge as agreed with adjacent landowner.

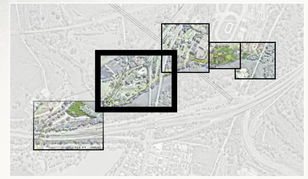
Create a beach area.

Provide access to the shared path from under the suspension bridge.

Stock bridge (closed)

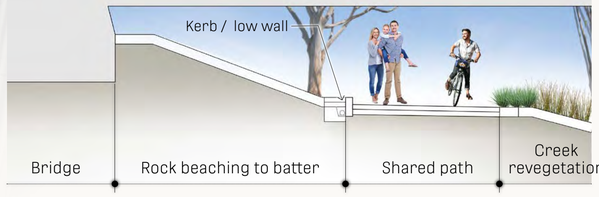
Suspension bridge

WODONGA CREEK

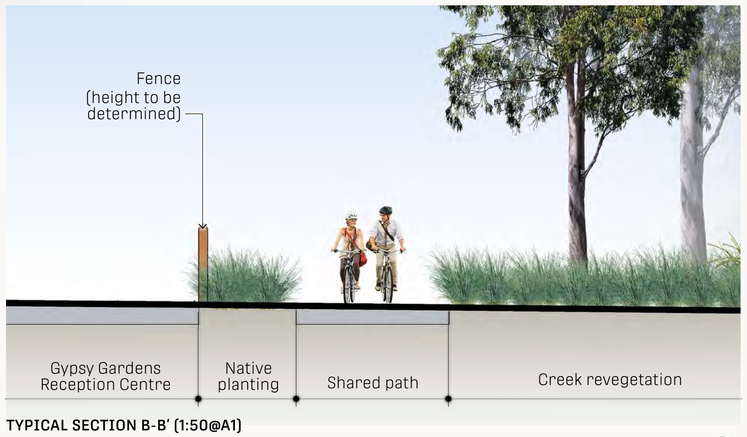




Bridge above



TYPICAL SECTION A-A' (1:50@A1)



TYPICAL SECTION B-B' (1:50@A1)

WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **STOCK ROUTE RESERVE NORTH**

0 5 10 15 20 25m 1:500 @ A1 1:1000 @ A3

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Remove existing playground.
Area to be utilised for overflow parking.

Re-align the road so that it is located west of the existing public toilets, allowing safer access for pedestrians. Relocate fencing to Wodonga Creek Miniature Railway to suit

Investigate future upgrade of the public amenities.

Provide new car parking adjacent to the public amenities.

Define and control vehicular access with turnaround, and new sealing.

Wodonga Creek Miniature Railway

Miniature Railway Station

OH ELECTRICITY

Terracing 1

Terracing 2

Provide new car parking adjacent to the public amenities.

Utilise the existing cleared bank to create a beach area. Incorporate concrete terracing and provide a lower accessible path.

Provide a 2.5m shared path along the creek edge.

Provide additional tree planting to shade shared path.

Utilise the existing cleared bank to create a beach area. Incorporate terracing to take up the grade.

Remove woody weeds (including willow) and de-snag creek.

LEGEND

EXISTING

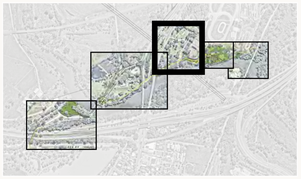
- Vegetation

PROPOSED

- Tree
- Path. Material to be determined. Final location dependent on arborist report
- Grass
- Native planting
- Road
- Car parking
- Feature paving
- Beach
- Fence
- Wall

Note:

- All trees and structures under and adjacent to overhead wires to be maximum 3m in height.

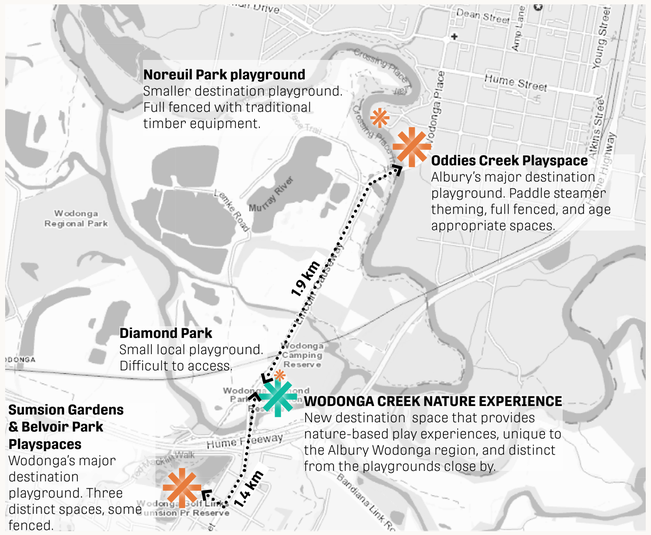


WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **WODONGA CREEK BEACH**

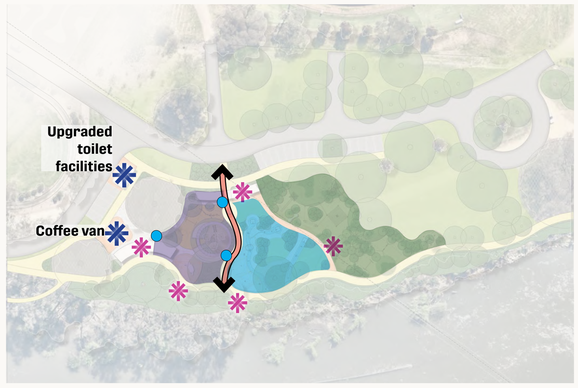
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CONTEXT



Three distinct use zones are proposed. The younger children's pace, including new picnic area, is fenced providing a secure and stress-free space for little ones and care-givers.

Waterplay is located centrally with a range of different experiences to interact and engage with water. The adventure playspace sits on the east side of the overhead power-lines within a new landscape of endemic trees and shrubs.

PROGRAM AND CIRCULATION

Fenced small children's play. Focus on sensory experiences, nature and discovery.

Waterplay and gathering area. Focus on exploring water, how it moves and how we can control it.

Adventure play - climbing, sliding, swinging and balancing. Focus on challenging and unique play experiences.

Facilities.

Shelter / pavilion.

Main path.

Gate.



The space will reference the natural environment; a watery landscape of river, anabranches, creeks and billabongs, and floodplain forests between. Opportunities for discovery and exploration will be sited within a landscape of ecological restoration.



Materials will be natural with raw finishes; with a focus on robust timbers, stone, rope and galvanised steel. Colour will be used sparingly.



The nature space will help children to reconnect with nature and will provide opportunity to climb, spin, slide and suspend.



Managing water for our urban water supply.



Conserving and protecting biodiversity.



Pre-settlement stories.



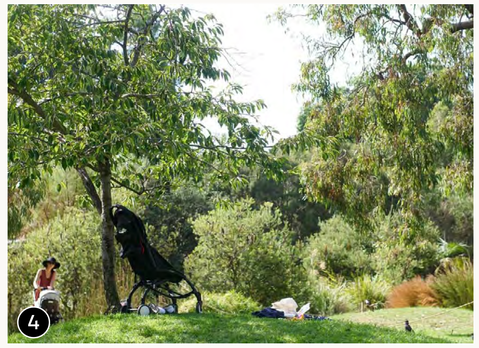
Stories from the past - such as Wodonga Creek's old swimming hole.

THEMES FOR EXPLORATION













LEGEND

EXISTING

- Vegetation

PROPOSED

- Tree
- Native planting
- Garden beds
- Grass
- Organic softfall
- Sand
- Gravel
- Feature paving to water play
- Water channel
- Path
- Feature paving
- Rubber softfall
- Car parking
- Road
- Low fence
- Balustrade to creek edge
- Shade sails
- Mulch under existing trees

Note:

- All trees and structures under and adjacent to overhead wires to be maximum 3m in height.
- CCTV and lighting to be included in the detail design stage.

WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **WODONGA CREEK NATURE EXPERIENCE** CONCEPT PLAN

0 2.5 5 7.5 10 12.5m 1:250 @ A1
1:500 @ A3

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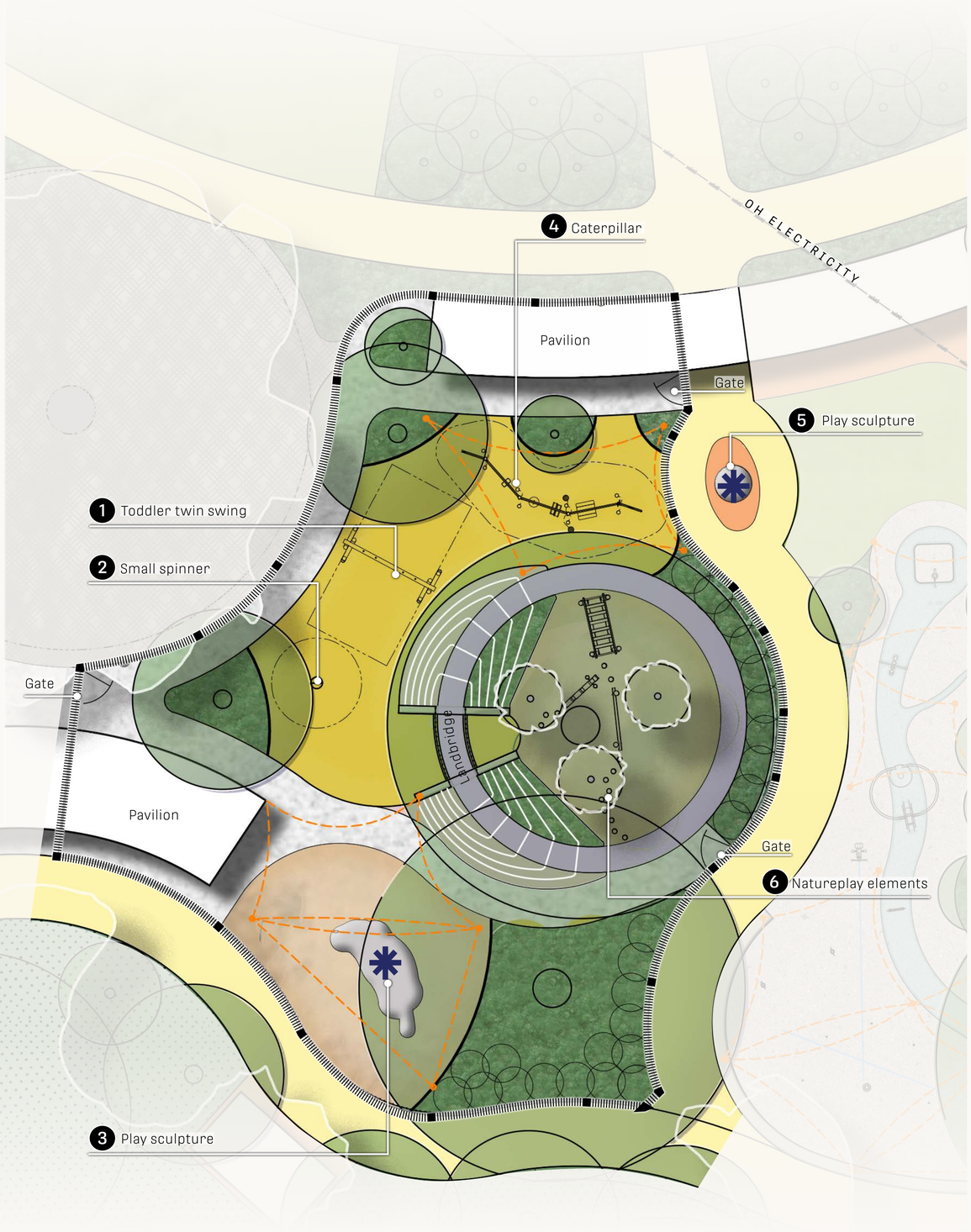
LEGEND

PROPOSED

- Trees
- Garden beds
- Grass
- Organic softfall
- Sand
- Path
- Feature paving
- Gravel
- Rubber softfall (with proposed contours)
- Low fence
- Play sculpture
- Shade sails

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Fenced younger children's play. Focus on sensory experiences, nature and discovery.

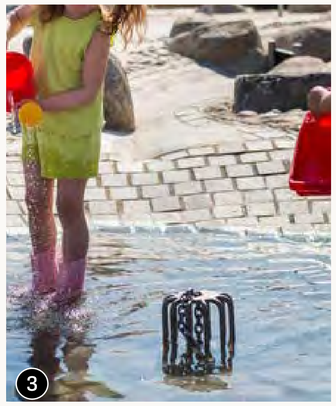
WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **WODONGA CREEK NATURE EXPERIENCE** LITTLE CHILDREN'S PLAY

0 1 2 3 4 5m
1:100 @ A1
1:200 @ A3

Woodward × yonder.





















LEGEND

PROPOSED

- Trees
- Garden beds
- Grass
- Feature paving to water play
- Water channel
- Shade sails

Note:

- All trees and structures under and adjacent to overhead wires to be maximum 3m in height.
- CCTV and lighting to be included in the detail design stage.





Focus on exploring water, how it moves and how we can control it.


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2 3


4


5 Play sculpture - indicative only

LEGEND

PROPOSED

- Trees
- Garden beds
- Organic softfall
- Feature paving
- Play sculpture

Note:

- All trees and structures under and adjacent to overhead wires to be maximum 3m in height.
- CCTV and lighting to be included in the detail design stage.

Older children's play. Focus on challenging and unique play experiences.

WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **WODONGA CREEK NATURE EXPERIENCE** ADVENTURE PLAY

0 1 2 3 4 5m 1:100 @ A1 1:200 @ A3

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LEGEND

EXISTING

Vegetation

PROPOSED

Tree

Native planting

Grass

Organic softfall

Path. Material to be determined. Final location dependent on arborist report

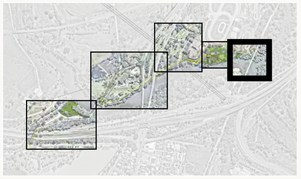
Mulch under existing trees

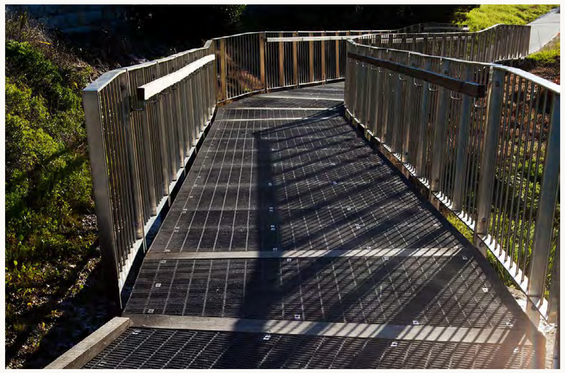
Balustrade to creek edge

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WODONGA CREEK ACTIVATION PROJECT **RAIL TRAIL CONNECTION**

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