NVIM Quick Reference Guide

Biodiversity in the Victoria Planning Provisions

What is NVIM?

NVIM stands for Native Vegetation Information Management and is a system to access Victoria's native vegetation information.

The initial release will assist landholders in accessing information required to apply for a permit to remove native vegetation under Victoria's permitted clearing regulations. The tool will generate a report that can be submitted with an application for a permit to remove native vegetation.

Accessing NVIM

NVIM is a web-based system available to the public – <u>http://nvim.depi.vic.gov.au</u>. The home page provides information about the system and tools available.

Search for Property

 Enter property address where you plan to remove, lop or destroy native vegetation in the Search bar

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 Address will be displayed in information panel on the left and marked on map on the right

Select Different Layers

 Switch on or off different layers to change the map view prior to identifying the native vegetation

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- Aerial imagery is available to assist in identifying native vegetation on property
- Use the **legend** to identify different vegetation types on the map

Drawing Tools

- From the map toolbar select a **drawing tool** to identify native vegetation
- Mark the native vegetation that you plan to remove, lop or destroy
- Drawing tools available in NVIM include:
 - Mark remnant patch by drawing a polygon
 - Mark scattered trees by marking a point for each tree
 - Measuring tool can check distances to improve accuracy
- All native vegetation to be cleared should be identified

DRAWING TIPS

- Use the scroll bar on your mouse or the map controls to zoom in & out, pan on map to assist with drawing
- If patch is marked on top of another patch the polygons can be merged & calculations based on the combined area
- A tree cannot be marked on top of a remnant patch & vice versa as these reflect different native vegetation types
- If wanting to delete drawings, select 'Delete all' button from the map toolbar near layers/legend menu
- When marking native vegetation on roadside or public land an address may not be found

Information Panel

 The information panel contains important information including user instructions, the property address & a

summary of the native vegetation marked on the map:

- Remnant patch shown with number and hectares (ha)
- Number of scattered trees shown
- Proceed to results to obtain details on riskbased pathway

When proposal is identified, click "Proceed to results"

When you have finished marking the native vegetation that you plan to remove, click "Proceed to results".

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Mark the boundary of the remnant patches of native

Mark the individual native scattered trees that you plan to

Create measurement lines showing distances on the

ap to assist in accurately marking the location of native

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Risk-based Pathway

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- The table will display how the risk-based pathway is determined and highlight the cell relevant to your application (low, moderate or high)
- Details on previous planning permits and next steps is available for your information
- If your application is within the low risk-based pathway select Calculate offset requirements

Calculate offset requirements

- NVIM does not currently calculate offset requirements for moderate or high risk-based pathway applications
- If your application is within moderate or high risk-based pathway select **Download report**

Offset Requirements

 The information on the Offset requirements screen is calculated based on the marked native vegetation on the Identify your proposal screen

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Offset requirements

 Submit the Biodiversity assessment report to your local council with your permit application and all other application requirements

Points to Note

- NVIM can not calculate offset requirements for moderate or high risk- based pathway applications at this time
- No drawing is allowed in the Melbourne Strategic Assessment (MSA) area (included in the next release later 2013)
- If drawing is outside Victoria, calculations will return an exception value (-99)
- No information will be saved to NVIM in its current form however future releases will enable this functionality
- Some properties have multiple address listings, drawing on these properties will return multiple results in the information panel
- NVIM is not supported by Internet Explorer 8 or below. Please use Internet Explorer 9 or later, Chrome or Firefox

More Information

 Further information regarding the NVIM system, including video tutorial, is available on the DEPI website <u>www.depi.vic.gov.au/nvim</u>

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