

Green wedges - Metropolitan Melbourne

Objective

To protect the green wedges of Metropolitan Melbourne from inappropriate development.

Strategies

Promote and encourage the key features and related values of each green wedge area.

Support development in the green wedge that provides for environmental, economic and social benefits.

Consolidate new residential development in existing settlements and in locations where planned services are available and green wedge values are protected.

Plan and protect major state infrastructure and resource assets, such as airports and ports with their associated access corridors, water supply dams, water catchments and waste management and recycling facilities.

Protect important productive agricultural areas such as Werribee South, the Maribyrnong River flats, the Yarra Valley, Westernport and the Mornington Peninsula.

Support existing and potential agribusiness activities, forestry, food production and tourism.

Protect areas of environmental, landscape and scenic value such as biodiversity assets, national and state parks, Ramsar wetlands and coastal areas.

Protect significant resources of stone, sand and other mineral resources for extraction purposes.

Provide opportunities for renewable energy generation.

Policy documents

Consider as relevant:

- *Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Region - Regional Strategy Plan (1996)*