PRECINCT 1: NURRAGINGY

The Nurragingy Precinct (285 hectares) includes the Eastern Creek floodplain, **Nurragingy Reserve** and agistment lands in the north. The precinct is defined by the M7 Motorway in the north, Knox Road to the east, Glendenning Road to the west and the Western Railway line to the south. Doonside and Rooty Hill Railway Stations are close to the precinct. A large portion of the precinct falls within an environmental conservation area.

Desired Future Character

A well-developed regional Recreational Hub focused on the gardens and bushland at Nurragingy Reserve, connected by walking and cycling tracks to local sports, structured and unstructured recreational sites in a semi-rural and bushland setting. Integrated Community Facility Hubs provided in a semi-rural and bushland setting as required.

Objectives

- Enhance Nurragingy Reserve as a key Recreation Hub in accordance with the Nurragingy Reserve Masterplan
- Conserve and maintain natural and cultural heritage values including the core native habitat in Nurragingy Reserve
- Improve waterways and inflows through water management that integrates with recreation and habitat opportunities
- Improve walking and cycling connections through Nurragingy Reserve to the wider Parklands
- Allow agistment where appropriate
- Create Community Facility Hubs as required

Land Use Opportunities

- Local and district unstructured recreation and associated facilities
- Sport, structured recreation and associated facilities
- Environmental education facilities
- Walking and cycling tracks
- Potential Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal cultural and heritage interpretation
- Community facilities
- Environmental protection works
 Creek line, flood and water management
- Utilities infrastructure

Key Management Priorities

Environmental Protection and Land Stewardship

- Create a cohesive bushland landscape for the precinct along boundaries to Richmond Road, Powers Street, and Knox Road
- Collaborate with Blacktown City Council to improve the bushland and biodiversity along Eastern Creek including Nurragingy Reserve
- Work with partners to improve water quality in Eastern Creek and to develop potential sustainable water projects
- Investigate restoration of a floodplain wetland (currently dam) and tributary near Owen Street
- Further investigate the area's Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal cultural heritage
- Maintain and improve rural agistment, especially with private landowners north of Nurragingy Reserve

Creating Recreational and Community Facilities

- Complete a comprehensive network of walking and cycling tracks throughout the precinct, including links to Nurragingy Reserve and adjoining tracks
- Expand local sports facilities in partnership with Blacktown City Council
- Provide Community Facility Hubs as required, such as Blacktown City Council's Animal Holding Facility

Community Participation and Engagement

- Collaborate with Blacktown City Council to upgrade Nurragingy Reserve's public facilities and amenities
- Expand social and community programs in the Precinct

Financial Sustainability and Economic Development

 Continue working with Blacktown City Council under the current Nurragingy Reserve lease arrangement

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