Yarra River - Bulleen Precinct Advisory Committee

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Request to be heard?: Yes

Full Name: Lyn Easton

Organisation:

Affected property:

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2: Attachment 3:

Comments:

Since October 2002 I have been following the Banyule Flats Powerful Owls on a daily basis and recording their diurnal roosts. Most nights I follow up the morning sightings with evening observations of the owls behaviour. My study takes place from the Banyule side of the Yarra from opposite the seed farm in Bulleen to near the Banyule wetlands although I also travel to Bulleen from time to time. My records now include over 4,500 observations and 13 breeding cycles involving 4 different nest hollows. In 2009 the Powerful Owls moved downstream from the Rosanna Golf Course after significant interference and removal of a favourite roost tree by the golf club. The owls have used Birrarrung and Bulleen extensively since. I also have over 900 records of platypus and knowledge of their burrows along the Yarra River. Because of these data sets I have concerns regarding the placement of the proposed paths and footbridge in this area. I am willing to speak to these issues at any hearing and in the appropriate setting reveal specific information.