GOONGERAH ENVIRONMENT CENTRE SOUTHERN GREATER GLIDER (Petauroides volans) DETECTION REPORT

Old Bendoc-Bonang Road / Jughandle Track – Bendoc State Forest - East Gippsland

Abstract:

Forest areas within and adjacent to VicForests' logging coupe 895-508-0003 on the corner of Old-Bendoc-Bonang Road and Jughandle Track were surveyed to assess the presence of nocturnal fauna. Seven Southern Greater Gliders (*Petauroides volans*) were detected during a nocturnal spotlight survey conducted on 22 January 2022.

A waypoint was created at the location of where the Greater Gliders were detected, and their approximate location was recorded using a compass and estimated distance. Surveyors filmed the Greater Gliders using a video recorder where possible.

The methodology and results from these surveys are further detailed within this report.

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Method: Nocturnal fauna spotlight survey conducted 22 January 2022

Equipment Used

- Hand-held Spotlights
- Global Positioning System (GPS) [Garmin GPSMAP 64s]
- Video recorder
- Compass

Method used

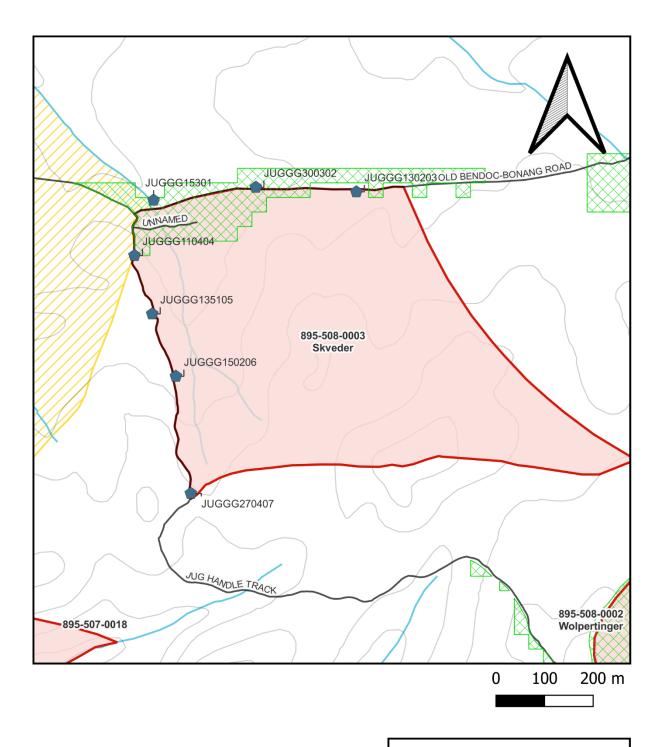
- 1. Surveyors commenced a nocturnal fauna survey at approximately 9.30pm on 22 January.
- 2. Surveyors used spotlights to detect eye shine of fauna while walking through forests in and adjacent to 895-508-0003 on the corner of Old-Bendoc-Bonang Road and Jughandle Track.
- 3. When eye shine was seen, further illumination by the spotlight was used to identify the species.
- 4. A waypoint was created on a handheld GPS at the location of where the Greater Gliders were detected. Surveyors recorded the approximate location of the glider using compass bearing and distance in metres. Surveyors then recorded video footage of the glider where possible. See the results of the survey in the table and corresponding map below.

Results

Table 1: Results from nocturnal spotlight survey conducted 22 January

Time	Waypoint ID	Species	Туре	Bearing	Distance	Location (GDA94)
						55 H 662351
21:34	JUGGG15301	Southern Greater Glider (<i>P. volans</i>)	Visual	15	30m	5884747
						55 H 662561
21:47	JUGGG300302	Southern Greater Glider (<i>P. volans</i>)	Visual	300	30m	5884773
						55 H 662768
22:00	JUGGG130203	Southern Greater Glider (<i>P. volans</i>)	Visual	130	20m	5884764
						55 H 662311
22:31	JUGGG110404	Southern Greater Glider (P. volans)	Visual	110	40m	5884633
						55 H 662348
22:39	JUGGG135105	Southern Greater Glider (<i>P. volans</i>)	Visual	135	10m	5884512
						55 H 662396
22:50	JUGGG150206	Southern Greater Glider (<i>P. volans</i>)	Visual	150	20m	5884384
						55 H 662427
23:02	JUGGG270407	Southern Greater Glider (P. volans)	Visual	270	40m	5884143

Figure 1: Greater Glider detections in VicForests logging coupe 895-508-0003



Legend

Greater Glider detections

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