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Provisional Tree Registration

Nomination RT1287 Higgins

Species: *Eucalyptus blakelyi* (Blakely's Red Gum)

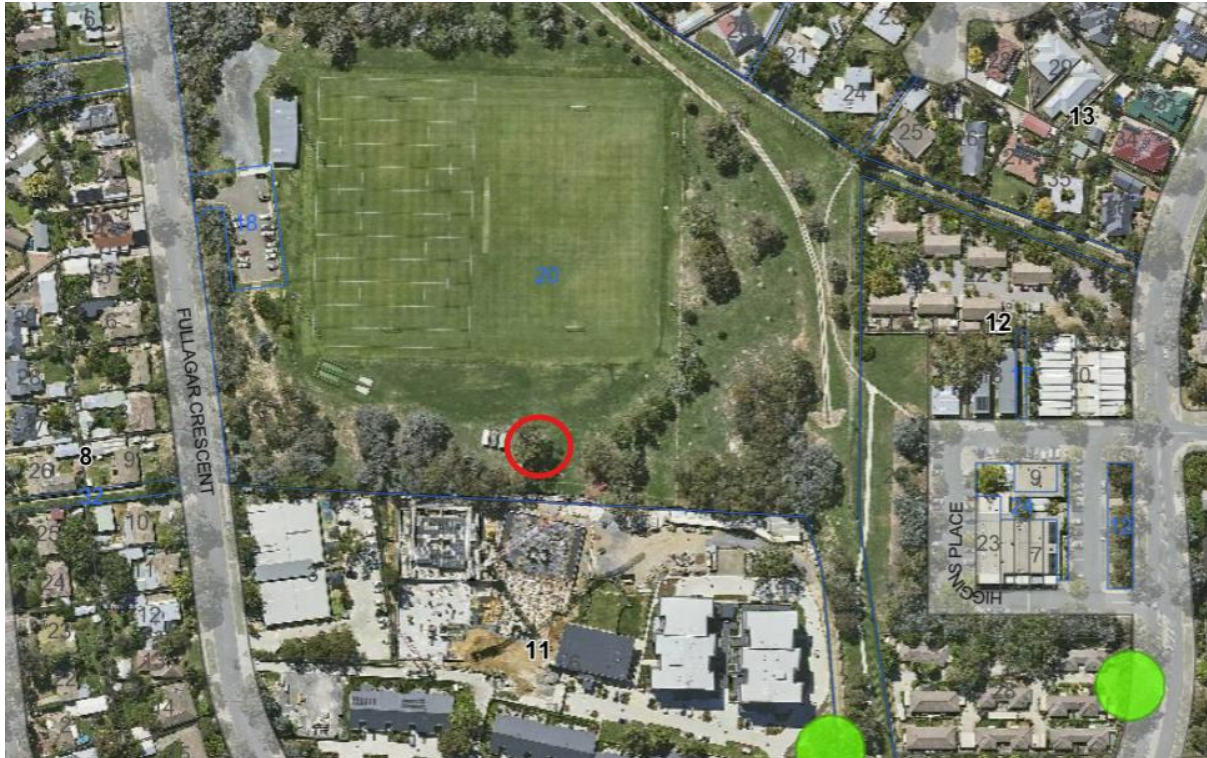
Location: Southern End of Higgins Oval



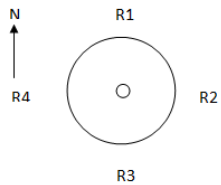


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Aerial image showing location of the tree



Location of *Eucalyptus blakelyi* RT1287 in Higgins

Field	Details of tree
Street address	Higgins Oval, off Fullagar Crescent, Higgins
Location	PRZ1 Urban Open Space - Southern End of Higgins Oval, Higgins
Botanical name	<i>Eucalyptus blakelyi</i>
Common name	Blakely's Red Gum
Tree height	23.8m
Canopy broadest diameter	22.1m
Description of radial measurement	



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Field	Details of tree
Canopy radial measurement	R1: 10.6m R2: 10.7m R3: 11.5m R4: 9.7m
Trunk circumference	433cm
Number of trunks	1
Tree Protection Zone	Canopy plus two (2) metres
Grid co-ordinates GDA 2020 Lat/Long	Latitude: 35.23111° S Longitude: 149.02470° E

Registration Criteria that presently apply, other criteria may apply after further assessment.

(2) Landscape and aesthetic value

The object of this value is to identify trees that are of particular importance to the community due to their substantial contribution to the surrounding landscape.

A tree may be considered to be of landscape and aesthetic value if it is situated in a prominent location when viewed from a public place and it:

- (a) contributes significantly to the surrounding landscape based on its overall form, structure, vigour and aesthetic values; or
- (b) represents an outstanding example of the species, including age, size or habit; or
- (c) is an exceptional example of a locally native species that reached maturity prior to urban development in its immediate vicinity.

(3) Scientific and ecological value

The object of this value is to identify trees that are of particular importance to the community due to values associated with their ecological, genetic or botanical significance or ability to substantially contribute to the scientific body of knowledge and understanding.

A tree may be considered to be of scientific and ecological value when it:



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- a) is evidence of the former range limits or extent of the species or an ecological community; or
- (b) is a listed threatened native species that is now reduced in range or abundance; or
- (c) demonstrates a likelihood of providing information which will contribute significantly to a wider understanding of natural history by virtue of its use as a research site, teaching site, type locality or benchmark site; or
- (d) is of botanical or genetic value and is not well represented elsewhere in the Territory; or
- (e) is a significant habitat element, including mature native trees (including hollow-bearing trees) for a threatened native species; or
- (f) provides exceptional contributions to habitat, habitat connectivity or the surrounding ecosystem and is/are irreplaceable.

Statement against the Criteria

This tree is located on built-up urban area to which the above criteria apply. The tree meets the criteria of Landscape and Aesthetic value, and Scientific and Ecological value as defined under the *Urban Forest Act 2023*.

This is an exceptional example of a local keystone species that existed prior to urban development in the area. It provides significant habitat elements for native birds, bees and other fauna through its spreading canopy and various hollows. Its grand size contributes significantly to the surrounding landscape and connectivity between Umbagog Park, the Pinnacle and Kama Nature Reserves.

For the above reasons I am satisfied that the landscape and aesthetic, and scientific and ecological values are high, and that the tree significantly contributes to the above values in the surrounding area.

Furthermore, I am not satisfied that the tree meets the criteria for cancellation of registration.



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Pursuant to Division 4.3 of the *Urban Forest Act 2023* as the Conservator of Flora and Fauna and for the reasons stated against the criteria above, I hereby make a decision under section 55 (1) to provisionally register the above tree on the ACT Tree Register.

Period of provisional registration: 1 year beginning from today. The provisional registration may end earlier if, prior to the end of that period, I decide to fully register, or not to fully register, the tree.

Conservator of Flora and Fauna – *Bren Burkevics* 3/8/2026