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DV 360 MOLONGLO RIVER RESERVE

We apologise for the late submission but the National Trust Heritage Committee met for the first time this year on 5 February 2019 and endorsed this submission.

The National Trust commends the proposal to establish a public reserve along the Molonglo River but is concerned that it may not be wide enough to maintain the sensitive and important natural flora and fauna as well as achieve recreational walking, cycle and public reserve functions.

We encourage clearly defined details of all heritage values (cultural, natural and indigenous) in the nominated reserve and adjacent to the area and a conservation statement on how to conserve them. If this requires adjustment to boundaries then this should occur.

We also strongly recommend an interpretation of the heritage places such as the Canberra Track signs.

We trust that arrangements will be put in place to maintain the reserve and its heritage values in the long term.

It would appear from the information in the DV that the area has high conservation value but all the details are not known to the National Trust and we are interested in these.

The Nation Trust conducts many walks through the ACT's Heritage Places and would welcome including some through this reserve in the future. We would appreciate access to further details about the reserve.

Yours faithfully

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