## **Quarry Hills bunj**il nganga Parkland

Creating new parkland for Melbourne's growing communities

The Suburban Parks Program is creating a more connected, immersive, and shared open space network across Melbourne, where our waterways, trails and cool, green streets meet local pocket parks, urban parks and bushland.



Since 2018, the Victorian Government has committed over \$315 million through the Suburban Parks Program to create, connect, plan for and upgrade more than 6,500 hectares of open space across metropolitan Melbourne.

### What is the Quarry Hills Parkland project?

The Quarry Hills bunjil nganga Parkland project has created a Future Directions Plan 2023, which guides the expansion of 1,100 hectares of parkland in Melbourne's north-east, near South Morang. The City of Whittlesea

#### Why create new parks?

- to improve community health and wellbeing
- to protect nature
- to strengthen cultural heritage
- to address climate change
- to attract jobs, investment, skilled people, and visitors to Melbourne's growing suburbs.

developed the Future Directions Plan in partnership with the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation.

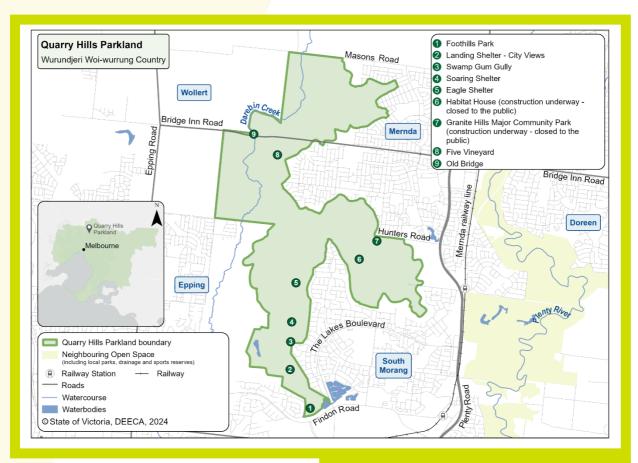
The parkland will enable communities to connect with nature and create more than 2 kilometres of new walking and cycling trails including rest stops and signage.

The City of Whittlesea manage the parkland in partnership with the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation.

#### When will the parkland open?

Many areas of the Quarry Hills bunjil nganga Parkland are open for visitors to enjoy now. For more information, visit the <u>City of Whittlesea website</u>.

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# Who are the project partners and stakeholders?

- City of Whittlesea
- Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation
- Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action

#### Location

The expanded parkland will span from Wollert and Mernda to Epping and South Morang on the lands of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung People.

#### Where can I find more information?

Visit the <u>City of Whittlesea website</u> or <u>Suburban</u> Parks Program website.

You can email the project team at: <u>suburban.parks@deeca.vic.gov.au</u>.

Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Elders completed a Cultural Values Study. Its findings are integral to parkland planning and improved understanding and respect for Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung cultural values around Quarry Hills.

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