## NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE ACT 1974

## East Ballina Aboriginal Place

IN pursuance of the powers vested in me under section 84 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, I, the Minister for the Environment and Minister for Heritage, do, by this my order, declare such of the lands described hereunder as an Aboriginal Place.

The East Ballina Aboriginal Place is a place of special significance to Aboriginal culture and people. The Aboriginal cultural values for the place includes the recognition and commemoration of early colonial conflicts and the 1853/54 massacre of Bundjalung people associated with the area, and is regarded as being of significance to Aboriginal families of the area who have traditional connection to East Ballina and who continue to use the cemetery to be buried close to their immediate predecessors in ancestral lands. The place contains a landscape of extensive cultural features and natural resources, including former wetlands and coastal ecosystems, which provide a continuing teaching resource for current and future generations.

Note: Under section 86 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, it is an offence to harm or desecrate (harm includes destroy, deface or damage) an Aboriginal Place.

Activities or works for the conservation or protection of the Aboriginal Place that are carried out by an officer of the Office of Environment and Heritage, or under the direction of such an officer, in accord with section 87A(a) of the Act may be exempt.

Activities or works carried out in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 which constitute the continued use of this Aboriginal Place for the purposes of public recreation and conservation that do not cause harm to, or desecrate the Aboriginal Place may be exempt.

Activities carried out in accordance with the Public Health (Disposal of Bodies) Regulation 2002 which constitute the continued use of East Ballina Cemetery as a cemetery would not harm or desecrate this declared Aboriginal Place.

Should any activities that may cause harm to or desecrate this Aboriginal Place be contemplated, consent should be sought from the Director General, Department of Premier and Cabinet.

ROBYN PARKER, M.P., Minister for the Environment

## GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

## **SCHEDULE**

Land District - East Ballina; L.G.A. - Ballina

County of Rous, Parish of Ballina, about 162 hectares, being Part Lot 7014, DP 1068898; Part Lot 394, DP 755684; Part Lot 7034, DP 1063872; Lot 7023, DP 1064275; Lot 522, DP 729429; Part Lot 7032, DP 1063896; Part Lot 1, DP 781525; Lot 523, DP 729429; Part Lot 59, DP 827785; Part Lot 402, DP 755684; Part Lot 207, DP 851318; Lot 521, DP 729429; Part Lot 406, DP 755684; Part Lot 1, section 78, DP 758047; Lot 4, section 78, DP 758047; Lot 530, DP 729679; Lot 531, DP 729679; Lot 7045, DP 1113371; Lot 468, DP 729067; Lot 467, DP 729067 and Crown public roads, as shown shaded in diagram hereunder.

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