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VIEW POINT 12 - LEICHARDT HIGHWAY - MYALL PARK ROAD

Viewpoint 12 is located at the intersection of the Leichardt Highway and Myall Park Drive.

This location is approximately 5.0 km north of Miles.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 3 - Forest.

This viewpoint is near to the location where the proposed Collection Header will cross the Leichardt Highway.

Figure 6.26 shows an aerial photograph of this location.



VP12 (GPS 56J 218124.5, 7053745.6)

The landscape to the east of this location is Landscape Unit 3 - Forest. The landscape to the west has been cleared for farming.



Figure 6.26 Aerial Photograph of viewpoint 12 and the surrounding landscape

Figure 6.26 also shows the existing roadways and other easements that have been created in the area.

The Leichardt Highway is a wide road reserve with extensive vegetation on both sides of the road. Figure 6.27 shows the view looking north along the Leichardt Highway from this location.



Figure 6.27 *View looking north along the Leichardt Highway*

The vegetation located within the Leichardt Highway Road Reserve can also be seen in this view.

Figure 6.28 shows the view looking east along Myall Park Road from the Leichardt Highway.



Figure 6.28 *View looking east along Myall Park Road*

The intersection of the Leichardt Highway and Myall Park Road is a wide intersection that has already seen the removal of large areas of vegetation on the eastern side of the highway.

The construction of the Collection Header Pipeline at this location will require the removal of additional vegetation on both the western side and the eastern sides of the highway.

There will be limited views to the pipeline easement on the western side of the Leichardt Highway. This is due to the screening effect of the existing vegetation that is located within the Leichardt Highway road reserve.

The landscape to the eastern side of the highway at this location has already been extensively modified by vegetation removal and road construction. The construction of the Collection Header pipeline easement on the eastern side will be noticeable through construction due to construction activity. Once construction is complete, the pipeline easement will be barely discernable.

For these reasons, the visual impact at this location is assessed as being low to negligible.

6.13 VIEW POINT 13 - L3 TREE ROAD

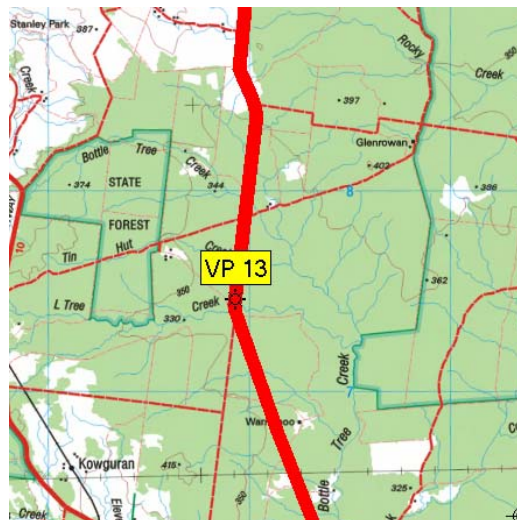
Viewpoint 13 is located on the L3 Tree Road. The proposed Export Pipeline enters L3 Tree Road near to this location.

This location is approximately 29.5 km north of Miles.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 3 - Forest.

There is an existing state forest to the west and east of this location.

Figure 6.29 shows an Aerial photograph of this location.



VP13 (GPS 56J 219236.7, 7074596.3)

There are many access tracks, easements, creeks and cleared areas found in the landscape near this location as shown in Figure 6.29.



Figure 6.29 *Aerial Photograph of Viewpoint 13 and surrounding landscape*

The cleared areas and access tracks are visible as lines or breaks in the existing vegetation.

Figure 6.30 shows the view looking north along L3 Tree Road from this location. The existing vegetation at this location is scrubby, low lying and punctuated by small trees. The low scrubby vegetation is also close to the road.



Figure 6.30 *View looking south along L3 Tree Road*

Views to the surrounding landscape are limited by the existing vegetation as seen in Figure 6.29.

Visual impacts associated with constructing a pipeline in this landscape would be limited to the construction impacts and vegetation removal.

If the Export pipeline easement was to be located in the road reserve, the visual impact would be confined to vegetation removal and widening of the track. The L3 Tree Road would appear as a wide access road. The visual impact for this scenario would be assessed as low.

If the Export pipeline was to be setback from the road and incorporate a landscape buffer, the pipeline would not be noticeable from the L3 Tree Road. The visual impact for this scenario would be assessed as negligible.

6.14 VIEW POINT 14 - L3 TREE ROAD #2

Viewpoint 14 is located on the L3 Tree Road. The proposed Export Pipeline will be constructed near to this location.

This location is approximately 29.5 km south - east of Wandoan.

There is an existing state forest to the north - east of this location.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 3 - Forest.

Figure 6.31 shows an Aerial photograph of this location.



VP14 (GPS 56J 219893.7, 7089804.9)

There are minor access tracks, easements, creeks and cleared areas and already found in the landscape near to this location.

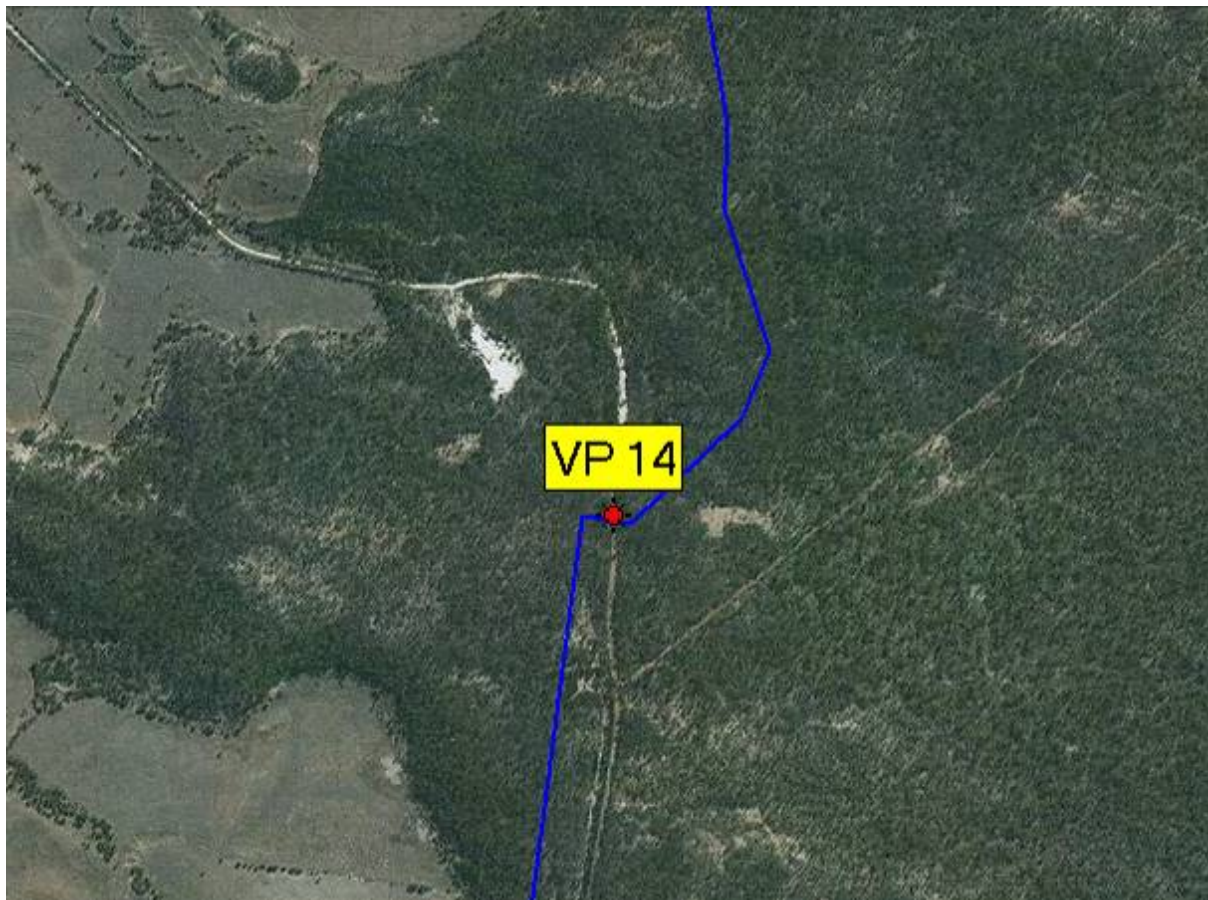


Figure 6.31 *Aerial Photograph of Viewpoint 14 and the surrounding landscape*

The cleared areas, and access tracks are visible as lines or breaks in the existing be seen in Figure 6.31.

Figure 6.32 shows the view looking north along L3 Tree Road from this location.



Figure 6.32 *View looking north along L3 Tree Road*

Figure 6.33 shows the view looking south along L3 Tree Road from this location.



Figure 6.33 *View looking south along L3 Tree Road*

The existing vegetation comprises regrowth and tall trees at narrow spacing and limited undergrowth, and limits views to the surrounding landscape.

Vegetation removal will be required to construct the Export Pipeline at this location. Visual impacts associated with constructing a pipeline in this landscape would be limited to the construction impacts and vegetation removal.

The proposed Export pipeline will cross the L3 Tree road at right angles at this location, limiting viewing opportunities of the pipeline easement. In addition to this, the existing vegetation located on both sides of the road will also assist to confine visibility of the pipeline to a short distance when travelling along the road.

For these reasons, the visual impact at this location is assessed as low to negligible.

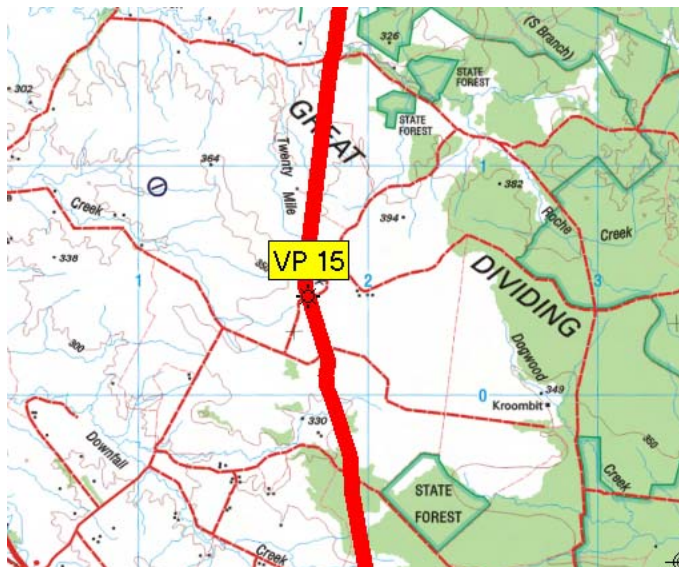
6.15 VIEW POINT 15 - MIDDLE CREEK ROAD

Viewpoint 15 is located on the Middle Creek Road. The proposed Export Pipeline will cross Middle Creek Road near to this.

This viewpoint is approximately 21 km east of Wandoan.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 1 - Flat Farmland.

Figure 6.34 shows an aerial photograph of this location.



VP15 (GPS 56J 217362.6, 7104353.2)

The areas of cleared farm can be seen in Figure 6.34

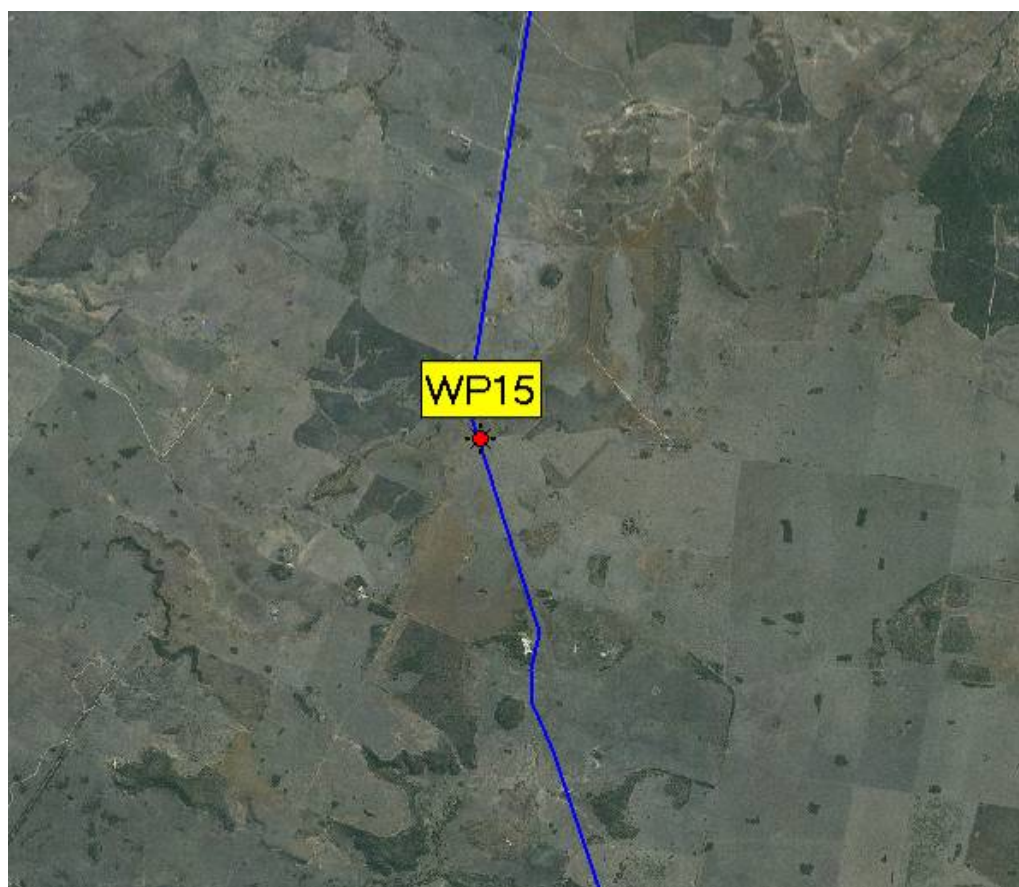


Figure 6.34 Aerial Photograph of Viewpoint 15 and the surrounding landscape

Figure 6.35 shows the view looking north-west from Middle Creek Road.



Figure 6.35 *View looking north - west from Middle Creek Road*

Figure 6.36 shows the view looking south-east along from the Middle Creek Road.



Figure 6.36 *View looking south - east from Middle Creek Road*

There is an existing fence line and firebreak at this location as seen in Figure 6.35 and Figure 6.36.

The landscape surrounding this location is predominantly cleared flat farmland. Rural landscapes such as this regularly undergo seasonal visual change through cropping, ploughing and grazing activity.

Construction work associated with the proposed Export pipeline will be of a much larger scale than the firebreak seen in the figures above. Previous viewpoints however have demonstrated that over time and after rehabilitation, pipeline easements are visually similar to the existing firebreaks seen at this location.

For these reasons, the visual impact at this location is assessed as negligible to low.

6.16 VIEW POINT 16 - BIG VALLEY ROAD

Viewpoint 36 is located on the Big Valley Road. The proposed Export Pipeline will cross the road at this location.

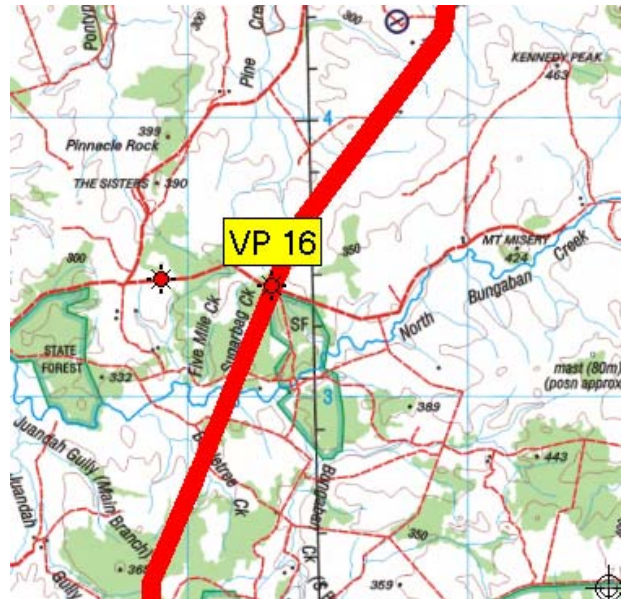
Big Valley is a narrow sealed road at this location.

This location is approximately 38 km north - east of Wandoan.

There is a small state forest to the south - east of this location.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 2 - Hilly Farmland.

Figure 6.37 shows the view looking east at this location.



VP16 (GPS 56J 222953.3, 7133914.08)



Figure 6.37 View looking east along Big Valley Road

The existing vegetation located in the state forest to the south - east, can be seen in the right of Figure 6.37.

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Figure 6.38 View looking west along Big Valley Road

Looking west, there is existing vegetation located on both the northern and southern side of the road. The existing vegetation comprises a mix of tall trees, shrubs and ground covers and limits views to the surrounding landscape.

The proposed pipeline will cross the Big Valley Road near to this location. Vegetation removal will be required to either side of the Big Valley road to construct the pipeline at this location.

Landscape Unit 2 - Hilly Farmland is the most visible landscape at this location and has a low landscape sensitivity. At the completion of construction works, visual impacts associated with constructing a pipeline in this landscape would be confined to vegetation removal. This would also only be noticeable for a short distance.

For these reasons, the visual impact to this location is assessed as low to negligible.

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VIEW POINT 17 - COCKATOO SCHOOL - PONTY POOL ROAD

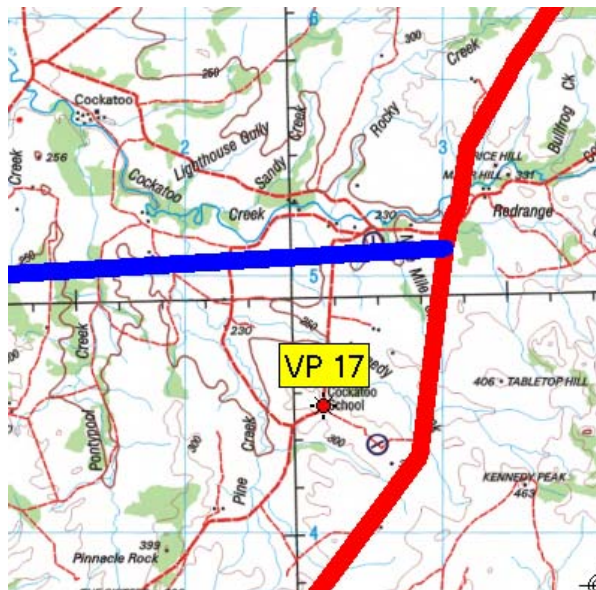
Viewpoint 17 is located on Ponty Pool Road.

The proposed Export Pipeline will be located approximately 5.0 km the east of this location.

The proposed lateral pipeline is located further to the north of this location.

The Cockatoo School is located to the south of this viewpoint and on the edge of a local hill. The school has views to the north and east.

Landscape Unit 1 – Flat Farmland, is the most visible landscape at this location.



VP17 (GPS 56J 225375.8, 7144858.1)

Figure 6.39 shows the view looking north – east from this location.

This location is one of the few elevated, publicly accessible viewing locations in this area. The Ponty Pool Road which continues to the north becomes a flat landscape as also seen in the left of this figure.



Figure 6.39 View looking north - east from Cockatoo School

The landscape at this location is predominantly cleared farmland. It comprises small shrubs and trees that, over distance come together to offer limited screening potential.

Figure 6.40 shows an enlargement of Figure 6.39.



Figure 6.40 *Enlargement of view looking north - east from Cockatoo School*

The proposed Export Pipeline is approximately 5.0 km to the east of this location. At this distance, the existing vegetation would screen the proposed pipeline easement from this view. As there will be no visibility of either the pipeline easement from this location and views are over a landscape that has a low visual sensitivity, the visual impact is therefore considered to be negligible to nil.

Figure 6.40 is useful to understand the visibility of easements from elevated viewing locations.

For example, previous viewpoints have shown the view along road ways from ground level. *Figure 6.40* demonstrates the potential visibility of an easement from an elevated viewing location.

In the left of *Figure 6.40* Ponty Pool Road is clearly visible because of the contrasting road surface against the grassed surrounding landscape. This would be similar to a recently

Roughly central to *Figure 6.40* is an existing transmission line that has been cleared of tall vegetation. The transmission line is visible in foreground due to the height of the poles and the cleared vegetation at the base of the easement. Over distance, visibility of the easement diminishes as it does the effect of the cleared easement. Excluding the transmission poles, this would be similar to a pipeline easement once rehabilitation works are established.

6.18 VIEW POINT 18 - ROCKYBAR ROAD #1

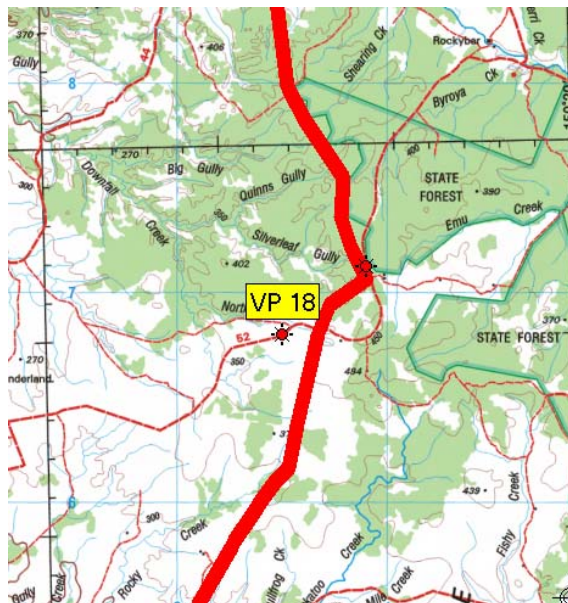
Viewpoint 18 is located on the Rockybar Road. Rockybar Road is a gravel un-fenced road at this location.

The proposed Export Pipeline will be located to the east of this location.

There is an area of state forest to the north - east of this location.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 1 - Flat Farmland.

Figure 6.41 shows an aerial photograph of this viewpoint location and the surrounding landscape.



VP18 (GPS 56J 235002.2, 7167952.6)



Figure 6.41 Aerial Photograph of Viewpoint 18 and the surrounding landscape

The landscape at this location is predominantly cleared farming land with trees located along paddock boundaries and creek lines.

Figure 6.42 shows the view looking north-east to east from this location towards the proposed Export Pipeline location.



Figure 6.42 *Rockybar Road looking north-east to east*

The forested hills located in the State Forest to the north - east of this location can also be seen in the background of this figure.

In this landscape, the proposed Export pipeline may be visible during construction, however this will depend on the surrounding agricultural activity. For example if adjoining paddocks are ploughed at the time of construction, the areas around the pipeline construction works and associated easement will be less discernible. However if the paddocks are verdant green, the location of the pipeline easement during construction will be in high contrast to the surrounding landscape and will therefore be more noticeable.

At the completion of construction works, the landscape in this area will be returned to agriculture uses. Over time the areas disturbed during construction will return to a similar colour as the surrounding landscape. For these reasons the visual impact at this location is assessed as low to negligible.

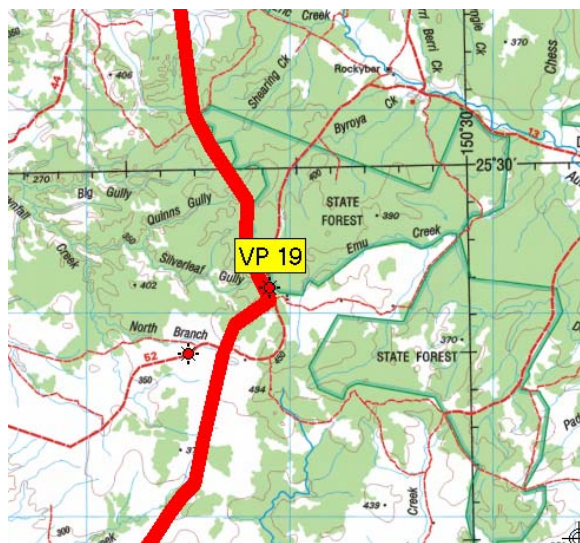
6.19 VIEW POINT 19 - ROCKYBAR ROAD#2

Viewpoint 19 is located on Rockybar Road.

There is a state forest to directly to the east of this location.

The most visible landscape unit in this location is Landscape Unit 3 - Forest.

Figure 6.43 shows an aerial photograph of this viewpoint location.



VP19 (GPS 56J 239008.8, 7171194.3)

The Export Pipeline will be located to the west of Rockybar Road as show in Figure 6.43.

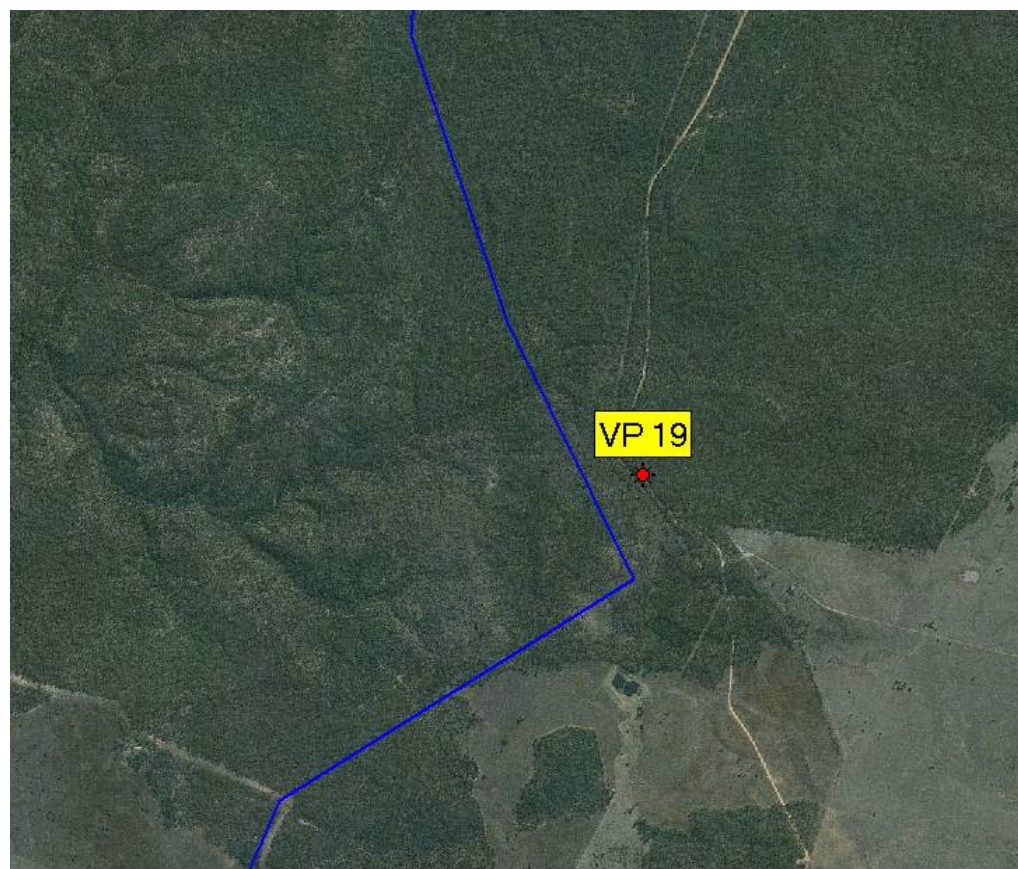


Figure 6.43 *Aerial Photograph of Viewpoint 19 and the surrounding landscape*

There are several tracks and easements near to this location including an existing transmission line to the west of Rockybar Road. The easements, roads and assess tracks are the lines seen within the vegetation in Figure 6.43.

Figure 6.44 shows the view looking west from this location towards the existing transmission line easement and proposed Export Pipeline.



Figure 6.44 *Mouth of Powlett River Road looking east*

The existing vegetation at this location comprises regrowth and tall trees at narrow spacing's with low shrubs. Views to the surrounding landscape are limited by the existing vegetation as seen in Figure 6.44.

There will be no views to the proposed Export Pipeline easement from this location.

The visual impact is assessed as Nil.

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VIEW POINT 20 - EIDSVOLD THEODORE ROAD

Viewpoint 20 is located on the Eidsvold Theodore Road.

The Eidsvold Theodore Road is a gravel road that runs in an east west direction.

This location is approximately 10 km east of Cracow.

The proposed Export Pipeline will cross the Eidsvold Theodore Road near to this location.

The Camboon State Forest is located to the east of this location.

The most visible landscape unit at this location is Landscape Unit 3 - Forest.



VP20 (GPS 56J 238553.5, 7197856.8)

Figure 6.45 shows an aerial photograph of this location.

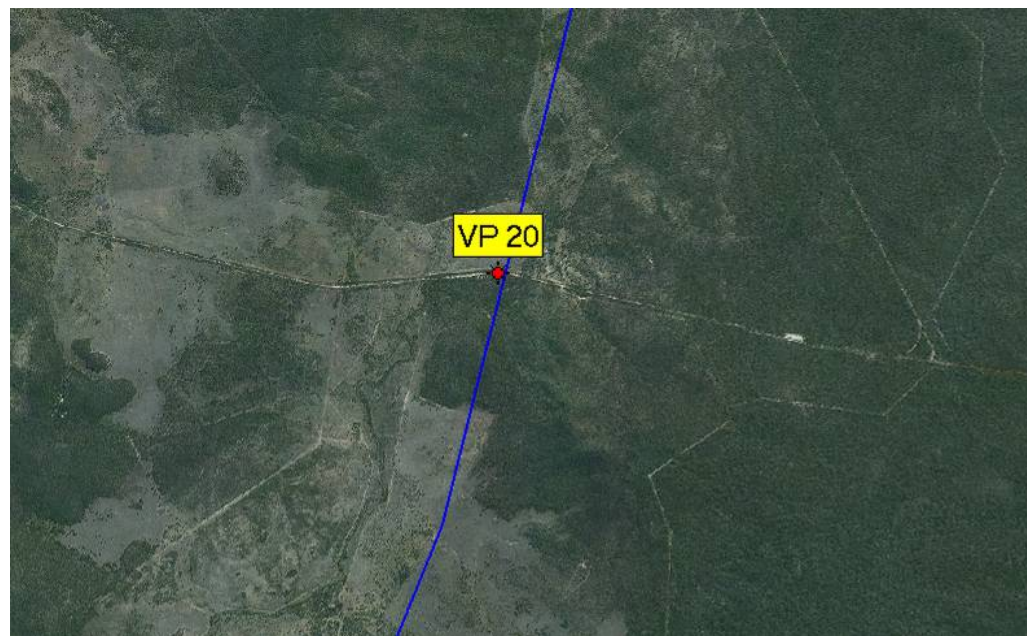


Figure 6.45 *Aerial Photograph of Viewpoint 20 and the surrounding landscape*

There are several cleared easements, roads and access tracks near to this location. These are visible in Figure 6.45.

Figure 6.46 shows the view looking west along the Eidsvold Theodore Road at this location.