

Planning Scheme

Major Amendment 2

Agricultural land overlay

What is the Agricultural land overlay?

The Agricultural land overlay identifies areas of agricultural significance and provides additional measures to protect these areas from incompatible uses that may adversely impact on productive use by present and future generations.

Council's Agricultural land overlay advances the State Planning Policy state interest for Agriculture.

The overlay map includes the following:

- Class A and Class B Agricultural Land
- Important Agricultural Areas

These maps are sourced from the Queensland Government and amended by Council to remove any areas within the Urban Footprint where urban development is expected.

The overlay code has measures to:

- ensure productive areas are protected from development
- facilitate compatible uses at appropriate scales
- provide buffers to sensitive land uses

What changes are proposed?

The Agricultural land overlay map has been updated to:

- incorporate the latest Agricultural Land Classification mapping from the Queensland Government
- introduce a new buffer area to align with the existing code provisions.

The table of assessment for the Agricultural land overlay has been redrafted to improve clarity and:

- allow holiday homes without planning approval
- allow up to 6 short-term accommodation units or up to 10 tourist park sites without planning approval, if complying with the

acceptable outcomes in the overlay code.

The Agricultural land overlay code has been amended to:

- introduce an additional measure to ensure development (other than rural activities) must be related to a rural activity occurring on the premises
- clarify how open space buffers work at urban and agricultural land interfaces
- allow for small scale rural accommodation uses that support agricultural activities

Where can I find these changes?

- Table 5.9.1—Agricultural land overlay
- Section 7.2.1 Agricultural land overlay code
- Agricultural land overlay map