

Zone 12

Incipient Dune Zone north of Aboriginal Tent Embassy & Coastcare site south

Soil	Original soil profile largely intact	
Vegetation Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intact remnant incipient dune and coastal heathland community Riparian vegetation in this zone is considered to be consistent with the definition of the SCESFC 	
Weed Density	Low	
Habitat Value	HIGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sandon Point dune system exhibits primary, secondary and emergent tertiary coastal dune vegetation. With extensive coastal development throughout the region having dramatically reducing the number remaining complex dune systems, this Zone represents significant habitat for flora and fauna.
Major Impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human activity, dogs 	
Contribution to Conservation Value of Sandon Point	SIGNIFICANT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vegetation in this zone is relatively undisturbed and if managed well, will flourish. Regeneration within this zone offers the opportunity for this area to link with the existing Coastcare site to the south. With regeneration a further link could be established with the eastern end of Hewitts Creek consolidating this high conservation value remnant riparian zone and the emergent tertiary coastal dune vegetation. The preservation and consolidation of this incipient coastal dune community will contribute significantly to the stability of the hind dune and floodplain species by protecting these area from sand drifts and dune movement and the deflection of on shore winds.



Plate 47: Looking south through Zone 12 with proposed dune regeneration site in foreground



Plates 48: (above) Looking west from Zone 12 Coastcare site through to Illawarra Escarpment. **Plate 49:** (below) Looking south through Zone 12 Coastcare site.

