

## Native Grasslands

### GPL Lowland *Poa labillardierei* grassland: valley bottoms and river banks facies

#### Community Description:

Lowland *Poa labillardierei* grasslands are generally species-poor, treeless communities characterised by tussocks of *Poa labillardierei* with herbs, graminoids and small grasses in the inter-tussock spaces. The *Poa labillardierei* tussocks may be large and spreading or small and tufty depending on the situation. The tussocks may form a closed sward or an open layer with smaller grasses and herbs in the inter-tussock spaces. Lowland *Poa labillardierei* grassland occurs on alluvial river flats below 600 m above sea level. This benchmark is one of 2 benchmarks available to assess the condition of GPL.

#### Benchmarks:

Component	Cover %	LF Code
Dominant Life Form	60%	LTG
Organic Litter	10%	

Expected Life Forms	LF code	# Spp	Cover %
Shrub	S	1	1
Herb and orchids	H	14	5
Large tussock grass	LTG	1	60
Medium to small tussock grass	MTG	2	5
Medium to small non-tussock grass	NTG	2	1
Tiny grass/tiny sedge/lily	TGS	1	1
Large sedge/rush/sagg/lily	LSR	4	10
Medium to small sedge/rush/sagg/lily	MSR	2	1
Ground fern	GF	1	1
Mosses and lichens	ML	1	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>29</b>	

## Species lists

Dominant Species	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Poa labillardierei</i>	silver tussockgrass	LTG

Emergent Tree Species	Common Name	Notes
<i>Acacia dealbata</i>	silver wattle	Scattered trees only, when present
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	blackwood	Scattered trees only, when present

Other Typical Species *	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Pimelea humilis</i>	dwarf riceflower	S
<i>Acaena</i> spp.	sheepsburr	H
<i>Asperula conferta</i>	common woodruff	H
<i>Dichondra repens</i>	kidneyweed	H
<i>Epilobium</i> spp.	willowherb	H
<i>Euchiton</i> spp.	cudweed	H
<i>Geranium</i> spp.	cranesbill	H
<i>Hydrocotyle</i> spp.	pennywort	H
<i>Hypericum</i> spp.	st johns-wort	H
<i>Leptorhynchus</i> spp.	buttons	H
<i>Mimulus repens</i>	creeping monkeyflower	H
<i>Oxalis perennans</i>	woodsorrel	H
<i>Pratia pedunculata</i>	matted pratia	H
<i>Ranunculus</i> spp.	buttercup	H
<i>Scleranthus</i> spp.	knawel	H
<i>Senecio glomeratus</i>	purple fireweed	H
<i>Senecio quadridentatus</i>	cotton fireweed	H
<i>Solenogyne</i> spp.	flat-herb	H
<i>Veronica</i> spp.	speedwell	H
<i>Rytidosperma</i> spp.	wallabygrass	MTG
<i>Austrostipa</i> spp.	speargrass	MTG
<i>Deyeuxia quadriseta</i>	bentgrass	MTG
<i>Dichelachne crinita</i>	longhair plumegrass	MTG
<i>Ehrharta stipoides</i>	weeping grass	NTG
<i>Carex breviculmis</i>	shortstem sedge	TGS
<i>Isolepis</i> spp.	clubsedge	TGS
<i>Schoenus apogon</i>	common bogsedge	TGS
<i>Carex longebrachiata</i>	drooping sedge	LSR
<i>Diplarrena morae</i>	white flag-iris	LSR
<i>Juncus</i> spp.	rush	LSR
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	sagg	LSR
<i>Bulbine</i> spp.	bulbine lilies	MSR
<i>Burchardia umbellata</i>	milkmaids	MSR
<i>Lepidosperma</i> spp.	swordsedge	MSR
<i>Luzula</i> spp.	woodruff	MSR
<i>Asplenium flabellifolium</i>	necklace fern	GF
<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	bracken	GF

\*This list is provided as a guide only. The species listed are typical of this plant community type but may not necessarily be present.