



TASVEG Update #5

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Dear TASVEG stakeholder, we are pleased to make the following announcements.

Revisions to *From Forest to Fjaeldmark* (edition 2)

As most of you would be aware, edition two of the TASVEG companion manual *From Forest to Fjaeldmark* is now only published online in PDF format. The most recent amendments to this publication are outlined below and are available now on the [DPIPWE website](#).

Introduction

The Introductory information has been updated to capture the most recent revisions to the manual, as summarised below.

Guide to descriptions and Intersectional key

The Intersectional key has been updated to reflect changes aimed at reducing ambiguity and guiding the user to the most appropriate sectional key. The intention of changes made at step 2a is to prevent circumstances where an essentially native community (e.g. native grassland) could be automatically directed to the Modified land section where an exotic species (e.g. gorse) forms a sparse canopy, or where exotic species may temporarily dominate a community due to a spring flush of exotic annuals. An additional step has been introduced at 2b to ensure that trees occurring as isolated individuals or small copses over, for example improved pasture, are not automatically keyed out to a native vegetation community. The Intersectional key should not be used in isolation, but as a general guide to direct the user to the most appropriate section within the manual. The introductory information provided for each of the broad vegetation groups and the unit vegetation descriptions should be consulted prior to assigning unit categories to vegetation. Field validation is normally required for a definitive allocation of vegetation code.

Modified land

The introduction to the Modified land section has been updated to support changes to the Intersectional key.

Glossary & abbreviations, appendices

The glossary has been reviewed and definitions for a number of terms added, largely to support the interpretation of the Intersectional key and the keys to broad vegetation groups.

Please contact the TASVEG team if you have any questions relating to the amendments outlined above: TVMMPsupport@dpiw.tas.gov.au.

Warm regards from the TASVEG team

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