

Trust for Nature Covenanted Requirements

Size	Significance	Configuration	Condition
<p>The proposed covenant is a minimum of 5 hectares</p>	<p>The proposed covenant would enable protection of at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — ecosystems and species' habitat in a Trust for Nature identified focal landscape* — under-represented ecosystems — climate change refuges — wetlands, coastal habitat, and priority waterways — habitat for priority fauna and/or flora species* — priority location for landscape connectivity — native vegetation at medium-to-high risk of clearing — large patches of land (greater than 50 hectares) — First Peoples cultural heritage 	<p>The proposed covenant configuration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — is relatively contiguous and minimises edge effects — has no domestic area OR has an area of land excluded from the covenanted area large enough for a dwelling OR there is one clearly delineated domestic area that is less than 2 hectares and less than 10% of the total covenanted area 	<p>The proposed covenant largely contains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Native vegetation that is largely unmodified, and/or modified vegetation that is likely to naturally recover within 25 years <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Highly modified or degraded vegetation requiring restoration intervention (to be eligible these sites will require an enforceable and funded restoration plan, e.g. BushBank)

Trust for Nature discretion

If a proposed covenant does not meet the above requirements but a strong case can be made that the proposed covenant is of significant conservation value, Trust for Nature has the discretion to recommend a covenant for approval to the Minister. Trust for Nature also has discretion to not progress a covenant that meets the above requirements where there are other risks/issues identified during the assessment process.

*As identified in Trust for Nature's [Statewide Conservation Plan](#). See Trust for Nature website for more information: trustfornature.org.au