

Fourth rock climbing roundtable



Thank you for participating in the fourth roundtable meeting, it was well attended and productive. We are circulating the below information for you to pass on to your members and communities. We will still be sending out the meeting notes soon.

At the fourth rock climbing roundtable Parks Victoria gave an update on the environmental and cultural assessments in Gariwerd/Grampians.

The information gathered to date will inform decision-making regarding management of the landscape, including rock climbing and bouldering access in the future.

No decisions have been made yet about access for climbing. The current management/protection regime remains unchanged. Any changes will be made through the Grampians Landscape Management planning process.

The results of the assessments will be released, as far as cultural sensitivities will allow, to help people understand the landscape and its unique qualities when considering future management strategies that will be proposed in the draft plan.

The draft plan will be released for public consultation, so all interested people can have their say, before the final plan is approved for implementation.

Climbing representatives suggested a climber-led volunteer Stewardship Program which was well received by all attendees. The proposal will be finalised and formally proposed to Parks Victoria for consideration, along with Traditional Owner partners.

A fifth and final roundtable meeting will occur in late May or early June at which more information about assessments can be shared, and agreement reached on how we will all work together on our ongoing relationship.

Yours sincerely,
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