



Rural services: Property scale PMAV

What is a property scale PMAV ?

A property scale PMAV (property map of assessable vegetation) maps the vegetation on your property, usually around a scale of 1:25,000.

Current vegetation mapping on a property is at 1:100,000, which results in many large areas of regrowth country being incorrectly mapped as Category B (virgin vegetation), as seen below in red circle.



To keep costs to a minimum, Ecosure will complete a desktop assessment by referring to satellite imagery and maps of the vegetation at a property scale. Often a site visit is not required, however this option is available if you require a field based PMAV survey.

This information is then submitted to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM).

What if I already have a PMAV ?

The property scale PMAV will replace your existing PMAV, locking in more areas of Category X (white).

Note: it is *not* possible for a PMAV application to change areas of white to remnant, so you cannot lose areas of white.

What is the legal requirements ?

Legally you cannot clear any vegetation that is regrowth unless it is mapped as Category X on a PMAV.

So getting this rectified in a PMAV is important before any clearing occurs.

What about the regrowth laws ?

The proposed regrowth laws which mapped areas of high value regrowth and regrowth watercourses were not passed by parliament in August 2016, and therefore do not currently apply.

A PMAV application will lock in areas of regrowth on your property as white, thereby stopping any regrowth areas being declared in subsequent law changes.

What are the different PMAV options that Ecosure can provide ?

Ecosure can provide two main options for a PMAV submission

Option 1—Ecosure provides the mapping and reports for you to submit the PMAV application to DNRM yourself. Ecosure provides an example form to help with the process.

Option 2—Ecosure submits the mapping and reports to DNRM along with the PMAV application fee.

We can also provide field survey options if this is required.

What about older regrowth areas that you want changed ?

If there are older areas of regrowth that cannot be seen on imagery, you can provide us details and we can submit these to DNRM.

For these situations, we would require

- A drawing of the area to be changed
- The year it was cleared, and how it was cleared
- Photographs of the clearing , preferably using a smart phone with location services, so we can locate (georeference) the photograph