9.3.17 Telecommunications facility code

9.3.17.1 Application

This code applies to assessable development:-

- (a) being a material change of use for a telecommunications facility; and
- (b) identified as requiring assessment against the Telecommunications facility code by the tables of assessment in **Part 5 (Tables of assessment)**.

Editor's note—this code primarily deals with telecommunications facilities involving the erection of a telecommunications tower.

9.3.17.2 Purpose and overall outcomes

- (1) The purpose of the Telecommunications facility code is to ensure telecommunication facilities are developed in a manner which protects public health, the environment and the amenity of surrounding premises.
- (2) The purpose of the Telecommunication facility code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:-
 - (a) a telecommunications facility is located with compatible uses and facilities;
 - a telecommunications facility does not adversely impact upon community wellbeing;
 - a telecommunications facility does not adversely affect the amenity of surrounding premises;
 - (d) a telecommunications facility is visually integrated with its natural, rural or townscape setting;
 - (e) a telecommunications facility is sited and constructed so as to minimise detrimental environmental impacts.

9.3.17.3 Assessment benchmarks

Table 9.3.17.3.1 Assessment benchmarks for assessable development

Performance outcomes		Acceptable outcomes		
Location and site suitability				
PO1	The telecommunications facility is:- (a) located on a site which minimises any adverse impacts on sensitive land uses, the amenity of a local area and community wellbeing; (b) sited in a manner compatible with land uses adjacent to and in the general vicinity of the development site.	AO1	(a) No acceptable outcome provided.	
Protection of visual amenity and landscape character				
PO2	The telecommunications facility is:- (a) designed and located to be visually integrated with its natural, rural or townscape setting; (b) designed and located to not adversely impact the amenity of existing, approved or planned adjoining uses;	AO2	No acceptable outcome provided.	

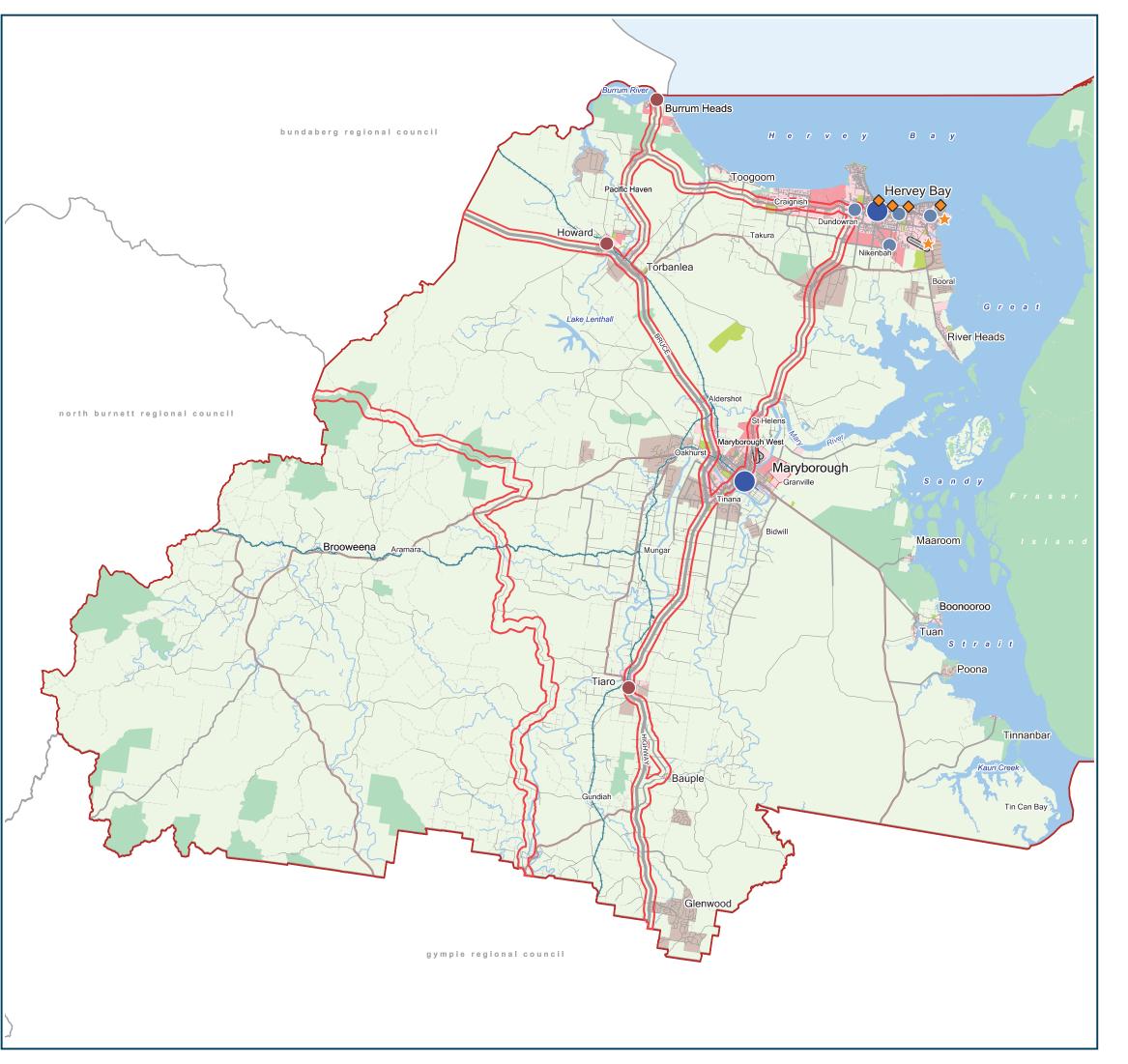


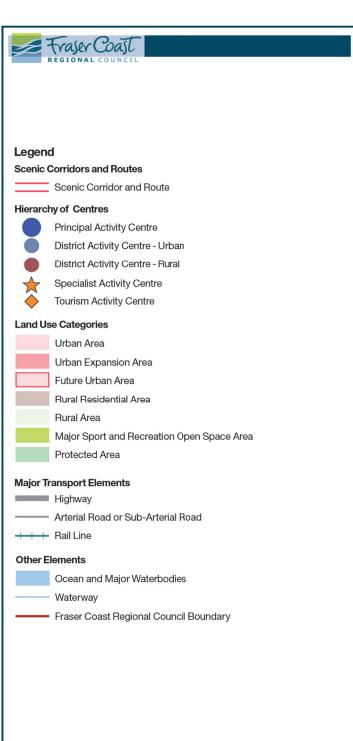
Performa	ance outcomes	Acceptable	outcomes	
	(c) camouflaged through the use of colours and materials that reduce visual prominence and is sympathetic to the surrounding landscape; (d) unobtrusive when viewed from any scenic corridors and routes identified in Figure 9b; and (e) provided with landscaping strips around the facility and/or the site boundaries to reduce visual prominence. Editor's note- An appropriate tool to assess visual impacts is a visual representation. The visual representation should depict views of the proposed telecommunication facility from predicted vantage points such as habitable room windows and balconies.			
Public h	ealth, safety and security			
PO3	The telecommunications facility is secure, public health and safety is protected and potential damage from vandalism is minimised.	AO3.1	Warning information signs and security fencing are provided around the perimeter of the telecommunications facility site to prevent unauthorised entry.	
		AO3.2	Electromagnetic radiation (EMR) emissions from the telecommunications facility or device are in accordance with the maximum exposure levels as set in the Radiation Protection Standard – Maximum Exposure Levels to Radiofrequency Fields – 3kHz to 300GHz (Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) 2003).	
Access				
PO4	The telecommunications facility is provided with adequate access to allow periodic servicing and maintenance of the facility.	AO4	No acceptable outcome provided.	
Facility co-location				
PO5	The telecommunications facility is designed and located to facilitate colocation with other telecommunications facilities.	AO5	No acceptable outcome provided.	



Figure 9b Fraser Coast Scenic Routes and Corridors

Part 9



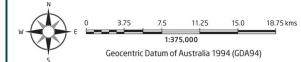


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Fraser Coast Scenic Corridors and Routes

FIGURE 9b