

# Case Study



## Pacific Highway upgrade Brunswick Heads to Yelgun

### Relocation of threatened plant species

The Brunswick Valley in northern NSW is home to some 30 plant species listed as endangered or vulnerable under the NSW Threatened Species Conservation Act (1995) and also the location of the Pacific Highway upgrade – Brunswick Heads to Yelgun.

In 2004, the RTA identified fifteen species of rare and threatened plants for relocation.

Over 200 of these identified rare and threatened plants were relocated to a vacant 2 hectare block of land. In addition to these 200 plants the site also became home to threatened and non-threatened plant species grown from seeds collected along the road corridor. The non-threatened species may have otherwise been lost during the construction process.

Today the site consists of over 1,000 plants, many bearing flowers and fruit which have been attracting native fauna back into the area. This land will eventually be handed over to the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) for inclusion in the National Park Estate as part of the project's compensatory habitat.



**A Black Walnut (Endiandra Globosa) after being excavated on the Tugun bypass.**



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