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## Health and Safety Plan

The circumstances in which BRaid operates are generally as follows:

1. Indoors, in meetings and conferences
2. Outdoors, in braided riverbeds.

### 1. Indoors

Where activities are carried out indoors, including attending and running meetings, seminars and conferences, comply with the H&S requirements set out by the owner/leaseholder/manager of those premises.

### 2. Outdoors

Where activities are carried out outdoors, including bird counts, weed clearing, directing heavy machinery to clear weeds and form islands, and install and check traps, the following RAMS form will be used and implemented by the event organiser.

## Risk Analysis and Management System

**Name:**

**Date:**

**Activity/Situation:** River Bird Survey/Trapping/Weeding

**Location:**

<b>Risks:</b> Accident, injury or other forms of loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drowning</li> <li>• Dehydration</li> <li>• Cuts from sharp objects</li> <li>• Sprains or breaks from falls</li> <li>• Sunburn/exposure to cold</li> <li>• Allergies/stings from plants or insects</li> <li>• Exposure to dirt/germs in the water</li> <li>• Person left behind</li> <li>• Psychological damage – fear of water or open spaces</li> <li>• Potential confrontation with other river users – for example, 4x4 drivers, hunters, fishermen, dog-owners, land owners</li> <li>• Trap injuries</li> <li>• Heavy equipment</li> </ul>		
<b>Causal Factors:</b> hazards, perils, dangers	<u>People</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insufficient briefing of supervisors</li> <li>• Insufficient briefing of</li> </ul>	<u>Equipment</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inappropriate clothing, gloves, or footwear</li> </ul>	<u>Environment</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Variable weather conditions &amp; exposure to wind, rain &amp; sun</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>participants/volunteers</li> <li>• Insufficient training in the use of and resetting of traps</li> <li>• Lack of supervision</li> <li>• Participants with medical conditions eg allergies and asthma</li> <li>• Participants not staying with group</li> <li>• Head count not completed at regular intervals</li> <li>• Avoid interacting in potential conflict situations and report behaviours to relevant authority</li> <li>• Avoid surveys during hunting season</li> <li>• Wear high vis jackets</li> <li>• Avoid being obvious when taking evidence such as photographs of behaviour</li> <li>• Dangers posed by heavy machinery such as graders</li> <li>• Access through private property</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lack of protective gear eg sunscreen, sunhat</li> <li>• Inappropriate use of equipment</li> <li>• Lack of communication devices</li> <li>• Lack of First Aid kits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes in river level/bank conditions</li> <li>• Cuts/abrasions through contact with rubbish eg glass, tins</li> <li>• Cuts abrasion through contact with plants eg gorse, blackberry</li> <li>• Drowning during river crossings</li> <li>• Dehydration</li> <li>• Poison, traps, and sprays</li> <li>• Accessing waterways through variable environments</li> </ul>
<p><b>Risk Management Strategies:</b> Normal Operation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training given for all use of traps</li> <li>• Compliance with the safety procedures set out by heavy machinery contractors</li> <li>• Contact details of local emergency services on hand, including doctor and local ranger</li> <li>• Advise participants of potential hazards and compliance requirement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Info to participants including guidelines for footwear, hats, clothing, sunscreen</li> <li>• Everyone is instructed on the safe use of equipment</li> <li>• Ensure phone and First Aid Kit is immediately accessible</li> <li>• Encourage use of hand washing facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suitable clothing for weather conditions</li> <li>• Check areas after extreme weather or storm conditions</li> <li>• Check no spraying, poison, baits, or traps laid in areas , or if present, ensure appropriate information and guidelines are included in briefing</li> <li>• Ensure eye wash and clean water is carried in First Aid kit</li> <li>• Ensure safe drinking water carried by all personnel</li> <li>• Ensure potential hazards to</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clear on activities including time guidelines</li> <li>• Extra vigilance near water</li> <li>• Check participants are carrying medicines for special conditions</li> <li>• Keep individuals in sight of one another</li> <li>• Permission from property owners to access waterways</li> <li>• Any possible risks associated with this access determined; compliance with land owner's risk management strategies</li> </ul>		<p>access/exit points to the river are identified and controlled</p>
<p><b>Risk Management Strategies:</b> Emergency</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Aid administered by qualified person as appropriate</li> <li>• Contact made with emergency services</li> <li>• Details of incident to be recorded if First Aid was administered or casualty referred to hospital.</li> </ul>		