

REGENERATION ZONES - *Public Awareness Campaign*

This Public Awareness Campaign is designed to inform local residents about KBULG's Regeneration Zones, their purpose, uses and management issues.

What are they? They are mostly patches of remnant vegetation that has regenerated naturally.

Are you aware that there are a series of Regeneration Zones surrounding our city? In fact the Regeneration Zones comprise approximately 3500 hectares. This is roughly the same size as the city of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's residential area.

How long have the Regeneration Zones have been around for? The Regeneration Zones were established in the early 1970's.

Where are the Regeneration Zones? There are 7 Regeneration Zones located around the city. Six of the zones are located to the north west of the city and the 7th is located in South Boulder. The 7th zone has been planted by the community at various stages since the early 1980's, however there is a severe salinity problem in the area making plant growth very difficult.

Why were the Regeneration Zones established? The Regeneration Zones were established to minimise the impact of severe dust storms blowing into the city.

What purpose do the Regeneration Zones serve? Apart from successfully suppressing dust, the Regeneration Zones act as a 'Green Belt' around the city. These Regeneration Zones have become a valuable asset to the residents of Kalgoorlie-Boulder. They provide an opportunity for education and recreation.

Things you can do in the Regeneration Zones include:

- Bushwalking
- Picnicking
- Walking the dog
- Mountain bike riding (riders should use existing tracks)
- Logging/Fitness
- Photography
- Bird watching

Things you SHOULD NOT do in the Regeneration Zones include:

- Ride motor cycles
- Drive vehicles
- Dump rubbish
- Cut or collect wood (Wood collecting is NOT permitted in a 20km radius around Kalgoorlie-Boulder. Contact CALM or the Forests Products Commission for information about firewood collection)
- Light fires
- Pick any plant material (It is illegal to pick any native flora in Western Australia)

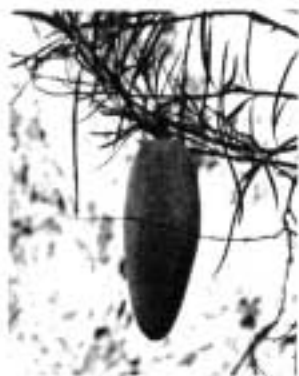
The Regeneration Zones are there for the enjoyment of the whole community. Please keep this in mind when using the zones.



SCATTER THE SILKY PEAR

One of the Regeneration Zones is Karikurla Bushland Park. This is the location of the Goldfields first 'touched by nature' tourism product, part of the statewide tourism push to promote nature based product and encourage conservation of WA's pristine environment.

Pop into the Tourist Centre in Hannan Street for a packet of seeds to disperse at marked points throughout the park.



UPGRADING THE TRAILS

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, KBULG's major sponsor is upgrading the paths in Karikurla Park. This has included wetting and rolling the gravel trail, fixing up culverts. KBULG are presently liaising with Council about sealing some sections of the walk trail.

Karikurla Park is a lovely place to go for a walk just before sunset. The recently completed lookout gives excellent views of the surrounding bushland. You are welcome to take a picnic and sit at one of the picnic tables placed every 200m along the trail but please take your rubbish home with you.