

Dja Dja Wurrung Camping Village Project Victoria's Great Outdoors Program

The Victorian State Government is investing \$105.6 million over four years in Victoria's Great Outdoors (VGO) this will deliver better parks, campgrounds, tracks and outdoor facilities across the state.

As part of this, Bendigo has received a \$2 million funded project to develop a Dja Dja Wurrung Camping Village in the Bendigo Regional Park adjacent to No. 7 Park in Kangaroo Flat to further provide Victorians with improved outdoor and camping facilities.



The campground will be based around Dja Dja Wurrung values, designed to create a space for community and sharing. This will allow visitors to immerse themselves in Dja Dja Wurrung culture and engage in cultural and environmental experiences that are uniquely Dja Dja Wurrung in nature.

The Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation which is now trading as Djaara is leading the planning, design, and expenditure of this project in partnership with Parks Victoria, Coliban Water and the City of Greater Bendigo.

Why was this site chosen?

- The site adjoins the City of Greater Bendigo's No. 7 Park which will allow for campers to have access to the current recreational opportunities at Crusoe Reservoir and No. 7 Park.
- The site has good connections to existing trails including the Bendigo Bushland Trail, Bendigo Creek Trail and proximity to the Big Hill lookout walk. Close amenities including public transport, proximity to the Kangaroo Flat shopping precinct and access to the Calder highway.
- The existing tree canopies and good quality understory vegetation provide a natural camp setting creating an opportunity to celebrate Dja Dja Wurrung culture in a healthy and thriving Box Ironbark landscape.

The project is currently in the concept stage with site specifics such as booking options, site access, and site design still being developed. Dja Dja Wurrung will be engaging and consulting with stakeholders throughout the design process. Throughout this process Djaara will seeking community feedback and providing updates.

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