## 3. CODES FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND USE

## 3.1 Codes for Agriculture and Animal Husbandry

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this code is to provide for the development of Agriculture and Animal husbandry on rural land where environmental impacts are able to be managed to acceptable levels such that environmental harm is avoided, there is no detrimental impact on adjoining land uses, and land and water resources are used sustainably.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	ACCEPTABLE MEASURES
P1 Agricultural and animal husbandry uses do not have an unacceptable adverse impact on the amenity of existing or likely future surrounding residential land premises.	<ul> <li>A1 The activity takes place on a site which is further than:</li> <li>300m from a Residential Precinct (other than a Sustainable Rural Residential Precinct), and</li> <li>150m from an existing rural residential lot in a Sustainable Rural Residential Precinct.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>P2 Development and use of premises must be carried out in ways which are sustainable by:</li> <li>conserving the values of environmentally sensitive areas;</li> <li>conserving the productive characteristics and qualities of the land and its soils;</li> <li>protecting the integrity of waterways and water quality standards;</li> <li>managing waste through avoidance, reduction, recycling treatment and, as the least preferred measure, disposal;</li> <li>avoiding or minimising weed infestation;</li> <li>minimising the release of contaminants into the air; keeping noise generation to within acceptable limits.</li> <li>minimising noise generation<sup>1</sup>. This includes compliance with best practice industry standards including the following (or any other or subsequent equivalent) codes of practice:</li> </ul>	No Acceptable Measure is nominated.

<sup>1</sup> To demonstrate compliance with this performance criterion, applicants may need to prepare a noise impact assessment in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy No.7 - Acoustic Environment Assessment



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<ul> <li>P2 continued</li> <li>The "Environmental Code of Practice for Agriculture" (Queensland Farmers' Federation)</li> <li>The "Code of Practice for Sustainable Cane Growing in Queensland" (Queensland Canegrowers)</li> </ul>	No Acceptable Measure is nominated.
<ul> <li>P3 Buildings must be set well back, or otherwise buffered from, frontages to unsealed roads, heavily trafficked roads and existing or likely future heavy vehicle haul routes in order to:</li> <li>avoid or minimise noise and dust nuisance, and</li> <li>maintain an open visual landscape dominated by natural elements (rather than built structures).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A3 Buildings (other than a detached house or outbuilding) are set back at least:</li> <li>40 metres from any State Controlled Roads,</li> <li>otherwise, 20 metres from any rural road, or any road shown on the Strategic Plan Map as "Extractive Industry Haulage Route".</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>P4 Buildings must be set well back from site boundaries in order to:</li> <li>help maintain the typically open or forested rural landscape in which buildings are a minor event,</li> <li>provide for separation from existing or likely future rural activities on adjoining land, and</li> <li>allow for the sustainable on-site treatment and disposal of waste water.</li> </ul>	A4 Buildings (other than a detached house or outbuilding) are set back at least 10 metres from all site boundaries other than road frontages.
<ul> <li>P5 A buffer is maintained to protect and enhance the environmental values and ecosystem services of waterways, wetlands and fish habitat areas having regard to:</li> <li>fauna habitats;</li> <li>adjacent land use impacts;</li> <li>stream integrity;</li> <li>sustainable aquatic and wetland ecosystems; and</li> <li>recreational amenity.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A5.1 A vegetated buffer is provided of the following width, as measured from the top of the defining bank (refer Figure 4-2.1.2(c) in the Code for Waterways and Wetlands):</li> <li>(a) 25m for a waterway shown as stream order 3 or above; or</li> <li>(b) 10m for a waterway shown as stream order 1 or 2; as shown on Figure 4-2.1.2(a) in the Code for Waterways and Wetlands.</li> <li>AND</li> <li>A5.2 A minimum vegetated buffer width of 25m is provided around the perimeter of any wetland shown on Figure 4-2.1.2(b) in the Code for Waterways and Wetlands .</li> <li>AND</li> <li>A5.3 All existing native vegetation within the buffer established under A5.1 or A5.2 is retained and, is supplemented using locally indigenous plant species so that a locally representative community is provided.</li> </ul>
P6. The use must be established in a manner that does not require clearing of remnant vegetation.	A6.1 Establishment of Agriculture or Animal Husbandry uses does no require the clearing of vegetation in an area within the Nature Conservation Management Area, (as shown on Regulatory Map No 1.1 of this Planning Scheme).