

GPL Lowland *Poa labillardierei* grassland: on slopes facies

Community Description:

Lowland *Poa labillardierei* grasslands are generally species-poor, treeless communities characterised by tussocks of *Poa labillardierei* with herbs, graminoids and small grasses in the inter-tussock spaces. The *Poa labillardierei* tussocks may be large and spreading or small and tufty depending on the situation. The tussocks may form a closed sward or an open layer with smaller grasses and herbs in the inter-tussock spaces. This facies of GPL occurs mainly on slopes. It is considered a disturbance-induced community predominantly resulting from the loss of the tree layer of grassy woodlands. This benchmark is one of 2 benchmarks available to assess the condition of GPL).

Benchmarks:

Component	Cover (%)	LF Code
Dominant Life Form	60	LTG
Organic Litter	10	

Understorey Life Forms	LF code	# Spp	Cover (%)
Medium Shrub/Small Shrub	S	1	1
Herbs and Orchids	H	20	10
Large Tussock Grass	LTG	1	60
Medium to Small Tussock Grass	MTG	2	10
Non-Tussock Grass	NTG	4	1
Tiny Grass/Sedge/Lily	TGS	1	1
Large Sedge/Rush/Sagg/Lily	LSR	4	10
Medium to Small Sedge/Rush/Sagg/Lily	MSR	2	2
Ground Ferns and fern allies	GF	1	1
Mosses and Lichens	ML	1	5
Total	10	37	

Species lists:

Dominant Life Form Species	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Poa labillardierei</i>	silver tussockgrass	LTG

Emergent Tree Species	Common Name	Notes
<i>Acacia dealbata</i>	silver wattle	Scattered trees only, when present
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	blackwood	Scattered trees only, when present
<i>Acacia dealbata</i>	silver wattle	Scattered trees only, when present

Typical Understorey Species *	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Astroloma humifusum</i>	native cranberry	PS
<i>Bossiaea prostrata</i>	creeping bossia	PS
<i>Lissanthe strigosa</i>	peachberry heath	PS
<i>Acaena</i> spp.	sheepsburr	H
<i>Asperula conferta</i>	common woodruff	H
<i>Chrysocephalum apiculatum</i>	common everlasting	H
<i>Convolvulus angustissimus</i>	blushing bindweed	H
<i>Cynoglossum suaveolens</i>	sweet houndstongue	H
<i>Dichondra repens</i>	kidneyweed	H
<i>Drosera</i> spp.	sundew	H
<i>Epilobium</i> spp.	willowherb	H
<i>Euchiton</i> spp.	cudweed	H
<i>Geranium</i> spp.	cranesbill	H
<i>Gonocarpus tetragynus</i>	common raspwort	H
<i>Hydrocotyle</i> spp.	pennywort	H
<i>Hypericum</i> spp.	st johns-wort	H
<i>Leptorhynchus</i> spp.	buttons	H
<i>Oxalis perennans</i>	woodsorrel	H
<i>Ranunculus</i> spp.	buttercup	H
<i>Rumex dumosus</i>	Wiry dock	H
<i>Scleranthus</i> spp.	knawel	H
<i>Senecio</i> spp.	fireweed	H
<i>Solenogyne</i> spp.	flat-herb	H
<i>Veronica</i> spp.	speedwell	H
<i>Vittadinia</i> spp.	New Holland daisy	H
<i>Wahlenbergia</i> spp.	bluebell	H
<i>Rytidosperma</i> spp.	wallabygrass	MTG
<i>Austrostipa</i> spp.	speargrass	MTG
<i>Deyeuxia quadrisetata</i>	bentgrass	MTG
<i>Dichelachne</i> spp.	longhair plumegrass	MTG
<i>Lachnagrostis</i> spp.	blowngrass	MTG
<i>Ehrharta stipoides</i>	weeping grass	NTG
<i>Carex breviculmis</i>	shortstem sedge	TGS
<i>Isolepis</i> spp.	clubsedge	TGS
<i>Schoenus apogon</i>	common bogsedge	TGS
<i>Carex longibrachiata</i>	drooping sedge	LSR
<i>Diplarrena morae</i>	white flag-iris	LSR
<i>Juncus</i> spp.	rush	LSR
<i>Lepidosperma</i> spp.	swordsedge	LSR
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	sagg	LSR
<i>Arthropodium</i> spp.	vanilla-lily	MSR
<i>Bulbine</i> spp.	bulbine lilies	MSR
<i>Luzula</i> spp.	woodruff	MSR
<i>Asplenium flabellifolium</i>	necklace fern	GF
<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	bracken	GF

*This list is provided as a guide only. The species listed are typical of this plant community type but may not necessarily be present.