

Proposal: Freycinet Eco Retreat

Proponent / s

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Location

Mt Paul, Friendly Beaches, Freshwater Lagoon – Freycinet National Park

Description of proposal

Development of a unique, one day 12km circular walk starting and finishing at Mt Paul, via two existing fire trails within the Freycinet National Park. This wilderness experience will be a major enhancement to Freycinet Eco Retreat and will complement the expansion works currently underway.

In the company of an expert guide, rather than passively observing the landscape, visitors will be able to learn and appreciate both the geological features and the fauna and flora that are particular to the Freycinet area.

Estimated jobs created

Two seasonal guiding jobs.

Social, cultural and environmental impact

It is proposed that this experience will operate along existing fire trails on Mt Paul, within the Freycinet National Park and neighbouring private property. On this basis, no major new infrastructure is required for this experience.

Expected economic benefits include employment for guides and visitor spend on retail, food and transport in the local area. The proposal is complemented by development of all-weather 6 star energy rated accommodation which has the potential to extend the Tasmanian walking season on the east coast.