

Midland Metro

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Ecological Evaluation Criteria

G2.1 General

The significance of ecological effects is assessed according to the following criteria:

- The magnitude of the effect, as determined by its intensity and by its extent in space and time.
- The value, in nature conservation and ecological contexts, of affected receptors including species, populations, communities, habitats, landscapes and ecosystems.

Significance is determined by the interaction of these primary criteria, being high for large effects on receptors of high value, and lower for smaller effects on receptors of lower value.

In this assessment significant effects are additionally defined as those of sufficient importance to warrant consideration of whether mitigation is feasible in the context of the particular proposals.

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