



Factors that Shape Places – Sackville North Geographical Inquiry

As urban Sydney sprawls in all directions, the Northwest is dramatically changing. This Geographical Inquiry focuses on the connections between people and nature at Brewongle EEC and the surrounds of Sackville North and the Hawkesbury River. The program covers the 'Factors That Shape Places' unit in its entirety, with pre and post-visit lessons and assessments.

This excursion includes the following activities, based around three Inquiry Questions:

Bush Walk and Mapping: Experience the bush as you wander down the mountainside towards the Hawkesbury River. Gain understanding of storm water runoff and topography before assessing the health of the Hawkesbury River.

Q. *How does the natural environment influence people and places at Sackville North?*

Habitat Assessment: Use five different Geographical Tools to evaluate the habitat at Brewongle EEC and discover how it has changed over time.

Q. *How have people changed the natural environment at Sackville North and the local Hawkesbury River catchment?*

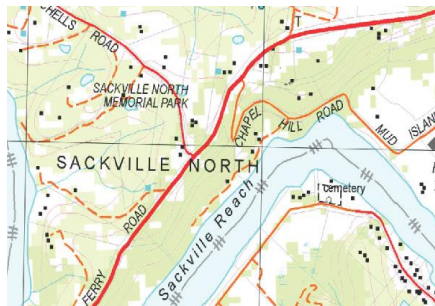
Vegetation and Bushfires: Create a Nature Map to compare and contrast vegetation layering and density at two sites around Brewongle EEC. Use Indigenous Fire Sticks in a controlled environment to assess fuel load and bushfire risk.

Q. *How do bushfires shape the natural environment and impact where people live in Sackville North?*

Syllabus Links: Stage 3 Factors That Shape Places (GE3-1,2,3,4)

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