

Vicmap Topographic - eNewsletter

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Introduction

Welcome to the February 2012 issue of the Vicmap Topographic Mapping Newsletter! The aim of this quarterly newsletter is to provide users with the latest news on Victorian topographic mapping products.

The objective of the Vicmap topographic mapping program is to provide **current** and **authoritative** topographic mapping for all users, in a number of different scales and map sizes, and in both digital and hardcopy formats.

Information Services Branch (ISB) of the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) is responsible for the production and maintenance of Vicmap Topographic Mapping.

Products

Vicmap Topographic Mapping comprises a number of different state wide map series products:

Product	Scale	Size	Digital/ Hardcopy	Update Cycle
Vicmap Topographic Maps Online 1:30 000	1:30 000	A4 A3	Georeferenced Digital pdf	Yearly
Vicmap Hardcopy Replacement Program	1:25 000 1:50 000 1:100 000	A0	Hardcopy	Three to six years for each map sheet

What's new

Vicmap Hardcopy Program – Revision Program

With statewide coverage at 1:50 000 completed, map sheets are now being updated to ensure that they are no more than six years old. Over 140 map sheets have been revised since August 2009 with fourteen updated in the last three months including:

- Grampians 7323-N
- Thackeray 7323-S
- Leinster 824-S
- Willis 8524-S
- Lorne 7620-N

Vicmap Hardcopy Program – New 1:25 000 maps

DSE will be creating 1:25 000 map sheets over areas where the old AGD66 1:25K maps are no longer available. The following new 1:25 000 map sheets were created in January 2012:

- Feathertop Nth 8324-3-N
- Rheola Nth 7624-4-N
- Buffalo Nth 8224-2-N
- Buller South 8123-1-S
- Dandongadale South 8224-3-S

For the latest published maps, currency of map and edition number, refer to the revision map or revision table at:

<http://www.dse.vic.gov.au/vicmap> > Vicmap Maps > Vicmap Topographic Hardcopy Maps

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Topographic maps on iPad and iPhone

An exciting development is the availability of an app for reading georeferenced PDFs using Apple iOS devices such as iPod Touch, iPhone & iPad. This free app, PDF Maps, will enable the user to interact with Vicmap Topographic 1:30 000 A4 & A3 PDFs.

Functionality includes:

- View your location on the PDF map using the built-in GPS device
- Use the compass to view true or magnetic north
- Quickly view, zoom and pan maps using gestures
- Plot waypoints, create attributes and populate data and notes
- Export waypoints and associated attribute data to CSV, GPX or KML and via mail or dropbox
- View the coordinates of the current position and any waypoint (latitude and longitude)
- Measure distance and area in map units
- Import KML files

To use:

1. Purchase and download required Vicmap Topographic Map PDFs from <http://services.land.vic.gov.au/maps/imf/search/Topo30Front.jsp>
2. Download the free app onto your device from: <http://www.avenza.com/pdf-maps>
3. View/Read Vicmap Topographic map on your portable device using PDF Maps.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For access to information on Vicmap Hardcopy Topographic Mapping visit:

<http://www.dse.vic.gov.au/vicmap> > Vicmap Maps > Vicmap Topographic Hardcopy Maps

For access to Vicmap Topographic Online 1:30 000 visit the website:

<http://services.land.vic.gov.au/maps/imf/search/Topo30Front.jsp>

Useful Web Links

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Let us know

We are keen to hear from you. If there is anything that you would like to see included in future issues of the newsletter. Please contact us by email or phone.